

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



**FINAL
Meeting Minutes
City Council B Session**

City Hall Complex
105 Main Plaza
San Antonio, Texas 78205

Wednesday, September 28, 2016

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 and noted the following Councilmembers present:

PRESENT: 9 - Mayor Taylor, Treviño, Warrick, Viagran, Saldaña, Lopez, Medina, Nirenberg, and Gallagher

ABSENT: 2 - Gonzales, and Krier

Mrs. Vacek announced that Councilmember Gonzales was attending the National Association of City Transportation Officials Designing Cities 2016 Conference and Councilmember Krier was attending the 6th Americas Competitiveness Exchange.

1. A Briefing on the 2017-2022 Bond Program to include a presentation of City Staff recommended projects totaling \$850 million that will be presented to the five Community Bond Committees beginning in October 2016 and an update on the Community Bond Committee process. [Peter Zaroni, Deputy City Manager; Mike Frisbie, Director, Transportation & Capital Improvements]

City Manager Sculley provided a status of the 2012 Bond Program. She reported that the program was near completion with 140 projects totaling \$596 Million. She stated that staff

is soliciting feedback from Councilmembers and the Community for the 2017 Bond Program. She noted that the 2017 Bond Program would focus on the following categories: 1) Streets, Bridges, and Sidewalks; 2) Drainage and Flood Control; 3) Parks and Recreation; 4) Facilities; and 5) Neighborhood Improvements.

Mrs. Sculley stated that five Community Bond Committees were formed to publicly review, evaluate and finalize a list of recommendations to present to the full City Council for consideration at the end of the calendar year. She noted that the Tri-Chairs for the Bond Program Committee were appointed by Mayor Taylor as follows: Darryl Byrd, Carri Baker, and Edward Aldrete. She mentioned that the community meetings for the Bond Program would begin on October 3, 2016 and continue through mid-December 2016. She noted that said meetings would be held at the Central Library Auditorium with the majority of the meetings being held from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. She stated that parking was free; meetings were open to the public; and schedules were available on the City's 2017 Bond Program Website. She added that the tentative schedule included five meetings per Committee and that Committee Tours of some of the recommended projects would be held on Saturdays.

Mike Frisbie stated that out of the 2012 Bond Program projects; 92% were completed or under construction. He reported that 91 projects were complete; 48 were under construction; and 11 were in the design process. He stated that the 2017 Bond Program Committees included a total of 160 citizen appointees and their roles included: 1) Serve in an advisory role; 2) Obtain community input; 3) Consider potential projects; and 4) Recommend projects to City Council for the proposed 2017 through 2022 Bond Program. He stated that the City Council would consider the Committee's Recommendations and make their final decisions in January-February 2017. He reviewed the Community Bond Committee Schedules and noted that each Committee would meet every other week. He stated that Bond Projects were developed based on the following guiding principles:

- Support SA Tomorrow Growth Plan
- Coordinate with other agencies
- Increase connectivity
- Leverage funds
- Project continuation
- Investment in major corridors
- Improve & support Vision Zero
- Complete streets
- Environmental sustainability
- Operating & maintenance budget impact
- Rough proportionality

Mr. Frisbie noted that every project in the Bond Program supported the SA Tomorrow Plans. He reviewed the Rough Proportionality Methodology which included: 1) Identify greatest needs as opposed to identifying funding by geographic areas and then recommend projects; 2) Areas of city have different infrastructure needs; 3) Project selection provided roughly equal investment across the city; and 4) Needs addressed through a variety of programs such as Bond Program, Five-Year Infrastructure Management Program, and the Linear Creekway Program. He stated that approximately 33% of the Bond was a leverage opportunity through agency coordination and strategic investment and that \$284 Million would leverage another \$386 Million for a total of \$670 Million.

Mr. Frisbie stated that the Streets, Bridges, and Sidewalks Category included projects to construct or improve streets and street amenities, sidewalks and multimodal facilities in coordination with established transportation plans of the city and other agencies such as: 1) Road construction and widening; 2) Utilities; 3) Pedestrian safety; 4) Medians, turn lanes, multi-use/bike paths; and 5) Curbs, sidewalks, and drive-way approaches. He reviewed the list of projects for Streets, Bridges and Sidewalks. He stated that the Drainage and Flood Category included projects to improve or develop storm water drainage systems such as Underground Stormwater Drainage, Channels, Water Detention, and other drainage projects in coordination with the Bexar Regional Watershed Management Program. He reviewed the list of projects for the Drainage and Flood Category.

