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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, October 9, 2014

9:00 AM

Municipal Plaza Building

The City Council of San Antonio convened in a Regular Council Meeting at 9:00 am. City Clerk Leticia Vacek took the Roll Call with the following Councilmembers present:

Present: 10 - Mayor Taylor, Bernal, Toney, Viagran, Saldaña, Gonzales, Lopez, Aguirre-Rodriguez, Nirenberg and Gallagher

Absent: 1 - Krier

Mrs. Vacek announced that Councilmember Krier was out sick.

1. The Invocation was delivered by Imam Omar Adib Shakir, Masjid Bilal Ibn Ra'bah of San Antonio, guest of Mayor Ivy R. Taylor.
2. Mayor Taylor led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.
3. Approval of Minutes for the Special Meeting of August 19, 2014 and the Regular Meetings of August 20 - 21, 2014.

Councilmember Saldaña moved to approve the Minutes for the Special Meeting of August 19, 2014 and the Regular Meetings of August 20-21, 2014. Councilmember Gallagher seconded the motion. The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Aye: 10 - Mayor Taylor, Bernal, Toney, Viagran, Saldaña, Gonzales, Lopez, Aguirre-Rodriguez, Nirenberg and Gallagher

Absent: 1 - Krier

POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

Councilmember Saldaña recognized the new President and CEO of Port San Antonio, Mr. Roland Mower. He spoke of Mr. Mower's previous experience and welcomed him to San Antonio. Mr. Mower thanked the City Council for the recognition and stated that he was humbled to serve as the Port San Antonio President and CEO. Councilmember Gonzales welcomed Mr. Mower and stated that she looked forward to working with him. Mayor Taylor also thanked Mr. Mower for his service.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Items 10, 15, and 20 were pulled for Individual Consideration. Councilmember Gallagher moved to approve the remaining Consent Agenda Items: 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 11, 12, 13, 14, 16, 17, 18, and 19. Councilmember Viagran seconded the motion. Mayor Taylor announced that Item 9 was pulled from the agenda by staff.

Mayor Taylor called on the citizens registered to speak.

Bianca Maldonado addressed the City Council in support of the KaBoom! Project at Thunderbird Hills Park (Item 10) and thanked Councilmember Aguirre-Rodriguez for her service.

Jack M. Finger expressed concern with Imam Shakir providing the Invocation. He spoke in opposition to the contract with Greater San Antonio Transportation Company (Item 4) and with the cost of the Water Policy Study (Item 20).

Faris Hodge, Jr. submitted written testimony in support of Items 4-10, and 14-20. He wrote in opposition to Items 11, 12, and 13 noting that Board Members should be interviewed on television.

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

Aye: 10 - Mayor Taylor, Bernal, Toney, Viagran, Saldaña, Gonzales, Lopez, Aguirre-Rodriguez, Nirenberg and Gallagher

Absent: 1 - Krier

2014-10-09-0772

4. An Ordinance authorizing a contract with Greater San Antonio Transportation Company d/b/a Yellow Cab to provide non-emergency patients with a city-sponsored means of transportation to appropriate medical and hospital facilities for an estimated annual amount of \$20,000.00 and an estimated total amount of \$100,000.00, funded by the FY 2015 General Fund. [Ben Gorzell, Chief Financial Officer; Troy Elliott, Director, Finance]

2014-10-09-0773

5. An Ordinance accepting the offer from Fuquay, Inc. to complete the rehabilitation of deteriorated corrugated metal pipeline located directly under Palatine Street for a total cost of \$60,038.70, funded with the FY 2015 Storm Water Operation Fund. [Ben Gorzell, Chief Financial Officer; Troy Elliott, Director, Finance]

2014-10-09-0774

6. An Ordinance authorizing a contract with Buoy Services, Inc. d/b/a Survival Air Systems for the purchase of nine air compressors for a total cost of \$243,999.00 funded by the Public Property Finance Contractual Obligations, Series 2013 Fund. [Ben Gorzell, Chief Financial Officer; Troy Elliott, Director, Finance]

