

**STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF BEXAR  
CITY OF SAN ANTONIO**

**A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO WAS HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MUNICIPAL PLAZA BUILDING, WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2007 AND THURSDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2007.**

The San Antonio City Council convened in a Work Session at 3:00 pm Wednesday, October 17, 2007, Municipal Plaza Building with the following Councilmembers present: Cisneros, McNeil, Cortez, Galvan, Herrera, Rodriguez, Cibrian, Wolff, Clamp, and Mayor Hardberger. Absent: Gutierrez.

**1. A BRIEFING ON THE STATUS OF THE ANIMAL CARE STRATEGIC PLAN AND PRESENTATION BY THE ANIMAL CARE SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD ON ITS RECOMMENDATION FOR PROPOSED REVISIONS TO CHAPTER 5.**

Pat DiGiovanni provided opening remarks regarding the Animal Care Services Advisory Board. He noted that their central challenge was to become a "No Kill" community by 2012. He outlined Year 1 priorities, noting that a community survey had been completed and presented to City Council in August 2007; and that the number of animals impounded and euthanized had decreased by 14% and 10%, respectively. Mr. DiGiovanni stated that an Ad Hoc Subcommittee had been appointed in January 2007 to make recommendations for revising Chapter 5 of the City Code and then introduced John Bellett, Chairman of the Animal Care Services Advisory Board.

Mr. Bellett presented the Committee's revisions to the Code, noting that all were unanimously supported. Some of the revisions included the consolidation of criminal penalties and civil remedies into a single section as well as increased penalties for animal cruelty. Additionally, several sections pertaining to "Livestock" were removed, as they are now governed by State Law. Other amendments were made in reference to Dangerous Animals, Licensing and Permits, and Animal Nuisances. Lastly, Mr. DiGiovanni closed by adding that the amendments to Article VII Section 5-206 would not be enforced until one year from the date that City Council passed the ordinance.

Councilmember Rodriguez requested statistics from other communities who have utilized the Trap, Neuter and Return Program. Councilmember Cortez encouraged the City Manager and staff to move quickly in regard to placing additional restrictions on dangerous animals, given the recent animal attacks in the community.

**2. A PRESENTATION BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION REGARDING THE STATUS OF THE CITY'S MASTER PLAN.**

Jelyne Burley introduced Murray Van Enman and Amy Hartman from the Planning Commission who presented on the Master Plan Committee and Master Plan Implementation. Mr. Murray outlined the make-up of the Master Plan Committee consisting of three Planning Commissioners. Ms. Hartman outlined the Master Plan duties of the Planning Commission and noted that the Committee had developed a scope of work which included the following: 1) Review the annual process for evaluating Master Plan Implementation, 2) Review the relevance of current Master Plan policies, and 3) Recommend strategies for fostering awareness of the Master Plan. Ms. Hartman described the Master Plan as a public document adopted by the legislative body and monitored by Planning Commission and

Staff. She stated that the primary purpose of the Master Plan was to influence and manage the development of the community, as well as to coordinate public and private investment. She mentioned that Master Plan Implementation would include a long-range vision for the future.

Ms. Hartman gave a brief history of the Master Plan, noting that the first Master Plan was developed in 1933. She noted that the Master Plan Policies were adopted by City Council in 1997 and were focused on the following: 1) Growth Management, 2) Economic Development, 3) Community Services, 4) Neighborhoods, 5) Natural Resources, and 6) Urban Design. Ms. Hartman provided examples of accomplishments in each of these areas and highlighted the Plan's 10-Year Celebration. Lastly, she outlined next steps, which included the development of a methodology for evaluating Master Plan Implementation, reporting findings and recommendations to the Planning Commission and working with City staff to include them in the 2008-2009 budget process.

Councilmember Cortez asked staff to include several priorities in the Master Plan such as Toyota, Texas A&M, the closing of Kelly AFB/Port Authority, basic transportation and water issues. Mayor Hardberger noted the importance of an International Outreach component.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mayor Hardberger recessed the meeting at 5:09 pm to convene in Executive Session for the purpose of:

#### **3. DISCUSS LEGAL ISSUES RELATED TO AN ECONOMIC INCENTIVE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO AND OBERTHUR GAMING TECHNOLOGIES PURSUANT TO TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SEC. 551.071 (CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY).**

Mayor Hardberger reconvened the meeting and no action was taken. There being no further business to come before the Council, the Work Session was adjourned at 5:25 pm.

The San Antonio City Council convened in a Regular Meeting on Thursday, October 18, 2007 at 9:00 am in the City Council Chambers.

The Invocation was delivered by Rev. Anthony Cobbs, Pastor, Zion Star Baptist Church, Guest of Councilmember Sheila McNeil, District 2.

Mayor Hardberger led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States.

City Clerk, Leticia M. Vacek, took the Roll Call and noted a quorum of the Council with the following present: Cisneros, McNeil, Gutierrez, Cortez, Galvan, Herrera, Rodriguez, Cibrian, Wolff, Clamp, and Mayor Hardberger.

### **MINUTES**

Councilmember Herrera made a motion to approve the Minutes for the September 20, 2007 City Council Meeting. Councilmember Cisneros seconded the motion.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Cisneros, McNeil, Gutierrez, Cortez, Galvan, Herrera, Rodriguez, Cibrian, Wolff, Clamp, and Mayor Hardberger. **NAY:** None. **ABSENT:** None.

### **ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION**

The City Clerk read the following Ordinance:

#### **2007-10-18-1094**

Item 4. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE NEGOTIATION AND EXECUTION OF A LOAN WITH JUDSON LOFTS, LTD. IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$435,000.00 AVAILABLE FROM DISTRICT 1 HUD 108 ACCESS AND MOBILITY FUNDS TO ASSIST WITH THE HISTORIC FACADE RENOVATION OF THE JUDSON CANDY BUILDING, LOCATED IN COUNCIL DISTRICT 1; AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATION AND ALLOCATION OF SAID FUNDS; AND PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT.

