

**State of Texas
County of Bexar
City of San Antonio**



**Meeting Minutes
City Council A Session**

City Hall Complex
105 Main Plaza
San Antonio, Texas 78205

Thursday, October 8, 2020

9:00 AM

Municipal Plaza Building

ROLL CALL

The City Council convened in a Regular Meeting. City Clerk Tina J. Flores took the Roll Call noting a quorum with the following Councilmembers present:

PRESENT: 10 - Mayor Nirenberg, Treviño, Andrews-Sullivan, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Gonzales, Cabello Havrda, Sandoval, Pelaez, and Courage

ABSENT: 1 - Perry

1. The Invocation was delivered by Reverend Naomi Brown of Metropolitan Community Church of San Antonio, guest of Councilmember Treviño, District 1.
2. Mayor Nirenberg led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.
3. Approval of Minutes from the City Council Meetings of June 25, 2020, and August 5, 2020

Councilmember Rocha Garcia moved to approve the Minutes of June 25, 2020 and August 5, 2020. Councilmember Andrews-Sullivan seconded the motion. The motion prevailed by the following vote:

AYE: 10 - Mayor Nirenberg, Treviño, Andrews-Sullivan, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Gonzales, Cabello Havrda, Sandoval, Pelaez, and Courage

ABSENT: 1 - Perry

4. Councilmember Jada Andrews-Sullivan will be sworn-in as Mayor Pro-Tem, serving the term October 28, 2020 through January 6, 2021.

City Clerk Tina J. Flores administered the Oath of Office to Councilmember Andrews-Sullivan, District 2, as Mayor Pro-Tem from October 28, 2020 through January 6, 2021.

POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

Mayor Nirenberg presented a Proclamation on behalf of the City of San Antonio whereas CPS Energy would observe Public Power Week, October 4th through October 10, 2020 to help customers and stakeholders understand how they can better engage with their community-owned public power utility. He noted that CPS Energy was one of 2,000 City-owned Public Power Utilities in the United States which worked on behalf of energy consumers and contributed to the well-being of local citizens through energy efficiency, customer service, environmental protection, economic development, and safety awareness. He added that CPS Energy provided homes, businesses, schools, social services, and local government agencies with affordable, reliable, customer-safe, secure, environmentally responsible gas and electricity.

Mayor Nirenberg noted that CPS Energy provided many consumer protections and contributed to protecting the global environment and made the community a better place to live and work. Mayor Nirenberg proclaimed October 4th through October 10, 2020 to be Public Power Week in San Antonio.

POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

Councilmember Sandoval stated that the days after a disaster, the bonds of the community were at their strongest and individuals experienced improved mental health. She noted that gathering with family and friends was risky during the pandemic. She added that individuals needed to take collective mental health seriously and look for safe ways to gather with loved ones such as walks in the park or socially distanced bar-b-ques or zoom family meetings. She stated that policymakers needed to look for ways to improve mental health services and create conditions for residents by providing emergency rent support, expanding access to parks, and investing in community gathering places such as senior centers.

Councilmember Sandoval introduced SAPD Deputy Chief Karen Faulk with the award-winning Mental Health Unit in San Antonio. Deputy Chief Faulk described the Crisis Intervention Training (CIT) and stated that through the San Antonio Mental Health Unit, the CIT program had created connections with other law enforcement agencies such as Providers for Healthcare Services, Hospital Emergency Services, and individuals with mental illness and their families. She noted that through this collaborative community partnership and the intensive training, the CIT improved communication and ensured Officer and community safety. Deputy Chief Faulk stated that the CIT program had been recognized nationally and internationally for their gold standard mental health programs within the law enforcement profession. She noted that Chief McManus started the program in 2008 with two officers and then mandated that every Officer in the department go through CIT Training and SAPD was the first police department in the US to mandate CIT Training for all Officers.

Councilmember Sandoval recognized the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) and thanked Board Member Fred Shellenberger who would ensure that the Board receive a copy of today's video. She added that NAMI was hosting a virtual walk to recognize World Mental Health Day and a National Day of Hope and asked the public to visit Namiwalks.org for more information.

POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

Councilmember Treviño recognized Musical Bridges Around the World which celebrated their 23rd season. He noted that Musical Bridges Around the World would take a journey across some of the City's Sister and Friendship Cities across the globe. Councilmember Treviño added that the Sister City's jazz ensemble featured voice, saxophone, piano, trumpet among others to present a program of hope and resilience. He stated that Musical Bridges Around the World, as part of the Russell Hill Rogers Musical evening at San Fernando Cathedral, would premier on Sunday evening October 11, 2020.

