

ORDINANCE 2019-01-17-0017

**APPROVING THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO'S FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE
PROGRAM FOR THE 116TH U.S. CONGRESS.**

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WHEREAS, development of the City's Federal Legislative Program began in September 2018 with collaboration between City departments and our federal consultants; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Program focuses on four federal priorities, consisting of military protection, aviation, transportation infrastructure, and housing, as well as 14 legislative and federal agency initiatives; and

WHEREAS, the 116th Congress began on January 3, 2019 and this proposed Program takes the anticipated federal priorities of the incoming Administration into consideration; and

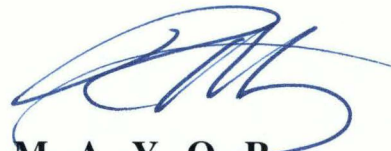
WHEREAS, on January 9, 2019, the Intergovernmental Relations Council Committee recommended bringing the Program to City Council for consideration; **NOW THEREFORE:**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

SECTION 1. The City of San Antonio's Federal Legislative Program for the 116th U.S. Congress is authorized and approved. A copy of the Program is attached to this Ordinance as **Exhibit I**.

SECTION 2. This Ordinance is effective immediately upon the receipt of eight affirmative votes; otherwise it shall be effective ten days after its passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 17th day of January, 2019.


M A Y O R
Ron Nirenberg

ATTEST:


Leticia M. Vacek, City Clerk

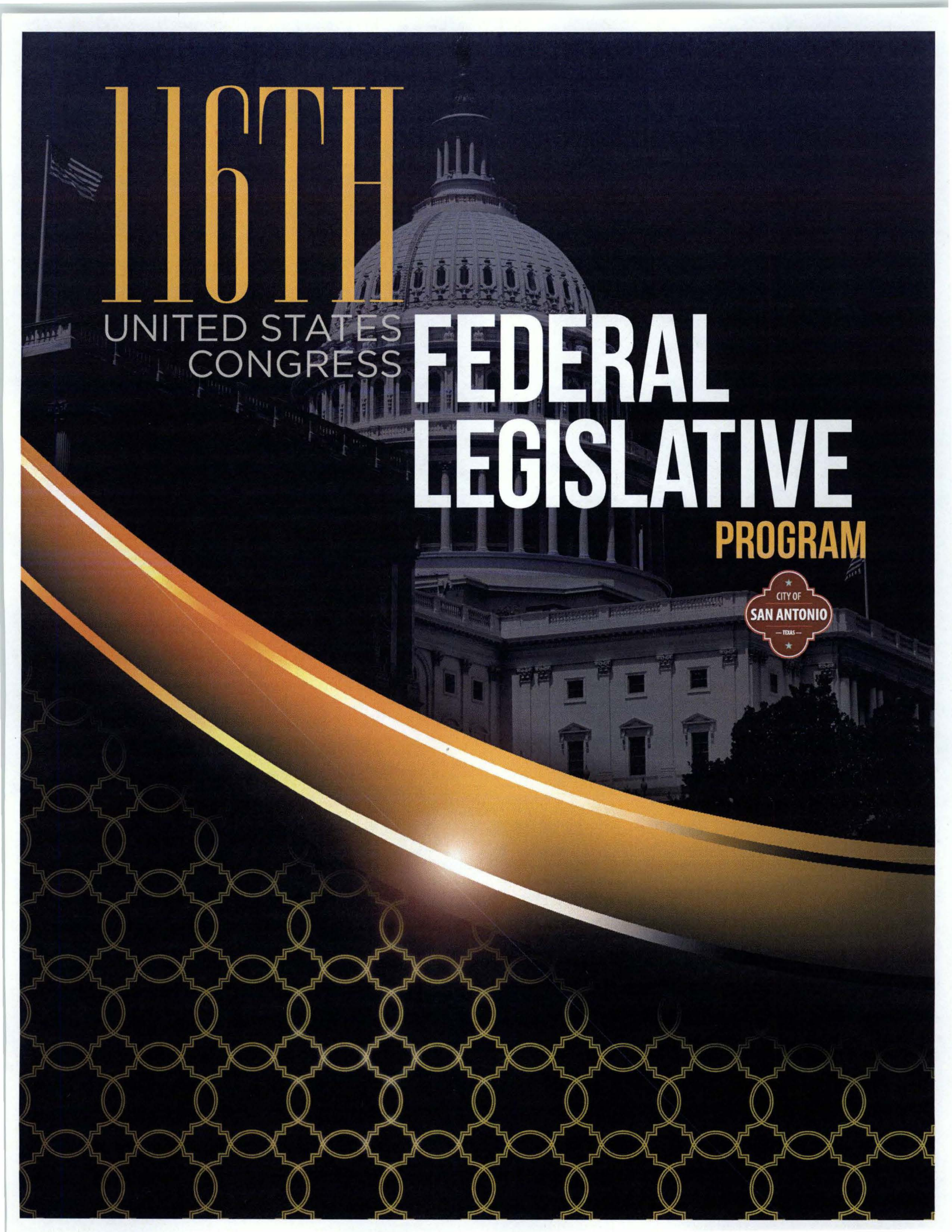
APPROVED AS TO FORM:


