

**GOVERNANCE COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETING  
MINUTES**

**OCTOBER 28, 2015 at 1:00 PM  
CITY HALL, MEDIA BRIEFING ROOM**

Committee Present:	Mayor Ivy R. Taylor, <i>Chair</i> Council Member Rebecca Viagran, <i>District 3</i> Council Member Ron Nirenberg, <i>District 8</i> Council Member Joe Krier, <i>District 9</i> Council Member Mike Gallagher, <i>District 10</i>
Staff Present:	Sheryl Sculley, <i>City Manager</i> ; Erik Walsh, <i>Deputy City Manager</i> ; Leticia M. Vacek, <i>City Clerk</i> ; Martha Sepeda, <i>Acting City Attorney</i> ; William McManus, <i>Chief of Police</i> ; Jeff Coyle, <i>Director of Government &amp; Public Affairs</i> ; Rod Sanchez, <i>Director of Development Services</i> ; Choco Meza, <i>Chief of Staff of District 5</i> ; Anthony Treviño, <i>Police Chief of Staff</i> ; Camila Kunau, <i>Assistant City Attorney</i> ; John Peterek, <i>Special Projects Manager</i> ; Brandon Smith, <i>Boards &amp; Commissions Coordinator</i> ; David Kurpgeweit, <i>Senior Management Analyst</i> ; Justin Renteria, <i>District 9</i> ; Melissa G. Castillo, <i>Executive Assistant</i> ; Alexander J. Pytel, <i>Office of the City Clerk</i>
Others Present:	Councilmember Shirley Gonzales, <i>District 5</i> ; Enrique Lucero, <i>ICE</i> ; Jesus Ramirez, <i>Archdiocese of San Antonio</i> ; Sylvia Hernandez, <i>LULAC</i> ; Gabriel Rosales, <i>LULAC</i> ; Henry Rodriguez, <i>LULAC</i> ; Nick Peña, <i>LULAC</i> ; Manuel Medina, <i>BCDP</i> ; Prentice Dean, <i>BCDP</i> ; Sergio Contreras, <i>BCDP</i> ; Bob Comeaux, <i>BCDP</i> ; Olivia De La Zerda, <i>BCDP</i> ; Chrystal Rodriguez, <i>BCDP</i> ; Tom Uribe, <i>BCDP</i> ; Esmeraldo Pruneda, Jr, <i>C.E. Chavez</i> ; Genevieve Trinidad, <i>Sanctuary</i> ; Rudy Morales, <i>SAPFFA</i> ; Steve Huerta, <i>All of Us or None Texas</i> ; Rob Robbins, <i>RYB Studio</i> ; Jon D. Lowry, <i>FBD</i> ; Anna Lowry, <i>FBD</i> ; Hector P. Garcia, <i>American GI Forum</i> ; Michael A. Garcia; Marcello Martinez; Angela Rinehart; Andrew Ozuna; Emily Bowe; Jack Guerra; Jason Koehne; Gabriel Lopez; Rob Robbins

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Taylor called the meeting to order.

**1. Approval of the Minutes for the City Council Governance Committee Meeting of September 16, 2015**

Councilmember Nirenberg moved to approve the Minutes for the City Council Governance Committee Meeting of September 16, 2015. Councilmember Viagran seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**2. Report on Items considered by City Council Committees between September 11, 2015 and October 23, 2015**

No action was required for Item 2.

**3. A Briefing and Possible Action on the Rules and Procedures for the Scheduling and Consideration of Items at City Council and Council Committee Meetings.**

Ms. Martha Sepeda reported that the last version of the Council Consideration Request was instituted in 2007. She stated that the City Attorney's Office had reviewed the Process and identified obsolete procedures such as Board Appointments and Street Closures. She highlighted proposed changes to the Process designed to clarify, consolidate, and eliminate obsolete sections.

Councilmember Gallagher moved to forward the item to the full City Council for consideration. Councilmember Viagran seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**4. Briefing and Possible Action on a Council Consideration Request from Councilmember Mike Gallagher, District 10, to review and update City Code Chapter 28 Signs received September 11, 2015.**

Mr. Rod Sanchez provided an overview of Chapter 28 Signs of the City Code. He noted that the Chapter had not been revised in many years and was in need of updating. He requested that action be postponed due to the current UDC Process which is expected to be completed in January 2016. He stated that community stakeholders would be engaged in the process of revision and recommended that the item be presented to the Neighborhoods and Livability Council Committee for review.

