

**INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY COUNCIL COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2019
2:00 PM
MUNICIPAL PLAZA ROOM B**

Members Present:	Councilmember Peláez, Chair, <i>District 8</i> Councilmember Andrews-Sullivan, <i>District 2</i> Councilmember Cabello Havrda, <i>District 6</i> Councilmember Perry, <i>District 10</i>
Members Absent:	Deanne Cuellar, <i>Citizen Committee Member</i> Dirk Elmendorf, <i>Citizen Committee Member</i> Will Garrett, <i>Citizen Committee Member</i>
Staff Present:	John Peterek, <i>Assistant to the City Manager</i> ; Brian Dillard, <i>Director, Office of Innovation</i> ; Marcus Hammer, <i>Transportation & Capital Improvements</i> ; Craig Hopkins, <i>Chief Information Officer</i> ; Nancy Cano, <i>Office of the City Clerk</i>
Others Present:	Amanda Eastin, <i>Senior Real Estate Manager, Verizon</i> ; Martha Hendler, <i>Network Real Estate & Community Engagement Consultant, Verizon</i> ; Alonzo Hinojosa, <i>Project Manager, AT&T Mobility</i> ; Tony Kalanquin, <i>Site Acquisition Manager, Nexius Solutions</i> ; John Leal, <i>Director of Government Relations, CPS Energy</i> ; J. D. Salinas, <i>Assistant Vice President, External Affairs,, AT&T</i>

Call to Order

Roll call was taken and Items 1 and 2 were presented at 2:58 p.m. when a quorum was reached.

1. Approval of the September 24, 2019 Innovation and Technology Committee Meeting Minutes.

Councilmember Andrews-Sullivan moved to approve the Minutes from the September 24, 2019 Innovation and Technology Committee Meeting. Councilmember Cabello Havrda seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously by those present.

2. Approval of the October 29, 2019 Innovation and Technology Committee Meeting Minutes.

Councilmember Andrews-Sullivan moved to approve the Minutes from the October 29, 2019 Innovation and Technology Committee Meeting. Councilmember Cabello Havrda seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously by those present.

3. Briefing on Small Cell Deployment and 5G within the City of San Antonio [Brian Dillard, Director, Office of Innovation]

Item 3 continued at 2:58 p.m. when a quorum was reached.

Councilmember Perry requested an explanation of power permits. Marcus Hammer stated that the Texas Senate Bill (SB) 1004 allowed for providers to install new poles and network nodes on existing infrastructure but that the poles and network nodes would not function unless the power was plugged in. He stated that deployment strategies were being utilized to minimize the impact for the escalating number of permits to power the new poles and pole additions. He added that each pole required two power permits per provider. He explained that wireless providers were required to have a permit in place for each of its meters to each of its respective poles, and that CPS was required to have a permit in place from its power grid to each respective CPS meter.

Councilmember Perry asked how local communities would be notified of the installation of new poles and pole additions. Mr. Hammer stated that CPS had its own protocol for notifying businesses and residences prior to any construction, and that City protocol required the release of a public information form 30 days in advance of any construction. J.D. Salinas added that AT&T did not have any new poles scheduled for installation and would only be working on existing infrastructure.

Councilmember Perry asked if each pole would be individually metered. Mr. Salinas replied that AT&T would implement an average flat fee rate. Councilmember Perry asked how all the meters would be read. Mr. Salinas replied that once 5G Technology was in place, all meters would be read in real time.

Councilmember Andrews-Sullivan asked what the cost would be for new installations in older communities that have undergone infrastructure redevelopment in years. Mr. Salinas replied that if no existing infrastructure was in place, AT&T would work with staff to ensure that the poles were suited to the surrounding historic elements.

Chairman Peláez asked if staff had in-house subject matter experts in the area of Telecom Technology and its deployment. Brian Dillard stated the Office of Innovation partnered with the Innovation & Technology Services Department (ITSD) to ensure all in-house expertise was utilized. He noted that the City was a facilitator of innovation as it currently utilized small cell technology within the City's existing 4G cellular framework. Chairman Peláez noted that the implementation of 5G Technology throughout the United States represented a \$2.75 billion dollar investment and would create 3 million jobs. He requested that staff and providers ensure 5G deployment throughout the City.

Councilmember Andrews-Sullivan asked if the providers would be issuing any text messaging announcements or public service announcements to inform target-specific communities that 5G

deployment would soon be underway. Mr. Salinas replied that AT&T planned to announce very soon that San Antonio would be one of the first cities selected by AT&T to utilize its 5G Technology.

Adjourn

There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 3:29 PM.

Manny Peláez, Chair

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy Cano
Office of the City Clerk