

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



**FINAL  
Meeting Minutes  
City Council A Session**

City Hall Complex  
105 Main Plaza  
San Antonio, Texas 78205

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**Thursday, March 8, 2018**

**9:00 AM**

**Municipal Plaza Building**

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The City Council convened in a Regular Meeting. City Clerk Leticia Vacek took the Roll Call noting the following Councilmembers present:

**PRESENT:** 10 - Mayor Nirenberg, Treviño, Shaw, Viagran, Saldaña, Gonzales, Brockhouse, Sandoval, Pelaez, and Courage

**ABSENT:** 1 - Perry

Mrs. Vacek announced that Councilmember Perry was out on personal leave.

1. The Invocation was delivered by Andries Coetzee, Pastor, University Presbyterian Church, guest of Roberto C. Treviño, District 1.
2. Mayor Nirenberg led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.
3. Approval of Minutes for the City Council Meetings of February 7 - 8, 2018

Councilmember Courage moved to approve the Minutes for the City Council Meetings of February 7-8, 2018. Councilmember Treviño seconded the motion. The motion prevailed by the following vote:

**AYE:** 10 - Mayor Nirenberg, Treviño, Shaw, Viagran, Saldaña, Gonzales, Brockhouse, Sandoval, Pelaez, and Courage

**ABSENT:** 1 - Perry

### **POINTS OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE**

Councilmember Viagran recognized the members being appointed to the Planning Commission that were present: Jessica Brunson, Connie Gonzalez, Michael Garcia, and Casey Whittington. The City Council thanked them for their willingness to serve.

Councilmember Gonzales recognized graduates of the Promotoras Program noting that they had received specialized training to help reduce child abuse in the community. Mayor Nirenberg and Councilmember Gonzales presented graduation certificates to the following individuals: Amanda Carrera, Alexis Cruz, Beverly Chavez, Christine Estrada, Monique Gonzalez, Maranda Hernandez, Beatrice Lopez, Aldwin Ramirez, Katherine Rodriguez, and Leticia Delatorr. The City Council offered their congratulations to Councilmember Gonzales and the graduates.

### **CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

Items 11, 12, 13, 15, and 18 were pulled for Individual Consideration. Councilmember Treviño moved to approve the remaining Consent Agenda Items. Councilmember Shaw seconded the motion.

Mayor Nirenberg called upon Mr. Jack M. Finger to speak.

Jack M. Finger referenced the appointments to the SAWS Board (Item 15) and asked if they would recommend rate increases. He asked of the Major Events Reimbursement Program (Item 17) and expressed concern with the grant agreement with IPSecure, Inc. (Item 18).

The motion to approve the remaining Consent Agenda Items prevailed by the following vote:

**AYE:** 10 - Mayor Nirenberg, Treviño, Shaw, Viagran, Saldaña, Gonzales, Brockhouse, Sandoval, Pelaez, and Courage

**ABSENT:** 1 - Perry

**2018-03-08-0174**

4. Ordinance accepting the offer for preventive maintenance and repair services of HVAC systems from Republic A/C and Heating for the Fire Department, Police Department, Department of Human Services, Center City Development and Operations, Health Department, and Solid Waste Management for an estimated annual amount of \$370,000.00, funded from the departments FY 2018 Operating Budgets. [Ben Gorzell, Chief Financial Officer; Troy Elliott, Deputy Chief Financial Officer, Finance]

**2018-03-08-0175**

5. Ordinance authorizing contracts with American Material Handling, Inc., Centerline, Nueces Power Equipment, ROMCO Equipment Co. and Vermeer Equipment of Texas to provide City departments with medium and heavy equipment units for a total cost of \$440,624.62, funded from the Equipment Renewal & Replacement Fund and Airport Operating & Maintenance Fund. [Ben Gorzell, Chief Financial Officer; Troy Elliott, Deputy Chief Financial Officer, Finance]