T.C. Broadnax, Assistant City Manager, presented said item stating that it was brought forward as a result of a CCR requesting staff to negotiate a loan in an amount not to exceed \$435,000 with Judson Lofts Ltd to assist with the Historic Façade Renovation of the Judson Candy Building. He noted that the building was located at 831 South Flores Street in District 1 and had been vacant and unimproved for over 30 years. He stated that the Developer would be renovating the property into 84 market-rate residential units at a total project cost of \$15.9 million. Mr. Broadnax further stated that the funds for the loan were identified in the District 1 HUD 108 Capital Improvement Access and Mobility Program and that the loan would be repaid with interest to the District 1 Access and Mobility Account over a period not to exceed five years. Lastly, he stated that since there had not been a funding gap identified, staff did not recommend approval of the loan.

Councilmember Cisneros moved to adopt the proposed Ordinance. Councilmember Cortez seconded the motion.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Cisneros, Gutierrez, Cortez, Galvan, Herrera, Rodriguez, Cibrian, Clamp, and Mayor Hardberger. **NAY:** Wolff. **ABSENT:** McNeil.

#### **2007-10-18-1095**

Item 5. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE TERMINATION OF A TAX ABATEMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO AND OBERTHUR GAMING TECHNOLOGIES.

Robert Peche, Economic Development Director, presented said item, stating that staff recommendation was to terminate the Tax Phase-In Agreement between the City of San Antonio and Oberthur Gaming Technologies Corporation. Mr. Peche stated that Oberthur had located a facility in Westover Hills in June 1996 to manufacture scratch-off lottery tickets. Consequently, the City entered into a Tax Phase-In Agreement to abate 100% of real and personal property taxes from January 1, 1997 through December 31, 2006. He noted that the Agreement Term was from January 2007 through December 2012 and included the creation of 365 jobs by June 30, 2007 and the right to recapture abated taxes for failure to meet terms of the Agreement for up to 6 years beyond the 10-year term. Mr. Peche stated that Scientific Games Corp. acquired Oberthur in May 2007, and then notified the Mayor of their plans to permanently close the Oberthur facility and eliminate the 330 existing jobs in September 2007. He further stated that this constituted a breach of a material term of the Agreement and was a cause for termination and

recapture of abated taxes. Mr. Peche noted that the abatement totaled \$823,758 and any amount recaptured would be deposited into the City's Tax Distribution Fund.

City Clerk Leticia Vacek read written testimony from Faris Hodge, Jr. on Items 5 and 10. Mr. Hodge stated that he was against businesses not having to pay taxes and felt that everyone should pay taxes equally. He also recommended that SAWS and Bexar Met consolidate to save money for citizens.

Councilmember Herrera noted that Oberthur had been bought out by Scientific Games Corp. and they were the ones who chose to close the facility. She also wanted the citizens to understand that it was very rare for a breach of contract to occur and that is why the City had provisions to recover the taxes. Councilmember Rodriguez inquired about whether the City was able to recoup legal fees and other expenditures related to this contract and asked the City Attorney to include this provision in future contracts.

Councilmember Clamp moved to adopt the proposed Ordinance. Councilmember Cisneros seconded the motion.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Cisneros, McNeil, Gutierrez, Cortez, Galvan, Herrera, Rodriguez, Cibrian, Wolff, Clamp, and Mayor Hardberger. **NAY:** None. **ABSTAIN:** None.

#### **2007-10-18-1096**

Item 6. AN ORDINANCE AWARDED \$5,646,355.00 IN FISCAL YEAR 2007-2008 CULTURAL ARTS FUNDS TO SUPPORT THE OPERATIONS, PROJECTS AND STABILIZATION OF VARIOUS LOCAL ARTS AGENCIES, INCLUDING \$50,000.00 FOR HOSTING OBLIGATIONS, \$80,000.00 FOR MARKETING SUPPORT AND \$20,000.00 FOR A TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE INCUBATOR PROGRAM; AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF CONTRACTS WITH THE VARIOUS LOCAL ARTS AGENCIES.

Felix Padron, Cultural Arts Department Director, presented the FY08 Arts Funding Recommendations. Mr. Padron stated that the Office of Cultural Affairs provided five primary types of financial support to arts and cultural agencies-Operational Support, Project Support, Stabilization, Neighborhood Arts, and the Incubator Program. He stated that applicants were reviewed and funded based on ranking established by Review Committees and staff assessments. He noted that the Cultural Arts Board (CAB) had approved the recommendations presented today. Mr. Padron further noted that Neighborhood Arts projects were funded in FY 2007 and were extended through FY 2008. He added that funding to support these projects was provided from the 15% Arts Funding within the HOT Tax Fund. Mr. Padron outlined the distribution of \$5,646,355 noting that staff and the CAB recommended approval.

Jessica Guerrero, Esperanza Peace and Justice Center, spoke about a recent activity in which their organization asked individuals to submit Calaveras, satirical poems which would be read at an upcoming Día de Los Muertos Celebration. She read one submitted by Rita Ruiz, a program participant who wrote about some of the past year's programs. Ms. Guerrero noted some examples of the spectrum of arts and cultural activities provided by the Esperanza and thanked City Council for their continued funding and support.

Ruby Perez, Past Chair of the Cultural Arts Board, read a letter she co-signed with Nelson Balido, Chairman of the Cultural Arts Board. They thanked the City Council for their strong support of the Arts and noted that numerous entities had come together to agree on the funding process for arts and cultural

agencies. They expressed their concern about one particular agency receiving a large amount of funding which had been intended for a deferred maintenance program. They asked that the Council reconsider the allocations adopted through the FY 2008 City Budget.

Councilmember Cisneros inquired about the Deferred Maintenance Program Ordinance passed on September 20, 2007. Mr. Padron responded that funds for that program were no longer available due to the reprioritization of funds. Councilmember Wolff stated his concern with taking funds from the total Cultural Arts Budget and giving it to an individual agency without following the appropriate process. Councilmember Cortez asked about the monitoring of those agencies who receive Arts funding. Mr. Padron stated that they were all subject to on-going audits and reporting requirements. Mayor Hardberger wanted it noted that the Council had the power to assign and reassign funding priorities. He stated that the Alameda was a special case, and that is why they were offered additional funding outside of the allocation process.