Councilmember Gallagher noted the importance of updating Chapter 28 Signs amid technological changes and the impact to local neighborhoods.

Councilmember Viagran stated that proposed changes would impact local businesses and licensing requirements. Councilmember Viagran moved to forward the item to the Economic and Human Development Council Committee for review and consideration. Councilmember Krier seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**5. Briefing on the San Antonio Police Department's Current Policies and Procedures regarding effectively protecting the Safety and Security of all Persons contacting Police for Assistance.**

Mayor Taylor acknowledged the citizens present at the meeting and thanked the community members for their interest. She invited Councilmember Gonzales to provide Community Representatives to speak at the conclusion of the Item Briefing.

Chief McManus introduced Enrique Lucero, Field Director of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE). Chief McManus provided an overview of the San Antonio Police Department's Immigration Policies. He noted that there was no enforcement of Immigration Laws, concurrent with the majority view of most Police Departments in the Nation. He explained that the only time that ICE is involved is in the case of a Federal Warrant being issued and in a case of human trafficking (as required by State Law). He stated that these Immigration Policies would be included in the SAPD General Manual.

Councilmember Gonzales stated that she had met with local organizations regarding the issue and invited community representatives to speak.

Mr. Jaime Martinez spoke on the contributions that immigrants have made to the local economy. He stated his support for inclusion of the Policies in the SAPD General Manual.

Mr. Manuel Medina discussed the Department of Homeland Security's Priority Enforcement Program (PEP) which protects law-abiding immigrants while identifying transnational criminal activity. He suggested the formation of a committee to ensure compliance with PEP Policies.

Former Councilmember Lourdes Galvan thanked the Mayor and City Council for considering the Item.

Mayor Taylor asked for clarification on PEP Procedures. Mr. Lucero reported that the PEP Procedure provides guidelines for who is targeted for Enforcement Operations, Detention, and ultimate Deportation from the United States. He noted that the Program is a shared initiative between the Department of Homeland Security and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. He provided an overview of the PEP Process.

Councilmember Viagran thanked the Police Chief for his work and stated the need for respect and safety in dealing with issues unique to San Antonio's diverse residents. She expressed support for inclusion of SAPD's Immigration Procedures in the SAPD General Manual.

**6. Consideration of Applicants to the Planning Commission (5 Slots).**

Mrs. Vacek reported that 5 Slots were available for the Planning Commission serving two year staggered terms. She stated that Applicants were present to address the Committee. The following applicants were interviewed:

Michael Garcia  
Andrew Ozuna  
Jason Keohne

Marcello Martinez  
Emily Bowe  
Gabriel Lopez

Angela Rinehart  
Jack Guerra  
Rob Robbins

Ms. Vacek stated that Jody Sherrill was not present but had submitted a Statement of Interest to the Committee. She noted that Orlando Sandoval was also not present but had expressed interest in applying.

### **Executive Session**

Mayor Taylor recessed the Governance Council Committee into Executive Session at 1:50 p.m. to deliberate the appointment, evaluation, and duties of public officers and discuss legal issues pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.074 (personnel matters) and Texas Government Code Section 551.071 (consultation with attorney).

Mayor Taylor reconvened the meeting at 2:00 p.m. and stated that no action was taken during the Executive Session.

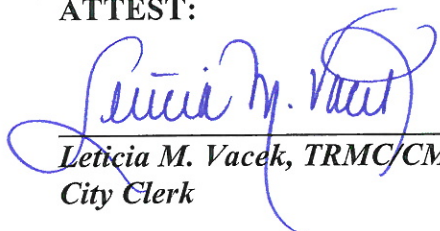
Mayor Taylor thanked the Applicants to the Planning Commission for their interest in public service.

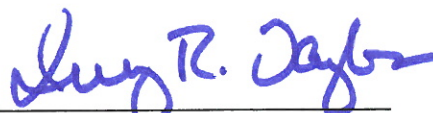
Councilmember Viagran moved to forward the applications of Michael Garcia, Marcello Martinez, Angela Rinehart, Jody Sherrill, and Jason Koehne to the full City Council for consideration. Councilmember Krier seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

### **ADJOURN**

There being no further discussion, Mayor Taylor adjourned the meeting at 2:01 pm.

**ATTEST:**

  
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*Leticia M. Vacek, TRMC/CMC/MMC*  
*City Clerk*

  
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*Ivy R. Taylor, Mayor*