

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



**DRAFT  
Meeting Minutes  
City Council Special Meeting**

City Hall Complex  
105 Main Plaza  
San Antonio, Texas 78205

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**Thursday, October 11, 2018**

**1:00 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 noting the following Councilmembers present:

**PRESENT:** 8 - Mayor Nirenberg, Trevino, Viagran, Saldaña, Gonzales, Sandoval, Courage, and Perry

**ABSENT:** 3 - Shaw, Brockhouse, and Pelaez

1. Briefing by CPS Energy on the results of summer operational performance, the electrification of vehicles and the impact to the San Antonio market, and enabling innovation through new products and service. [Paula Gold-Williams, CPS Energy President and CEO]

Paula Gold-Williams provided an overview of recent events involving Councilmembers and new outreach efforts since 2017. She reviewed the search timeline for the current CPS Energy Board Vacancy. She discussed the importance of CPS Energy's reserve margin to protect customers against high market prices and guarantee the state's power reliability through the Electric Reliability Council of Texas (ERCOT). She spoke of efforts to anticipate high energy demand during summer months including additional conservation efforts. She discussed risk mitigation related to safety conditions and natural disasters. She

played a video regarding the Flexible Path and Smart City Innovations and noted planned efforts to coordinate with SAWS for same. She stated that CPS Energy currently utilized tariffs on new services and asked City Council to approve a New Service Options (NSO) Tariff to cover the costs of future Pilot Programs based on customer demand. She noted that permanent fees would be subject to City Council approval following Pilot Programs. She stated that the NSO Tariff would come to the full City Council for consideration on October 18, 2018. She noted that an Electric Vehicle Pilot Program represented a significant innovation opportunity for San Antonio that would be supported by NSO Tariffs. She stated that the San Antonio Lighthouse for the Blind partnered with CPS Energy to supply CPS with office supplies for three years. Lastly, she reviewed customer service highlights and recent awards.

Mayor Nirenberg asked of recent discussions with the SAWS Board. Mrs. Gold-Williams replied that SAWS and CPS discussed partnering initiatives to leverage investments, share in economies of scale, and pass benefits back to the community more effectively. She added that CPS installed solar panels at a SAWS Facility and was investigating additional renewable energy options including digital meters. Mayor Nirenberg stated that CPS Energy was essential to providing infrastructure support to the Department of Defense.

Councilmember Courage commended CPS for their work at the EPICenter.

Councilmember Sandoval asked of the length of the Pilot Program. Mrs. Gold-Williams replied that it would last a year. Councilmember Sandoval asked of energy sources during high capacity hours. Mrs. Gold-Williams replied that wind generation was highest overnight and was supplemented by gas energy when necessary. Councilmember Sandoval asked of the Community Solar Program. Mrs. Gold-Williams replied that CPS selected an entity to provide five additional megawatts and would continue to expand for future subscription periods. Councilmember Sandoval asked of CPS Energy's intended participation in the Climate Action Plan. Mrs. Gold-Williams replied that she viewed their work on Electric Vehicles as a complement to the plan. Councilmember Sandoval asked of the structure and intent of the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC). Mrs. Gold-Williams replied that CAC Members were intended to gather information and work within the community to communicate CPS Energy's activities and initiatives.

Councilmember Treviño encouraged CPS Energy to be actively involved in the Urban Lighting Plan.

Councilmember Saldaña asked of building an innovative, sustainable housing development in the city. Mrs. Gold-Williams replied that enthusiasm for same was high in the community but CPS Energy's current focus was on innovation for schools and existing programs. Councilmember Saldaña noted the importance of developing sustainable, affordable housing.

Mayor Nirenberg thanked Mrs. Gold-Williams for the presentation.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further discussion, Mayor Nirenberg adjourned the special meeting at 2:07 pm.

APPROVED

RON NIRENBERG  
MAYOR

ATTEST:

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