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City of San Antonio**



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**Meeting Minutes
City Council A Session**

City Hall Complex
114 W. Commerce
San Antonio, Texas 78205

Thursday, May 8, 2014

9:00 AM

Municipal Plaza Building

The City Council of San Antonio convened in a Regular Meeting. The City Clerk took the Roll Call with the following Councilmembers present:

Present: 11 - Mayor Castro, Bernal, Taylor, Viagran, Saldaña, Gonzales, Lopez, Medina, Nirenberg, Krier and Gallagher

1. The Invocation was delivered by Rabbi Chaim Block, Executive Director, Chabad Center for Jewish Life and Learning, guest of Councilmember Joe Krier, District 9.
2. Mayor Castro led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.
3. Approval of Minutes for the March 13, 2014 and March 19 - 20, 2014 City Council Meetings.

Councilmember Gallagher moved to approve the Minutes for the March 13, 2014 and March 19-20, 2014 City Council Meetings. Councilmember Bernal seconded the motion. The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Aye: 11 - Mayor Castro, Bernal, Taylor, Viagran, Saldaña, Gonzales, Lopez, Medina, Nirenberg, Krier and Gallagher

POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

Mayor Castro recognized City Clerk, Leticia M. Vacek for her 10 Years of Service with the City of San Antonio and presented her with a 10-Year City Pin. He stated that he was proud to have been a part of the City Council that hired Mrs. Vacek and spoke of the great leadership she has brought to the Office of the City Clerk. He commended her for her efficiency and innovation, as well as her work on Archiving Records and making City Records more available and transparent. He added that he was pleased with her implementation of the Passport Program and the new revenue it has brought to the city.

Councilmember Nirenberg recognized the Leyte Dance Theater of Tacloban, Leyte, Philippines who would be raising funds for those affected by the Typhoon that occurred in November 2013. Mayor Castro stated that he appreciated their presence in the community and commended them on their worthy efforts.

INDIVIDUAL ITEM FOR STAFF BRIEFING

The City Clerk read the caption for Item 4:

4. A Public Hearing to consider the five year updates to the land use assumptions, capital improvements plans and the maximum impact fees for Water Supply, Water Flow, Water System Development, Wastewater Treatment and Wastewater Collection for the San Antonio Water System. [Ben Gorzell, Chief Financial Officer; Robert Puente, CEO and President, San Antonio Water System]

Robert Puente presented a brief Power Point and noted that the Public Hearing required no action. He stated that an Impact Fee was a one-time charge to cover the cost of new development to the Water and Wastewater System. He noted that they charged Impact Fees to cover the Capital Costs of the infrastructure needed for growth and to ensure that growth pays for itself. He indicated that San Antonio has historically charged the maximum calculated Impact Fee. He mentioned that the Capital Improvements Advisory Committee (CIAC) had met over the past 18 months to make recommendations. He outlined the various types of Impact Fees to include: Water Flow; Water System Development; Water Supply; Wastewater Collection; and Wastewater Treatment. He spoke of the projected growth for 2014-2023 and reported that \$731 Million would be needed to accommodate same over the next 10 years.

Mr. Puente provided an overview of the Maximum Calculated Impact Fees by Service Area. He reported that the Average 2014 SAWS Bill was the second lowest of Major Texas Cities at \$55.72. He explained that the CIAC and SAWS had agreed on the following: 1) Land Use Assumptions Plan; 2) Capital Improvements Plan; 3) Calculation of the Maximum Impact Fees; and 4) Charging the Maximum Impact Fees for Water Flow, Water System Development, Wastewater Treatment, and Wastewater Collection. In regard to the Water Supply Impact Fee, the CIAC recommended charging \$1,590 while the SAWS Board recommends charging the maximum of \$2,796. He indicated that Ratepayers would subsidize new growth if less than the Maximum Impact Fees were charged. He added that this would result in a 0.26% monthly increase over the next 10 years. He mentioned that no Operations and Maintenance Costs would be paid by the Maximum Water Supply Impact Fee over the next 10 years. He added that if approved, the new fees would be effective on June 9, 2014.