Mr. Frisbie stated that the Parks and Recreation Category included projects that acquired, developed, or renovated parks and park facilities and amenities including but not limited to: 1) Swimming pools; 2) Community, recreation, and gymnasium facilities; 3) Baseball fields; and 4) Trails and open space in coordination with established Park System Plans. He stated that the Facilities Category included projects that acquired, developed, or renovated existing community and city-owned facilities such as comprehensive facility renovations, construction of new facilities, and acquisition and renovation of facilities for community use. He reviewed the list of projects for the Facilities Category.

Peter Zaroni stated that the primary focus of the Neighborhood Improvements Category was Housing but would include sidewalk, curb, and other infrastructure improvements around the immediate area of the recommended housing development. He noted that the current City Charter does not allow Bonds to be utilized for Housing but Texas Government Code allows the city to utilize its Urban Renewal Agency to deliver Bond-Funded Housing Projects subsequent to adoption of an Urban Renewal Plan by the City Council. He reported that \$20 Million was included in the Bond Program for Affordable Housing Developments and associated infrastructure improvements. He stated that Bonds could be utilized for 1) Demolition; 2) Environmental clean-up; 3) Extension of utilities; and 4) Sidewalks/curbs. He stated that once the land was ready for development it would be sold

for a fair price and noted that Gap Financing would be provided to the developer. He reported that in addition to 100% affordable housing; mixed-income/mixed-use development could be included. He stated that the areas identified for development must meet the following Distressed Property Requirements:

- Area detrimental to public health, safety, and welfare of the community
- Has deteriorating, dilapidated buildings and structures
- Prone to high population densities and overcrowding
- Has defective or inadequate streets
- Has unsanitary conditions
- Building and other infrastructure inadequacies prohibit sustainable housing environment or results in economic and social liabilities to the community

Mr. Zaroni added that once the areas met the Distressed Property Requirements; they would be reviewed utilizing the following additional criteria in order to make recommendations:

- Housing stakeholders/partners input
- Located in a Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone (TIRZ)
- Includes publicly-owned parcels
- Near public transit and city parks
- In a U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Qualified Census Tract or Low Income Housing Tax Credit Area
- Includes large tracts and/or concentration of vacant parcels
- Includes vacant, dilapidated or underutilized industrial or commercial developments

Mr. Zaroni stated that the Urban Renewal Agency for the City was the Office of Urban Revitalization San Antonio (OUR SA) and was formerly named the San Antonio Development Agency (SADA). He stated that it had a 7-Member Board appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by City Council. He noted that Members served staggered two-year terms and OUR SA currently reports to the Center City Development Office (CCDO). He stated that the Urban Renewal Plan includes maps of specific areas, eligible development activities, and must be adopted by the full City Council and submitted to the Texas Attorney General.

Mr. Zaroni presented two sample project scopes and budgets. He stated that the Community Bond Committee would be presented with the staff recommended Neighborhood Improvements Areas and would evaluate same. He noted that the Committee could amend boundaries, delete entire areas, or add other areas that met eligibility requirements. He stated that the identification of specific property selections and

housing/neighborhood projects within the designated areas would occur following the May 2017 Bond Election. He presented the following staff recommended Neighborhood Investment Areas: 1) Near West/Five Points; 2) Near East; 3) Lincoln Park/Arena District; 4) Southeast; 5) South Park; 6) Former Fire Academy; 7) West Side; 8) Edgewood; 9) Northwest I-10 at Loop 410; 10) Wurzbach; 11) Blanco Road at West Avenue; and 12) Naco Perrin.

Mr. Zaroni provided a brief overview of each of the twelve areas. He reported that Bond Committee Meetings would be held from October through December and that a Public Hearing would be held in January 2017. He stated that the Bond Election would be called in February 2017 with the Election held in May 2017. He reviewed the following steps which would take place following the May 2017 Bond Election within the Urban Renewal Plan Development Areas: 1) Property Acquisition and 2) Development Plan.