for Andrew Segovia, City Attorney

Agenda Item:	6						
Date:	01/17/2019						
Time:	10:32:07 AM						
Vote Type:	Motion to Approve						
Description:	Ordinance approving the City of San Antonio's Federal Legislative Program for the 116th U.S. Congress. [Carlos Contreras, Assistant City Manager; Jeff Coyle, Director, Government and Public Affairs]						
Result:	Passed						
Voter	Group	Not Present	Yea	Nay	Abstain	Motion	Second
Ron Nirenberg	Mayor		x				
Roberto C. Treviño	District 1		x				
Art A. Hall	District 2		x				
Rebecca Viagran	District 3		x			x	
Rey Saldaña	District 4		x				x
Shirley Gonzales	District 5		x				
Greg Brockhouse	District 6		x				
Ana E. Sandoval	District 7		x				
Manny Pelaez	District 8		x				
John Courage	District 9		x				
Clayton H. Perry	District 10		x				

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Exhibit I



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FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM



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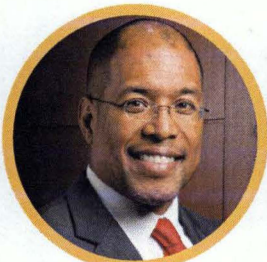
MAYOR & CITY COUNCIL



RON NIRENBERG - MAYOR



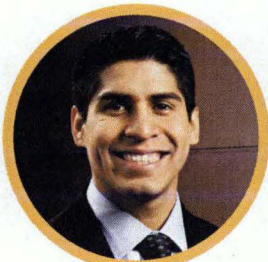
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DISTRICT 1**



**ART A. HALL
DISTRICT 2**



**REBECCA J. VIAGRAN
DISTRICT 3**



**REY SALDAÑA
DISTRICT 4**



**SHIRLEY GONZALES
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**GREG BROCKHOUSE
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**ANA SANDOVAL
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**MANNY PELÁEZ
DISTRICT 8**

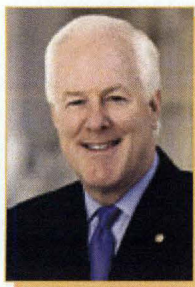


**JOHN COURAGE
DISTRICT 9**



**CLAYTON PERRY
DISTRICT 10**

CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION



JOHN CORNYN
SENATOR

Committee on Finance

- CHAIRMAN, Subcommittee on International Trade, Customs, and Global Competitiveness
- Subcommittee on Energy, Natural Resources, and Healthcare
- Subcommittee on Taxation, IRS Oversight, and Long-Term Growth

