

VIA Metropolitan Transit Authority At Large	Application No: No: 20201211114636_10469
ELIGIBILITY	
Are you a qualified voter in the City of San Antonio?	Yes
PROFILE	
Prefix	Mr.
Last Name	Paredes
First Name	Javier
Middle Name	
Suffix	
Preferred Name	Javier
Title	
Address Type?	
Address	
City	
State	
Zip	78216
Phone Type?	
Phone number	
Phone 2 Type?	
Phone 2 number	
eMail	
Employer	
Job Title	
Occupation	
Board/Commission/Committee Name	VIA Metropolitan Transit Authority~At Large~~16
DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION	

The City of San Antonio strives for boards and commissions to be representative of our diverse community. Providing the following demographic information is voluntary, and will only be used for statistical and reporting purposes.	
Race/Ethnicity (Please select all that apply):	American Indian and/or Alaska Native Hispanic/Latino/a
Gender:	Male
Age:	35 to 44
Do you identify as a sexual minority (such as lesbian, gay, bisexual, queer, etc.)?	No
QUESTIONS	
If this board position requires residency within Bexar County, the City of San Antonio city limits or within a particular council district, do you meet those residency requirements?	Yes
Are you a City of San Antonio resident?	Yes
San Antonio Resident Length - Years	16
In which City Council District do you reside?	01
How many years have you lived in the City Council District where you reside?	16
Do you or any of your immediate family members or	No

<p>any businesses that you or they own currently have any direct or indirect financial interest in any contract(s) with the City, including subcontracts?</p>	
<p>Will you or any of your immediate family members or any businesses that you or they own seek a contract(s) with the City in the foreseeable future?</p>	<p>No</p>
<p>Do you or any of your immediate family members or any businesses that you or they own have any financial interest, direct or indirect, in any sale to the City of any land, materials, supplies, or service?</p>	<p>No</p>
<p>Will you or any of your immediate family members of any businesses that you or they own seek or take part, either directly or indirectly, in any sale of land, materials, supplies, or service to the City in the foreseeable future?</p>	<p>No</p>
<p>Does your employer or an employer of your immediate family members have a contract with the City?</p>	<p>Yes</p>
<p>List name of employer, family member and describe contract.</p>	<p>Employer: Munoz and Company Contract: On-Call Architectural Services</p>
<p>Do you or any of your family members currently serve or in</p>	<p>No</p>

the past year served as an administrative aide to a Councilmember?	
Do you currently serve in any elected or appointed public government office?	Yes
Please list office, board or commission, your position in that entity and term of service.	COSA Parks and Recreation Department Municipal Golf Board-San Antonio Board Member-Expires 05/02/2021
Are you a member and/or officer and/or employee of any boards, commissions, corporations, non-profit entities, agencies, or other entities?	Yes
Give the title and dates of any position which you have held in such organization:	COSA Parks and Recreation Department Municipal Golf Board-San Antonio Board Member-Expires 05/02/2021
Do you receive any compensation for service on this entity(ies)?	No
Do you intend to seek election or appointment to any public office or board or commission in the foreseeable future?	No
Have you ever been hired for a position with the City of San Antonio?	Yes
List the department(s) and date(s):	City South Management Authority (CSMA) City of San Antonio, Economic Development Dept Student Intern- Sept 2009- Feb 2010
Reason for leaving City	Internship Concluded

employment:	
Describe your Educational history.	<p>University of Texas- San Antonio - Masters of Architecture 2015 - Bachelors of Science- Architecture 2010 -Bachelors of Business Administration- Real Estate Finance 2010 -Bachelors of Business Administration- Construction Management 2010 Universitat Polytechnica de Catalunya- Barcelona, Spain - Study Abroad- Advanced Urban Studio 2008</p>
Describe your Professional History & Certification designations (Current and historical).	<p>Gallup Strengths Finder: Futuristic / Adaptability / Maximizer / Individualization / Strategic For the past decade, Javier Paredes has engaged in the obsessive exploration, development, and interpretation of the Urban cultural expression found in the unique collision of cultures along the border of the United States and Mexico. He is the Development Director, Urban Designer, and Justice Voice for Muoz and Company, one of the largest and oldest minority-owned design practices in the country. Under Muoz and Company, Javier is leading a community approach to Urbanism and Design that focuses on Social Justice in Public spaces, including Transportation Infrastructure, in pursuit of a more blended cultural expression that fully reflects our universal reality. Javier is expanding the</p>