Mayor Taylor thanked all who would participate in the process. She stated that since this was a community driven Bond Program; the community would begin to vet the staff recommendations based on their understanding of community needs and neighborhoods, as well as the guiding principles outlined to strive for the vision articulated in the SATomorrow Plan. She requested that the City Manager ensure that volunteers have the link to the SATomorrow Plan. She spoke of the newly created category of Neighborhood Improvements and noted that the Federal Funds that the city received on a regular basis were decreasing. She stated that the city must ensure that this opportunity was utilized to create mixed income communities and invited everyone to the Housing Summit on September 30, 2016.

Councilmember Gallagher asked what the ballot would look like. Mrs. Sculley replied that there would be six items on the ballot, differentiated by the five categories along with the vertical buildings for Public Safety. Councilmember Gallagher asked if major projects were ever included on a separate ballot and if the Committees would be involved with the ballot language. Mrs. Sculley replied that ballot items were listed by category and the Committees would not consider the ballot language, as that would be done by the City Attorneys, City Engineer, and staff. She stated that the ballot would be considered by the full City Council. Councilmember Gallagher expressed concern that citizens may not understand how the funds for the Neighborhood Improvements Category could be utilized. Mrs. Sculley stated that this would be an item for discussion by the City Council and that the Housing Commission suggested that funding for the Neighborhood Improvements Category be set between \$15-\$25 Million.

Councilmember Viagran asked how the district-specific amounts for the 2007 and the 2012 Bond Programs were proportioned. Mrs. Sculley replied that the district-specific amounts

in the previous two Bond Programs were proportioned similar to what they were now.

Councilmember Treviño asked of the process for obtaining cost estimates. Mr. Frisbie stated that all of the projects have gone through an estimating process which also includes escalation for future years. He noted that 5% escalation was built into subsequent annual budgets. Councilmember Treviño asked if all demolitions associated with the Bond Program would go through the Building Standards Board (BSB). Mr. Zanoni confirmed that they would.

Councilmember Warrick asked if there must be Housing associated with projects in the Neighborhood Improvements Category. Mr. Zanoni replied that some affordable housing must be associated with projects in the Neighborhood Improvements Category. Councilmember Warrick asked if there must be a certain percentage of affordable housing developments in each project. Mr. Zanoni replied that there was not a specific percentage associated with same.

Councilmember Nirenberg asked of the contingency built into the Bond Program. Mr. Frisbie stated that a contingency of 5% to 10% was built into each project. Councilmember Nirenberg asked of a comparison of funds leveraged in the 2007 and 2012 Bond Programs with funds compared by those from public agencies and private organizations. Mr. Frisbie stated that he would provide that information to the City Council.

Councilmember Lopez stated that Council District 6 Committee Members had asked of the process for adding projects. Mr. Frisbie stated that there would be a period of time, especially during the first few meetings, when Committee Members could propose projects which were not listed.

Councilmember Medina asked what was being accomplished to ensure as much participation and outreach as possible for those firms seeking an opportunity to work with the city. Mr. Frisbie replied that staff has communicated with the Consultant Community and Contractors and that the Small Business Program was included in Communications. He reported that in the 2012 Bond Program; 67% Small Business Participation was achieved.

Councilmember Saldaña asked of a retrofit for a mall. Mr. Frisbie stated that a mall could be retrofitted for Housing and that it was a prominent trend across the country. He noted that the parking area of South Park Mall would be an excellent location for a housing development. Councilmember Saldaña asked how the areas recommended for projects were determined. Mr. Zanoni replied that projects had to meet the requirements previously stated and that staff reviewed maps, Census Tracts, and Bexar County Appraisal District (BCAD) Data to make their recommendations.

Mayor Taylor thanked staff for the presentation.

2. A Briefing on the recommendation by the Transportation, Technology and Utilities Council Committee to transfer \$10 million in City funding annually, incrementally beginning in FY 2018, to VIA Metropolitan Transit for proposed future bus service improvements. [Peter Zanoni, Deputy City Manager; Mike Frisbie, Director, Transportation & Capital Improvements]

Councilmember Saldaña provided opening remarks and a synopsis of the work of the Advanced Transportation District (ATD) Ad Hoc Committee.