Mayor Castro called upon the individuals registered to speak:

Scott Farrimond stated that he was speaking on behalf of the Responsible Growth Alliance in opposition to the SAWS Recommendations. He noted that if approved, SAWS would have the highest Water and Wastewater Fees in the State of Texas. He expressed concern with the increased cost of new homes and asked the City Council to approve the Impact Fees recommended by the CIAC.

Nazirite Ruben Flores Perez expressed support for the SAWS Recommendations and stated that developers should pay for new development.

Hector Morales stated that he was representing the San Antonio Apartment Association in support of the CIAC Recommendation of a 23% increase on Impact Fees. He noted that they were concerned with affordability and the added costs to homebuyers if the 116% increase was approved.

Elias Castillo addressed the City Council in opposition to the SAWS Recommendation to increase Impact Fees by 116%. He expressed concern that he was on a fixed income and stated that he did not support bonuses for SAWS Executives.

George Peck of Civil Engineering Consultants addressed the City Council in opposition to the 116% increase to Impact Fees as recommended by SAWS. He stated that he understood that the fees should be increased but did not feel the burden should fall solely on new development.

John Crone representing the South Texas Commercial Association of Realtors and the San

Antonio South Texas Chapter of Commercial Investment Brokers addressed the City Council in opposition to the 116% increase to Impact Fees. He stated that he had brought Investors, Developers, and Businesses to San Antonio since 1974 and expressed concern with the negative impact that the high fees would have on development.

Terry Burns representing the Sierra Club addressed the City Council in support of the Impact Fee Increase as recommended by the SAWS Board. He stated that Ratepayers should not bear the burden of growth and expressed concern with individuals on fixed incomes.

Meredith McGuire also representing the Sierra Club addressed the City Council in support of the Impact Fee Increase as recommended by the SAWS Board. She stated that growth should not be subsidized by the city or current residents.

Cynthia H. Stevens representing the Real Estate Council expressed opposition to the SAWS Recommended Impact Fee Structure. She stated that it was important to provide affordable housing to the community and noted the many industries supported by development.

Tony Piazzzi of Centro San Antonio spoke in opposition to the SAWS Recommended Impact Fee Structure. He expressed concern with the negative impact that the increased fees would have on development in the Central Business District and Downtown Area. He recommended that the fees be frozen at current levels for the next two years and that a third party conduct an Impact Fee Analysis.

Jack M. Finger addressed the City Council in opposition to the 116% increase to Impact Fees as recommended by the SAWS Board. He expressed concern with the recent salary increase and bonus provided to the SAWS CEO.

John Kirk of Embrey Partners addressed the City Council in opposition to the SAWS Recommended Impact Fee Structure. He expressed concern with the negative impact the increase will have on project budgets and asked for additional time to understand the new rules.

Jim Leonard representing the Greater San Antonio Builders Association spoke in support of the CIAC Recommendation for Water Supply Impact Fees and in opposition to the increase recommended by the SAWS Board. He expressed concern with the increase to the cost of a new home and the impact to current projects.

Annalisa Peace representing the Greater Edwards Aquifer Alliance addressed the City Council in support of the SAWS Recommended Impact Fee Structure. She stated that State Law did not allow recovery of the full cost of new development and expressed concern that

Ratepayers are subsidizing the infrastructure required for new development.

Laurie Griffith of Texas Capital Bank asked that the CIAC Recommendations be taken into consideration. She stated that if the increased Impact Fees were not phased in; there would be instability in the Loan Market.

Dan Kossel, Chair of the CIAC stated that the CIAC recommended charging a more equitable Water Supply Fee noting that new Water Supplies benefit all residents and businesses in San Antonio. He expressed concern with the negative impact that the increased fees would have on new development.

Michael D. Moore spoke in opposition to the SAWS Recommended Impact Fee Structure. He noted that new Water Supplies would be required regardless if new development was occurring. He asked that the CIAC Recommendations be considered.

