



City of San Antonio

Agenda Memorandum

File Number:19-1642

Agenda Item Number: 4.

Agenda Date: 1/22/2019

In Control: Innovation and Technology Committee

DEPARTMENT: Office of Innovation

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Brian Dillard, Interim Chief Innovation Officer

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: City-wide

SUBJECT:

Briefing on SmartSA Innovation Zones Vendor Summit

SUMMARY:

This item will provide a debrief on the SmartSA Innovation Zones Vendor Summit.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

In June of 2018, City Council approved the creation of three innovation zones: Brooks, Downtown, and the Medical Center. These zones will serve as real-world testing grounds to pilot technology aimed to address civic challenges identified by our community. These innovation zones are three of the thirteen SA Tomorrow Regional Centers which are included in the city's SA tomorrow comprehensive plan.

A community input campaign was launched in October 2018 through December 2018. The goal of this input process was to ensure that future technology solutions address community priorities. Over 3,700 surveys were received through this input process.

On January 16, 2019, the City along with the SmartSA partners (CPS, SAWS, SARA, and VIA) hosted an all-day SmartSA Vendor Summit at the Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center.

The SmartSA Vendor Summit was a substitution for a traditional Request for Information (RFI). Invitations were sent to over 4,400 local and national vendors. Nearly 150 attended in-person. Subject matter experts from the City of San Antonio and from all the partner agencies provided our SmartSA Vision, challenges, and

opportunities with a strong focus on the three Innovation Zones.

ISSUE:

The SmartSA Vendor Summit recording will be posted on the SmartSA website for access and use by those unable to attend in person. The Office of Innovation will also be posting all of the materials presented throughout the day, as well as a post-summit questionnaire. Responses to the questionnaire due from the vendors at the end of February 2019 will be used to develop a proposed scope for a future procurement process. The proposed scope for a Request for Proposal (RFP) for technology to be tested at the Innovation Zones will be brought back to the Innovation and Technology Committee in April/May 2019.

ALTERNATIVES:

This item is for briefing purposes only.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This item is for briefing purposes only.

RECOMMENDATION:

This item is for briefing purposes only.