**2018-03-08-0176**

6. Ordinance authorizing a contract with Convergent Technologies, LLC to provide the San Antonio International Airport with an Identity Management System for Airport staff and workers, to include software and implementation, for a total cumulative amount of \$915,924.00 for an initial term of three years, with options to renew the term of the agreement for two additional one-year periods, funded from Airport Capital Improvement Funds and Airport Operating and Maintenance Funds. [Ben Gorzell, Chief Financial Officer; Troy Elliott, Deputy Chief Financial Officer, Finance]

**2018-03-08-0177**

7. Ordinance authorizing a contract with Alderom, LLC to provide 312 indoor LED lighting fixtures for a total cost of \$124,481.76 for the Convention and Sports Facilities Department, funded from the FY 2018 Community & Visitor Facility Fund Operating Budget. [Ben Gorzell, Chief Financial Officer; Troy Elliott, Deputy Chief Financial Officer, Finance]

**2018-03-08-0178**

8. Ordinance authorizing the following contracts establishing unit prices for goods and services for an estimated annual cost of \$1,289,000.00: (A) Texas Star Supply, LLC for asphalt emulsion sealcoat material, (B) Clean Harbor Environmental Services, Inc. for incineration services, and (C) GT Distributors, Inc. for ammunition for SAPD and other law enforcement. [Ben Gorzell, Chief Financial Officer; Troy Elliott,

Deputy Chief Financial Officer, Finance]

**2018-03-08-0179**

9. Ordinance awarding the 2018 Task Order Contract for Flatwork and Pavement Markings Package 1 to Pinnacle Concrete Construction, LLC in an amount not to exceed \$888,540.50, of which \$51,125.00 will be reimbursed by San Antonio Water System, for the construction of work associated with street maintenance projects, located citywide. [Peter Zanoni, Deputy City Manager; Mike Frisbie, Director, Transportation & Capital Improvements]

**2018-03-08-0180**

10. Ordinance approving the temporary closure of certain streets for the 2018 Fiesta San Antonio celebration; approving the locations, dates and times for the Fiesta Carnival and official Fiesta events with related requirements and conditions including a limited exception of Municipal Code Section 32-30; approving the Fiesta parade routes; and authorizing reimbursement to Fiesta Commission for bleachers along parade routes. [Lori Houston, Assistant City Manager; John Jacks, Interim Director, Center City Development & Operations]
14. Appointing Jessica Brunson, Connie M. Gonzalez, and reappointing Michael A. Garcia, Jr., and Casey J. Whittington to the Planning Commission for the remainder of unexpired terms of office to expire October 6, 2019. [Leticia M. Vacek, City Clerk]

**2018-03-08-0183**

16. Ordinance appointing Jessica Todd, Lauren Lefton, Dr. Esther Gergen, Fred Williams, Dr. Lawrence Schoenfeld, Johnny Arredondo and Leslie Bramlett to the Citizen Advisory Action Board for two year terms of office. [Erik Walsh, Deputy City Manager; William McManus, Chief of Police]

**2018-03-08-0184**

17. Ordinance authorizing the payment of a Major Events Reimbursement Program Local Contribution of \$1,852,743.00 related to the 2018 NCAA Men's Final Four Basketball Tournament, a Reimbursement Agreement with the San Antonio Local Organizing Committee to reimburse the City an estimated \$5.3 million from the amount SALOC receives from the Major Events Reimbursement Program and appropriating funds in the amount of \$1,852,743.00 from the City's State Reimbursement Fund. [Carlos Contreras, Assistant City Manager; Patricia Muzquiz Cantor, Interim Director, Convention & Sports Facilities]

**2018-03-08-0186**

19. Ordinance approving a professional services contract with Nutrition Therapy Associates, Inc. for pediatric nutrition services for the City's Head Start Program through January 31, 2019, with five one-year renewal options, for a total amount not to exceed \$210,000.00. [María Villagómez, Assistant City Manager; Melody Woosley, Director, Human Services]

