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**ORDINANCE**

**APPROVING A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE NATURAL RESOURCES DEFENSE COUNCIL, INC., AND THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO IN SUPPORT OF THE AMERICAN CITIES CLIMATE CHALLENGE**

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**WHEREAS**, the City of San Antonio has committed to addressing the effects of global warming by signing the Paris Climate Accord; on January 11, 2019, the City was one of 25 cities chosen to participate in the Bloomberg Philanthropies' American Cities Climate Challenge (ACCC) and to receive technical assistance and support packages over a two-year period valued at up to \$2.5 million per city to work on buildings and transportation-related initiatives aimed at reducing greenhouse gas emissions; and

**WHEREAS**, to develop a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for the ACCC support, the Office of Sustainability coordinated with the Natural Resources Defense Council, Inc. (NRDC), which was selected by Bloomberg Philanthropies to serve as the core partner supporting cities on overall project strategy, outreach and education, stakeholder engagement, advocacy, and coordination of best-in-class technical assistance from a variety of national organizations with expertise in buildings and transportation; and

**WHEREAS**, the ACCC cities do not receive direct financial support as a participant, but San Antonio will be assigned two City Advisor Contract Employees, who will be housed within the Office of Sustainability, to facilitate the development and implementation of high-impact actions and the MOU establishes the terms and conditions for the working agreement; and

**WHEREAS**, the Office of Sustainability will provide temporary office space for the two City Advisor Contract Employees and access to shared office equipment needed to reasonable perform their duties; and

**WHEREAS**, this Ordinance approves the Memorandum of Understanding with the NRDC to provide support to meet the City's participation in the American Cities Climate Challenge through December 31, 2020; **NOW THEREFORE**,

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

**SECTION 1.** The City Manager, or designee, or the Director, Office of Sustainability, or designee, is hereby authorized to take all actions necessary to negotiate and execute a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Natural Resources Defense Council, Inc. (NRDC), in support of the Bloomberg Philanthropies' American Cities Climate Challenge (ACCC) through December 31, 2020. The term shall start after the City executes the MOU. A copy of the MOU, in substantially final form, is attached and incorporated herein for all purposes

as **Attachment I**. The execution authority granted by this ordinance shall expire 60 days from the effective date.

**SECTION 2.** There is no fiscal impact to the General Fund for this initiative. The Office of Sustainability will provide temporary office space for the two City Advisor Contract Employees and access to shared office equipment needed to reasonably perform their duties.

**SECTION 3.** The financial allocations in this Ordinance are subject to approval by the Director of Finance, City of San Antonio. The Director of Finance, may, subject to concurrence by the City Manager or the City Manager's designee, correct allocations to specific SAP Fund Numbers, SAP Project Definitions, SAP WBS Elements, SAP Internal Orders, SAP Fund Centers, SAP Cost Centers, SAP Functional Areas, SAP Funds Reservation Document Numbers, and SAP GL Accounts as necessary to carry out the purpose of this Ordinance.

**SECTION 4.** This ordinance shall be effective immediately upon passage by eight affirmative votes; otherwise it shall be effective on the tenth day after passage hereof.

**PASSED and APPROVED** this \_\_\_\_th day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2019.

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Ron Nirenberg

**ATTEST:**

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

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Leticia M. Vacek, City Clerk

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Andrew Segovia, City Attorney