

# Austin College

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### Explorations into New On-Campus Living Units

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**Background** Austin College currently has experienced recent issues with an overwhelming number of housing applications in traditionally upperclassmen living units due to an increase in the student body size. The increasing competitiveness for on-campus housing and the lack of off-campus options has led to frustrations and concerns among the student body.

**Knowing** that Austin College is a residential campus that requires that students live on campus for at least their first three years as a student,

**Considering** that the *Austin College: Adding Value to a Changing World Strategic Plan 2015-2020* intends to increase the student body size by admitting an additional 45 students each year,

**Aware** that many students have been frustrated with the lack of availabilities in on-campus housing options,

**Convinced** that this problem will only continue unless Austin College is able to add to their total number of on-campus living options,

**Further Convinced** that without this increase in living units, the school will no longer be able to feasibly accommodate the student body, particularly when many upperclassmen desire to move out of more traditional residence halls,

**Be it resolved** that Student Assembly strongly recommend that the College consider and explore any and all options for increasing the number of living units on-campus whether it be through outsourcing and contracting university housing development and management companies, seeking alumni funding, or through applying for grant aid.