Mike Frisbie stated that in July 2015, Councilmember Saldaña noted concern that inadequate funding levels resulted in inconvenient and infrequent VIA Bus Service. He noted that Councilmember Saldaña proposed that the City's ATD Funds be reallocated to VIA to improve their bus service and requested that the policy issue of how the city utilizes its ATD Funding be discussed. Mr. Frisbie noted that staff presented the policy issue to the Transportation, Technology, and Utilities Committee on November 4, 2015 followed by a presentation to the full City Council on November 18, 2015 at B Session. He reported that the sales tax revenue VIA received was less than other major Texas Cities. He stated that the \$10 Million in City Funds would result in a 4% increase to VIA's total expenditure budget. He noted that a ½ cent increase to VIA's Metropolitan Transit Authority (MTA) sales tax would render an approximate increase of \$140 Million to VIA's Budget.

Mr. Frisbie stated that in January 2016; Mayor Taylor convened the ATD Ad Hoc Committee and charged its members to evaluate VIA's funding model and determine if the city should: 1) Allocate funding to VIA or 2) Include all or a portion of the City's ATD Revenues to enhance VIA Services. He noted that the Committee was Co-Chaired by Councilmembers Lopez and Saldaña. He stated that the Committee recommended transferring \$10 Million in City ATD Funding annually to VIA phased over a four-year period as follows:

- No funds in Fiscal Year (FY) 2017
- \$2.2 Million in FY 2018
- \$6.5 Million in FY 2019
- \$10 Million in FY 2020

Mr. Frisbie stated that at a minimum; the City would maintain \$5 Million in ATD Funding to be utilized for sidewalks. He reported that on August 10, 2016; the Transportation,

Technology, and Utilities (TTU) Committee recommended that staff explore funding options, other than the ATD, in order to provide \$10 Million annually to VIA phased-in over a four-year period. He reported that when asked how VIA would utilize the \$10 Million; they responded that they would increase the frequency on the following 10 routes: 1) #26 Martin Luther King; 2) #502 Thousand Oaks; 3) #602 North Star/Med Center; 4) #607 Med Center/Ingram; 5) #611 Valley Hi/Kel-Lac; 6) #613 Heritage NW/Kel-Lac; 7) #615 Kel-Lac/Heritage Park; 8) #616 Sky Harbour/Kel-Lac; 9) #617 Kel-Lac/Rainbow Hills; and 10) #618 Ingram/Westlakes.

Mr. Frisbie stated that the route frequency would increase from one hour to 30 minutes and that travel times and capacity improvements would be made in the following five major corridors: 1) San Pedro/W. Commerce; 2) Broadway/Pleasanton; 3) E. Houston Street; 4) New Braunfels Avenue; and 5) Culebra Road. He noted that the five corridors buses would run every 12 minutes from 6:00 am to 6:00 pm. He stated that the source of Non-ATD Funds could only come from the General Fund which would require reductions in programs and staff across city departments in one or all of the following programs:

- TCI Transportation
- Parks
- Animal Care Spay/Neuter
- Library Branch Operations, Materials, Books
- Human Services Community/Senior Center Operations
- Delegate Agencies; Non-Workforce Development

Mr. Frisbie stated that Federal Funds could only be utilized for capital expenditures and that staff did not recommend the transfer of \$10 Million in funds from the General Fund or the ATD at this time. He noted that staff recommended a dialogue process facilitated by SAMCO, which would be comprised of Bexar County, City of San Antonio, and VIA, to explore Local, State, and Federal Opportunities.

Stephen Hussain stated that the Ad Hoc Committee had asked VIA to show what improvements could be made with \$10 Million. He noted that VIA responded by recommending phased improvements beginning in 2018 which would serve up to 60% of the 42 million passenger trips each year. He mentioned that substantive increases in funding would be required to develop long range plans and would require the collective efforts of partners.

Mayor Taylor expressed support for exploring various funding strategies with consensus from Transportation Partners. She stated that she would like to see a long-range plan based on the city's growth and other patterns.

Councilmember Gallagher cautioned against utilizing ATD Funds for purposes other than what was voted on and expressed support for the staff recommendation.

Jeff Arndt of VIA stated that the Committee's Recommendation would make an almost immediate difference in the lives of citizens and riders which would be greatly impacted. He noted that VIA's Service was not utilized across the board so by making investments in 10 specific routes and another six corridors; the Committee's Recommendation would impact 60% of riders. He stated that service similar to Primo Service was recommended in the six corridors identified and that funding strategies could be developed as funds were phased in. He played a video in which VIA Bus Riders were interviewed.