Councilmember Herrera moved to adopt the proposed Ordinance. Councilmember Galvan seconded the motion.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** McNeil, Gutierrez, Cortez, Galvan, Herrera, Rodriguez, Cibrian, Clamp, and Mayor Hardberger. **NAY:** Wolff. **ABSTAIN:** Cisneros.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA: Items 7-35B**

Consent Agenda Items 9, 25 and 27 were pulled for Individual Consideration.

Mari Garza-Bird, San Antonio Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, spoke of the Hispanic Chamber's support of additional funding for the Museo Alameda del Smithsonian for increased public access. Ms. Garza-Bird added that on behalf of the Hispanic Chamber Board of Directors, she wanted to thank Mr. Joe Krier of the Greater Chamber of Commerce, for his many years of service and outstanding partnership with the Hispanic Chamber.

Jack M. Finger expressed his disappointment with the Council's vote in support of Item 6. He stated that he was against Item 25, the additional funding of the Museo Alameda del Smithsonian. He spoke against Item 26, stating that SAWS ratepayers should not have to pay for this. Mr. Finger also inquired about Item 21 in regard to a lawsuit in which an individual did not get picked up by EMS.

Mr. Rios, Museo Alameda del Smithsonian, thanked the Council for their financial support. He stated that the Museo Alameda del Smithsonian had reduced admission prices since its inception so that it was more accessible to the general public. He noted the organization's efforts to make admission free to everyone at all times by Fall 2008.

Councilmember McNeil moved to approve the remaining Consent Agenda Items. Councilmember Rodriguez seconded the motion.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Cisneros, McNeil, Gutierrez, Cortez, Galvan, Herrera, Rodriguez, Cibrian, Wolff, Clamp, and Mayor Hardberger. **NAY:** None. **ABSENT:** None.

**2007-10-18-1097**

**Item 7. AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE BIDS OF VARIOUS COMPANIES TO PROVIDE THE CITY WITH VARIOUS TYPES OF COMMODITIES AND SERVICES ON AN ANNUAL**

CONTRACT BASIS FOR FY 2007-2008 FOR A COMBINED ESTIMATED COST OF \$3,118,759.00, INCLUDING: (A) BOLTS AND SCREWS; (B) PRINTING OF BUSINESS CARDS; (C) OFFICIAL & OTHER NEWSPAPER ADVERTISEMENTS; (D) COPIER & PRINTER PAPER; (E) AUTOMOTIVE EMS MODULAR AMBULANCE BATTERIES; (F) HAND TOOLS; (G) RUGGEDIZED NOTEBOOK COMPUTERS; (H) HYDRAULIC, AIR, WATER, FUEL AND INDUSTRIAL, HOSE & FITTINGS; AND (I) TIME SWITCH PAGER UNITS.

**2007-10-18-1098**

Item 8. AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A CONTRACT ADDENDUM WITH THE 3M COMPANY-SECURITY SYSTEMS DIVISION TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT FOR THE SAN ANTONIO PUBLIC LIBRARY'S RADIO FREQUENCY IDENTIFICATION (RFID) INVENTORY CONTROL AND SECURITY SYSTEM, FOR A TOTAL OF \$737,133.00.

**2007-10-18-1100**

Item 10. AN ORDINANCE APPROVING CHANGE ORDER NO. PW-01 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$123,477.43 AND CHANGE ORDER NO. SAWS-01 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$76,129.36 TO THE CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT, WITH R.L. JONES CO., INC. FOR ADDITIONAL WORK IN CONNECTION WITH THE W.W. WHITE AREA OUTFALL, PHASE I, PART 1 PROJECT, LOCATED IN DISTRICT 2.

**2007-10-18-1101**

Item 11. AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A TOTAL CONSTRUCTION PROJECT AMOUNT OF \$301,500.00 TO INCLUDE AWARDED A \$289,000.00 CONTRACT WITH G G & G GENERAL CONSTRUCTION, INC. TO CONSTRUCT PARK AMENITIES INCLUDING PARKING, WALKING TRAIL, PICNIC UNITS AND PLAYGROUND AS PART OF THE EDWYN J. GORRELL MEMORIAL PARK DEVELOPMENT PROJECT IN DISTRICT 6.

**2007-10-18-1102**

Item 12. AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A RENEWAL OF A LEASE WHEREBY WASHINGTON PLACE JOINT VENTURE LEASES TO THE CITY APPROXIMATELY 6,050 SQUARE FEET OF SPACE LOCATED AT 215 SOUTH SABA, DISTRICT 1.

**2007-10-18-1103**

Item 13. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE APPLICATION OF A GRANT FROM THE NATIONAL HISTORIC PUBLICATIONS AND RECORDS COMMISSION (NHPRC) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$88,318.00 TO SUPPORT CITY ARCHIVES AND PRESERVATION PROGRAM.

**2007-10-18-1104**

Item 14. AN ORDINANCE APPROVING SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION AND AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF UP TO \$1,672,500.00 UPON AWARD FROM THE ALAMO AREA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (AACOG) FOR THE COMPREHENSIVE NUTRITION PROJECT FROM OCTOBER 1, 2007 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2008; APPROVING A PERSONNEL COMPLEMENT; APPROVING VOLUNTEER SITE, VENDOR AND LEASE AGREEMENTS WITH NON-PROFIT AGENCIES FOR OPERATION OF SENIOR NUTRITION SITES AND USE OF FACILITIES; AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDS AND ALLOCATION OF CARRY FORWARD FUNDS.

**2007-10-18-1105**

Item 15. AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION, AND AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A GRANT FROM THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TXDOT) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$32,640.00 TO MAINTAIN VEHICLES USED FOR TRANSPORTATION SERVICES TO SENIORS; AUTHORIZING THE ALLOCATION OF CARRY FORWARD FUNDS AND ACCEPTANCE OF SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDS, IF AWARDED DURING THE GRANT PERIOD.

