

**INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES  
TUESDAY, AUGUST 16, 2016  
1:30 PM  
MEDIA BRIEFING ROOM, CITY HALL**

<b>Members Present:</b>	Councilmember Joe Krier, Chair, <i>District 9</i> Councilmember Rebecca Viagran, <i>District 3</i> Councilmember Ron Nirenberg, <i>District 8</i>
<b>Members Absent:</b>	None
<b>Staff Present:</b>	Carlos Contreras, <i>Assistant City Manager</i> ; Jeff Coyle, <i>Director of Government &amp; Public Affairs</i> ; Roderick Sanchez, <i>Director, Development Services</i> ; Christine Wright, <i>IGR</i> ; Megan Dodge, <i>IGR</i> ; Lisa A. Lopez, <i>Office of the City Clerk</i>
<b>Others Present:</b>	Lara Keel, <i>Texas Lobby Group</i> ; Mike Toomey, <i>Texas Lobby Group</i> ; Carrie Simmons, <i>Texas Lobby Group</i> ; Brandon Aghamalian, <i>Focused Advocacy</i> ; Naomi Miller, <i>Office of Speaker Joe Straus</i>

**Item 1. Interlocal Agreement with the City of Olmos Park on the Provision of Governmental Functions and Services** [Jeff Coyle, Director, Government & Public Affairs and Roderick Sanchez, Director, Development Services]

Roderick Sanchez reported that the City of Olmos Park proposed an Interlocal Agreement (ILA) of 11 properties on McCullough Avenue to comply with Olmos Municipality's Regulations. He explained that the agreement would cover building permits, trade permits, inspections, and platting. He stated that the City of San Antonio would be the certifying agency of all plats and could request inspection of any of the properties. He noted that the agreement does not release the 11 properties from the City of San Antonio Zoning Requirements. He stated that the agreement would be for one-year with automatic one-year renewals with an exception when written notice was received from the City of Olmos Park. He added that the City of Olmos Park approved the ILA on June 16, 2016. He stated that staff recommended that the ILA be sent to the City of San Antonio's City Council for approval on September 1, 2016.

Chairman Krier asked if both Cities could withdraw from the agreement annually. Mr. Sanchez responded that the City of San Antonio could not withdraw from the agreement annually; however the City of Olmos Park could withdraw annually.

Councilmember Viagran asked why it would benefit both Cities to participate in the agreement. Mr. Sanchez stated that the City of San Antonio was utilizing the 2015 Building Codes while the City of Olmos Park was still using the 2012 Building Codes. He added that according to the property; the two Cities would meet to decide which Building Codes would be applied to the respective property. Councilmember Viagran asked if there would be changes to the property tax. Mr. Sanchez responded that the property taxes would be distributed the same.

Councilmember Viagran moved to forward the Item to the full City Council for consideration. Councilmember Nirenberg seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**Item 2. The City's 85th State Legislative Program** [Jeff Coyle, Director, Government & Public Affairs]

Jeff Coyle reported that the Regular Legislative Session begins in January, every odd-numbered year, and convene for not more than 140 days. He stated that staff would be requesting input from the Committee on the Legislative Program Draft. He noted that staff would present the Draft to City Council at the B-Session on August 17, 2016. He added that City Council would consider action at the City Council Meeting on September 1, 2016.

Mr. Coyle stated that the structure of the 85<sup>th</sup> State Legislative Program would be Priorities, Endorsements, Protection of Community Interests, and Partnerships. He highlighted the Priorities as follows:

- Revenue Caps
- Annexation Authority
- Local Control
- Alamo Funding
- Military Protection
- Economic Competitiveness
- Transportation Funding

Mr. Coyle indicated that the four Endorsement Categories were Economic Development, Education and Workforce Development, Transportation and Infrastructure, and Public Health. He mentioned that the Protection of Community Interests supports legislation that would benefit the City and oppose legislation that would be detrimental to the City's Interests. He identified a list of Public and Private Sector Partnerships. He noted that the 85<sup>th</sup> State Legislative convenes January 10, 2017 and ends May 29, 2017. He added that June 18, 2017 is the last day that the Governor can sign or veto bills.

Chairman Krier asked if the City would be taking any action in this session that would clarify how the Defense Economic Adjustment Assistant Grant (DA) may be utilized. Mr. Coyle stated that staff was not able to determine how the legislation would take form. Chairman Krier asked if there was someone in the City's Delegation that has VIA Metropolitan Transit (VIA) as their priority. Mr. Coyle responded that staff has not communicated that necessity to the Delegation yet.

Brandon Aghamalian reported that in 2009, the Local Option Transportation Bill proposed to authorize voter approved funding streams for Transportation. He noted that the bill was passed out of the Senate and the House Committee; but did not pass the House Floor. He believed that it did not pass due to lack of a vocal level of support from top business leaders. He added that there would need to be specific articulation of what the funds would be allocated to and stated that it would be important to communicate to constituents the revenue source needed.

Councilmember Nirenberg recommended that VIA be a part of the City's Partnership. He asked staff to speak on the Non-Discrimination Ordinance and the Tree Preservation Ordinance. Mr. Coyle responded that the Non-Discrimination Ordinance and the Tree Preservation Ordinance were covered in Local Control Language and was at risk of losing local control. He noted that Tree Preservation extends beyond local control because it is also a Military Issue.

Councilmember Viagran stated that the City did not know the exact future of High Speed Rail; therefore, Transportation Funding should not be solely about VIA. Mr. Coyle indicated that there is literature in the Endorsement Section that supports VIA with a broad approach. Chairman Krier recommended that staff receive advice from the Lobby Team and Delegation before taking the 85th State Legislative Program to the City Council on September 1, 2016.

No action was required for Item 2.

**Item 3. Next Meeting Scheduled: September 14, 2016**

**Adjourn**

There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 2:21 PM.

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*Joe Krier, Chairman*

*Respectfully Submitted,*

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*Alicia K. Beckham  
Office of the City Clerk*