Mayor Nirenberg called upon the individuals registered to speak.

Jack M. Finger spoke in opposition of Item 12 related to the Committees of the San Antonio Climate Ready Climate Action and Adaptation Plan.

Councilmember Andrews-Sullivan recognized the family of Darrell Zemault Sr. which were present in the Council Chambers. She highlighted the Inner City TIRZ for the Lockwood Dignowity Park funding agreement granting up to \$1,900,000 in reimbursable funds for the construction of public infrastructure improvements associated with the redevelopment of Lockwood and Dignowity Parks. She added that greenspace made a difference and added to the quality of life.

Councilmember Andrews-Sullivan thanked Charles Williams for establishing the Williams Historical National Museum to be located at 506 Montana Street. She noted that Historical Markers would tell the story of District 2.

Councilmember Viagran highlighted Item 9 which was a bond project for the Brooks City Base Inner City Road. She added that the project would be a three-lane roadway with bike lanes, curbs, sidewalks, and landscaping to improve the area.

Councilmember Viagran highlighted Item 12 and commended her council Colleagues for all their work regarding the Climate Action and Community Advisory Committees, as well as the Climate Technical and Climate Equity Advisory Committees. She thanked all the volunteers that served on both committees.

Councilmember Treviño moved to approve the remaining Consent Agenda Items. Councilmember Pelaez seconded the motion. The motion prevailed by the following vote:

PRESENT: 10 - Mayor Nirenberg, Treviño, Andrews-Sullivan, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Gonzales, Cabello Havrda, Sandoval, Pelaez, and Courage

ABSENT: 1 - Perry

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

2020-10-08-0726

6. Ordinance approving a contract with Tyler Technologies, Inc., to provide 30 parking electronic citation writers for the Center City Development and Operations Department in the amount of \$81,994.00. Funding is available in the FY 2021 Adopted Parking Operating & Maintenance Fund Budget. [Ben Gorzell, Chief Financial Officer; Troy Elliott, Deputy Chief Financial Officer, Finance]

2020-10-08-0727

7. Ordinance approving the following contracts establishing unit prices for goods and services for an estimated annual cost of \$43,058.36, included in the respective department's FY 2021 Adopted Budget: (A) Nueces Power Equipment for replacement parts for Hyundai construction equipment; (B) Management Information Technology USA, dba Child Plus Software, for Child Plus software subscription services; and (C) FirstWatch Solutions, Inc., for FirstWatch system maintenance & support for the San Antonio Fire Department. [Ben Gorzell, Chief Financial Officer; Troy Elliott, Deputy Chief Financial Officer, Finance]

2020-10-08-0728

8. Ordinance awarding the FY 2021 - 2022 Task Order Contract for Traffic Calming in an amount not to exceed \$1,730,928.50 to E-Z Bel Construction, LLC for neighborhood traffic calming construction and other miscellaneous traffic related projects located throughout the City. [Roderick Sanchez, Assistant City Manager; Razi Hosseini, Director, Public Works]

2020-10-08-0729

9. Ordinance awarding a construction contract to Yantis Company, Inc. in the amount of \$2,642,096.74 of which \$38,910.00 will be reimbursed by CPS Energy for the Brooks City Base Inner Circle Road (Louis Bauer Drive to Research Plaza) project, a 2017 Bond funded project, located in Council District 3. Funds are available from the 2017 - 2022 General Obligation Bond Program and are included in the FY 2021 - FY 2026 Capital Improvement Program. [Roderick Sanchez, Assistant City Manager; Razi Hosseini, Director, Public Works]
10. Approving the following two construction contracts totaling \$9,457,177.81 to complete the street maintenance projects identified in the Infrastructure Management Program: [Roderick Sanchez, Assistant City Manager; Razi Hosseini, Director, Public Works]

2020-10-08-0730

- 10A. Ordinance awarding the 2020 Street Rehabilitation Task Order Contract Package 9 to J. Sanchez Contracting, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$4,491,931.77 of which \$67,390.15 will be reimbursed by San Antonio Water System and \$3,108.00 will be reimbursed by CPS Energy for necessary adjustments to their existing infrastructure.