**2007-10-18-1106**

Item 16. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF UP TO \$37,661,447 FROM ALAMO WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT, INC. FOR THE FY 2008 CHILD CARE DELIVERY SYSTEM (CCDS) PROGRAM AND SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDS, IF AWARDED DURING THE CONTRACT PERIOD; AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF THE FY 2008 CHILD CARE LOCAL MATCH CONTRIBUTION AGREEMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,129,522 TO GENERATE UP TO \$4,665,387 IN FEDERAL FUNDS AND A \$615,012 CONTRACT WITH THE ALAMO AREA DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION; RATIFYING A CONTRACT AMENDMENT EXTENDING THE TERM WITH FAMILY SERVICE ASSOCIATION OF SAN ANTONIO, INC. THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2007; AND APPROVING A PERSONNEL COMPLEMENT.

**2007-10-18-1107**

Item 17. AN ORDINANCE APPROVING SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION AND AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF A \$26,000.00 GRANT FROM THE ANNIE E. CASEY FOUNDATION (AECF) TO ESTABLISH A MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE INTERVENTION PILOT PROJECT FOR THE FAMILY ECONOMIC SUCCESS PROGRAM (FESP) FROM OCTOBER 1, 2007 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2008.

**2007-10-18-1108**

Item 18. AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A CONTRACT WITH, AND ACCEPTANCE OF FUNDS IN AN AMOUNT UP TO \$31,750.00 FROM, UNITED WAY OF SAN ANTONIO AND BEXAR COUNTY, ACTING AS FISCAL AGENT FOR THE ALAMO AREA COMMUNITY INFORMATION SYSTEM (AACIS), FOR SPANISH COMPUTER LITERACY TRAINING AT COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY CENTERS THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2008.

**2007-10-18-1109**

Item 19. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, AND ACCEPTANCE UPON AWARD IN AN AMOUNT UP TO \$46,579,863.00 FOR OPERATION OF THE HEAD START-EARLY CHILD CARE PROGRAM OF SAN ANTONIO AND BEXAR COUNTY FOR THE PERIOD FEBRUARY 1, 2008 THROUGH JANUARY 31, 2009; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT WITH PARENT CHILD INCORPORATED (PCI) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$45,789,863 TO OPERATE THE HEAD START PROGRAM; AND ADOPTING A BUDGET AND PERSONNEL COMPLEMENT.

**2007-10-18-1110**

Item 20. AN ORDINANCE ADDING THE DIRECTOR OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS MANAGEMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT OR DESIGNEE TO THE LIST OF PERSONS AUTHORIZED TO SIGN CHANGE ORDERS TO CONTRACTS INVOLVING A DECREASE OR INCREASE OF \$25,000.00 OR LESS.

**2007-10-18-1111**

Item 21. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A SETTLEMENT OF A FEDERAL LAWSUIT STYLED *LOIS WARREN, ET AL. V. CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, ET AL.* FOR THE AMOUNT OF \$150,000.00.

**2007-10-18-1112**

Item 22. AN ORDINANCE INCREASING THE FACILITY ACCESS FEE TICKET SURCHARGE AT NELSON W. WOLFF STADIUM FROM \$.50 TO \$.75 PER TICKET SOLD; AND AMENDING THE CITY CODE TO REFLECT SUCH A FEE.

**2007-10-18-1113**

Item 23. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A PORTION OF THE DOWNTOWN AREA TO BE DESIGNATED AS A CLEAN ZONE IN ORDER TO REGULATE CERTAIN COMMERCIAL ACTIVITY WITHIN PUBLIC PROPERTY OR RIGHTS-OF-WAY ON NOVEMBER 29-DECEMBER 2, 2007, DECEMBER 20-23, 2007, DECEMBER 27-30, 2007, AND MARCH 26-APRIL 8, 2008, IN CONNECTION WITH HOSTING CERTAIN EVENTS; DESIGNATING THE GEOGRAPHICAL BOUNDARIES FOR THE CLEAN ZONE; PROVIDING FOR SPECIAL CLEAN ZONE LICENSE PERMITS; AND ESTABLISHING CRIMINAL PENALTIES TO BE IMPOSED FOR VIOLATION OF THIS ORDINANCE WITH A FINE NOT TO EXCEED \$2,000.00.

**2007-10-18-1114**

Item 24A. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A ONE-YEAR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE SAN ANTONIO SPORTS FOUNDATION TO SUPPORT THE SOLICITATION OF SELECT AMATEUR REGIONAL, NATIONAL, AND INTERNATIONAL SPORTING EVENTS, FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$150,000.00.

**2007-10-18-1115**

Item 24B. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN EXTENSION AGREEMENT TO THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE SAN ANTONIO SPORTS FOUNDATION FOR SITE VISITS AND HOSTING OBLIGATIONS, FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$350,000.00.

**2007-10-18-1117**

Item 26. AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE PORT AUTHORITY OF SAN ANTONIO FOR THE REIMBURSEMENT OF UP TO \$2 MILLION FOR COSTS RELATED TO THE CONSTRUCTION OF A STEAM IMPROVEMENT PROJECT.

**2007-10-18-1119**

Item 28A. AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE FORM, CONTENT, AND DISTRIBUTION OF THE PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT PERTAINING TO THE ISSUANCE, SALE AND DELIVERY OF APPROXIMATELY \$160,000,000 "CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS AIRPORT SYSTEM REVENUE IMPROVEMENT BONDS, SERIES 2007" AND APPROXIMATELY \$70,000,000 "CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS PASSENGER FACILITY CHARGE AND SUBORDINATE LIEN AIRPORT SYSTEM REVENUE IMPROVEMENT BONDS, SERIES 2007"; COMPLYING WITH THE REQUIREMENTS CONTAINED IN SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION RULE 15C2-12; TAKING ALL OTHER ACTIONS DEEMED NECESSARY IN CONNECTION WITH THE SALE OF SUCH BONDS; AND AUTHORIZING A PUBLIC HEARING.

**2007-10-18-0009R**

Item 28B. A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE CITY'S OFFICIAL INTENT TO REIMBURSE ITSELF WITH PROCEEDS FROM TAX-EXEMPT OBLIGATIONS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION AND ACQUISITION OF IMPROVEMENTS TO THE SAN ANTONIO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT.

