

**COMMUNITY HEALTH AND EQUITY
COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETING
AUGUST 29, 2019
2:00 P.M.
MUNICIPAL PLAZA BUILDING**

Members Present: Councilmember Ana Sandoval, Chair, *District 7*
Councilmember Roberto Treviño, *District 1*
Councilmember Adriana Rocha Garcia, *District 4*
Councilmember Manny Pelaez, *District 8*

Members Absent: Councilmember Jada Andrews-Sullivan, *District 2*

Staff Present: Colleen Bridger, *Assistant City Manager*; Carlos Contreras, *Assistant City Manager*; Melody Woosley, *Director, Department of Human Services*; Alex Lopez, *Interim Director, Economic Development Department*; Rebecca Flores, *Education Program Administrator, Department of Human Services*; Denice F. Treviño, *Office of the City Clerk*

Others Present: Stephen S. Hennigan, *President and CEO, Credit Human*; Heidi Schoenfeld, *SA2020 Commission on Education*; Maya Mackey, *San Antonio Youth Commission*; Audrey Herrera, *San Antonio Youth Commission*; Sonya Hernandez, *SA2020 Commission on Education*; Liliana Orozco, *San Antonio Youth Commission*; Devyn Moore, *San Antonio Youth Commission*; Beau Anderson, *Higher Education Advisory Board*; Meredith McGuire, *Sierra Club*

Call to order

Chairwoman Sandoval called the meeting to order.

Citizens to be Heard

Meredith McGuire spoke of health, equity, and water; she stated that SAWS should ensure that water was affordable for all.

Briefing and Possible Action on

- 1. Briefing on Sustainability and Innovation in Credit Human's New Corporate Headquarters Downtown, the Building's Impact on the Community, and How City Incentives Helped Offset the Cost of the Development.** [Carlos Contreras, Assistant City Manager; Alejandra Lopez, Interim Director, Economic Development Department]

Stephen Hennigan stated that Credit Human's new headquarters at 1703 Broadway Street included innovative practices which will have an impact on the community and the environment. He noted that the Credit Human Project would:

- Utilize 48% less energy from CPS Energy
- Reduce carbon emissions by 1,447 metric tons which was equal to removing 308 passenger vehicles from the road per year, every year

- Utilize 97% less potable water from SAWS
- Retain 90% of storm water onsite through low impact development

He noted that the building would reach the above goals through an ultra-high efficiency building envelope design, a water cooled Variable Refrigerant Flow (VRF) HVAC solution, a hybrid geothermal loop cooling system, highly efficient infrastructure and PV solar arrays, rainwater and condensate water capture system, LED lighting, and Photovoltaic (PV) solar arrays . He stated that this project would also include public improvements such as a new pocket park at Broadway and Avenue B, and new trees, green spaces, and sidewalks along Broadway. He added that the project would provide street, sidewalk, and bike lane improvements on Avenue B, improved and additional parking around the Pearl, traffic signal, and intersection improvements on Broadway, Avenue B, Newell, and Josephine Streets. He stated that 4.6% of environmental investments were made and the internal rate of return was 11.45%. He noted that the building has a life of 40+ years and the payback period would be 13 years. He stated that the following were still being addressed:

- Sustainability practices, education and habits for employees
- Employee health and wellness programming
- Food service partnership in the building and within the surrounding community
- Commuting resources, partnerships, and incentives
- Increasing human connectedness and decreasing physical barriers
- Employee engagement to make the most of the building to further advance our mission

Chairwoman Sandoval asked how 90% storm water retention was achieved. Mr. Hennigan replied that 80% of the storm water was captured off of the roof and the remainder was achieved through low impact development.

Councilmember Treviño asked how many employees were projected to utilize VIA. Mr. Hennigan replied that approximately 10%-15% of employees would utilize VIA.

Chairwoman Sandoval asked if there were programs in place to facilitate green building in San Antonio. Alex Lopez replied that the evaluation criteria for projects included scoring for such projects. Chairwoman Sandoval requested the evaluation criteria utilized.

No action was required for Item 1.

2. A Briefing on the SA 2020 Commission on Education, San Antonio Youth Commission, and Higher Education Student Advisory Board. [Colleen M. Bridger, MPH, PhD, Assistant City Manager; Melody Woosley, Director, Department of Human Services]

Melody Woosley provided an overview of the SA2020 Commission on Education, the Higher Education Student Advisory Board, and the San Antonio Youth Commission.

Sonya Hernandez stated that the mission of the SA2020 Commission on Education (Commission) was to serve in an advisory capacity to City leadership on matters affecting the education of San Antonio residents. She noted that in the last year the Commission focused on Internship Programs because they were the second highest funded education initiative behind PreK4SA. She stated that over 1,000 internships were offered through City-funded programs with students earning over \$1.1 million each year. She reviewed various other Internship Programs and noted the following Internship Program challenges:

- Transportation
- Lack of opportunities between high school and college
- Lack of Trade or Certification Programs or Internships
- Accessibility

Ms. Hernandez stated that the Commission made the following policy recommendations:

- Address equity and gaps in service
- Develop standards and expected outcomes
- Improve infrastructure to support programs

Audrey Herrera stated that the San Antonio Youth Commission recommended that the following be addressed:

- Education
- Gun violence
- Teen mental health
- Transportation

Liliana Orozco presented an overview of youth and education, Devyn Moore presented an overview of gun violence, Maya Mackey presented an overview of teen mental health, and Audrey Herrera provided an overview of transportation.

Beau Anderson provided background information on the Higher Education Advisory Board (Board). He reviewed the application process and the challenges presented by the process. He stated that discussions were held on restructuring the Board and combining the two Commissions and the Board.

Councilmember Peláez expressed support for the appointment of staff to the Boards and Commissions.

Colleen Bridger stated that staff would provide an update on recommendations and alternate structure to the Committee in three months. Chairwoman Sandoval requested a concept for a City Council High School Voter Challenge.

No action was required for Item 2.

3. Briefing and Possible Action on Head Start Program Items and Fiscal Activities for May, June, and July 2019. [Colleen M. Bridger, MPH, PhD, Assistant City Manager; Melody Woosley, Director, Department of Human Services]

Rebecca Flores stated that Head Start was required to submit annual school readiness goals. She noted that Head Start served 3,236 children at 27 sites in the Edgewood Independent School District, in the San Antonio Independent School District and in Early Head Start locations. She noted the Head Start response to domestic violence and the 2018-2019 end of year student outcome data for Early Head Start and Head Start. She stated that the Early Head Start and Head Start Programs received a Cost of Living Adjustment (CoLA) of \$408,495 for the February 1, 2019-January 31, 2020 grant period. She noted that the program Budget for Early Head Start was \$4.1 million in Fiscal Year (FY) 2018 and the program Budget for Head Start was \$29.7 million in FY 2019.

Councilmember Rocha Garcia moved to approve the 2019-2020 DHS, Head Start and EHS-CCP Program school readiness goals and the 2019-2020 DHS, Head Start and EHS-CCP Program designs. Councilmember Peláez seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously by those present.

Adjourn

There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 3:49 p.m.

Ana Sandoval, Chair

Respectfully Submitted

Denice F. Treviño, Office of the City Clerk

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