Faris Hodge, Jr. wrote in opposition to Item 4 noting that the Impact Fees should not be increased.

Mayor Castro asked of the relationship between the Impact Fees to Developers and the rates that Ratepayers pay. Mr. Puente replied that the SAWS Board had recommended that growth be paid for by Impact Fees and new growth should pay for itself. Mayor Castro asked how often the Impact Fees were increased. Mr. Puente stated that the Impact Fees must be reviewed every five years and were reviewing them at this time due to the consolidation with BexarMet. Mayor Castro asked of the 116% increase. Mr. Puente replied that San Antonio would be experiencing a significant amount of growth over the next 10 years and \$731 Million of Infrastructure would be needed.

Mayor Castro stated that it was in the best interest of the city to phase in the increased fees due to the projects in the pipeline. He added that with regard to the Inner City Reinvestment Infill Policy (ICRIP) Area; a plan needs to come to fruition to alleviate some of that burden. He noted that San Antonio was one of the fastest growing large cities in the nation and believed the SAWS Recommendation was a sound one.

Councilmember Lopez thanked the CIAC for their work. He spoke of the challenges with homes in District 6 that have not sold and the added costs due to increased Impact Fees. He expressed concern with revitalization efforts and asked of considerations for development within the ICRIP. Mr. Puente replied that there was \$2 Million currently allocated toward Fee Waivers that was disbursed by the City Council. He added that they would take recommendations by the City Council into consideration. Councilmember Lopez stated that he understood the need for new Water Supplies and was supportive of the Maximum Impact Fees recommended by the SAWS Board.

Councilmember Medina asked of the 116% increase. Kelly Neumann replied that in the past, they were able to purchase additional water from the Edwards Aquifer that was relatively less expensive. She spoke of the Brackish Water and long pipeline needed to bring the water from the Desalination Plant. She confirmed that Phases I and II of the Brackish Desalination Project were included in the Impact Fees. Councilmember Medina asked of the ICRIP Area. Ben Gorzell stated that they were working on recommendations on how to best implement the Fee Waivers within the ICRIP.

Councilmember Taylor noted that her main concern was related to the impact to programs related to Downtown Development and Inner City Revitalization. Mr. Gorzell indicated that they would bring forth recommendations regarding same to the City Council on May 29, 2014. Councilmember Taylor asked of the previous increase to Impact Fees. Mr. Puente replied that it was done three years ago and that the reason for the large increase was due to the new Water Supply Projects that are being implemented.

Councilmember Saldaña asked of the other projects that would be funded with the Impact Fees. Ms. Neumann stated that there were five different types of Impact Fees and that the CIAC agreed that the Maximim Amount be charged for all with the exception of the Water Supply Impact Fee. Councilmember Saldaña asked if there was room for negotiation based on geographic location. Ms. Neumann replied that for the Wastewater Collection Fee; the fee was based on how far away you were located from the Wastewater Plant.

Councilmember Nirenberg asked of Operations and Maintenance Costs. Mr. Puente responded that Operations and Maintenance Costs to include new growth were paid by all Ratepayers. Councilmember Nirenberg asked of the statement made that San Antonio would have the highest Water and Wastewater Impact Fees in the State. Ms. Neumann replied that the Average Fee would be lower than Austin but there were some elements of Impact Fees that would be higher. Councilmember Nirenberg spoke of the Comprehensive Growth Policy and asked of the level of incentives that were allocated. Mr. Puente replied that it began with a \$1 Million Waiver for Impact Fees which had been increased to \$2 Million per year. He explained that the total of \$20 Million over 10 years had been reallocated so that more was spent in the first three years. He added that any Fee Waivers not used within a specific year would be rolled over to the following year. Councilmember Nirenberg asked of the potential to phase in the higher Impact Fees. Mr. Puente replied that they could phase in the Water Supply Impact Fee but not the other Impact Fees.