**2007-10-18-1120**

Item 29A. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE DISTRIBUTION OF A PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT PERTAINING TO THE ISSUANCE OF APPROXIMATELY \$22,000,000 "CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS TAX NOTES, SERIES 2007A"; COMPLYING WITH THE REQUIREMENTS CONTAINED IN SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION RULE 15C2-12.

**2007-10-18-0010R**

Item 29B. A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE CITY'S INTENTION TO REIMBURSE ITSELF FOR THE PRIOR LAWFUL EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS FROM THE PROCEEDS OF TAX EXEMPT OBLIGATIONS TO BE ISSUED BY THE CITY FOR AUTHORIZED PURPOSES DESIGNATED AS "CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS TAX NOTES, SERIES 2008" AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**2007-10-18-1121**

Item 30A. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE PUBLICATION OF THE NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ISSUE "CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS COMBINATION TAX AND REVENUE CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION, SERIES 2007" IN A MAXIMUM PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$130,000,000; COMPLYING WITH THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION RULE 15C2-12, INCLUDING THE APPROVAL AND DISTRIBUTION OF A PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT PERTAINING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH OBLIGATIONS AND APPROXIMATELY \$122,620,000 "CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS GENERAL IMPROVEMENT AND REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2007"; AND AUTHORIZING OTHER MATTERS INCIDENT AND RELATED THERETO.

**2007-10-18-0011R**

Item 30B. A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE CITY'S INTENTION TO REIMBURSE ITSELF FOR THE PRIOR LAWFUL EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS FROM THE PROCEEDS OF TAX-EXEMPT OBLIGATIONS TO BE ISSUED BY THE CITY FOR AUTHORIZED PURPOSES DESIGNATED AS "CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS GENERAL IMPROVEMENT AND REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2008" AND "CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS COMBINATION TAX AND REVENUE CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION, SERIES 2008"; AND AUTHORIZING OTHER MATTERS INCIDENT AND RELATED THERETO.

**2007-10-18-0012R**

Item 31. A RESOLUTION APPOINTING CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS TO SERVE ON THE SAN ANTONIO HOUSING TRUST FINANCE CORPORATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

**2007-10-18-1122**

Item 32. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SAN ANTONIO HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION TO ISSUE TAX EXEMPT MULTI-FAMILY HOUSING REVENUE BONDS IN

AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$15,000,000.00 TO PROVIDE FINANCING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE ENCLAVE GARDENS PROJECT LOCATED IN DISTRICT 1; ENACTING OTHER PROVISIONS INCIDENT AND RELATED TO THE SUBJECT AND PURPOSE OF THIS ORDINANCE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE.

**2007-10-18-1123**

Item 33. AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A FIELD USE AND MAINTENANCE LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH NORTHSIDE SUBURBAN LITTLE LEAGUE AT O. P. SCHNABEL PARK FOR THE PROVISIONS OF YOUTH AND ADULT SPORTS FIELDS IN DISTRICT 8 FOR A FIVE-YEAR TERM BEGINNING ON SEPTEMBER 1, 2007 AND ENDING ON AUGUST 31, 2012.

**2007-10-18-0013R**

Item 34. A RESOLUTION APPROVING A SCHEDULE INCLUDING PUBLIC HEARING(S) FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDINANCE TO DISANNEX ALL OR PORTIONS OF THE AREAS KNOWN AS SOUTHSIDE INITIATIVE STUDY AREA 1, 4, 6, AND 7 PROPERTIES WHICH CONSISTS OF APPROXIMATELY 23,243.41 ACRES FROM LIMITED PURPOSE ANNEXATION STATUS.

Item 35. CONSIDERATION OF BOARD, COMMISSION AND COMMITTEE NOMINEES, FOR TERMS TO BE EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY UPON APPOINTMENT:

- A. APPOINTING ROBERT E. ENRIQUEZ (DISTRICT 1) TO THE SAN ANTONIO HOUSING TRUST BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE REMAINDER OF AN UNEXPIRED TERM OF OFFICE TO EXPIRE MAY 31, 2009.

**2007-10-18-1124**

- B. AN ORDINANCE APPOINTING KATHRYN SHIELDS TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE TAX INCREMENT REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER ELEVEN, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, FOR THE REMAINDER OF AN UNEXPIRED TERM OF OFFICE TO EXPIRE MARCH 14, 2008, WAIVING THE INTERVIEW PROCESS FOR THIS APPOINTMENT, AND APPOINTING COUNCILMEMBER SHEILA MCNEIL AS CHAIR OF THE BOARD FOR A ONE-YEAR TERM BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2008.

**[CONSENT ITEMS CONCLUDED]**

**ITEMS PULLED FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION**

The City Clerk read the following Ordinance:

**2007-10-18-1099**

Item 9. AN ORDINANCE APPROVING CHANGE ORDER NO. PW-04 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$200,505.00 AND CHANGE ORDER NO. CPS-01 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$49,171.85 TO THE CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT WITH TEXAS STERLING CONSTRUCTION, L.P., IN CONNECTION WITH THE STAHL ROAD – O’CONNOR TO JUDSON PROJECT, DISTRICT 10.

Councilmember Clamp asked if the project was on time for a January completion and Michael Frisbie confirmed that it was on schedule.

Councilmember Clamp moved to adopt the proposed Ordinance. Councilmember Cisneros seconded the motion.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Cisneros, McNeil, Gutierrez, Cortez, Galvan, Herrera, Cibrian, Wolff, Clamp, and Mayor Hardberger. **NAY:** None. **ABSENT:** Rodriguez.

The City Clerk read the following Ordinance:

**2007-10-18-1116**

Item 25. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE NEGOTIATION AND EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT WITH THE ALAMEDA NATIONAL CENTER FOR LATINO ARTS AND CULTURE, FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$315,000.00, TO INCREASE PUBLIC ACCESS TO THE MUSEO ALAMEDA DEL SMITHSONIAN; AND AMENDING APPROPRIATE AGREEMENTS.