Councilmember Nirenberg asked Mr. Arndt of the phase-in of improvements. Mr. Arndt presented a slide outlining the phase-in and noted that the first phase could occur as soon as 2018 due to the fact that an increase in the fleet would not be necessary. Councilmember Nirenberg requested a written legal opinion on the utilization of ATD Funds and noted that the expired debt service payments were not discussed. He stated that the Comprehensive Plan included a transportation component which recommended Multi-Modal Transportation and requested that communication with the community be implemented. He expressed support for the ATD Committee's recommendation while seeking a Legislative Solution.

Councilmember Treviño expressed support for the ATD Committee's Recommendation. Councilmember Viagran expressed concern regarding the utilization of ATD Funds until after the next Legislative Session and requested that a written legal opinion be obtained regarding the use of ATD Funds. Mr. Frisbie noted that the TTU Committee recommended the utilization of Non-ATD Funds.

Councilmember Warrick suggested communication with smaller municipalities regarding the funding needed. He stated that he would like to wait until the end of the next Legislative Session before making a recommendation.

Councilmember Lopez asked Mr. Frisbie to restate the recommendation of the TTU Committee. Mr. Frisbie replied that the TTU Committee recommended a transfer of \$10 Million in Non-ATD Funds. Councilmember Lopez expressed support for the TTU Committee's Recommendation.

Councilmember Medina confirmed the staff recommendation to identify \$10 Million in Non-ATD Funds to provide to VIA. He suggested communication with smaller municipalities within City Council Districts, Employers, and Bexar County regarding the funds needed.

Mayor Taylor stated that she supported working with other jurisdictions and Bexar County to identify funds for VIA. Councilmember Saldaña added that the City was in the driver's seat and should take the opportunity to move forward. He asked what percentage \$10 Million represented out of the entire city budget. Mrs. Sculley stated that \$10 million was 1% of the budget.

Mayor Taylor thanked everyone for the presentation.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Taylor recessed the meeting into Executive Session at 5:08 pm for discussion on the following:

- A. Deliberations regarding economic development negotiations and discuss related legal issues pursuant to Texas Government Code Sections 551.087 (economic development) and 551.071 (consultation with attorney).
- B. Deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property and discuss related legal issues pursuant to Texas Government Code Sections 551.072 (real property) and 551.071 (consultation with attorney).
- C. Discuss legal issues related to collective bargaining pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071 (consultation with attorney).
- D. Discuss legal issues relating to transportation network companies and rideshare mobile apps pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071 (consultation with attorney).

RECONVENED

Mayor Taylor reconvened the meeting at 5:32 pm and announced that no action was taken in Executive Session.

CEREMONIALS

Mayor Taylor presented a Certificate to Penner's, the Iconic Men's Clothing Store located on Commerce Street on the western edge of Downtown, in recognition of their 100th Anniversary. It was noted that Penner's was most well-known for two of its products-the authentic Guayabera and trademark "Tangerine" Orange Shoes.

Mayor Taylor presented a Proclamation in recognition of the 32nd Annual National Night Out (NNO) that will be held on Tuesday, October 4, 2016, for the State of Texas. It was noted that NNO was sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch and designed to generate support and participation in Local Anti-Crime Programs, strengthen Community-Police Partnerships, and foster Neighborhood Spirit.

Mayor Taylor presented a Certificate to the San Antonio Fire Department (SAFD) in recognition of their 125th Anniversary of serving the community. It was noted that the SAFD was founded in 1891, at a time when the city boasted a population of 37,363, operated with approximately 45 Firefighters, and the Fire Chief was paid \$100 per month. Today, SAFD is innovative and aggressive in keeping up with firefighting trends, using the best technology to provide the most efficient and effective service to the community.

PUBLIC HEARING

City Clerk Vacek read the caption for Item 3:

3. A Public Hearing on increasing the Storm Water Utility fee consistent with the City's FY 2017 Budget and reclassifying triplex and quadplex accounts from non-residential to residential, thereby lowering the monthly fee for these accounts. [Peter Zanoni, Deputy City Manager; Mike Frisbie, Director, Transportation & Capital Improvements]

Mayor Taylor opened the Public Hearing on the Storm Water Utility Fee and called upon the citizens registered to speak.

Nazirite Ruben Flores Perez stated that he was confused by the new Storm Water Utility Fee Structure.