2014-10-09-0775

7. An Ordinance authorizing the execution of a construction contract for the HemisFair Historic Homes Stabilizations and Exterior Rehabilitations Project in an amount not to exceed \$2,190,000.00, to J.C. Stoddard Construction, a 2012-2017 General Obligation Bond funded project, located in Council District 1. [Peter Zanoni, Deputy City Manager, Mike Frisbie, Director, Transportation and Capital Improvements]

2014-10-09-0776

8. An Ordinance, for median enhancements to the recently completed Hunt Lane Project (Ingram Road to Potranco), approving a staff-requested change order totaling \$332,412.99 and authorizing payment to Liberty Mutual Surety, for the Hunt Lane Road Project, an authorized 2007-2012 General Obligation Bond funded project, located in Council Districts 4 & 6. [Peter Zanoni, Deputy City Manager; Mike Frisbie, Director, Transportation and Capital Improvements]

PULLED FROM THE AGENDA BY STAFF

9. An Ordinance authorizing the disposition and sale of a 0.56 acre improved tract of land located at 915 Castroville Road, in Council District 5, to TCP Capital Partners, LLC for \$75,000.00 for economic and commercial development. [Peter Zaroni, Deputy City Manager; Mike Etienne, Director, EastPoint & Real Estate Services Office]
11. 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) Appointing Joshua A. Diaz (District 5) and Ryan A. Flores (District 3) to the San Antonio Youth Commission.
- B) Reappointing Roderick J. Sanchez (Mayoral) to the Animal Care Services Advisory Board.
- C) Appointing James J. Devno (District 2) to the City Commission on Veterans Affairs.
- D) Appointing Gilbert Morales (District 4) to the Citizens Environmental Advisory Committee.
- E) Reappointing Michael C. Connor (District 4) to the Historic and Design Review Commission.
12. Appointing Diane Centeno to the Convention and Visitors Commission, Theme Park Representative (SeaWorld), for the remainder of an unexpired term of office to expire May 31, 2015. [Leticia M. Vacek, City Clerk]

2014-10-09-0778

13. An Ordinance appointing Magdalena B. Alvarado (District 5) to the Ethics Review Board for the remainder of an unexpired term of office to expire April 25, 2015. [Leticia M. Vacek, City Clerk]

2014-10-09-0779

14. An Ordinance authorizing a three-year Professional Service Agreement with Ad Nova Comunicacion Estrategica S.C. for foreign representative services assisting the San Antonio Convention & Visitors Bureau in its marketing and tourism efforts in Mexico, in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00 per year, with an option to renew for one additional two-year term, subject to City Council approval . [Ed Belmares, Assistant City Manager; Casandra Matej, Director, Convention and Visitors Bureau]

2014-10-09-0781

16. An Ordinance authorizing the issuance of up to \$65,500,000 "City of San Antonio, Texas General Improvement Refunding Bonds, Series 2014"; levying an annual ad valorem tax, within the limitations prescribed by law, for the payment of the bonds; prescribing the form, terms, and conditions of, and resolving other matters incident and related to, the issuance, sale, and delivery of the bonds, including the approval and distribution of an official statement pertaining thereto; authorizing the execution of an Escrow Agreement, a Paying Agent/Registrar Agreement, and a Purchase Contract; complying with the provisions of the Depository Trust Company's Letter of Representations; delegating the authority to certain City officials and staff to establish terms of sale of the bonds and to execute certain documents relating to the sale thereof; and providing for an effective date. [Ben Gorzell, Jr., Chief Financial Officer; Troy Elliott, Director of Finance]

2014-10-09-0782

17. An Ordinance approving a Professional Services Agreement with AMI Risk Consultants, Inc., to provide actuarial services to the City for a 3-year term beginning October 1, 2014 and ending September 30, 2017, with two renewal terms of one year each at the City's option, with total compensation not to exceed \$65,000.00. [Ben Gorzell, Chief Financial Officer; Troy Elliott, Director]