Committee on the Judiciary

- CHAIRMAN, Subcommittee on The Constitution
- Subcommittee on Immigration, Refugees and Border Security
- Subcommittee on Crime and Terrorism



TED CRUZ
SENATOR

Committee on Armed Services

- Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities
- Subcommittee on Seapower
- Subcommittee on Strategic Forces

Committee on Commerce, Science, & Transportation

- CHAIRMAN, Subcommittee on Aviation and Space
- Subcommittee on Communications, Technology, Innovation, and the Internet
- Subcommittee on Consumer Protection, Product Safety, Insurance, and Data Security
- Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries, and Coast Guard

Committee on the Judiciary

- CHAIRMAN, Subcommittee on Oversight, Agency Action, Federal Rights and Federal Courts
- Subcommittee on The Constitution
- Subcommittee on Immigration and the National Interest

Joint Economic Committee

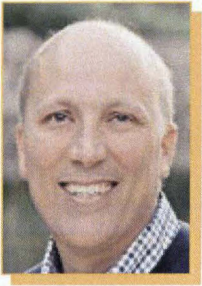
Committee on Rules & Administration



JOAQUIN CASTRO
REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 20

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence **Committee on Foreign Affairs**

- Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation, and Trade



CHIP ROY
REPRESENTATIVE
DISTRICT 20

Committee assignments pending



WILL HURD
REPRESENTATIVE
DISTRICT 23

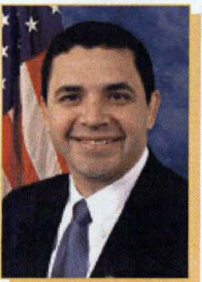
Committee on Homeland Security

- VICE-CHAIR, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security
- Subcommittee on Counterterrorism and Intelligence

Committee Oversight and Government Reform

- CHAIRMAN, Subcommittee on Information Technology
- Subcommittee on National Security

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence

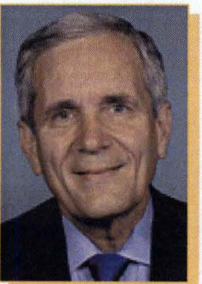


HENRY CUELLAR
REPRESENTATIVE
DISTRICT 28

Committee on Appropriations

- Subcommittee on Homeland Security
- Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies

Committee on Steering and Policy



LLOYD DOGGETT
REPRESENTATIVE
DISTRICT 35

Committee on Ways and Means

- CHAIRMAN, subcommittee on Health
- Subcommittee on Select Revenue Measures

PRIORITIES

MILITARY PROTECTION

Sustain and enhance Joint Base San Antonio's (JBSA) mission readiness, and ensure the long term protection of the region's military bases by helping to preserve, protect and grow military missions and installations in the San Antonio region. Furthermore, sustain and increase P4 and other partnerships with the region's military, and pursue infrastructure funding through the National Defense and Authorization Act (NDAA) for off base projects.



AVIATION

Support Federal Aviation Administration plans to develop alternative funding sources to improve our nation's airport infrastructure and the passenger experience. Furthermore, support an increase in the Airport Improvement Program (AIP) funding and greater flexibility for the use of AIP funds and raising or eliminating the Passenger Facility Charge of (PFC) cap of \$4.50 (subject to Council consideration). Also, support Congressional changes to Perimeter Rule and Slot Rule in order to secure a Nonstop Flight from San Antonio International Airport (SAT) to Washington Reagan National (SAT-DCA).

TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE

Support the city's multimodal transportation plan to help meet the community's transportation goals by identifying new funding sources and advocating for funding increases in key programs, such as reauthorization of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act and other key transit and surface transportation grant programs, such as INFRA, TIGER and FASTLANE.

HOUSING

Support the enhancement and expansion of San Antonio's affordable housing programs and services by identifying any new funding sources and advocating for funding increases to programs such as the Home Investment Partnership Program (HOME), the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and other federal programs.



