

**INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY COUNCIL COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, JUNE 27, 2019
10:00 AM
MUNICIPAL PLAZA B ROOM**

Members Present:	Councilmember Manny Peláez, Chair, <i>District 8</i> Councilmember Roberto C. Treviño, <i>District 1</i> Committee Member DeAnne Cuellar, <i>Citizen</i> Committee Member Dirk Elmendorf, <i>Citizen</i>
Members Absent:	Councilmember Rebecca Viagran, <i>District 3</i> Councilmember Shirley Gonzales, <i>District 5</i> Committee Member Will Garrett, <i>Citizen</i>
Staff Present:	John Peterek, <i>Assistant to the City Manager</i> ; Brian Dillard (teleconference), <i>Chief Innovation Officer</i> ; Emily Royall and Candelaria Mendoza, <i>Smart City Coordinators</i> ; Alicia K. Beckham, <i>Office of the City Clerk</i>

1. Approval of the April 23, 2019 Innovation and Technology Committee Meeting Minutes.

Councilmember Treviño moved to approve the Minutes from the April 23, 2019 Innovation and Technology Committee Meeting. Committee Member Elmendorf seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously by those present.

2. Briefing on the SmartSA Digital Divide Assessment [John Peterek, Assistant to the City Manager; Brian Dillard, Chief Innovation Officer]

Brian Dillard stated that staff would approach the solution to digital inclusion with a baseline that would be composed of three items: 1) Infrastructure, 2) Access to Broadband, and 3) Knowledge.

Candelaria Mendoza stated that in 2017, San Antonio ranked 35th in digital division and that 81,601 households lacked internet access in the City. She noted that the following organizations were creating opportunities for digital inclusion: Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas, San Antonio Housing Authority, University of Texas San Antonio, the San Antonio Public Library, and the Digital Inclusion Alliance. She added that staff would be developing a method to diminish the digital divide, identify resources needed to implement an assessment, and create a budget for the implementation.

Committee Member Elmendorf asked if connectivity was the issue to digital inclusion. Ms. Mendoza responded that conducting an assessment would provide a resolution to the problem of the digital divide.

Councilmember Treviño suggested that staff identify current projects that could be partnered with current department efforts to improve digital inclusion in the City.

Chairperson Peláez asked that staff provide an update on this project at each meeting.

No action was required for Item 2.

3. Briefing on the SmartSA Smart Streetlight RFP Release [John Peterek, Assistant to the City Manager; Brian Dillard, Chief Innovation Officer]

Emily Royall stated that the Smart City Vision was to provide technology that connected an inclusive and resilient community. She noted that the city would partner with nine organizations and the purpose of the partnership would be to eliminate redundancies in projects that each of the organizations were working to execute independently and to foster a collaborative environment to deliver on said projects.

Ms. Royall stated that the Request for Proposal (RFP) was for Smart Luminary Controls and Smart Streetlight Technology. She noted that there would be two phases to the RFP. She noted that there would be a pilot program deployed in the three Innovation Zones: 1) Downtown, 2) Brooks and 3) Medical Center. She added that the City intended to focus on the following Smart City Technology Use Cases: 1) Air Quality Sensing; 2) Acoustic Noise Detection; 3) Temperature Sensing; 4) Automated Parking Solutions; and 5) Automated Water Level Indication and Monitoring (in partnership with the San Antonio River Authority).

Ms. Royall stated that CPS Energy would explore the installation of the Smart Streetlight Control Technologies that would enable automated location and management of the devices. She noted that the targeted closing date for the RFP would be July 22, 2019. She added that the selection of three vendors would be in late Summer 2020 and that the pilot program would be implemented in Fall 2019.

Councilmember Treviño stated that community values are one of the most important elements of the Urban Lighting Plan.

Committee Member Elmendorf suggested that staff focus on and make the Innovation Zones a priority.

No action was required for Item 3.

Adjourn

There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 11:00 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Manny Peláez , Chairman

*Alicia K. Beckham,
Office of the City Clerk*