

**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

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**Wednesday, May 15, 2019**

**2:00 PM**

**Port San Antonio**

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The City Council of San Antonio convened in the Board Room at Port San Antonio, 907 Billy Mitchell Blvd. City Clerk Leticia M. Vacek took the Roll Call noting a quorum with the following Councilmembers present:

**PRESENT:** 11 - Mayor Nirenberg, Treviño, Hall, Viagran, Saldaña, Gonzales, Brockhouse, Sandoval, Pelaez, Courage, and Perry

City Clerk Vacek read the caption for Item 1:

**2019-05-15-0388**

1. Ordinance canvassing the results of the May 4, 2019 General Election and establishing early voting and polling locations for the June 8, 2019 Run-Off Election.  
[Leticia Vacek, City Clerk]

City Clerk Leticia Vacek presented the official results of the May 4, 2019 General Election. She reported that the total number of votes cast, including provisional and overseas ballots, was 101,866 and the total number of registered voters for the City of San Antonio was 782,054. She stated that the voter turnout for the City of San Antonio General Election was 13.03%. She presented the total votes cast for each candidate in the General Election.

**MEMBER OF COUNCIL, PLACE 11 (MAYOR)**

John Velasquez	1,644 votes
Ron Nirenberg	49,579 votes
Matt Piña	762 votes
Michael “Commander” Idrogo	434 votes
Greg Brockhouse	46,414 votes
Tim Atwood	1,026 votes
Carlos Castanuela	330 votes
Bert Ceconi	573 votes
Antonio “Tony” Diaz	1,104 votes

**MEMBER OF COUNCIL, PLACE NO. 1**

Alan Dennis Inchaurregui	101 votes
Raymond Zavala	475 votes
Oscar Magaña	164 votes
Brad Kessler	567 votes
Justin Holley	1,690 votes
Colton Unden	135 votes
Lauro A. Bustamante	396 votes
Roberto C. Treviño	5,754 votes
Richard Gonzales	366 votes

**MEMBER OF COUNCIL, PLACE NO. 2**

Joseph Powell	259 votes
Jada L. Andrews-Sullivan	1,160 votes
Richard Anthony Ramey	133 votes
Keith A. Toney	1,457 votes
Salena Santibanez Guipzot	473 votes
Denise Gutierrez-Homer*	1,100 votes

\*Filed Recount Petition on 05/08/2019 – results of the election did not change

Walter E. Perry, Sr.	554 votes
Ruben Arciniega	278 votes

**MEMBER OF COUNCIL, PLACE NO. 3**

Rebecca Viagran	4,255 votes
Elizabeth "Liz" Campos	3,058 votes

**MEMBER OF COUNCIL, PLACE NO. 4**

Johnny Arredondo	1,011 votes
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Samantha "Sami" Sanchez	779 votes
Genevieve Trinidad	324 votes
Adriana Rocha Garcia	2,248 votes
Joel Mendoza	384 votes

**MEMBER OF COUNCIL, PLACE NO. 5**

Anthony Gres	1,338 votes
Nazirite Ruben F. Perez	193 votes
Shirley Gonzales	3,295 votes
Jilma (Jill) Davila	192 votes

**MEMBER OF COUNCIL, PLACE NO. 6**

Mario Adame	552 votes
Melissa Cabello Havrda	4,415 votes
Andy Greene	3,299 votes
Robert Herrera	1,129 votes

**MEMBER OF COUNCIL, PLACE NO. 7**

Will McLeod	1,053 votes
Trevor Whitney	2,339 votes
Ana Sandoval	8,483 votes
Kimberly Grant	547 votes

**MEMBER OF COUNCIL, PLACE NO. 8**

Manny Pelaez	7,364 votes
Tony Valdivia	3,717 votes
Frankie Gonzales-Wolfe	1,538 votes

**MEMBER OF COUNCIL, PLACE NO. 9**

Nicholas Balderas	862 votes
John Courage	9,503 votes
Richard Reza Versace	173 votes
Patrick Von Dohlen	7,220 votes

**MEMBER OF COUNCIL, PLACE NO. 10**

Clayton Perry	8,562 votes
Elise Kibler	986 votes
Reinette King	2,323 votes
Maria Perez	856 votes
Linda Montellano	702 votes