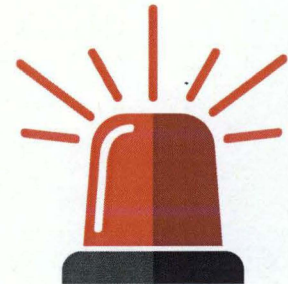
LEGISLATIVE AND AGENCY ISSUES

PUBLIC SAFETY ENHANCEMENTS

Support full and expanded funding dedicated to supporting state and local law enforcement and public safety, such as Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) and Byrne Justice Assistance Grant programs.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS & HOMELAND SECURITY

Support programs and increased funding to promote a multi-jurisdictional, multi-disciplinary approach to regional prevention, preparedness, response, recovery and resiliency from a terrorist attack or natural disaster, such as Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) and Assistance to Fire Fighter grant programs.

**WORK OPPORTUNITY TAX CREDITS/EMPLOYMENT TAX CREDITS**

Support the extension and expansion of tax credits for businesses that hire vulnerable populations in economically distressed areas.

HISTORIC TAX CREDITS ENHANCEMENTS

Support historic tax credit enhancements that help make historic tax credits more attractive and restore the value lost by requiring it be taken over 5 years.

DEFERRED ACTION FOR CHILDHOOD ARRIVALS

Support congressional action that enables undocumented immigrants who came to the U.S. as children to earn lawful status.

WORKFORCE & TRAINING

Support reauthorization and funding for workforce, education and training programs for youth, adults and veterans that will help build a highly skilled workforce with a focus on industry-focused education and training programs for new and incumbent workers in the San Antonio region as the primary means of advancing racial and income equity.



PUBLIC CHARGE RULE

Urge the Department of Homeland Security and Congress not to include participation in the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) or Medicaid in the list of enumerated benefits that would weigh against an intending immigrant as related to the proposed Public Charge Rule. These health programs provide valuable coverage for our most vulnerable populations, including pregnant women.

ANTI-TRAFFICKING & SMUGGLING

Support programs and funding for anti-trafficking and anti-smuggling programs.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ABUSE & PREVENTION SERVICES

Support policies and programs to prevent domestic violence. Furthermore, support funding for prevention education and intervention services to effectively address this issue in our community.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION & SERVICES

Support policies and programs to curtail the use and abuse of dangerous substances in our community. Furthermore, support funding for prevention education and treatment programs to effectively address this issue in our community.

HOMELESS PREVENTION & SERVICES

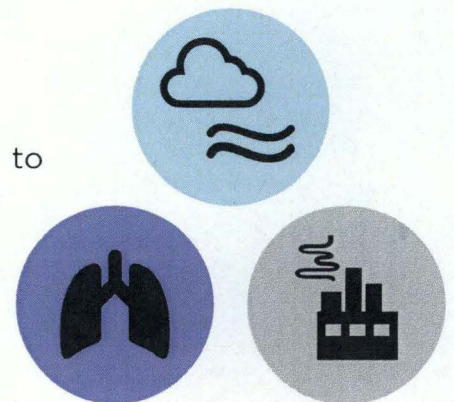
Support programs and resources to develop an effective system for chronically homeless individuals, and especially those who suffer from severe addiction and mental illness.

SAN ANTONIO MISSIONS NATIONAL PARK

Support a federal funding increase for operations and maintenance of the San Antonio Missions National Historical Park and the backlog of infrastructure repairs.

AIR QUALITY

Support policies, programs and funding for nonattainment areas to reach and maintain attainment with federal ozone standards before additional regulations are necessary.



BROWNFIELDS

Support funding for the Brownfields Program in the areas of assessment, clean-up and technical assistance from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to assist City redevelopment.

PROTECTION OF COMMUNITY INTERESTS

Support federal regulations or legislation which would clearly benefit the City and Community and oppose any regulations or legislation that would clearly be adverse to the City's and Community's interests.

