CWK 06/21/18 Item No. ____

AN ORDINANCE

ADOPTING AMENDMENTS TO THE SAN ANTONIO CITY CODE CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE III (CITY ETHICS CODE) AND CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE VII (MUNICIPAL CAMPAIGN FINANCE CODE).

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WHEREAS, the City Council adopted the City's Code of Ethics by Ordinance No. 88874 on November 19, 1998, amended the Code and adopted the Municipal Campaign Finance Regulations on August 5, 2004 by Ordinance No. 99538, and has amended both codes several times since then; and

WHEREAS, three Council Consideration Requests were filed in 2016 and 2017 seeking additional review and amendments to the Codes, the Ethics Review Board began to study the issues raised by the CCRs and by the Governance Committee and has briefed the Council several times on their progress, most recently presenting at the June 13, 2018 B Session; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor created a Municipal Campaign Finance Task Force which reviewed disclosures on campaign finance reports and discussed contribution limits and reported its recommendations to the Governance Committee on June 20, 2018; and

WHEREAS, revisions to both codes will strengthen public trust, and ensure more transparency in the City's awarding of contracts and in the ethics compliance process; NOW THEREFORE:

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

SECTION 1. The City's Municipal Campaign Finance Code, as codified in Chapter 2, Article VII of the City Code is amended as set forth in Attachment A.

SECTION 2. The City's Ethics Code, as codified in Chapter 2, Article III of the City Code is amended as set forth in Attachment B.

SECTION 3. [Reserved.]

SECTION 4. The remainder of this Ordinance and the amendments of the Ethics Code and Municipal Campaign Finance Code shall be effective July 1, 2018. The changes in the City Code's ethics and campaign finance provisions reflected in this ordinance apply only to events taking place on or after the effective date of this ordinance. Any events occurring before the effective date of this ordinance are governed by the City Code provisions in effect on that date of that event. The prior versions of the Code are continued in effect for that purpose. The Office of the City Clerk is directed to publish notice of these amendments as required by law.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 21st day of June, 2018.

M A Y O R Ron Nirenberg

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Leticia M. Vacek, City Clerk

Andrew Segovia, City Attorney