**2018-03-08-0187**

20. Ordinance amending the contracts with Methodist Healthcare System of San Antonio and Christus Santa Rosa Health System to adjust the reimbursement rate from \$700.00 to \$1,000.00 per sexual assault /abuse examination through March 31, 2020. [Erik Walsh, Deputy City Manager; William McManus, Chief, Police]

**2018-03-08-0188**

21. Ordinance approving a professional services agreement with EnSafe Inc. to provide Occupational Health Safety Management System Consultant Services in an estimated amount of \$129,911.00 for one year. [Ben Gorzell, Chief Financial Officer; Debra Ojo, Director, Office of Risk Management]

**2018-03-08-0189**

22. Ordinance in support of Vision Zero and Transportation Planning amending two on-call professional services agreements with the University of Texas at San Antonio in the increased amount of \$200,000.00 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$250,000.00 and Komet Marketing Communications, Inc. in the increased amount of \$80,000.00 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$530,000.00, each for a term of one year with the option to renew for up to two additional one-year terms. [Peter Zanoni, Deputy City Manager; Mike Frisbie, Director, Transportation & Capital Improvements]

**CONSENT ITEMS CONCLUDED****ITEMS PULLED FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION**

Mayor Nirenberg addressed Item 18. City Clerk Vacek read the caption for Item 18:

**2018-03-08-0185**

18. Ordinance approving an Economic Development Incentive Fund Grant Agreement with IPSecure Inc. in an amount up to \$420,000.00 based on a capital investment of approximately \$1.3 million, the creation of at least 80 new high-wage full-time jobs, and the retention of 115 full-time jobs. [Roderick Sanchez, Assistant City Manager;

Rene Dominguez, Director, Economic Development]

Rene Dominguez presented on the Economic Development Incentive Fund (EDIF) Grant Agreement with IPSecure Inc. He reported that IPSecure Inc. was a local cybersecurity company at Port San Antonio founded in 2000. He stated that they would be investing \$1.3 Million in capital and creating 80 new high-wage jobs. He highlighted the project benefits and noted that staff recommended an EDIF Grant in the amount of \$420,000. He recognized various representatives that were present.

Councilmember Treviño expressed his support and thanked everyone for their work. He asked of the benefit related to economic trade. Mr. Dominguez stated that the project sent a great message that the City Council supports growth and expansion of targeted industries.

Councilmember Pelaez highlighted that the project that was located at Port San Antonio and expressed his support. Councilmember Courage also expressed support noting that he was pleased with the work occurring at the Port.

Councilmember Viagran thanked IPSecure Inc. for their investment in San Antonio. She asked of the gender breakdown for employees. Mr. Jesse Rodriguez replied that they had approximately 70% males and 30% females but also noted that they employed over 70% of Retired Military Employees.

Councilmember Gonzales stated that although she was pleased with the high-paying jobs that would be created; she would like to ensure that women were taking advantage of the jobs available.

Councilmember Brockhouse expressed his support and stated that he was pleased that a small investment would yield a great return.

Mayor Nirenberg thanked everyone for their work and stated that he was pleased with the great investment in San Antonio.

Councilmember Treviño moved to adopt the Ordinance for Item 18. Councilmember Shaw seconded the motion. The motion prevailed by the following vote:

**AYE:** 9 - Mayor Nirenberg, Treviño, Shaw, Viagran, Gonzales, Brockhouse, Sandoval, Pelaez, and Courage

**ABSENT:** 2 - Saldaña, and Perry

Mayor Nirenberg addressed Item 15. City Clerk Vacek read the caption for Item 15:

**2018-03-08-0022R**

15. Resolution appointing Amy Hardberger (Southwest Quadrant), Eduardo J. Parra (Northwest Quadrant), and reappointing David P. McGee (Northeast Quadrant) to the San Antonio Water System Board of Trustees for terms to expire May 31, 2021. [Leticia M. Vacek, City Clerk]

Councilmember Brockhouse highlighted concerns regarding the appointment of Amy Hardberger as the Southwest Quadrant Representative on the San Antonio Water System (SAWS) Board. He stated that the process should be more inclusive in the future.

