

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



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Meeting Minutes

City Council B Session

City Hall Complex
105 Main Plaza
San Antonio, Texas 78205

Wednesday, January 9, 2019

2:00 PM

Municipal Plaza Building

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: 10 - Mayor Nirenberg, Treviño, Viagran, Saldaña, Gonzales, Brockhouse, Sandoval, Pelaez, Courage, and Perry

1. Interview of Applicants and selection of up to 3 Finalists for the District 2 City Council Vacancy. [Leticia M. Vacek, City Clerk]

Mayor Nirenberg welcomed the District 2 Applicants and thanked them for submitting their applications. He stated that each Applicant would be given three minutes to provide a statement regarding their interest in serving and state their background and qualifications. He noted that an additional seven minutes would be provided for City Council questions and answers.

City Clerk Leticia M. Vacek stated that the Notice of Vacancy was published in the Express-News in English and Spanish on Sunday, December 16, 2018. Additionally, the Notice of Vacancy was published on-line, on the City's public access channel, and in the city kiosks by close of business on December 17, 2018. She noted that applications, letters of interest, resumes, supplemental documentation of residency, and Financial Disclosure

Documents were received from each applicant for the District 2 Vacancy advertised for the period of December 17, 2018 through January 4, 2019. She called upon the Applicants in the order that their application packets were received.

- 1) Walter Perry
- 2) Jada Sullivan
- 3) Daniel Martinez
- 4) Michele Bailey
- 5) Chris Dawkins
- 6) Christopher Green
- 7) Dereck Hillyer
- 8) Aubry Lewis
- 9) Lester Bryant
- 10) Denise Gutierrez-Homer
- 11) Art Hall
- 12) William B. Johnson
- 13) Stephen Lucke

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Nirenberg recessed the meeting into Executive Session at 4:30 pm to discuss the following:

- A. Economic development negotiations pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.087 (economic development).
- B. The purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.072 (real property).
- C. Deliberate the appointment, evaluation and duties of the replacement District 2 City Councilmember and discuss legal issues pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.074 (personnel matters) and Texas Government Code Section 551.071 (consultation with attorney).

RECONVENED

Mayor Nirenberg reconvened the meeting at 5:57 pm and announced that no action was taken in Executive Session.

Councilmember Pelaez moved to interview Jada Sullivan, Aubry Lewis, and Art Hall at the

City Council Meeting on January 10, 2019. Councilmember Treviño seconded the motion. The motion prevailed by the following vote:

AYE: 10 - Mayor Nirenberg, Treviño, Viagran, Saldaña, Gonzales, Brockhouse, Sandoval, Pelaez, Courage and Perry

Mayor Nirenberg announced that the meeting would resume in the Council Chambers for Citizens to be Heard.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

Mayor Nirenberg called upon the citizens registered to speak.

Perry Donop spoke in opposition to The Alamo Master Plan and spoke of honoring Alamo History.

Mark Perez spoke of wasteful practices in the Fire Department and noted concern with permitting practices.

Nazirite Ruben Flores Perez spoke of the end of time and Biblical Law.

Professor Judith Norman spoke of current events regarding Israel and invited the City Council to attend a DreamWeek Panel regarding San Antonio's relationship with Israel.

Gregory Jackson asked the City Council to involve residents when filling City Council Vacancies.

Keith Toney expressed concern with the selection process for the District 2 Council Vacancy and cautioned against candidates that were not residents of the District.

Rose Hill asked the City Council to involve residents when filling City Council Vacancies.

Tyrone Darden expressed concern with the District 2 Vacancy process and asked that residents be involved.

Ken Lowe asked the City Council to involve residents when filling City Council Vacancies.

Rep. Barbara Gervin-Hawkins spoke of the community process to recommend a District 2 Candidate and noted the importance of citizen inclusion in government processes.

Floyd Wilson noted the importance of a strong succession plan and asked that the District 2 community be more involved in future processes.

Liz Franklin expressed concern that District 2 Residents were not sufficiently involved in filling the District 2 Vacancy.

Antonio Diaz asked that the Christopher Columbus Statue be removed from Columbus Park and spoke of crimes against Indigenous Peoples.

Angie Garcia expressed concern with the selection process for the District 2 Council Vacancy and noted the importance of community engagement.

Brandon Burkhart spoke in opposition to moving the Cenotaph and expressed concern with community engagement.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further discussion, Mayor Nirenberg adjourned the meeting at 7:04 pm.

APPROVED

RON NIRENBERG
MAYOR

ATTEST:

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