The City of San Antonio has historically endorsed legislation that would clearly benefit the City and opposed bills that meet one or more of the following criteria:

- Undermines the principles of self-government;
- Mandates increased costs to cities, including environmental mandates;
- Results in the loss of revenue to cities or changes the authority of the City to generate revenues;
- Diminishes the fundamental authority of cities to operate in a manner consistent with the best interest of the health, safety and welfare of the general public; and/or;
- Preempts municipal authority, municipal code development, and interferes with municipal control.

PARTNERSHIPS

The City of San Antonio coordinates with the following local partners in support of their legislative agendas that enhance the health, safety and vitality of the community, provided it does not conflict with the City's own legislative agenda, such as:

Bexar County

Brooks City-Base

Chambers of Commerce & Major Employers

CPS Energy

Higher Education Institutions

Joint Base San Antonio

Nonprofit partners

Port San Antonio

San Antonio Housing Authority

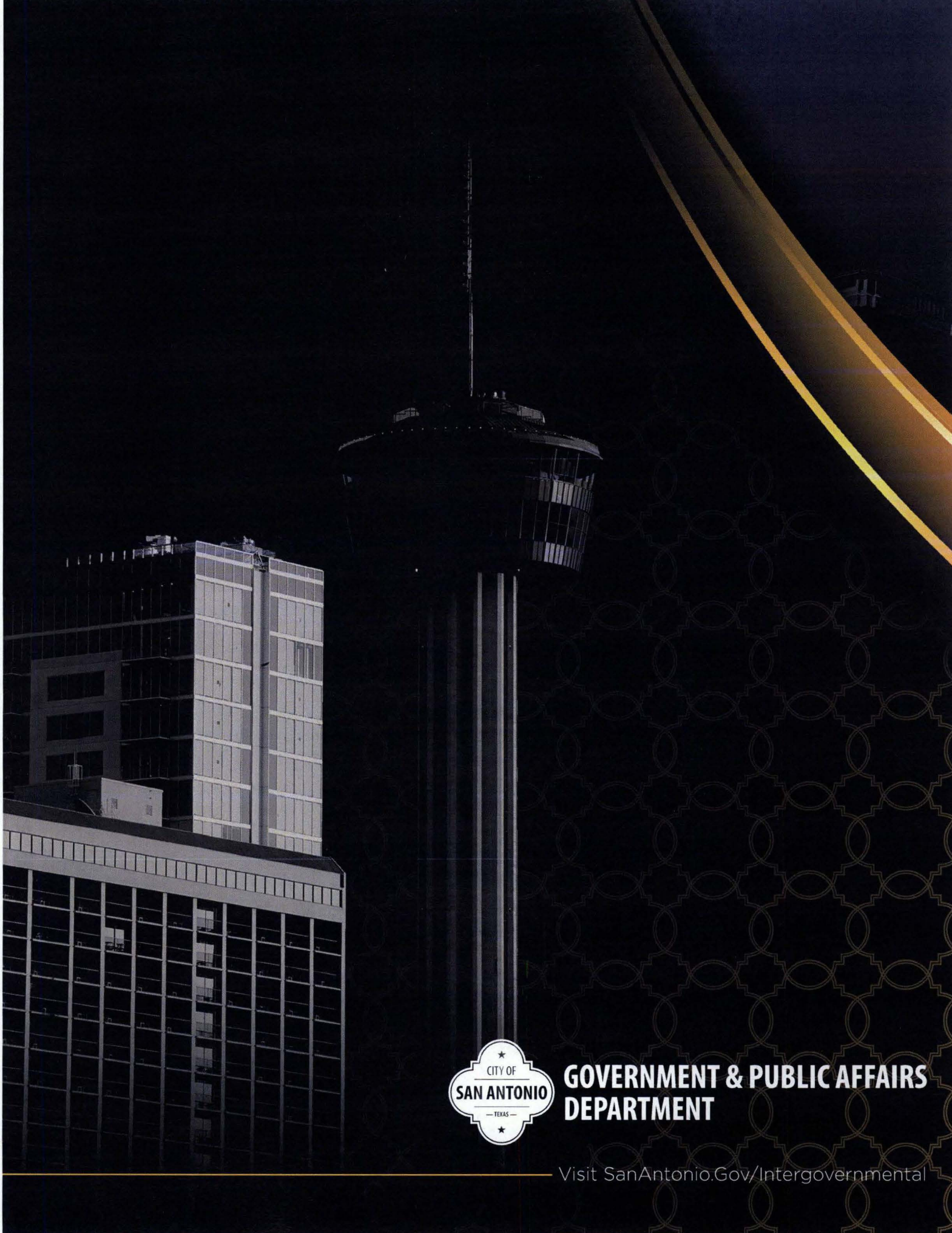
San Antonio Mobility Coalition

San Antonio River Authority

San Antonio Water System

VIA Metropolitan Transit

NOTES



**GOVERNMENT & PUBLIC AFFAIRS
DEPARTMENT**

Visit SanAntonio.Gov/Intergovernmental



116th Congress Legislative Program

Jeff Coyle
Government & Public Affairs

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116TH LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM INTRODUCTION

- New Congressional Session - January 3, 2019
- 1st Session: January 2019 - January 2020
- 2nd Session: January 2020 - January 2021
- Two Year Legislative Program

116TH LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT TIMELINE

- August/Sept - Congressional & NLC Collaboration
- Oct - GPA Staff & Federal Consultant meetings with City Depts & Partners
- Nov/Dec - Collaboration with Community Stakeholders
- Dec - IGR Council Committee Briefing on Priorities
- Jan - IGR Council Committee & Full Council Approval
- Feb - 2019 SAtoDC



116TH PROGRAM CATEGORIES

- Priorities
- Legislative & Agency Issues
- Partnerships
- Protection of Municipal Interests



116TH PRIORITIES

- Military Protection
- Aviation
