

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



**FINAL  
Meeting Minutes  
City Council Special Session**

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

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Tuesday, September 8, 2015

2:00 PM

Municipal Plaza Building

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The City Council of San Antonio convened in the "B" Room of the Municipal Plaza Building. City Clerk Leticia Vacek took the Roll Call with the following Councilmembers present:

**PRESENT:** 11 - Mayor Taylor, Treviño, Warrick, Viagran, Saldaña, Gonzales, Lopez, Medina, Nirenberg, Krier, and Gallagher

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mayor Taylor stated that the Budget Amendments could be affected by Collective Bargaining and recessed the meeting into Executive Session at 2:10 pm to:

DISCUSS LEGAL ISSUES RELATED TO COLLECTIVE BARGAINING PURSUANT TO TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 551.071 (CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY).

**RECONVENED**

Mayor Taylor reconvened the meeting at 3:23 pm and announced that no action was taken in Executive Session.

1. Staff presentation and possible City Council action on potential City Council amendments to the FY 2016 Proposed Budget. [Sheryl Sculley, City Manager; Maria Villagomez, Director, Management and Budget]

Mayor Taylor noted that Amendments made today would be limited to the Capital Improvements Budget as Public Safety Contract Negotiations potentially impact the General Fund.

Mrs. Sculley highlighted Answers to Questions made last week and detailed Proposed Budget Recommendations made at Community Input Meetings. She stated that another Memo was provided on September 4, 2015 which addressed Capital Budget Amendments. She reported that the Mayor and Council made Capital Improvements requests totaling \$41.7 Million and that said requests exceeded the \$5.6 Million allocated by the City.

Councilmember Saldaña spoke on the importance of the Indian Creek CentroMed Clinic and stated that the Clinic would provide Healthcare to Undeserved Patients. He reported that he had been trying to identify funding for said Project for 3 ½ years. It was stated that CentroMed received a Federal Grant and that the cost to the City was \$450,000.

Councilmember Medina requested that Improvements be considered for inclusion in the 2017 Bond Program. He spoke on the benefits of developing a Traffic Management Plan for Hillcrest Drive to include mitigating traffic congestion and decreasing the number of traffic accidents occurring in residential areas. As it relates to proposed Improvements for O.P. Schnabel Park; it was noted that the City was Partnering with the YMCA to assist with the cost of resurfacing the Field.

Councilmember Viagran spoke on the Funding Allocation for Stinson Airport Signage and highlighted benefits to the Community. She noted that Stinson Airport was celebrating its 100th Anniversary and that Airport Traffic was increasing due to increased Economic Development of the area. It was noted that said Improvements would connect the City to the Historic Missions as well as welcome Visitors to the Airport. Councilmember Viagran asked of Funding Allocations made for the Vision Zero Plan. It was clarified by Mrs. Sculley that Funding totaling \$500,000 was for the Vision Zero Plan in District 5. Mike Frisbie added that Funding totaling \$2 Million was included in the General Fund and would be used to implement the Vision Zero Plan City-Wide. At the request of Councilmember Viagran, Mr. Frisbie spoke on Funding Allocations for making portions of Broadway a Complete Street. He noted that the portion of the street to be developed was from Houston to Casa Blanca.

Councilmember Viagran asked for clarification regarding the Community Street Lighting Project. Mr. Frisbie replied that each Council District was being allocated \$20,000 and that said Funds would be used to purchase LED Streetlights and light bulbs. He spoke of the benefits of using LED Lights and stated that he would provide the Mayor and Council with the cost for installing one Street Light. Mrs. Sculley spoke on Councilmember Viagran's request for Signage at Stinson Airport and reported that said Improvements could be funded via the Aviation Restricted Fund. Councilmember Viagran agreed that said Project be funded as reported.

Councilmember Warrick highlighted the Improvement Projects proposed for District 2 and spoke on their City-wide impact. He stated that Funding Allocations proposed for Martin Luther King Park Improvements would encourage Economic Development in the area. Councilmember Warrick highlighted the benefits of having an Animal Care Services Clinic in District 2 and spoke on the possibility of having additional Clinics established in District 2. He spoke to the benefits of the Community Street Lighting Project to include decreasing crime.

Councilmember Warrick spoke on the parking situation in District 2 and highlighted the benefits of additional Parking under Interstate Highway 281. He asked for the number of Parking Spaces available in District 2. Mr. Frisbie reported that approximately 200 parking spaces were available in District 2 and spoke on events and increased economic development occurring in District 2.