Mrs. Vacek declared that as a result of the General Election, the following persons were elected for a two-year term of office commencing June 1, 2019:

Roberto C. Treviño, Member of Council, Place No. 1  
Rebecca Viagran, Member of Council, Place No. 3  
Shirley Gonzales, Member of Council, Place No. 5  
Ana Sandoval, Member of Council, Place No. 7  
Manny Pelaez, Member of Council, Place No. 8  
John Courage, Member of Council, Place No. 9  
Clayton Perry, Member of Council, Place No. 10

In addition, Mrs. Vacek briefed the Council on the Run-Off Election scheduled for Mayor and Council Districts 2, 4, and 6 on Saturday, June 8, 2019 from 7:00 am to 7:00 pm. She informed the Council of the Early Voting by Personal Appearance Locations that would be utilized and outlined the dates and hours for Early Voting. She stated that anyone who did not vote in the main election that was registered to vote by May 8, 2019 could vote in the Run-Off Election. She added that the Run-Off Election was estimated to cost \$840,000.

Mrs. Vacek highlighted next steps noting that Certificates of Election, Oaths of Office and Statements of Elected Officer would be presented to the Councilmembers elected in the Main Election on May 29, 2019 at 5:30 pm in the Council Chambers. She added that the canvass for the Run-Off Election would be held on June 19, 2019 at 2:00 pm in the Council Chambers. She noted that the 2019-2021 Council would take office immediately after being sworn-in and the drawing for Mayor Pro Tem terms and official photo would occur following the canvass. She stated that a Blessing would be hosted by the San Fernando Cathedral at 3:00 pm and the Inauguration Ceremony of the full 2019-2021 Mayor and City Council would be held at 5:30 pm in the Council Chambers.

Councilmember Sandoval moved to adopt the Ordinance canvassing the Election Results for the May 4, 2019 General Election. Councilmember Viagran seconded the motion. The motion to approve prevailed by the following vote:

**AYE:** 11 - Mayor Nirenberg, Treviño, Hall, Viagran, Saldaña, Gonzales, Brockhouse, Sandoval, Pelaez, Courage and Perry

Item 3 was addressed at this time.

3. The Port Authority of San Antonio will present a progress report on economic activity to include strategic direction, recent accomplishments, and ongoing partnership

initiatives. [Carlos Contreras, Assistant City Manager; Rene Dominguez, Director, Economic Development]

Jim Perschbach presented an overview of Port San Antonio. He highlighted the employers, workers, and jobs, and noted the \$5 billion annual impact. He noted the physical and virtual connections, as well as the Internship Program in partnership with the Edgewood and South San Independent School Districts.

Mayor Nirenberg and the City Council thanked Mr. Perschbach for the presentation and commended Port San Antonio for their great work.

2. Briefing on the Dockless Vehicle Pilot Program and staff recommended program changes. [Lori Houston, Assistant City Manager; John Jacks, Director, Center City Development & Operations]

John Jacks presented an overview of the Dockless Vehicle Pilot Program. He outlined the current operators, vehicles launched, fees, and program costs. He stated the five mid-point Amendments: 1) Hours of Operation from 6 am to 11 pm; 2) Vehicles parked in prohibited areas may be collected without notification; 3) Council ratification of the permitting moratorium; 4) Center City Development Office (CCDO) has authority to require temporary removal for the purposes of Public Improvement Maintenance, construction conflicts, and special events; and 5) Implemented and encouraged the use of designated parking zones. He provided ridership data, vehicle usage, accidents, and enforcement, and an overview of the User Survey and SASpeakUp Community Survey Results. He reported that staff recommended the following be implemented in October 2019: 1) Hours of Operation from 6 am to 11 pm; 2) No riding on sidewalks; 3) Age limit of 16; 4) Develop a parking framework with vendors; 5) Program fees of \$100 per vehicle plus a Year One Fee for Scooter Racks and Corrals; 6) Three vendors; and 7) Total of 5,000 vehicles. He outlined the Request for Proposals (RFP) Evaluation Criteria and Selection Process. Lastly, he requested that CCDO be authorized to extend and prorate the permits of existing operators so that they expire on September 30, 2019.