Mayor Nirenberg provided each of the applicants three minutes to discuss their background and qualifications.

Amy Hardberger stated that she was a Law Professor and Associate Dean at St. Mary's Law School and taught Water Law, Land Use Law, and Property Law. She noted that she had Undergraduate and Masters Degrees in Geology with a focus on Groundwater. She added that she had focused on water issues in Texas focusing on Water Conservation, Pricing, and Valuation.

David McGee stated that he was President and CEO of Amegy Bank and had served on the SAWS Board for two years. He noted that in that role; he was a fiduciary on behalf of the citizens of San Antonio and worked to ensure that SAWS was operated in a responsible manner.

Eduardo Parra stated that he was a Local Civil Engineer and Small Business Owner. He noted that he had a Masters Degree in Civil Engineering with a focus on Hydraulics and Coastal Engineering. He added that he had worked on various water and wastewater projects and looked forward to serving the community.

Councilmember Brockhouse asked Ms. Hardberger of her application and discussions with other City Councilmembers. Ms. Hardberger replied that she had been interested in serving for some time and had reached out to Mayor Nirenberg and Councilmember Sandoval as she lived in District 7. Councilmember Brockhouse expressed concerns with Ms. Hardberger's views on Development Impact Fees. Ms. Hardberger indicated that she would be open to working with the business community and having conversations with individuals that had questions.

Councilmember Brockhouse moved to vote on each of the applicants individually. Councilmember Pelaez seconded the motion.

Councilmember Viagran stated that she had the opportunity to ask questions during the Governance Committee Meeting and that her focus was on customer service and outreach to the community. She expressed concern that there was not a SAWS Customer Service Center on the South Side and that she would like to look at locations for citizens to pay their bills other than HEB or Payday Loan Centers. She added that she would like to look at the process for appointing individuals in the future.

Councilmember Treviño stated that he was supportive of the process and recommended applicants.

Councilmember Treviño moved to approve the Resolution appointing Amy Hardberger (Southwest Quadrant), Eduardo J. Parra (Northwest Quadrant), and reappointing David P. McGee (Northeast Quadrant) to the San Antonio Water System Board of Trustees for terms to expire May 31, 2021. Councilmember Gonzales seconded the motion.

Councilmember Pelaez stated that Amy Hardberger was one of the most qualified candidates that had ever applied and he was pleased to support her nomination. He asked that all board members look to be resilient and innovative.

Councilmember Gonzales spoke to the expertise and commitment of Amy Hardberger and noted the importance of having a diverse make up on the board.

Councilmember Courage stated that he was supportive of all three applicants; however, he would like for the City Council to have more input on key boards in the future.

Councilmember Sandoval thanked the applicants for their willingness to serve and asked them to ensure they communicate information on rate increases to the public. She confirmed that a portion of the Northwest Quadrant encompassed District 6. She spoke of the expertise of Amy Hardberger and added that it was good to have varying opinions on the SAWS Board.

Mayor Nirenberg highlighted the expertise of Amy Hardberger and stated that he was pleased with the diverse professional background of the three applicants. He noted that there had been a long-standing process for the Mayor of San Antonio as a sitting member of the SAWS Board to recommend applicants for each of the quadrants. He added that various community receptions were held with the applicants and members of the development, environmental, and real estate community.