Councilmember Gallagher asked of the effect on Residential Bills if the higher Impact Fees were not implemented. Mr. Puente replied that they calculated that Residential Rates would increase 2.6% over 10 years. Councilmember Gallagher noted the 5% increase that was just voted on and the additional 5% would be required. He expressed concern with the impact

to Residential SAWS Bills.

Councilmember Viagran spoke of the importance of affordability and asked of the infrastructure projects. Mr. Puente replied that the top two projects were the Desalination Plan and the Integration Pipeline. He noted that all Ratepayers would pay Operations and Maintenance Costs. Councilmember Viagran asked of the impact to future development and who was eligible for Fee Waivers. Lori Houston stated that projects within the ICRIP were eligible for a Fee Waiver equal to 1% of the project cost. She noted that residential homes within the ICRIP were also eligible.

Councilmember Gonzales asked if the Impact Fee would be different if all new growth occurred within the existing core of the city. Mr. Puente stated that there would be minimum impact to the system since the infrastructure already exists. Councilmember Gonzales spoke of the importance of investing in the Inner City and providing affordable housing.

Councilmember Krier asked of the great difference between the CIAC and SAWS Recommendations. Susan Wright, CIAC Member, explained that the CIAC felt that the Water Supply Impact Fee should partially be paid by all Ratepayers. She stated that they had utilized the average cost of all of the Water Supply, while the SAWS Board had utilized the cost of the Water Supply Projects over the next 10 years. Mr. Dan Kossel, CIAC Chair, concurred and noted that the Water Supply would greatly increase over the next 10 years. Councilmember Krier requested a copy of the CIAC Report and asked of the Unbilled Water. Doug Evanson stated that if they were able to recover all of the Unbilled Water, it would add \$50-75 Million to Operating Revenues. Mr. Puente added that they had hired an Outside Consultant and were working to reduce the amount of Unbilled Water. Councilmember Krier commended Mr. Puente for his work but noted that he had received numerous complaints with regard to the large bonuses provided to him and the CPS Energy CEO.

Councilmember Bernal spoke of the importance of not hindering progress within the ICRIP. He noted that rate increases were already scheduled and did not want to pass additional fees onto customers.

Mayor Castro thanked staff for the presentation and stated that no action was required for Item 4.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Items 8, 13, 17, and 19 were pulled for Individual Consideration. Councilmember Nirenberg moved to approve the remaining Consent Agenda Items. Councilmember Bernal seconded the motion.

Mayor Castro called upon Mr. Jack M. Finger to speak.

Mr. Jack M. Finger spoke in opposition to the funding allocated to the Esperanza Peace and Justice Center (Item 19). He stated that he was against the Tax Abatement Agreements previously authorized by Bexar County for the Midtown and Inner City TIRZ (Item 20).

Faris Hodge, Jr. submitted written testimony in support of Items 5, 6, 9, 11-14, and 17-20. He wrote against Items 7, 8, 15, and 16 indicating that Board Members should be interviewed on television (Item 15) and that Councilmembers should not serve on AACOG (Item 16).

The motion to approve the remaining Consent Agenda Items prevailed by the following vote:

Aye: 11 - Mayor Castro, Bernal, Taylor, Viagran, Saldaña, Gonzales, Lopez, Medina, Nirenberg, Krier and Gallagher

2014-05-08-0312

5. An Ordinance authorizing a contract with Dallas Dodge Chrysler Jeep for the purchase of four Dodge 3500 one ton command vehicles for the Fire Department for a total cost of \$199,600.00, funded with the Equipment Renewal and Replacement Fund. [Ben Gorzell, Chief Financial Officer; Troy Elliott, Director, Finance]

2014-05-08-0313

6. An Ordinance accepting an offer from Grande Truck Center of San Antonio for the purchase of 31 automated side load refuse trucks for the Solid Waste Management Department for a total cost of \$9,700,148.00, funded with the Equipment Renewal and Replacement Fund. [Ben Gorzell, Chief Financial Officer; Troy Elliott, Director, Finance]

