

March 28, 2007

RESOLUTION FOR EXTERIOR RESIDENTIAL LIGHTING STANDARDS

Whereas, there exists a need in the City of Austin for exterior residential lighting standards, and

Whereas, other communities, including neighboring municipalities, have recognized the need for and have subsequently enacted exterior residential lighting standards, and

Whereas, such an exterior residential lighting standard can be worded so as to balance the needs of residential property owners for safety, security and aesthetic enjoyment with the adjacent residential property owners' peaceable enjoyment of their property free from exterior light trespass, and

Whereas, such an ordinance dealing with exterior residential lighting standard can be written in such a way as to be enforceable without undue burden upon the City of Austin,

Be it resolved that the Austin Neighborhoods Council:

Urges the City of Austin to sponsor an ordinance to regulate exterior residential lighting standards. Said ordinance shall be written in such a way as to balance the needs of residential property owners for safety, security and aesthetic enjoyment with the adjacent residential property owners' peaceable enjoyment of their property free from exterior light trespass. In addition, the ordinance shall be written in such a way as to be enforceable without undue burden upon the City of Austin.

Adopted by Austin Neighborhoods Council March 28, 2007