The motion by Councilmember Brockhouse to vote on each of the applicants individually failed by the following vote:



**AYE:** 2 - Brockhouse, and Pelaez

**NAY:** 7 - Mayor Nirenberg, Treviño, Shaw, Viagran, Gonzales, Sandoval, and Courage

**ABSENT:** 2 - Saldaña, and Perry

The motion by Councilmember Treviño to approve the Resolution appointing Amy Hardberger (Southwest Quadrant), Eduardo J. Parra (Northwest Quadrant), and reappointing David P. McGee (Northeast Quadrant) to the San Antonio Water System Board of Trustees for terms to expire May 31, 2021 prevailed by the following vote:

**AYE:** 8 - Mayor Nirenberg, Treviño, Shaw, Viagran, Gonzales, Sandoval, Pelaez, and Courage

**NAY:** 1 - Brockhouse

**ABSENT:** 2 - Saldaña, and Perry

City Clerk Vacek read the caption for Item 11:

**2018-03-08-0021R**

- 11.** Resolution ratifying the submission of a grant application to and authorizing the acceptance of funds from the Office of the Governor Criminal Justice Division for the Justice Assistance Grant Program in an amount up to \$138,870.00 beginning October 1, 2018 for the San Antonio Metropolitan Health District's Stand Up SA program. [Erik Walsh, Deputy City Manager; Colleen Bridger, Director, Health]

Councilmember Courage asked of the effectiveness of the StandUp SA Program. Dr. Colleen Bridger replied that last year they had received results from the first two years of the program which showed a significant decrease of violence in the areas they worked in. She stated that the grant would provide more resources to continue the evaluation process.

Councilmember Shaw thanked staff for their work and stated that he was pleased with the efforts to decrease violence in the community.

Councilmember Courage moved to approve the Resolution. Councilmember Viagran seconded the motion. The motion prevailed by the following vote:

**AYE:** 9 - Mayor Nirenberg, Treviño, Shaw, Viagran, Gonzales, Brockhouse, Sandoval, Pelaez, and Courage

**ABSENT:** 2 - Saldaña, and Perry

City Clerk Vacek read the caption for Item 12:

**2018-03-08-0181**

- 12.** Ordinance approving the submission of an Early Head Start - Child Care Partnership application to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and acceptance upon award of \$2,729,844.00 for the period of August 1, 2018 - July 31, 2019; a budget, including an in-kind match of \$682,461.00, and a personnel complement of 16 positions. [María Villagómez, Assistant City Manager; Melody Woosley, Director, Human Services]

Councilmember Courage asked of the potential to integrate the Head Start and Pre-K 4 SA Programs. Melody Woosley responded that the Early Head Start Program served children six weeks to three years-old while Pre-K 4 SA served four-year-olds. She stated that they were working closely with Pre-K 4 SA and the Head Start Program to improve quality and raise the level of early childhood education in the community. Councilmember Courage requested information on how they were integrating the two programs.

Councilmember Courage moved to adopt the Ordinance for Item 12. Councilmember Treviño seconded the motion. The motion prevailed by the following vote:

**AYE:** 9 - Mayor Nirenberg, Treviño, Shaw, Viagran, Gonzales, Brockhouse, Sandoval, Pelaez, and Courage

**ABSENT:** 2 - Saldaña, and Perry

City Clerk Vacek read the caption for Item 13:

**2018-03-08-0182**

- 13.** Ordinance approving the submission of a grant application, and the acceptance of funds, to the Truancy Intervention and Prevention Program from the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division, in an amount up to \$2,000,000.00 for funding, resources, and 16 positions for the period of August 1, 2018 to July 31, 2019. [John Bull, Presiding Judge, Municipal Courts].

Councilmember Courage asked of the types of programs available through said funding to affect Truancy. Victor Vinton, Juvenile Case Manager Administrator for Municipal Court, replied that the funds have been used to hire Case Managers to be housed within each of the 12 participating school districts. He stated that they perform intake and identify

impediments for absences in order to address the issue. Councilmember Courage asked if community service was utilized. Mr. Vinton confirmed that they utilized up to 200 hours of community service. Councilmember Courage encouraged Municipal Court Staff to work with the Health Department in linking Truancy to Mental Health.

