

**AN ORDINANCE**

**CREATING THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO HIGHER  
EDUCATION STUDENT ADVISORY BOARD.**

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**WHEREAS**, on December 12, 2017, the Governance Committee of the City of San Antonio approved a Council Consideration Request by Councilman Rey Saldaña for the creation of an 11-member City of San Antonio Higher Education Student Advisory Board with the objective to help increase college enrollment and retention of college graduates; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board will advise the Mayor and City Council, through an executive summary provided annually by the City Manager, on policy matters of interest to students who are enrolled in colleges and universities in San Antonio; and

**WHEREAS**, the 11 members of the Board will be appointed by the Mayor and City Council from a pool of students nominated by San Antonio institutions of higher education including, but not limited to, the University of Texas at San Antonio, Texas A&M University-San Antonio, University of the Incarnate Word, St. Mary's University, Our Lady of the Lake University, Trinity University, San Antonio College, Northwest Vista College, Northeast Lakeview College, Palo Alto College, and St. Phillip's College; **NOW THEREFORE**:

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

**SECTION 1.** Creation of the City of San Antonio Higher Education Student Advisory Board is hereby approved.

**SECTION 2.** The 11 members of the Board will be appointed by the Mayor and City Council from a pool of students nominated by local colleges and universities, serve a 2-year term, and meet monthly during the academic year (from September to May). The City Manager or her designee, or the Director of the Department of Human Services or her designee is authorized to determine the necessity and parameters of officers, committees and bylaws.

**SECTION 3.** The City Manager or her designee, or the Director of the Department of Human Services or her designee, is further authorized to alter the Board's charge to include, but not be limited to, making recommendations to the Mayor and City Council on:

- a) priority issues: (1) multi-modal transportation, (2) environmental sustainability and public health, (3) housing and affordability, (4) jobs and economic development, (5) public safety, and (6) arts, culture, and recreation;
- b) additional issues regarding what steps the City can take to: (1) retain local students and attracting students from outside the City, (2) support students from all areas of the city and ensuring equity in educational opportunity, and (3) support students during the transition into the workforce; and

- c) the amenities, programs, or future developments that increase college student interest in living in San Antonio for the long-term.

**SECTION 4.** The Board is subject to the City of San Antonio’s Ethics Code and the Texas Open Meetings Act.

**SECTION 5.** The City recognizes that students attending institutions of higher education in San Antonio may not be residents of the City, in accordance with the City Code of San Antonio Section 2-529(b), and intend to return to their residence in another city when not attending classes in San Antonio. Therefore, for the purposes of this Board, residency shall be established by demonstration of enrollment in an institution of higher education in San Antonio during the school year corresponding with the established terms of the Board

**SECTION 6.** This Ordinance is effective immediately upon the receipt of eight affirmative votes; otherwise, it is effective ten days after passage.

**PASSED AND APPROVED this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_.**

**M A Y O R**  
Ron Nirenberg

**ATTEST:**

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

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Leticia M. Vacek, City Clerk

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Andrew Segovia, City Attorney