Councilmember Treviño highlighted proposed Improvements for Lerma's and stated that Funding would be used to stabilize the structure. He spoke on the proposed Funding Allocation of \$90,000 for purchasing a Public Restroom Prototype and highlighted benefits to the Community. He clarified that said Project was not listed on the Memo provided and asked that the Project be added.

It was clarified that that the Sub-Freeway Parking Improvements Project proposed for District 2 would result in 450 additional parking spaces.

Councilmember Saldaña spoke in support of the proposed Funding Allocation for Lerma's due to its Historical significance.

Councilmember Gonzales spoke in support of the proposed Funding Allocation for Lerma's and detailed the Building's importance to the local Community. She mentioned the Street and Sidewalk Improvements Project. It was reported that the installation of sidewalks near Schools in District 5 was estimated to cost \$9 Million. Councilmember Gonzales

highlighted Improvements for the Commerce Street Bridge and noted that Funding was being requested in FY 2015 and FY 2016. She provided an overview of Improvements to be made as part of the District 5 Park Project and asked that said requests be considered.

Councilmember Gallagher detailed the importance of Friesenhahn Park to the Community and noted that Funding would be used for the purchase of additional land. As it relates to Allocations for repaving Nacogdoches Road, it was noted that said project would increase safety for all drivers.

Councilmember Krier highlighted the Hardy Oak Road Improvement Project and noted that it would mitigate traffic congestion. At the request of Councilmember Krier, Mr. Frisbie reported that the City was Funding 30% of the Construction costs with the Developer funding the difference.

Councilmember Lopez spoke in support of General Fund Allocations for Workforce Development and Transportation issues. He reported that he was requesting Funding for the Environmental clean-up and Renovation of a Former Gas Station. He noted that said Project would require funding totaling \$2 Million in FY 2017 and that the City planned on leveraging Funds from other sources to complete the Project. He asked for clarification of FY 2017 Funding Allocations. Mrs. Sculley stated that one option was to use Monies Allocated to the City's Deferred Maintenance Program while the other was to include FY 2017 Funding Language in the FY 2016 Budget Ordinance. Councilmember Lopez asked for Council Support for said Project and spoke on the benefits to the Community. He provided an overview of funding options and stated that the intent was to leverage funds from other sources.

As it relates to Stinson Airport Signage, Councilmember Lopez spoke in support of said Project and asked that additional signage be installed to inform Visitors that they were entering Restricted Air Space. He recommended that additional Funding be used, if needed, from the Federal Government or Aviation Budget. Councilmember Lopez highlighted the benefits of funding Lerma's and noted that the Community was very passionate about retaining their Cultural History. He spoke in support of Commerce Street Bridge Improvements and recommended that Funding be identified in the 2017 Bond Program rather than the FY 2016 and FY 2017 Capital Improvements Budget.

Mayor Taylor briefed the Council on the Funding Allocation she requested for the Good Samaritan Veteran's Outreach and Transition Center Project. She noted that said Initiative began in 2013 with the acquisition of a Building. She stated that funds were not previously available to make Improvements on the Historic Building resulting in the Organization having to work at St. Phillips College. It was reported that the City was matching Funds

provided by the Greehey Family Foundation and that funds would allow the Organization to offer additional services at the new building.

Councilmember Nirenberg spoke in support of funding the Good Samaritan Veteran's Outreach and Transition Center Project. He requested that the City Manager identify additional Funding Sources to include developing Partnerships as Improvement costs exceeded funding allocations. Councilmember Nirenberg stated that priority be given to funding projects based on eminent threats to Public Health and Safety and noted that he considered Lerma's to be a funding priority. He also spoke on the need for installing signs at Stinson Airport in order to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of the Facility. Councilmember Nirenberg noted that his projects were already included in the Capital Budget.

Mayor Taylor reminded Councilmembers to review Community Input requests.

Mrs. Sculley reported that the cost to replace a high pressure sodium street lamp to an LED street lamp was \$1,200 while the cost for converting an existing high pressure sodium light bulb to an LED light bulb was \$300. She noted that \$1 Million was allocated for said Project in FY 2015. It was reported that FY 2016 Allocations would be used for completion of said Project in Council Districts 2 and 5.

Mayor Taylor announced that the City Council would discuss General Fund Amendments on Thursday, September 9, 2015.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further discussion, Mayor Taylor adjourned the meeting at 4:21 pm.

APPROVED

IVY R. TAYLOR  
MAYOR

ATTEST:

LETICIA M. VACEK, TRMC/CMC/MMC  
CITY CLERK