Councilmember Courage moved to adopt the Ordinance for Item 13. Councilmember Treviño seconded the motion. The motion prevailed by the following vote:

**AYE:** 10 - Mayor Nirenberg, Treviño, Shaw, Viagran, Saldaña, Gonzales, Brockhouse, Sandoval, Pelaez, and Courage

**ABSENT:** 1 - Perry

### **23. City Manager's Report**

#### **CIVTECHSA UPDATE**

Mrs. Sculley provided an update on CivtechSA, a partnership between the City's Innovation Office and Geekdom. She reported that the program connects local government with tech and entrepreneurial communities to collaboratively solve city challenges and fuel the growth of the local startup ecosystem. She noted that the program engages startups, entrepreneurs, and tech workforce, colleges & universities, and middle & high schools. She mentioned that participants in the program were being introduced to city challenges with varying degrees of complexity. She added that their 16-week residency with the city would begin in April and end in July with startup solutions presented to the City Council as part of the budget process.

#### **PARKS AWARD AND DESIGNATION – TEXAS RECREATION AND PARK SOCIETY**

Mrs. Sculley reported that last week, the Texas Recreation and Park Society presented the City of San Antonio with two distinct honors at their Annual Statewide Conference. She highlighted the two awards: 1) Arts and Humanities Achievement Award for an Art Program called "The Gallery"; and 2) Woodlawn Lake Park received the Lone Star Legacy Park Designation. She mentioned that Woodlawn Lake Park would celebrate its 100th Birthday in 2018. She thanked the Parks and Recreation Department for their commitment to enriching youth and for maintaining 240 city parks, 181 miles of trails, and over 15,000 acres of greenspace.

#### **VIA FUNDING**

Mrs. Sculley reported that VIA Metropolitan Transit was a vital part of San Antonio's Transportation System that provided more than 40 million rides per year throughout San Antonio and Bexar County. She stated that to financially assist VIA in providing better bus frequency and reliability; the City Council allocated \$4.3 million to VIA in this year's

budget. She noted that the funding was improving service on high demand routes along heavily-traveled corridors. She mentioned that the City Council committed to a phased increase in funding to VIA and thanked Councilmember Saldaña for championing the initiative.

### **UNITED NATIONS COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN**

Mrs. Sculley reported that today was International Women's Day, a global celebration of the social, economic, cultural, and political achievements of women. She stated that next week, the 62nd Session of the Commission on the Status of Women would take place at the United Nations Headquarters in New York. She recognized Assistant City Manager Maria Villagomez and Faith-Based Liaison Ann Helmke who would participate in a panel discussion on "The Progressive Integration of Immigrant Women Into Diverse Societies" on March 14th representing the City of San Antonio at the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women.

### **POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE**

Councilmember Treviño recognized Dr. Alfonso Chiscano and Mayor of Santa Cruz de Tenerife, Jose Manuel Bermudez. Dr. Chiscano thanked the City Council for their work and noted that the Mayor of Las Palmas de Canaria would be present the following day. Mayor Bermudez thanked the City Council for the recognition and stated that they were pleased to participate in San Antonio's Tricentennial Celebration. Mayor Nirenberg welcomed the delegation to San Antonio.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mayor Nirenberg recessed the meeting into Executive Session at 11:25 am to continue the previous day's executive session on the following:

- 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. Evaluation and duties of public officers or employees and any related legal issues pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.074 (personnel matters) and Texas Government Code Section 551.071 consultation with attorney).
- D. Legal issues related to the competitive matters of CPS Energy as a publicly owned utility pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071 (consultation with attorney).

**RECONVENED**

Mayor Nirenberg reconvened the meeting at 12:46 pm and announced that no action was taken in Executive Session.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further discussion, Mayor Nirenberg adjourned the meeting at 12:46 pm.

APPROVED

RON NIRENBERG  
MAYOR

ATTEST:

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