

## **RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS** the Austin Community Technology and Telecommunications Commission makes recommendations to the Austin City Council in matters regarding beneficial uses of community technology and access television; and

**WHEREAS** the City and the Commission have an interest in supporting effective technology education and outreach efforts; and

**WHEREAS** on June 24, 2006, the City and the Commission jointly co-sponsored a community media forum on the topic of public access television which was successful and the community responses indicated support for a continued series of workshops; and

**WHEREAS** the Grant for Technology Opportunities (GTOPS) is a grant program operated by the City and founded in 2001 to provide matching funds for local programs that provide technology opportunities that help to bridge the digital divide; and

**WHEREAS** the GTOPS program has been a remarkable success in achieving its goals; and

**WHEREAS** the commission would like to promote a two part series that encourages communication and shared values between “Community Radio”, “Film”, “Video Gaming Community” and “Public Access Television”;

**WHEREAS** these levels of successes can be achieved only through continued, diligent administration of the programs;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE AUSTIN COMMUNITY TECHNOLOGY AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION:**

To recommend that City approve \$5,000 funding toward staff resources which support the administration of the GTOPs program for FY 2007-2008 and at least two (Fall & Spring) Community Media Technology forums/workshops.

DATE: June 13, 2007

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

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