2014-05-08-0314

7. An Ordinance authorizing the following contracts establishing unit prices for goods and services for an estimated annual cost of \$182,000.00: (A) Jones Holt Enterprises d/b/a San Antonio Foam Fabricators for foam contoured head blocks, and (B) Unifirst Corporation for work uniform rental & laundry service. [Ben Gorzell, Chief Financial Officer; Troy Elliott, Director, Finance]

2014-05-08-0316

9. An Ordinance accepting the lowest responsive bid and awarding a construction contract for Citywide Bridge Replacement- Shaenfield Road, a 2012 General Obligation Bond-funded project, located in Council District 6, to Capital Excavation

Company in an amount up to \$2,324,702.30 of which \$93,940.00 will be reimbursed by San Antonio Water Systems. [Peter Zanoni, Deputy City Manager; Mike Frisbie, Director, Transportation & Capital Improvements]

2014-05-08-0317

10. An Ordinance accepting the lowest responsive bid and awarding a task order contract for construction of the FY 2014 and FY 2015 Alley Maintenance Projects in an amount not to exceed \$2,757,195.00; authorizing payments, subject to the availability of funds, to Davila Construction, Inc. for Infrastructure Management Program and Solid Waste Management funded projects located City wide; and of this amount, \$60,360.00 will be reimbursed by San Antonio Water Systems. [Peter Zanoni, Deputy City Manager; Mike Frisbie, Director, Transportation and Capital Improvements]

2014-05-08-0318

11. An Ordinance authorizing a construction contract with American Roofing & Metal Co., Inc in the amount of \$113,866.00 for the re-roofing of the Aviation Maintenance Building at the San Antonio International Airport. [Ed Belmares, Assistant City Manager; Frank Miller, Director, Aviation]

2014-05-08-0319

12. An Ordinance declaring as surplus a combined 145 square feet (0.00332 of an acre) of City owned property, located at 911 West Commerce Street in NCB 264, located in Council District 5; and authorizing its conveyance to Avance, Inc at no cost to the non-profit organization. [Peter Zanoni, Deputy City Manager; Mike Etienne, Officer, EastPoint & Real Estate Services Office]

2014-05-08-0321

14. An Ordinance related to the Multi-Service Senior Center authorizing to amend and restate a five-year Lease Agreement between the City of San Antonio and Bar Paso Partners, L.P., for the continued use and expansion of the property located at 1751 South W.W. White Road, located in District 2, for an annual rental rate during the five-year term at \$209,861.40, with the right to renew for two additional five-year terms and the option to terminate the lease after the third year of occupancy; and authorizing payment in an amount not to exceed \$505,000.00 to Bar Paso Partners, L.P. for renovations to the Senior Center. [Peter Zanoni, Deputy City Manager; Mike Etienne, EastPoint & Real Estate Services Office]
15. Consideration of the following Board, Commission and Committee appointments for the remainder of unexpired terms of office to expire May 31, 2015, to be effective

immediately upon the receipt of eight affirmative votes, or, in the event eight affirmative votes are not received, ten days after appointment; or for terms and effectiveness as otherwise indicated below: [Leticia M. Vacek, City Clerk]

A) Reappointing Jesse J. Hereford (District 10) to the Brooks Development Authority.

B) Appointing Clayton H. Perry (District 10) to the Building Standards Board.

C) Appointing Celeste C. Tagle (District 2) to the SA2020 Commission on Strengthening Family Well-being.

D) Appointing Adam Goodman (District 2) to the Transportation Advisory Board.

