

# Austin Neighborhoods Council

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Dear Mayor Leffingwell, Mayor Pro Tem and Council Members,

The Austin Neighborhoods Council is an umbrella organization representing 91 neighborhood associations across the city. The following resolution regarding providing timely notices to neighborhoods about significant utility developments was approved unanimously at the ANC General Membership meeting on May 27, 2009.

Whereas, in recent months Cherrywood, Windsor Park and numerous other neighborhoods have experienced encroachments on natural spaces by private and public utility companies; and

Whereas, encroachments of natural spaces have included parks, historic and archeological sites and native habitats otherwise designated for specific uses in Council approved neighborhood plans; and

Whereas, the neighborhoods and neighborhood contact teams were not given timely notices when city permits were issued for the projects; and

Whereas, the neighborhoods were left with no opportunity to mitigate damages;

Therefore, be it resolved, that the Austin Neighborhoods Council calls on the city of Austin to afford timely notices of any significant encroachments on natural spaces (as mentioned above) to neighborhood associations and planning teams.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter,



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