

**THIS IS A DRAFT AND WILL BE REPLACED BY THE FINAL, SIGNED
ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY CITY COUNCIL.**

A RESOLUTION

**SUPPORTING THE DEVELOPMENT OF A COMMUNITY
WILDFIRE PROTECTION PLAN.**

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WHEREAS, coupled with an increase in the occurrence of wildfires, Texas is experiencing unprecedented growth and development in areas that were once rural; and

WHEREAS, it is in these areas where developments meet vegetation, the wildland-urban interface, that the greatest risk to public safety and property from wildfires exists; and

WHEREAS, the best defense is preparedness and public education concerning the dangers that wildfires pose to the residents and natural resources of the City of San Antonio; and

WHEREAS, a Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) is authorized under the provisions outlined in Title I of the Healthy Forest Restoration Act of 2003; and

WHEREAS, a CWPP is a written document, mutually agreed upon by local, state, and federal representatives and stakeholders that identifies how a community will reduce its risks from wildland fire; and

WHEREAS, a CWPP addresses structural ignitability, prioritizes hazardous fuel reduction efforts on public and private lands, and is developed collaboratively; and

WHEREAS, the development of a CWPP gives a community an opportunity to influence the manner in which hazardous fuels are reduced on federal lands in proximity to communities; and

WHEREAS, communities with a CWPP offer the best solution for communities at risk from wildfire to mitigate said risks; **NOW THEREFORE:**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

SECTION 1. The City Council of the City of San Antonio fully supports the development of a Community Wildfire Protection Plan in accordance with the Healthy Forest Restoration Act.

SECTION 2. This Resolution is effective immediately upon the receipt of eight affirmative votes; otherwise, it is effective ten days after passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED this _____ day of _____, 2015.

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Ivy R. Taylor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Leticia M. Vacek, City Clerk

Martha G. Sepeda, Acting City Attorney

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