

Austin Neighborhoods Council

**RESOLUTION CONCERNING AMENDMENTS AND PENALTIES TO
FRONT AND SIDE YARD PARKING ORDINANCE**

WHEREAS, the City of Austin Ordinance 12-5-29 “Front or Side Yard Parking” prohibition was enacted in an earlier version in 1992; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the “Front or Side Yard Parking” prohibition is to help reduce erosion resulting from landscape damage, reduce vehicle pollutants saturating yard soil where run-off ends up in the streets and creeks and help prevent property devaluation; and

WHEREAS, the Civil Penalties for a violation of City Ordinance 12-5-29 are located in City Ordinance 12-5-90; and

WHEREAS, the City Council provides neighborhoods the option to be governed by the Front or Side Yard Parking ordinance; and

WHEREAS, 82 NA’s, HOA’s, Civic Associations or NPA’s in Austin have opted into the ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the ordinance needs an amendment to provide tougher civil penalties for Front or Side Yard Parking violations; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Court needs to support cumulative metrics tracking of the number of Front or Side Yard Parking violations a vehicle incurs; and

WHEREAS, internal processes need to be developed to ensure accurate records of NA’s, HOA’s, Civic Associations or NPA’s who have opted-into the ordinance are current and maintained, NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Austin Neighborhoods Council requests the Austin City Council to increase penalties for violations under City Ordinance 12-5-90 for Front or Side Yard Parking.

Presented to the ANC General Membership by: Linda Messier

Approved and adopted: [date]

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