definition of Americana, to include migrant and minority populations, by hacking into Mainstream Architecture and inserting cultural code into the Landscape This form of protest is clearly exhibited in his recent work on San Pedro Creek Park. Once a sacred body of water where the indigenous myth of creation began perhaps even the original location of the Alamo the natural Creek was channeled, deepened, straightened and sometimes completely covered in the 20th century, destroying foundational heritage, and forming a physical manifestation of the social, cultural, and economic segregation still existent today. The new reimagined park uncovers a complete story of all the peoples of San Antonio, and stands as a counterargument to systemic racism and discrimination today. The project also aims to advance flood mitigation revitalize natural habitat and water quality reimagine the creek as a linear urban park and enhance and catalyze cultural and economic revitalization opportunities, re-establishing downtowns status as a cultural HUB. Through his work on multiple Border City Master Plans including Brownsville, Laredo, and Roma, Javier is currently investigating the

potential for smart cities and innovation districts along the South Texas/ Mexico Region as a model for Transit Oriented Development hyper clusters. He received his Masters of Architecture from The University of Texas- San Antonio, where he focused on Innovation Districts, Open Source Urbanism, and Algorithmic design. His Thesis project Necropolis Espiral a proposal for vertical cemeteries in Mexico City, was selected for the 2015 National AIA Emerging Professionals Exhibit, bringing him national exposure. In summary, Javier has chosen to exclusively focus his Advocacy through design on the intersection of Equity, Race, and Justice.

Describe your Volunteer Experience & Community Service

Volunteerism Has volunteered extensively through the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, San Antonio Chamber of Commerce, American Institute of Architects, and Urban Land Institute. Also regularly provides pro-bono design expertise to non-profits and small businesses. Community Service o 2016- 2020- Urban Land Institute- Member 2020 Curtis Infrastructure Initiative- Mobility Research Grant Taskforce 2019 Transportation and Mobility Council- Member o Leadership San Antonio (LSA) 2020 LSA Urban Summit Co-Chair Special

Guests: Bruce Katz and Jeff Speck.
2019 Steering Committee 2018
Class Alum o 2019- Alamo
Community Colleges- Educate
South Initiative- Founding
Member o 2019-2021- City of San
Antonio Municipal Golf Board-
Board Member Long-Range
Planning Committee- Chair COSA
Bond Committee- Member o 2015-
2020 Active Mentor/Juror/Critic:
University of Texas- San Antonio-
College of Architecture San
Antonio College- Architecture
Program o 2014-2020- San
Antonio Hispanic Chamber of
Commerce- Member Economic
Development Committee Member
International Relations Committee
Member 2015 ABLDP- Innovation
District Campaign o American
Institute of Architects (AIA) 2014-
2020 AIA San Antonio- Latinos in
Architecture(LIA) Committee-
Founding Member 2015 2016 2017
(LIA) NEXO Exhibit 2015 AIA
National Emerging Professionals
Showcase- Necropolis Espiral
2011-2014 AIA San Antonio- Urban
Affairs Committee Member o
2010-2013- Historic Green-
Treasurer/Texas Volunteer
Coordinator. o 2008-2010
University of Texas- Real Estate
Development Student
Organization- Co-Founder. o
Lectures regularly on Social
Justice, Equity, Innovation

Districts, Immigration, and San Pedro Creek Culture Park.

