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## RESOLUTION NO.

**WHEREAS**, the City Council recognizes that the City of Austin is facing an unprecedented housing crisis and is committed to taking action to address the many causes contributing to this crisis; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2012 the Council adopted the Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan, which prioritizes the need for a mix of housing across the City including use of small lots; and

**WHEREAS**, the Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan recommends market rate small-lot housing in order to “develop and maintain household affordability throughout Austin,” and smaller-lot single family housing to “promote diverse infill housing” (See pages 201 and 228 LUT A2 on the Land Use and Transportation/Building Block 1); and

**WHEREAS**, increasing the number of housing units, affordable and market rate (Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan, page 201), is critical to the ultimate success of Austin’s housing strategies; and

**WHEREAS**, the Land Development Code (“LDC”) does not allow for disaggregation of existing substandard lots or lots that qualify for small-lot amnesty (“disaggregation rule”); and

**WHEREAS**, the disaggregation rule requires multiple adjacent lots that could support twice as much housing separately to be bound as a single lot as large as 11,499 square feet; and

28           **WHEREAS**, removing the disaggregation rule from the LDC would create  
29 opportunities to construct more homes at more affordable prices than the  
30 disaggregation rule allows, and on lots sizes that already exist in the LDC and are  
31 allowed individually; **NOW THEREFORE**,

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33           **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:**

34           The Council initiates amendments to Title 25 of the City Code to allow the  
35 disaggregation of substandard lots and lots that qualify for small-lot amnesty. The  
36 City Manager is directed to propose any Code changes necessary to achieve this  
37 objective, which may include amendments to Section 25-2-943 (*Substandard Lot*),  
38 25-2-1406 (*Ordinance Requirements*), or other relevant sections as deemed  
39 appropriate.

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44           **ADOPTED:** \_\_\_\_\_, 2023

45           **ATTEST:** \_\_\_\_\_

46                           Myrna Rios  
                                  City Clerk