2014-10-09-0783

18. An Ordinance for the City's Comprehensive Plan authorizing a professional services agreement with Moore Iacofano Goltsman, Inc. for consultant services pertaining to the Plan's development and related public outreach efforts in the amount not to exceed \$250,000.00 from prior City Council approved and budgeted funds. [Peter Zanoni, Deputy City Manager; John Dugan, Director, Planning & Community Development]

2014-10-09-0784

19. An Ordinance, for the City's Strategic Multi-Modal Transportation Plan authorizing the negotiation and execution of a professional services agreement with Parsons

Brinckerhoff, Inc. for consultant services pertaining to the Plan's development and related public outreach efforts in the amount not to exceed \$2,750,000.00 from prior City Council approved and budgeted funds. [Peter Zaroni, Deputy City Manager; Mike Frisbie, Director, Transportation and Capital Improvements]

CONSENT ITEMS CONCLUDED

ITEMS PULLED FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

The City Clerk read the caption for Item 10:

2014-10-09-0777

- 10.** An Ordinance authorizing the submission of a grant application to KaBoom! and the acceptance upon award of a new playscape, at an estimated value of \$80,000.00, for Thunderbird Hills Park located in Council District 7. [Gloria Hurtado, Assistant City Manager; Xavier Urrutia, Director, Parks & Recreation]

Councilmember Aguirre-Rodriguez thanked staff for their work and stated that she was excited about the Kaboom! Designation. She mentioned that Jane Dubel , President of the Thunderbird Hills Neighborhood Association, has decided to retire from that position now that the Park has been approved. She added that Ms. Dubel does not have children of her own but wanted the park for the neighborhood.

Councilmember Aguirre-Rodriguez moved to adopt the proposed Ordinance. Councilmember Bernal seconded the motion. The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Aye: 10 - Mayor Taylor, Bernal, Toney, Viagran, Saldaña, Gonzales, Lopez, Aguirre-Rodriguez, Nirenberg and Gallagher

Absent: 1 - Krier

2014-10-09-0780

- 15.** An Ordinance approving the proposed FY 2015 Budget for the San Antonio Economic Development Corporation. [Carlos Contreras, Assistant City Manager; Rene Dominguez, Director, Economic Development]

Ed Davis highlighted the Annual Budget for FY 2015 for the San Antonio Economic Development Corporation in the amount of \$959,000. He explained that the city appropriated \$300,000 in the Budget this year and that \$500,000 was carried over from last year for the Investment Fund. Councilmember Nirenberg spoke of the importance of their work and the great work occurring with Incubators and Biomedical Industry.

Councilmember Lopez expressed his support and stated that it was important for the city to support these types of investments.

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

Aye: 10 - Mayor Taylor, Bernal, Toney, Viagran, Saldaña, Gonzales, Lopez, Aguirre-Rodriguez, Nirenberg and Gallagher

Absent: 1 - Krier

2014-10-09-0785

- 20.** An Ordinance for the City's Water Policy Study authorizing a Professional Services Agreement with Texas A&M Agrilife Extension Service, an agency of the State of Texas and an institution of Texas A&M University system, on behalf of the Water Conservation and Technology Center of the Texas Water Resources Institute, to prepare a Water Policy Study for an amount not to exceed \$98,096.00, from prior City Council approved and budgeted funds. [Peter Zanoni, Deputy City Manager; John Dugan, Director, Planning and Community Development]

Councilmember Nirenberg requested a brief presentation. John Dugan stated that Councilmember Nirenberg had submitted a Council Consideration Request (CCR) to develop a Plan to provide affordable rates and clean water to San Antonio Residents through Year 2060. He also requested that the Plan determine how the City should protect the Edwards Aquifer and how growth policies impact the management and operation of SAWS. Mr. Dugan noted that the Water Policy Study was funded through a partnership with the City of Fair Oaks Ranch and that the cost of the Study would not exceed \$98,096. He explained that the City of San Antonio would enter into a Professional Services Agreement with Texas A&M University's Water Conservation and Technology Center for the Study. He stated that the Study would include data collection, policy analysis, and strategies to develop a Comprehensive Water Policy. He noted that the draft report would be completed by December 31, 2014 with the final report due in March 2015. Councilmember Nirenberg recognized Mayor Landman for the partnership with Fair Oaks Ranch and Dr. Calvin Finch of Texas A&M University. He spoke of the importance of a Comprehensive Water Plan with Regional Partnerships to ensure affordable, clean, and ample water for the future.