Councilmember Saldaña stated that the item had been vetted by the Transportation City Council Committee and thanked the Dockless Scooter Companies for working with staff on the recommendations. He asked if the fee structure would cover the operating costs. Mr. Jacks replied that the fee was based on cost recovery. Councilmember Saldaña stated that he was supportive of removing access to sidewalks but expressed concern with the 11:00 pm curfew.

Councilmember Gonzales expressed opposition to an RFP noting that she was supportive of

incorporating alternative modes of transportation. She asked how the 5,000 vehicles would be distributed among the three companies selected. Mr. Jacks replied that they would not be split evenly but would leave it open to the request from each of the companies.

Councilmember Treviño stated that he was in support of developing a parking framework with vendors that clearly identifies the dockless vehicles. He requested that staff include an individual that is disabled on the Evaluation Committee and spoke of the need to be explicit with regard to geofencing and signage.

Councilmember Courage expressed concern with the many accidents that have occurred and asked of the penalties for riders that violate the law. Mr. Jacks noted that riders were subject to regulations and must obey traffic laws. Councilmember Courage suggested that scooters not be allowed to operate on sidewalks.

Councilmember Viagran expressed support for not allowing scooters to operate on sidewalks, increasing the permit fee, and utilizing geofencing in prohibited areas. She spoke of the importance of safety and the potential for scooters to incorporate a turn signal.

Councilmember Sandoval stated that it would be preferable to keep large clusters of dockless vehicles off the sidewalks. She spoke of the need to build appropriate infrastructure and ensure a broad education proposal in partnership with organizations working on public safety.

Councilmember Pelaez asked if there could be less than 5,000 vehicles. Mr. Jacks replied that they did not include an option to lower the number from 5,000. Councilmember Pelaez stated that he was supportive of the curfew and concession agreement that would allow enforcement.

Councilmember Perry expressed concern with the structure of the RFP and the limit of 5,000 vehicles. He recommended that each of the three companies be allowed up to 2,000 vehicles each. He asked if bike lanes were being included in the Bond Projects for major thoroughfares in the Downtown Area. Mr. Jacks replied that they were working with TCI to incorporate bike lanes to accommodate bikes and scooters.

Councilmember Hall stated that there were currently too many scooters and he was supportive of a cap of 5,000. He noted that there was a lack of uniformity due to the number of different companies and would like to see a maximum of two companies selected from the RFP.

Mayor Nirenberg stated that the City Council was generally supportive of moving forward with the RFP. He noted that there was too much clutter on sidewalks and was pleased that

the issue was being addressed in the new regulations. He asked if there was an option to include a fourth vendor with a small number of permits. Mr. Jacks replied that there was an option for same within the RFP. Mayor Nirenberg requested that a representative from the Office of Innovation and the Technology Community be included on the Evaluation Committee. He thanked staff for the presentation.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Executive Session was not held. Mayor Nirenberg announced that it would be addressed after the Business Portion of the City Council Meeting tomorrow. He recessed the meeting at 5:37 pm. He announced that Citizens to be Heard would be held at 6:00 pm.

- 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).

### **RECONVENED**

Mayor Pro Tem Hall reconvened the meeting at 6:06 pm and addressed Citizens to be Heard.

### **CITIZENS TO BE HEARD**

Mayor Pro Tem Hall called upon the citizens registered to speak.

Antonio Diaz spoke of Kelly Field and the Base Realignment and Closure that occurred in 1996. He noted that there was significant contamination that remained from the military base and asked that no housing be placed in contaminated areas.

Velma Pena, President of the Westwood Square Neighborhood, thanked Councilmember Sandoval for the public participation initiative. She also commended the City Council for hosting the B Session at Port San Antonio.

Diana Uriegas expressed concern that many of her family members that live around Port San Antonio have been diagnosed with cancer. She asked that people stop being removed from their homes due to Code Compliance Issues.

Fidel Belmarez spoke of the need to end abortion practices in San Antonio and asked for assistance from the City Council.

Paul Acovio expressed concern that his property taxes have risen 100% since 2015. He asked that the City Council assist homeowners to reduce their tax burden.

**RECESSED-EXECUTIVE SESSION**

There being no further comments; Mayor Pro Tem Hall recessed the Executive Session portion of the meeting at 6:32 pm until May 16, 2019 after the business portion of the meeting.

APPROVED

RON NIRENBERG  
MAYOR

ATTEST:

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