2020-10-08-0731

- 10B. Ordinance awarding the 2020 Street Rehabilitation Task Order Contract Package 10 to J&P Paving Co. Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$4,965,246.04 of which \$64,010.00 will be reimbursed by San Antonio Water System and \$3,500.00 will be reimbursed by CPS Energy for necessary adjustments to their existing infrastructure.

11. Approving the following three items related to the Lockwood & Dignowity Parks project: [Roderick Sanchez, Assistant City Manager; Razi Hosseini, Director, Public Works]

2020-10-08-0732

- 11A. Ordinance approving a Funding Agreement with the Inner City Board of Directors of Reinvestment Zone #11, granting up to \$1,900,000 in reimbursable funds from the Inner City Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone (TIRZ) #11 for the construction of public infrastructure improvements associated with the redevelopment of Lockwood and Dignowity Parks, and appropriating and amending the FY 2021 - FY 2026 Capital Improvements Program with funds in the amount not to exceed \$1,900,000 from Inner City Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone (TIRZ) #11 for the Lockwood and Dignowity Parks project.

2020-10-08-0733

- 11B. Ordinance amending the Design Services Agreement with The Broussard Group, Inc. to increase the amount by \$132,870.00 for additional architectural design services related to the Lockwood and Dignowity Parks project.

2020-10-08-0734

- 11C. Ordinance awarding a construction contract to Straight Line Management, LLC in the amount of \$2,769,350 for the 2017 Bond Program Lockwood and Dignowity Parks project. Funds are available from the 2017 - 2022 General Obligation Bond Program and are included in the FY 2021 - FY 2026 Capital Improvement Program.

12. Approving the following items related to the Committees of the SA Climate Ready Climate Action and Adaptation Plan: [David McCary, Assistant City Manager; Douglas Melnick, Chief Sustainability Officer]

2020-10-08-0735

- 12A. Ordinance approving changes to the composition of the Technical and Community Advisory Committee that is part of the SA Climate Ready Climate Action and Adaptation Plan.
- 12B. Appointing the following to the Technical and Community Advisory Committee for terms of office through May 31, 2021: DeeDee Belmares (At-large), Ashley Bird (At-large), James E. Cooper (At-large), Estella Cota-Trevino (At-large), Matt Cox (At-large), Dr. Neil Debbage (At-large), Ashley Harris (At-large), Stephen Lucke (At-large), Dr. Kelly Lyons (At-large), Francisco Manon (At-large), Richard McDonald (At-large), Dr. Jimmy Perkins (At-large), John Plescia (At-large), Rosalinda Sanquiche (At-large), Ryan Webber (At-large), Rick Cavender (Automotive Industry), Stephanie Moreno (Energy Industry), Melissa Bryant, (San Antonio River Authority Organizational Member), Karen Guz, (San Antonio Water System Organizational Member), Kammy Horne (VIA Metropolitan Transit Organizational Member), Marvin Pair (Joint Base San Antonio Organizational Member), Angela Rodriguez (CPS Energy Organizational Member), Miriam Juckett (Southwest Research Institute, Research Collaborator) and the Chair or Vice-Chair of the Climate Equity Advisory Committee.
- 12C. Appointing the following to the Climate Equity Advisory Committee for terms of office through

May 31, 2021: Aaron Arguello (At-large), Dr. Adelita Cantu (At-large), Anacua Garcia (At-large), Jesus Garcia-Gonzalez (At-large), Harjot Kaur (At-large), Diana Lopez-Perez (At-large), Eloisa Portillo-Morales (At-large), Joshua Scott (At-large), Dr. Joe Simpson (At-large), Tristan Tovar (At-large) and the Chair or Vice-Chair of the Technical and Community Advisory Committee

2020-10-08-0736

13. Ordinance approving the settlement of litigation styled John Brubeck v. City of San Antonio in the amount of \$206,000.00 payable from the Self-Insurance Liability Fund. [Andy Segovia, City Attorney]

2020-10-08-0737

14. Ordinance rescheduling City Council Meetings in October, November, December and January. [Tina J. Flores, City Clerk]

2020-10-08-0045R

15. Resolution to initiate historic landmark designation for 403 Montana and waive application fees totaling \$842.70. [Lori Houston, Assistant City Manager; Shanon Shea Miller, Director, Office of Historic Preservation].