Councilmember Wolff stated that he supported the Alameda but did not agree with using these particular funds. He asked that the Alameda follow the same process as other art agencies when requesting funding in an effort to be fair.

Councilmember Cisneros moved to adopt the proposed Ordinance. Councilmember Cortez seconded the motion.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Cisneros, McNeil, Gutierrez, Cortez, Galvan, Herrera, Rodriguez, Cibrian, Clamp, and Mayor Hardberger. **NAY:** Wolff. **ABSENT:** None.

The City Clerk read the following Ordinance:

**2007-10-18-1118**

Item 27. AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE PORT AUTHORITY OF SAN ANTONIO TO REIMBURSE UP TO \$1 MILLION FOR COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE CONSTRUCTION OF DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS.

Councilmember Clamp inquired about the process and whether the Port Authority would reimburse the City. Jelynn Burley stated that it was a capital grant for infrastructure improvements and would not be paid back.

Councilmember Cortez moved to adopt the proposed Ordinance. Councilmember Cisneros seconded the motion.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Cisneros, McNeil, Gutierrez, Cortez, Galvan, Herrera, Rodriguez, Cibrian, Clamp, and Mayor Hardberger. **NAY:** None. **ABSENT:** Wolff.

**CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

There was no City Manager's Report.

## EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Hardberger recessed the Regular Meeting at 11:05 am to convene in Executive Session for the purpose of:

- A. Deliberate competitive matters regarding CPS Energy and discuss related legal issues pursuant to Texas Government Code Sections 551.086 (competitive matters) and 551.071 (consultation with attorney).

Mayor Hardberger reconvened the Regular Meeting at 2:10 pm at which time it was noted that the City Council had been briefed on the above-styled matters but took no action.

## CONSENT ZONING

Councilmember Cortez made a motion to approve the following re-zoning cases, noting that Staff and Zoning Commission recommendation were to approve and that no Citizens had signed up to speak: Z-1, Z-6, Z-8, Z-9, Z-10, Z11, and Z-12. Councilmember Cisneros seconded the motion.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Cisneros, Cortez, Galvan, Herrera, Rodriguez, Cibrian, Wolff, Clamp, and Mayor Hardberger. **NAY:** None. **ABSENT:** McNeil and Gutierrez.

### **2007-10-18-0014R**

Item Z-1. A Resolution directing the Development Services Department to initiate a change in the zoning boundary classification of property located generally on South General McMullen bound by US Highway 90 to the south and Castroville Road to the north, and properties generally located along Castroville Road bound by South General McMullen to the east and Southwest 36th Street to change inconsistent classifications of properties to appropriate zoning districts compatible with the current use and the surrounding area as requested by Councilmember Herrera, District 6.

### **2007-10-18-1128**

Item Z-6. **ZONING CASE #Z2007287 ERZD (District 9):** An Ordinance changing the zoning district boundary from PUD "R-6" ERZD Planned Unit Development Single Family Residential Edwards Recharge Zone District to "C-2" ERZD Commercial Edwards Recharge Zone District, on 3.43 acres out of NCB 19218, 20395 Stone Oak Parkway requested by Brown, PC., Applicant for Diamond T Ranch Development, Inc. Staff recommends Approval. Zoning Commission recommendation pending the October 16, 2007 public hearing.

### **2007-10-18-1130**

Item Z-8. **ZONING CASE #Z2007296 (District 1):** An Ordinance changing the zoning district boundary from "I-1" RIO-2 General Industrial River Improvement Overlay District-2 to "D" RIO-2 Downtown River Improvement Overlay District-2 on Lot 12, Block 27 (1.345 acres), NCB 449, 103 West 9th Street as requested by Andres Andujar, Applicant for Alamo River Partners, Ltd, Owner. Staff and Zoning Commission recommend Approval.

### **2007-10-18-1131**

Item Z-9. **ZONING CASE #Z2007281 (District 3):** An Ordinance changing the zoning district boundary from "I-1" General Industrial District, "C-3 NA" General Commercial, Nonalcoholic Sales District, and "C-3" General Commercial District to "C-3" General Commercial District on Lot 1, Block

1, NCB 15847 (.981 acres) and .521 acres out of NCB 11156, 5345 Roosevelt Avenue as requested by Mobile Sol, Inc. and We-Roosevelt, LP., Applicants for Mobile Sol, Inc. and We-Roosevelt, LP., Owners. Staff and Zoning Commission recommend Approval.

**2007-10-18-1132**

Item Z-10. **ZONING CASE #Z2007272 (District 4):** An Ordinance changing the zoning district boundary from "R-6" Residential Single-Family District to "O-1" Office District on Lot 92, Block 67, NCB 15910, 810 Fillmore Drive as requested by Oscar Garcia, Jr., Applicant for Oscar Garcia, Jr., Owner. Staff and Zoning Commission recommend approval.

**2007-10-18-1133**

Item Z-11. **ZONING CASE #Z2007286 S (District 5):** An Ordinance changing the zoning district boundary from "R-5" Single Family Residential District to "R-5" S Single Family Residential District with a Specific Use Permit for a Wireless Communication System on 0.028 acres out of NCB 3736, 512 and 514 Gladstone Street as requested by The Francis Law Firm, P. C., Applicant for Apostolic Assembly of the Faith in Christ Jesus, Owner. Staff and Zoning Commission recommend Approval.

**2007-10-18-1134**

Item Z-12. **ZONING CASE #Z2007280 (District 6):** An Ordinance changing the zoning district boundary from "I-1" General Industrial District to "C-3" General Commercial District on 3.650 acres out of NCB 15329, 400-500 Block of Richland Hills as requested by Brown, P.C., Applicant for Sanjay Misra, Owner. Staff and Zoning Commission recommend Approval.