There being no other citizens wishing to speak, Mayor Taylor closed the Public Hearing on the Storm Water Utility Fee.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

Mayor Taylor called upon the citizens registered to speak under Citizens to be Heard.

Maureen Onell, Clare Joscelyn, and Carlos Uresti, Jr. addressed the City Council. Ms. Onell stated that she was the new Executive Director for SAPA and was concerned that they were not being awarded the contract to operate the Paul Jolly Adoption Center. She spoke of the hard work of staff and volunteers and how they helped her make the decision to accept the position of Executive Director. Ms. Joscelyn, Director of Operations for SAPA noted that

taking the operation of the Paul Jolly Adoption Center from SAPA would greatly affect the organization. Mr. Uresti added that they must continue the path to No-Kill Status and was supportive of SAPA continuing to operate the Paul Jolly Adoption Center.

Kylie Brasher, Lindy Hardin, and Beto Ureste addressed the City Council in support of SAPA continuing to operate the Paul Jolly Adoption Center. Ms. Brasher, Clinic Director for the SAPA Office on Marbach Road stated that the location was not viable as an adoption center. She spoke of their work with animals in medical need and stated that it would not be a good environment for the general public. Ms. Hardin stated that she served as the Board Chair for SAPA and asked the City Council to reconsider allowing them to operate the Paul Jolly Adoption Center. Mr. Ureste spoke of his experience in adopting two dogs from SAPA and asked that they continue to operate the Paul Jolly Adoption Center.

Karissa Garza-Vale, Tommy McNish, and Gabby Uresti addressed the City Council. Ms. Garza-Vale stated that she was a volunteer for SAPA and requested that they continue to operate the Paul Jolly Adoption Center. She noted that losing the center would be detrimental to the volunteers. Ms. Uresti stated that the Paul Jolly Adoption Center was the backbone of SAPA and played a critical role in their life-saving operations. She read a letter of support for SAPA from Ellen Jefferson. Mr. McNish stated that he was the Chief Operating Officer for SAPA and they would like to continue the operation of the Paul Jolly Adoption Center.

Denise Trevino, SAPA Facilities Manager at the Paul Jolly Adoption Center addressed the City Council and asked that they be allowed to continue operations. She stated that this was their only true adoption center and spoke of the many animals they have saved.

Jason Hernandez, SAPA Director of Volunteer Services asked the City Council to reconsider allowing SAPA to continue operations of the Paul Jolly Adoption Center. He spoke of the great work of the volunteers to help save over 30,000 animals since 2012.

Joyce Howard spoke of her volunteer work with SAPA to feed Neo-Natal Kittens and as a Foster. She expressed concern with the loss of the Paul Jolly Adoption Center and noted that the facility was essential to their work.

Mark Perez noted concerns with businesses operating without the proper permits to include the AGE Refinery Building and DPT Laboratories. He stated that he was not pleased with the services provided by various City Departments.

Jamie Gibson stated that she was a Trainer for the Animal Defense League (ADL) and was pleased that they were recommended to operate the Paul Jolly Adoption Center. She spoke

of their work with all types of animals.

Olayinka Bucknor-Smartt stated that she was a Manager for SAPA and spoke of their great work. She requested that they be allowed to continue operating the Paul Jolly Adoption Center.

Pat DiGiovanni, President and CEO of Centro San Antonio highlighted the launch of the new Downtown Brand and played two videos showcasing the event.

Nazirite Ruben Flores Perez referenced an article entitled, "Catholics for Choice" and expressed concern that it contradicted The Pope.

Kathy Davis addressed the City Council in support of the staff recommendation for the Animal Defense League to operate the Paul Jolly Adoption Center. She noted that ADL was the best choice to operate the Center and highlighted their work over the past 80 years. She thanked SAPA for their work over the past three years at the Paul Jolly Adoption Center.

Faris Hodge, Jr. submitted written testimony to include the following newspaper articles: "Ben Carson greeted warmly on book tour" and "How did Super Tuesday become Super?" He wrote that Charter Schools were growing rapidly and that there should be justice for men in Child Support Cases.

RECESSED

Mayor Taylor announced that the Executive Session would be reconvened the next day after the Business Portion of the City Council Meeting. There being no further discussion, Mayor Taylor recessed the meeting at 7:00 pm.

APPROVED

IVY R. TAYLOR
MAYOR

ATTEST:

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