16. Appointing Councilmember Ron Nirenberg (District 8) to the Alamo Area Council of Governments (AACOG) Air Improvement Resource Committee for the remainder of a term of office to expire May 31, 2015. [Leticia M. Vacek, City Clerk]

2014-05-08-0322

18. An Ordinance authorizing a contract in the amount of \$2,369,747.04 with Allied Barton Security Services LLC for secured area access management and monitoring services for the San Antonio International Airport for five years. [Ed Belmares, Assistant City Manager; Frank Miller, Director, Aviation]

2014-05-08-0014R

20. A Resolution approving eight Bexar County tax abatement agreements previously authorized by Bexar County as required by state law for projects within the City-created Midtown and Inner City Tax Increment Reinvestment Zones. [Peter Zaroni, Deputy City Manager; John Dugan, Director, Planning & Community Development]

ITEMS PULLED FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

The City Clerk read the caption for Item 8:

2014-05-08-0315

8. An Ordinance related to the construction of W. Huisache, from Kampmann to Zarzamora accepting the lowest responsive bid and awarding a construction contract in the amount up to \$1,734,782.05 to Pronto Sandblasting & Coating & Oil Field Services; a 2012-2017 Bond funded Project, located in Council District 7. [Peter Zaroni, Deputy City Manager; Mike Frisbie, Director, Transportation & Capital

Improvements]

Councilmember Medina stated that he was excited about the project and asked of the Small Business Participation. Razi Hossemi stated that the participation was higher than the requested 17%.

Councilmember Medina moved to adopt the proposed ordinance. Councilmember Lopez seconded the motion. The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Aye: 11 - Mayor Castro, Bernal, Taylor, Viagran, Saldaña, Gonzales, Lopez, Medina, Nirenberg, Krier and Gallagher

The City Clerk read the caption for Item 13:

2014-05-08-0320

- 13.** An Ordinance authorizing the execution of a lease agreement for 53,000 square feet of office space for the San Antonio Police Department and other regional law enforcement agencies for a ten-year term with Brass Centerview 2012, LLC located at 4204 Woodcock Street in Council District 7 at the annual rate of \$927,500.04 during the first year of the term increasing to an annual rate of \$1,046,709.00 in the tenth year of the term. [Peter Zaroni, Deputy City Manager; Mike Etienne, EastPoint & Real Estate Services Office]

Councilmember Gonzales recused herself from Item 13 by exiting the Council Chambers and noting that she had submitted the recusal forms to the City Clerk.

Mayor Castro asked if this was a Market Rate Lease. Chief McManus replied that it was a Market Rate Lease and less expensive than their current lease. Mayor Castro asked if the space was shared with other Law Enforcement Agencies and of the funding source. Chief McManus confirmed that other Law Enforcement Agencies would share the space and that 60% of the first year lease would be funded by the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) Grant.

Councilmember Bernal moved to adopt the proposed ordinance. Councilmember Viagran seconded the motion. The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Aye: 9 - Mayor Castro, Bernal, Taylor, Viagran, Saldaña, Lopez, Nirenberg, Krier and Gallagher

Absent: 1 - Medina

Abstain: 1 - Gonzales

The City Clerk read the caption for Item 17:

- 17.** Appointment of applicants to the San Antonio Economic Development Corporation effective June 1, 2014 to expire May 31, 2016. [Leticia M. Vacek, City Clerk]

Councilmember Lopez moved to reappoint the following individuals to the San Antonio Economic Development Corporation as recommended by the Economic and Community Development Council Committee: Michael T. Dwyer, Juan A. Landa, and Marianne Watson. Councilmember Viagran seconded the motion. The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Aye: 11 - Mayor Castro, Bernal, Taylor, Viagran, Saldaña, Gonzales, Lopez, Medina, Nirenberg, Krier and Gallagher

The City Clerk read the caption for Item 19:

2014-05-08-0323

- 19.** An Ordinance adopting revisions to the Arts Funding Guidelines, effective for FY 2015-2016 funding cycle, applications for which will be accepted beginning in May 2014. [Ed Belmares, Assistant City Manager, Felix Padron, Director, Culture and Creative Development]

Councilmember Medina stated that his questions had been answered. Councilmember Bernal stated that he was pleased with the revised guidelines and commended staff for their work.