**[CONSENT ZONING ITEMS CONCLUDED]**

**ZONING ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION**

**CONTINUED**

Item Z-2. **ZONING CASE #Z2007063 (District 7):** An Ordinance changing the zoning district boundary from "I-1" General Industrial District to "R-4" Residential Single-Family District on 40.538 acres out of NCB 18560 and to "C-2" Commercial District on 8.760 acres out of NCB 18560 at 7000 Block of Bandera Road, as requested by Kaufman and Associates, Inc., Applicant for Charles and Peggy Blank, Owners. Staff recommends Approval. Zoning Commission failed to make a recommendation.

Mr. Chris Looney presented the proposed Zoning Case.

Councilmember Rodriguez moved to continue the proposed Zoning Item. Councilmember Clamp seconded the motion.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Cisneros, Gutierrez, Galvan, Herrera, Rodriguez, Cibrian, Wolff, and Clamp. **NAY:** None. **ABSENT:** McNeil, Cortez, and Mayor Hardberger.

**2007-10-18-1125**

Item Z-3. **ZONING CASE #Z2007260 (District 8):** An Ordinance changing the zoning district boundary from "R-6" ERZD Residential Single Family Edwards Recharge Zone District to "O-1" ERZD Office Edwards Recharge Zone District on Lot 4, Block 18, NCB 14728, 12027 Huebner Road as requested by Horacio Somohano, III, Applicant for Carpet Source, Owner. Staff and Zoning Commission recommend Approval.

Mr. Chris Looney presented the proposed Zoning Case.

Mr. Trace Somohano, 6925 Willow Oak, addressed the Council and stated that he had purchased the property in hopes of moving his business there. He noted that the properties on each side of his were already zoned commercial.

Councilmember Cibrian moved to adopt the proposed Zoning Item. Councilmember Wolff seconded the motion.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Cisneros, McNeil, Cortez, Galvan, Herrera, Rodriguez, Cibrian, Wolff, Clamp, and Mayor Hardberger. **NAY:** None. **ABSENT:** Gutierrez.

**2007-10-18-1126**

Item Z-4. **ZONING CASE #Z2007277 (District 8):** An Ordinance changing the zoning district boundary from "R-6" ERZD Single Family Residential Edwards Recharge Zone District to "C-3" ERZD General Commercial Edwards Recharge Zone District on 20.167 acres out of NCB 14867, 8631 West Loop 1604 as requested by Kaufman and Associates, Inc., Applicant for Capital Foresight Limited Partnership, Owners. Staff and Zoning Commission recommend Approval.

Mr. Chris Looney presented the proposed Zoning Case.

Ms. Elyzabeth Earnley, 1809 Blanco, addressed the Council and stated that the impervious cover for the property was 55.5%. She noted that a large portion of the property was in the flood plain which cannot be developed, but that area would be credited towards the 55.5%.

Mr. Bill Kaufmann addressed the Council and stated that he was representing the applicant. He explained that it was possible for companies to gain property back from the flood plain and that most do so. Mr. Kaufmann noted that the applicant had been willing to negotiate with SAWS on the percentage. He also stated that the applicant would have been willing to apply for a C2 zoning, but because they cannot request exceptions for both hotels and home improvement stores, they had to request C3. Mr. Kaufmann added that the property was R6 only because it had never been zoned.

Councilmember Cibrian moved to adopt the proposed Zoning Item. Councilmember Wolff seconded the motion.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Cisneros, McNeil, Cortez, Galvan, Herrera, Rodriguez, Cibrian, Wolff, Clamp, and Mayor Hardberger. **NAY:** None. **ABSENT:** Gutierrez.

**2007-10-18-1127**

Item Z-5. **ZONING CASE #Z2007279 (District 8):** An Ordinance changing the zoning district boundary from "R-6" Residential Single Family District to "C-2NA" Commercial, Nonalcoholic Sales District on 29.738 acres out of NCB 17504, and to "O-1" Office District on 5.630 acres out of NCB 17504, 12302 and 12303 Silicon Drive as requested by Mobile R. L. Worth & Associates, Ltd., Applicants for 4040 Broadway, LTD, George William Judson, George Judson, Millard W. Judson, James M. Judson, Gay J. Judson, George E. Judson, Jr., Ruth B. Judson, and Rosemary J. Janney, Carol Judson Fallon, and Jean Judson Countryman Owners. Staff and Zoning Commission recommend Approval.

Mr. Chris Looney presented the proposed Zoning Case.

Mr. Ross Laughead, 5975 Lockhill, addressed the Council on behalf of the Woodridge Neighborhood Association and noted that the association was in support of the zoning change provided the covenants they just negotiated were executed.

Mr. Bill Kaufman addressed the Council and cited that he was representing the applicant, Mr. R.L. Worth. He stated that this case was originally controversial and unanimously opposed by the residents. He added that Mr. Worth spoke with every resident and forged an agreement with them before he applied for the rezoning.

Councilmember Cibrian noted the hard work and due diligence by the developer and moved to adopt the proposed Zoning Item with restrictive covenants. Councilmember Wolff seconded the motion.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Cisneros, McNeil, Cortez, Galvan, Herrera, Rodriguez, Cibrian, Wolff, Clamp, and Mayor Hardberger. **NAY:** None. **ABSENT:** Gutierrez.

**2007-10-18-1129**

Item Z-7. **ZONING CASE #Z2007258 CD (District 1):** An Ordinance amending the zoning district boundary from "R-4" Residential Single-Family District to "R-4" (CD - Multi-Family Dwellings) Residential Single Family District with a Conditional Use for Multi-Family Dwellings not exceeding 39 units per acre or a total of 6 units on the South 132.5 Feet of Lot 10, Block 59, NCB 7193, 1102 and 1104 Fresno as requested by Brad Sand, Applicant for Brad Sand, Owner. Staff recommends Denial. Zoning Commission recommends Approval.

Mr. Chris Looney presented the proposed Zoning Case.

Ms. Angelique Naylor, 2204 Alta Vista, Austin TX, addressed the Council on behalf of the applicant. She stated that the Los Angeles Heights Neighborhood Association and Dellview Neighborhood Association were in support of the rezoning. Ms. Naylor explained that there were two buildings on the property and six families living there. She stated that there were six separate addresses and the owner was being taxed as such. She added that the applicant was seeking to make this usage legal so that he would be able to make improvements to the property. She also read a letter from the Vice-President of the Northwest Los Angeles Heights Neighborhood Association expressing support.