Mayor Taylor expressed her support and stated that she looked forward to the outcome of the Study. She noted that she was interested in the portion of the Study that would focus on City Codes and Regulations that impact water.

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

Aye: 10 - Mayor Taylor, Bernal, Toney, Viagran, Saldaña, Gonzales, Lopez, Aguirre-Rodriguez, Nirenberg and Gallagher

Absent: 1 - Krier

21. City Manager's Report

- A. Aviation Update
- B. Emergency Preparedness
- C. Citizens Bond Oversight Committee

A. Mrs. Sculley reported that the City of San Antonio will have new Air Service to Miami and New Orleans and additional service to Los Angeles. She stated that American Airlines would initiate Non-Stop Service to Miami on March 5, 2015. She noted the new service would join another target, New Orleans, which Southwest Airlines will begin daily service on April 7, 2015. She indicated that Southwest was phasing in the New Orleans Service with Special Service during this year's Thanksgiving Holiday Season and Saturday-Only Service beginning in March. Additionally, passengers heading to Los Angeles are enjoying new daily service that was added by American and began on October 2nd and Delta will begin daily service in April 2015. She added that new Delta and American Non-Stop Service joins daily service already in place by Southwest and United. She stated that key staff members would meet with Mexican Air Carriers next month to discuss increasing seat capacity and promoting air service to additional destinations and were partnering with members of the business community.

B. Mrs. Sculley reported that Metro Health has been coordinating over the last several months with the San Antonio Fire Department, State Health Department, Local Healthcare Systems, and other elements of the Local Emergency Response Network Southwest Texas Regional Advisory Council (STRAC) regarding the Ebola Virus. She noted that Metro Health has distributed a series of guidances on Ebola to Local Healthcare Providers. She mentioned that in light of the first U.S. Case of Ebola in Dallas, the City and its many partners continue efforts to prepare, should an Ebola Case occur in the community. She added that for the general public, no special concern or precautions were necessary at this time. However, any persons who have traveled to Liberia, Guinea, Sierra Leone, Senegal or Nigeria within the past 21 days and who are feeling ill should seek medical care immediately. She reported that Dr. Schlenker met with the City's Partners this week to ensure that local resources were available if needed for Biological Waste Disposal,

Alternative Housing, and Emergency Funding. She mentioned that in San Antonio; hospitals, providers and first responders were kept up to date by regular communications from Metro Health, Department of State Health Services, San Antonio Fire Department EMS, STRAC, and the Bexar County Medical Society.

C. Mrs. Sculley reported that the Citizens Bond Oversight Committee (CBOC) was established in 2003 and comprised of 20 members. She stated that the City Council and the Bexar County Commissioners Court each appoint 10 members to serve on the CBOC. She stated that each member served two-year terms and that the Chair of the CBOC was selected jointly by the Mayor and the Bexar County Judge. She noted that the CBOC was currently chaired by Ken Thomas. She stated that the CBOC advised City Council and County Commissioners Court on the progress of the City's Delivery of its Bond Programs. She mentioned that there were 10 Positions on the CBOC that would be considered for appointment later this month by the Governance Council Committee. She stated that the CBOC played an important role in Advisory Capacity and would continue to monitor the progress of the 2012 Bond Program. She thanked the CBOC for their service to the City of San Antonio.

POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

Mayor Taylor and the City Council acknowledged Councilmember Aguirre-Rodriguez for her temporary service as the District 7 Councilmember. Councilmember Aguirre-Rodriguez stated that it had been an honor to serve on the City Council and thanked everyone that helped her during her tenure.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further discussion, Mayor Taylor adjourned the meeting at 9:58 am.

APPROVED

IVY R. TAYLOR
MAYOR

ATTEST:

LETICIA M. VACEK, TRMC/MMC
CITY CLERK