2020-10-08-0738

16. Ordinance approving a Funding Agreement with San Antonio for Growth of the Eastside and Inner City TIRZ Board of Directors for the design and installation of significant markers for an amount not to exceed \$110,000 for the Significant Markers Project. [Lori Houston, Assistant City Manager; Verónica Soto, FAICP, Director, Neighborhood and Housing Services]

2020-10-08-0739

17. Ordinance approving a Development Agreement with the Inner City TIRZ Board of Directors, Williams Historical National Museum, and the City of San Antonio for public improvements for the Williams Historical National Museum Project located at 506 Montana Street for an amount not to exceed \$90,000. [Lori Houston, Assistant City Manager; Verónica R. Soto, FAICP, Director, Neighborhood and Housing Services]

2020-10-08-0740

18. Ordinance approving a Development Agreement with SA Wheatley Infill, LLC and Inner City TIRZ Board of Directors for eligible public improvements for an amount not to exceed \$31,244 for the East Meadow Alley Project located at Logan St. [Lori Houston, Assistant City Manager; Verónica Soto, FAICP, Director, Neighborhood and Housing Services]

CONSENT ITEMS CONCLUDED

ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

City Clerk Flores read the caption for Item 5.

2020-10-08-0725

5. Ordinance approving a nine month contract, with four additional one year renewal options, with

Meals on Wheels San Antonio to provide the Department of Human Services with meal preparation and delivery services for the Senior Nutrition Program for an amount not to exceed \$18,182,222.00. Funding for the initial nine months in the amount of \$1,710,000 is available from the Senior Nutrition Program grant and in the amount of \$748,000 from the FY 2021 General Fund Budget. Funding for future years of the contract is subject to City Council approval of the annual budget and future grant awards. [Ben Gorzell, Chief Financial Officer; Troy Elliott, Deputy Chief Financial Officer, Finance]

Councilmember Gonzales read a letter to the Mayor and City Council from Rick Alaman of Selrico Inc. She expressed support for the small business community and noted that staff's recommendation was for Meals on Wheels. She acknowledged that Meals on Wheels provided a great service, but was not prepared to deliver the services that Selrico did. She spoke of the need for diversity on the boards of non-profits that the City did business with. She stated that the City Council had the responsibility to make the final choice.

Councilmember Gonzales moved to approve Selrico, Inc. for the Senior Nutrition Program. The motion was not seconded.

Councilmember Pelaez moved to approve Item 5. Councilmember Rocha Garcia seconded the motion. The motion prevailed by the following vote:

AYE: 8 - Mayor Nirenberg, Treviño, Andrews-Sullivan, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Cabello Havrda, Pelaez, and Courage

NAY: 1 - Gonzales

ABSENT: 2 - Sandoval and Perry

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

19. City Manager's Report

City Manager Erik Walsh reported that the San Antonio Climate Ready Action and Adaptation Plan was recognized by the American Planning Association in the planning achievement category of resilience and received a gold designation. He stated that the City's Emergency Housing Assistance Program was recognized by the American Planning Association with the Advancing Diversity and Social Change Award. He indicated that the Center for Digital Government recognized the City's COVID-19 resident portal for its innovation, user friendliness, and best practices. He reported that the City was celebrating National Customer Service Week this week and noted that the City's 3-1-1 system had received 20 million calls for service since its inception 20 years ago.

City Manager Erik Walsh played a video highlighting Miranda Tovar and Norma Sotoodeh from 3-1-1 and the work that they did.

Councilmember Andrews-Sullivan recognized the Lone Star Chapter of the Lupus Foundation of America in their efforts for 1.5 million Americans who suffered and battled with Lupus. She reported that a virtual walk would be held on October 10, 2020 from 10:00 – 12:00 pm and individuals could

register at lupus.org.

Councilmember Viagran thanked Councilmember Sandoval for highlighting Mental Awareness Month. She announced that early voting for the November 2020 election would begin on Tuesday, October 13, 2020.

The City Council sang happy birthday to Councilmember Perry.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Nirenberg recessed the meeting at 10:11 am to discuss the following items:

- A. Economic development negotiations pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.087 (economic development).
- B. The purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.072 (real property).
- C. Legal issues related to collective bargaining pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071 (consultation with attorney).
- D. Legal issues related to litigation involving the City pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071 (consultation with attorney).
- E. Discuss legal issues relating to COVID-19 preparedness pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071 (consultation with attorney).

Mayor Nirenberg reconvened the meeting at 1:37 pm and announced that no action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further discussion, Mayor Nirenberg adjourned the meeting at 1:37 pm.

APPROVED

RON NIRENBERG
Mayor

Attest:

TINA J. FLORES
City Clerk