

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MUNICIPAL PLAZA BUILDING, THURSDAY, JANUARY 30, 2003**

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2003-04 The regular meeting was called to order at 1:05 P.M. by the Presiding Officer, Mayor Edward D. Garza, with the following members present: Perez, Sanders, Moorhouse, Martin, Barrera, Castro, Conner, Schubert, Carpenter, Garza. **ABSENT:** None.

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2003-04 Invocation by Reverend David McNitzky, Alamo Heights United Methodist Church.

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2003-04 Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States.

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2003-04 **PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTION OF RESPECT - PATRICIA LEE.**

Mayor Garza read a Resolution of Respect in honor of Mrs. Patricia "Pat" Lee, and asked that the Resolution be made a part of the minutes of the meeting. He then presented it to the sons of Mrs. Pat Lee.

Members of the City Council spoke to the contributions of Mrs. Lee, acknowledging the dedication she always demonstrated for the community, and gave their thoughts of sympathy.

A RESOLUTION  
NO. 2003-04-04

**RESOLUTION OF RESPECT  
PATRICIA "PAT" M. LEE**

- Whereas,** Life came to a close for Patricia "Pat" M. Lee on December 18, 2002; and
- Whereas,** Mrs. Lee was a native San Antonian and a graduate of Luther Burbank High School; she attended the University of Texas at Austin and Southwest Texas State University; and
- Whereas,** Mrs. Lee retired as the Community Relations Director for Headquarters, 5TH U.S. Army at Ft. Sam Houston after a 30 year distinguished civilian career; she was nationally recognized for her mentorship to numerous women through the federal women's program; and
- Whereas,** from July 2000 – July 2002, Mrs. Lee was the Executive Director of the Fiesta San Antonio Commission, Inc.; The *Texas Festival and Events Association* honored her with the prestigious "Professional of the Year" Award in 2001, which was a testament to her outstanding leadership and dedication; and
- Whereas,** Mrs. Lee was a proud San Antonian who for 42 years volunteered in her sons' activities with organizations and events such as the San Antonio Livestock Exposition, the Alamo Bowl, NIOSA, the San Antonio Conservation Society, the Rotary Club and the Downtown Chamber of Commerce; NOW, THEREFORE:

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
SAN ANTONIO:**

**SECTION 1.** That with the death of Patricia M. "Pat" Lee, the City of San Antonio has lost a valuable asset to its past, present, and future.

**SECTION 2.** That the City Council joins with her family and friends in their sorrow over her death, and extends its sincerest sympathy and prayers of comfort to those who were near her.

**SECTION 3.** And it is hereby directed that a copy of this Resolution be spread upon the minutes of this meeting and a copy thereof be presented to her family as a token of our deepest sympathy.

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Councilman Carpenter made a motion to approve the proposed Resolution of Respect. Councilwoman Conner seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Resolution of Respect, prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Perez, Sanders, Moorhouse, Martin, Barrera, Castro, Conner, Schubert, Carpenter, Garza. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None.

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2003-04      **DELEGATION FROM MARRAKECH, MOROCCO**

Mayor Garza presented a Welcome Certificate to a delegation comprised of several members of Marrakech and from other Moroccan cities representing all corners of Morocco. The delegation told the City Council that they were very impressed with the City's organization, and is hoping to apply the principles that they have learned here. The delegation further asked for a sister-city relationship with the City of San Antonio. The group then presented gifts to the Council that represented Moroccan handicraft.

The Councilmembers extended a warm welcome to the delegation and wished them a prosperous journey during their visit here in the City.

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2003-04      **PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATION FOR "HEART MONTH".**

Mayor Garza presented a Proclamation for "Heart Month" to a representative of the American Heart Association.

The Councilmembers spoke to the work of the association, and thanked them for their service.

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2003-04      **MAYOR GARZA'S BIRTHDAY RECOGNITION**

At this time, Councilman Perez acknowledged Mayor Garza's birthday. A small cake was presented to the Mayor followed by a presentation by a mariachi band.

The Councilmembers congratulated the Mayor and wished him a happy birthday.