Councilmember Cisneros moved to adopt the proposed Zoning Item. Councilmember Wolff seconded the motion.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Cisneros, Cortez, Galvan, Herrera, Rodriguez, Cibrian, Wolff, Clamp, and Mayor Hardberger. **NAY:** None. **ABSENT:** McNeil and Gutierrez.

**[ZONING ITEMS CONCLUDED]**

Mayor Hardberger recessed the Regular Meeting at 2:43 pm announcing that the Council Meeting would resume at 5:30 pm for Ceremonials.

## **CEREMONIAL ITEMS**

The Mayor and Council extended their appreciation to Joe Krier who will be retiring from the Greater San Antonio Chamber of Commerce at the end of the year. Mr. Krier served as the President and Chief Executive Officer of the Chamber for the past 20 years.

The Founders Day Alliance will celebrate the founding of San Antonio October 20, 2007, at San Pedro Springs Park. This observance serves to encourage more widespread reading and learning about San Antonio's remarkable history and heritage. San Antonio Founders Day will pay tribute to the more than 20 cultural groups who have shaped the unique character and identity of San Antonio.

## **CITIZENS TO BE HEARD**

Ms. Julie Iris Oldham addressed the Council and spoke of the police report she had filed on alleged backroom dealings regarding the PGA. She also spoke of an email received from the Police Chief stating that she had a gun and was going to shoot the Mayor. Ms. Oldham stated that Code Compliance had a warrant for her arrest and called for Liz Garcia's resignation. Lastly, Ms. Oldham called for the resignations of the Mayor and City Manager and stated that she was not a stalker.

Mr. Mark Perez, 119 Hardeman, addressed the Council and asked why the City was fighting the opening of a new strip club but had done nothing to stop the operation of a chemical company functioning without permits. Mr. Perez noted that since the City had not assisted him, other agencies had stepped in to help.

Mr. Jamie Martinez addressed the Council on behalf of Union Workers at Friedrich Air Conditioning. He gave an overview of the company's history, noting that the company had opened in San Antonio in 1883 making freezers. He added that Friedrich was the first company in the world to make window air conditioning units, and the last air conditioning manufacturer in America. Mr. Martinez spoke of the workers' discontent that their jobs were moving to Mexico. He also stated that the company had offered a mere \$1,200 to employees that had worked for Friedrich for over forty years.

Mr. Rudy Rodriguez addressed the Council and spoke of the Friedrich Air Conditioning relocation. He stated that some of the work had already been outsourced to China. He added that the workers attempted negotiation with management to no avail. Mr. Rodriguez noted that the workers felt like they had been slapped in the face when they were offered a few hundred dollars to leave. Lastly, he said that the workers liked their jobs and many had been at Friedrich for forty to fifty years.

Mr. Gabriel Velasquez addressed the Council and spoke of Friedrich Air Conditioning relocating. He asked the Council to look at the effects of NAFTA and stated that these factory workers were good people, trying to make a living and raise their families.

Ms. Sylvia Corrone addressed the Council and mentioned that there were many injured factory workers who also needed help. She stated that because of the repetitive and constant motion of their work, employees were often injured. She explained that a coworker had to undergo several corrective shoulder surgeries and that she had also lost fingers while working in the factory.

Ms. Diana Lopez addressed the Council and noted that she was against the investment in a nuclear power plant. She expressed concern with nuclear energy and urged the Council to look into other options such as windmill and solar energy.

Ms. Tanya Ganduño addressed the Council and stated that she also was against the construction of a nuclear power plant. She explained that nuclear energy was more expensive than other options and worse for the environment. Ms. Ganduño stated that nuclear energy was not what she envisioned for San Antonio's future.

Ms. Lara Cushing, 1416 E. Commerce, addressed the Council and stated her opposition to the nuclear power plant. She noted that it was more expensive than other options and addressed health issues associated with uranium. Ms. Cushing stated that a nuclear plant had not been built in twenty-nine years and asked why the City was trusting CPS Energy to build one when they had no previous experience. Lastly, Ms. Cushing noted that nuclear waste was non-disposable and hazardous for hundreds of thousands of years.

Mr. Gerardo Rendon, 1416 E. Commerce, addressed the Council and noted that he was a representative of the Southwest Workers Union. He mentioned that it would cost \$6-\$18 billion to build the nuclear reactors. Mr. Rendon noted that the price per pound of uranium had increased from \$8 per pound in 2002 to \$138 per pound in 2007.

Mr. Ché López, 1416 E. Commerce, addressed the Council and expressed that he was recently informed that a Mirasol homeowner had their home bought back for \$24,000. He noted that Mr. Hartman had resigned from the Task Force and stated that he had hoped for a better deal.

Mr. Woody Curd, 1416 E. Commerce, addressed the Council and cited his opposition to the building of a nuclear power plant because of safety reasons. He added that this idea had been shot down in San Antonio twice before. Mr. Curd addressed the further pollution of South Texas mining towns and the hazards of transporting uranium north of San Antonio.

Mr. Faris Hodge Jr., 140 Dora, addressed the Council and complimented Councilmember Cibrian for protesting the opening of a strip club in her district. He requested reasons for moving the 3-1-1 Department from the Downtown area, adding that the sidewalks downtown had a bad odor, and asked for library hours to be extended. Lastly, Mr. Hodge sang a song.

Mr. Antonio Solis addressed the Council and requested a statue recognizing Native Americans and that it be placed in the center of Main Plaza.

Ms. Petra Maldonado, 1527 N.W. 26<sup>th</sup> Street, reported that there were five neighborhoods associated with the Mirasol Project. She stated that she did not want any repairs made to her home. She expressed her desire for replacement throughout her home. She also mentioned said work would need to be done by a bonded, licensed contractor.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to discuss, Mayor Hardberger adjourned the meeting at 7:03 pm.

**A P P R O V E D**



PHIL HARDBERGER

MAYOR

Attest:



LETICIA M. VACEK  
CityClerk