

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



**DRAFT
Meeting Minutes
City Council B Session**

City Hall Complex
105 Main Plaza
San Antonio, Texas 78205

Wednesday, May 1, 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 a quorum with the following Councilmembers present:

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

ABSENT: 1 - Brockhouse

1. Briefing on youth services. [Colleen M. Bridger, MPH, PhD, Interim Assistant City Manager; Xavier D. Urrutia, Director, Parks and Recreation]

Rhoda Leos stated that the City’s continued efforts focused on assisting youth to become successful, engaged, and contributing community members. She noted that the Department of Human Services, Parks and Recreation, Metro Health, and other City Departments utilize a holistic strategy to provide services and support to youth ages 6-24. She stated that through said services, youth were exposed to positive and engaging experiences, including exposure to healthy lifestyles, education, and career opportunities. She showcased the Dream SA Youth Engagement Initiative and invited the City Council to share their dream for the youth of San Antonio utilizing the Dream SA Website. She noted that youth services

were centered on: 1) Education Success; 2) College and Career Readiness; and 3) Health and Strengthening.

Ms. Leos stated that education success focused on mentoring, tutoring, academic enrichment, civic engagement, and access to opportunities. She noted that college and career readiness focused on young adult re-engagement, youth employment, career exploration, scholarships, and college retention initiatives. She stated that health and strengthening focused on nutrition and health, life-saving skills, service learning, character building, and building healthy relationships. She noted that funding in Fiscal Year (FY) 2019 for Education Success was \$6.01 million; funding in FY 2019 for College and Career Readiness was \$5.75 million; and funding in FY 2019 for Health and Strengthening was \$1.92 million. She stated that the total City Funding for FY 2019 Youth Services was \$13.68 million and included the General Fund and Grants. She reviewed the Delegate Agency Programs, City Programs, Internships, and Employment Programs which support the three areas which youth services were centered on. She noted that Dream SA connects youth to resources and opportunities in: 1) Higher Education; 2) Careers; 3) Art; 4) Health and Wellbeing; and 5) Volunteering. She reviewed the dreams for youth submitted by several Councilmembers.

Councilmember Viagran highlighted the District 3 Legacy Leadership Institute Initiative.

Councilmember Courage stated that it was important for the community to be aware of the number of youth which were significantly affected as the result of participation in youth programs. He requested data on the different funding sources for youth services.

Councilmember Gonzales stated that the model for Project Worth could be utilized to change culture in different areas.

Mayor Nirenberg thanked staff for the presentation.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Nirenberg recessed the meeting into Executive Session at 2:48 pm to discuss the following items:

- 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. Legal issues related to collective bargaining pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071 (consultation with attorney).
- D. Litigation matters involving the City, pending or contemplated litigation and/or settlement offers pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071 (consultation with attorney).

RECONVENED

Mayor Nirenberg reconvened the meeting at 5:35 pm and announced that no action was taken in Executive Session. He addressed the Ceremonial Items.

CEREMONIALS

Mayor Nirenberg presented a Proclamation to the South Texas Trauma Informed Care Consortium who will use the month of May 2019 to observe Trauma-Informed Care Awareness Month. It was noted that an estimated 50% of all Bexar County Children will experience one or more Adverse Childhood Events (ACEs) such as neglect, abuse, exposure to mental illness and/or witnessing violence at home or in the community.

Mayor Nirenberg presented a Proclamation to the San Antonio Conservation Society in recognition of National Historic Preservation Month that would be celebrated during the month of May. It was noted that Historic Preservation enhances neighborhoods and communities, and provides an opportunity for citizens to share pride in the diverse and unique heritage of the city.

Mayor Nirenberg presented a Proclamation to the Pedestrian and Bicycle Mobility Advisory Committees of the Alamo Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) who will observe National Bike Month during the month of May. It was noted that the 2nd Annual Bike to Work Day will be held on May 17, 2019, and will include 9 Energizer Stations located throughout Bexar County that will provide free breakfast items, coffee, and swag bags to morning cyclists. The goal of the month-long celebration is to promote efficient, healthy, and desirable forms of transportation and recreation.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

Mayor Nirenberg called upon the citizens registered to speak.

Rudolph Wratten expressed concern with Public Safety Radios due to the battery life and radio security. He suggested that the City Council speak with Police Officers to gather their feedback on the radios.

Nazirite Ruben Flores-Perez referenced an article entitled, "Baptists reforming for their sex abuses, reforming the law of marijuana" and stated that he was pleased that the State of Texas was getting involved. He noted that the end of time was near.

Elizabeth Franklin expressed support for Item Z-2 on the next day's City Council Agenda noting that the applicant had come to an agreement with the neighborhood.

Fidel Belmarez spoke in opposition to abortions and requested that they not be allowed in the City of San Antonio.

Rhett Smith stated that he had attended a Mental Health Recovery for Veterans meeting today that was very informative. He thanked the City Councilmembers that were in attendance for Citizens to be Heard.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further discussion, Mayor Nirenberg adjourned the meeting at 6:29 pm.

APPROVED

RON NIRENBERG
MAYOR

ATTEST:

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