- Transportation Infrastructure
- Affordable Housing



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116TH LEGISLATIVE & AGENCY ISSUES

- Public Safety Enhancements

Support funding dedicated to state and local law enforcement and public safety

- Emergency Preparedness/Homeland Security

Support programs and funding for regional prevention, preparedness, response, recovery and resiliency

- Workforce & Training

Support workforce, education and training for youth, adults and veterans to build a high-skill workforce



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116TH LEGISLATIVE & AGENCY ISSUES

- Work Opportunity Tax Credits

Support tax credits for businesses that hire vulnerable populations

- Historic Tax Credit (HTC) Enhancements

Support enhancements that make HTCs more attractive to investors

- Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals

Support congressional action that allows DACA participants to earn lawful status



116TH LEGISLATIVE & AGENCY ISSUES

- Public Charge Rule

Oppose 'public charge' regulation that would compromise children's health, nutrition and development

- Anti-trafficking/smuggling

Support funding and improvements for anti-trafficking and anti-smuggling programs

- Domestic Violence Abuse & Prevention Services

Support programs to prevent domestic violence, including education and interventions services



116TH LEGISLATIVE & AGENCY ISSUES

- Substance Abuse Prevention & Services

Support programs to limit the abuse of dangerous substances

- Homeless Prevention & Services

Support funds for the implementation of effective systems for the chronically homeless

- San Antonio Missions National Park

Support funding increases for maintenance, operations and the backlog of infrastructure repair needs



116TH LEGISLATIVE & AGENCY ISSUES

- Air Quality

Support policies, programs and funding for nonattainment areas to reach and maintain federal ozone standards

- Brownfields

Support funding for assessment, clean-up, and technical assistance to assist City redevelopment



116TH LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

- Protection of Municipal Interests

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116TH PARTNERSHIPS

- Community/Business Stakeholders
- Chambers of Commerce
- Nonprofit Agencies
- Higher Education