Councilmember Medina moved to adopt the proposed ordinance. Councilmember Nirenberg seconded the motion. The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Aye: 11 - Mayor Castro, Bernal, Taylor, Viagran, Saldaña, Gonzales, Lopez, Medina, Nirenberg, Krier and Gallagher

- 21.** City Manager's Report
- A. Pre-K 4 SA Update
 - B. Animal Care Services Update

A. Mrs. Sculley reported that Pre-K 4 SA Staff was preparing for the 2014-2015 School Year which includes the opening of two additional centers, and increasing the total number

of students served to 1,500 students. She reported that the enrollment process had been streamlined to control all aspects of enrollment, giving families a one-stop process to enroll in Pre-K 4 SA. She stated that the application period began on February 24, 2014 and that the entire application process takes about five minutes. She indicated that over 2,000 student applications for the program's upcoming year had been submitted. She added that on June 10, 2014, staff would coordinate a lottery to select students to attend each of the four Education Centers. She mentioned that Pre-K 4 SA was aggressively recruiting remaining staff for the two new Education Centers and had appointed two new Center Directors. She noted that hiring for additional staff would continue throughout the summer months. She reported that the construction of the East and West Centers was on schedule for completion prior to the start of school. She stated that staff was also focused on preparing students for the transition from Pre-K to Kindergarten. Both Education Centers will be hosting Kindergarten Transition Fairs during which they will provide parents with insight into providing continued education and preparation to their children over the summer months. She indicated that the North and South Education Centers will conclude the school year with a celebratory Kindergarten Promotion at the two Education Centers for all students. She added that the Professional Development Team at Pre-K 4 SA was preparing to host Summer Academies to provide San Antonio Educators with new innovative techniques and ideas for the upcoming school year.

B. Mrs. Sculley reported that in both March and April, the Animal Care Services Department reached a "No Kill" Status for the cat population within San Antonio. She explained that ACS had been able to sustain above a 90% Live Release Rate for those two months. She indicated that the success of ACS was due to the City's Trap Neuter Release Program. She stated that said program had created additional live outcome options for impounded cats while decreasing the number of cat impoundments. She noted that while maintaining the 90% rate would be difficult during the high intake months of summer, ACS would continue to work toward reaching their goal of "No Kill" for San Antonio. She reported that in January 2014, ACS received formal confirmation that the ACS Shelter was selected as a contender in the Rachel Ray \$100,000 Challenge during the months of June, July, and August of this year. She stated that the Rachel Ray Challenge would pit the performance of San Antonio's Live Release Efforts against 50 of the Top Agencies in the United States. She mentioned that in 2012, ACS won the Challenge and to date, ACS is still the only municipal agency to win the Rachel Ray Challenge. She added that if ACS was selected as the winner of the challenge this year, they will receive \$100,000 in donations. She indicated that the challenge would be promoted throughout the San Antonio Community at community centers, libraries, and other well-visited neighborhood locations. She added that ACS would utilize a concerted teamwork approach to the challenge by enlisting the help of all local animal organizations.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Castro recessed the meeting at 12:00 pm to break for lunch and announced that the City Council would reconvene in Executive Session at 2:00 pm to discuss the following:

- A. Discuss legal issues related to Greater San Antonio Builders Association, et al v. City of San Antonio, pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071 (consultation with attorney).
- B. Discuss legal issues related to collective bargaining pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071 (consultation with attorney).
- C. Deliberations regarding economic development negotiations and discuss legal issues pursuant to Texas Government Code Sections 551.087 (economic development) and 551.071 (consultation with attorney).
- D. Deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property and discuss related legal issues pursuant to Texas Government Code Sections 551.072 (real property) and 551.071 (consultation with attorney).
- E. Deliberate the appointment, evaluation and duties of public officers and discuss legal issues pursuant to Texas Government Code Sections 551.074 (personnel matters) and 551.071 (consultation with attorney).

RECONVENED

Mayor Castro reconvened the meeting at 3:31 pm and announced that no action was taken in Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further discussion, Mayor Castro adjourned the meeting at 3:31 pm.

APPROVED

JULIÁN CASTRO
MAYOR

ATTEST:

LETICIA M. VACEK, TRMC/MMC
CITY CLERK