Please provide a brief narrative outlining your reasons for seeking appointment to this board or commission:

I'm a VIA user. I'm also an immigrant from Morelia Michoacan, a mid-size city in Central Mexico. And growing up in a single mother household, poor, without a car, walking and public transit was our only way to navigate the city and access opportunities- I clearly remember, as early as 7 years of age, riding alone to school on "La Ruta 2", half my limbs hanging out from the door of an old crowded mini-bus. Looking back, these were extremely unsafe environments for me and my younger brother, but very reflective of the economic disparity and social inequities in my Country of origin. Sadly, my story is not an anomaly, but the standard in many poor communities around the world. Fast-forward 30 years, I'm now a new parent, and have the fortune of living in a place like San Antonio where the inequities are not as severe, but still present. I'm a champion of public transit because I know personally the impact that it has on poor families, not just as a basic public service but as a tool to escape poverty and access opportunities. I'm proud that SA approved the 1/8 percent tax for VIA, and want to support "Keep SA Moving", so

	<p>that kids like me can have easier and better chances in life. Aside my personal motivation to serve as an Equity champion on this important board, I'm a Design professional who has over a decade of experience in Urbanism and Comprehensive Planning, who has travelled extensively, and has lived in major transit HUBS like Boston, Barcelona, Mexico City, and San Diego. I understand public transit both viscerally and pragmatically. Thank you for considering me for this important Civic role.</p>
<p>APPLICATION SIGN-OFF</p>	
<p>As a board, commission, or committee member, you will be asked to adhere to: Code of Ordinances, City of San Antonio, Part II, Chapter 2, Article IX, Sec.2-534. All board and commission members must file a Financial Disclosure Report with the Office of the City Clerk upon appointment, and annually thereafter, throughout the member's term. Failure to file a Financial Disclosure Report within the time required by the City's Ethics Code will be considered an automatic removal.</p>	
<p>I understand that if any member of the public makes a request for information</p>	<p>Acknowledged</p>

included in this Application for Appointment, most of the information must be disclosed under the Public Information Act. I understand that the City of San Antonio will attempt to maintain the confidentiality of highly private matters by seeking an Attorney General's opinion in accordance with the Public Information Act. I understand that it may not be legally possible to maintain the confidentiality of such information, and I hereby release the City of San Antonio, and its agents, employees and officers, from any and all liability whatsoever if the information must be released pursuant to the Public Information Act or any other law requiring its release.

I recognize that I am an applicant for VIA Metropolitan Transit Authority~At Large~ ~16, as a City of San Antonio board or commission that is more than advisory in nature. As a city officer, I understand that I, my immediate family members, and any business in which I and/or they hold a 10% or greater ownership interest will be prohibited from

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<p>seeking or accepting contracts with the city for the duration of my service on this board. I further understand that this restriction will extend with regard to many types of discretionary contracts for a period of one year after leaving city service.</p>	
<p>OATH: I have read and understand the guidelines set out in this application. The foregoing statements are true, accurate, and complete. I agree that any misrepresentation or omission of facts may result in my disqualification for appointment.</p>	<p>Acknowledged</p>
<p>Enter Your Name</p>	<p>Javier Paredes</p>
<p>Date of submission.</p>	<p>12/11/2020</p>
<p>The Texas Public Information Act provides that each government official may choose whether to allow the public access to the information in the custody of the City that contains your home address, home telephone number, or reveals whether you have family members. Please note that this does not apply to business addresses, which are subject to public disclosure. If an open records request is filed requesting to view or obtain records that contain your personal</p>	

information, the City will take steps to protect your personal information as authorized by the Texas Public Information Act, but only if you have elected to protect personal information.	
I want the public to have access to my Home Address.	No
I want the public to have access to my Home Telephone Number.	No
I want the public to have access to my Social Security Number.	No
I want the public to have access to my Emergency Contact Information.	No
I want the public to have access to my Family Information.	No
Please attach any additional information, such as a current resume, using the Attachments panel at the bottom of this page.	