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TO: Mayor and City Council
FROM: Councilman Rey Saldaña
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SUBJECT: Creation of a Higher Education Student Advisory Board
DATE: 7-21-2017

Issue Proposed for Consideration

I ask for your support for the inclusion of the following item on the agenda of the earliest available meeting of the Governance Committee:

Directing City staff to establish a Higher Education student advisory board comprised of a group of students representing local colleges and universities. The purpose of the advisory board shall be to advise the Mayor and City Council on matters that are of interest to students who are enrolled in local colleges and universities in San Antonio which, in turn, will help increase college enrollment and encourage retention of college graduates in San Antonio.

Brief Background

The institutions on this advisory board shall include: University of Texas at San Antonio, Texas A&M University- San Antonio, University of 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. Philip's College.

Three students will be nominated by each college or university. The Mayor and City Council will select and appoint a student representative nominated by each institution for a total of 11 members. Members shall be representative of the diversity present in the community. The terms of service will coincide with the academic calendar and the advisory board will meet monthly.

The Higher Education student advisory board will be charged with making recommendations on six priority issue areas: (1) Multi-Modal Transportation; (2) Environmental Sustainability and Public Health; (3) Housing and Affordability; (4) Jobs and Economic Development; (5) Public Safety; (6) Arts, Culture, and Recreation. These recommendations will be included in a yearly executive summary provided to City Council.

Attachment 1 includes general questions and broad guidance that the advisory board should consider when making recommendations in the executive summary.



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Attachment 1

The Higher Education student advisory board should address the following questions:

1. What steps can San Antonio take to retain local students and attract students from outside the San Antonio area to our colleges and universities?
2. What steps can San Antonio take to support college students from all areas of the city and ensure equity in educational opportunity?
3. What amenities, programs, or future developments would make college students interested in living in San Antonio for the long-term?
4. How can San Antonio ensure that students are supported when making the transition from education to the workforce?

Advisory Board Members shall make recommendations to City Council that increase public transit availability and accessibility at various colleges and universities; that take environmentally sustainable actions to improve public health; that address concerns pertaining to off-campus student housing issues involving landlords, property managers, and fair housing matters; that foster economic development projects appealing to college students and young professionals; that advance efforts related to reducing crime and building police-community relations; that promote the growth of the arts and recreational activities in the city; that engage students in learning about community leadership opportunities; that foster partnerships with colleges and universities as well as young professionals; and that encourage college students to remain in San Antonio after graduation.

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Submitted for Council consideration by:


Councilman Rey Saldana, District 4

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