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2003-04      CONSENT AGENDA – CITIZEN COMMENTS

Mr. Jack M. Finger, P.O. Box 12048, spoke to various capital improvement contracts included in the Consent Agenda, and how there wasn't any bidding involved. He made reference to Item #11, and urged the Council to abstain from voting to avoid an appearance of conflict of interest. He further referenced Items #16, 19 and 20, and the Campaign Finance Contributions received by each of the Councilmembers.

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2003-04      CONSENT AGENDA

Councilwoman Moorhouse made a motion to approve Agenda Items 7 through 29B constituting the Consent Agenda, except for items 11 & 14, which were pulled for individual consideration. Councilman Martin seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the following Ordinances, prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Perez, Sanders, Moorhouse, Martin, Barrera, Castro, Conner, Schubert, Carpenter, Garza. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None.

AN ORDINANCE 97097

AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN INTERLOCAL PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT WITH THE TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT PURCHASING COOPERATIVE, AND ACCEPTING THE PROPOSAL FROM SOUTHERN ALUMINUM MFG., INC. TO PROVIDE 164 ALUMINUM BANQUET TABLES FOR THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO'S PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT FOR A TOTAL COST OF \$27,060.00.

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AN ORDINANCE 97098

ACCEPTING THE OFFER FROM COMMERCIAL VIDEO SYSTEMS, INC., A QUALIFIED INFORMATION SYSTEMS VENDOR, TO PROVIDE THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO'S ALAMODOME WITH A DIGITAL BETA TAPE-EDITING RECORDER FOR A TOTAL SUM OF \$37,050.00.

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AN ORDINANCE 97099

ACCEPTING THE LOW BID SUBMITTED BY ALAMO CYCLE-PLEX TO PROVIDE THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO POLICE DEPARTMENT WITH TEN (10) POLICE MOTORCYCLES FOR A TOTAL SUM OF \$178,610.00.

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AN ORDINANCE 97100

AMENDING THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE FIRM OF GARCIA & WRIGHT CONSULTING ENGINEERS, INC. TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH THE STREET & DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS AT SAN ANTONIO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$58,368.55; APPROPRIATING FUNDS; REVISING THE BUDGET AND PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT. (AMENDS ORDINANCE NO. 87367, FEBRUARY 19, 1998.)

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AN ORDINANCE 97101

AUTHORIZING PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$44,293.09 FROM 1996 CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION TO THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE CITY'S SHARE OF TWENTY PERCENT (20%) OF CONSTRUCTION COST IN CONNECTION WITH THE HOUSTON FROM BOWIE TO PINE (MPO) PROJECT, LOCATED IN COUNCIL DISTRICTS 1 AND 2; APPROPRIATING FUNDS; AND PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT.

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AN ORDINANCE 97102

AUTHORIZING PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$50,111.17 FROM 2002 CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION TO THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE CITY'S SHARE OF TWENTY PERCENT (20%) OF CONSTRUCTION COST IN CONNECTION WITH THE ISOM FROM RAMSEY TO

U.S. 281 (MPO) PROJECT, LOCATED IN COUNCIL DISTRICT 9;  
APPROPRIATING FUNDS; AND PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT.

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AN ORDINANCE 97103

APPROVING A JOINT USE AGREEMENT WITH THE SAN ANTONIO RIVER AUTHORITY ("SARA") AND AUTHORIZING PAYMENT IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$670.00 FROM 1999 G.O. STREET IMPROVEMENT BOND FUNDS TO SARA FOR AN ADMINISTRATIVE FEE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$660.00 FOR JOINT USE OF THREE DRAINAGE CHUTES WITHIN SARA DRAINAGE EASEMENT(S); AND ACCEPTING A SPECIAL WARRANTY DEED TO REAL PROPERTY FOR \$10.00 AND OTHER GOOD AND VALUABLE CONSIDERATION IN CONNECTION WITH THE MOCKERT STREET AREA (MOCKERT, FORREST, W. LAMBERT, KLINE, CASS) PROJECT, LOCATED IN COUNCIL DISTRICT 5; APPROPRIATING FUNDS; AND PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT.

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AN ORDINANCE 97104

AUTHORIZING 1994 GENERAL OBLIGATION STREET BOND FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$31,400.30 PAYABLE TICOR TITLE AGENCY OF SAN ANTONIO AS ESCROW AGENT FOR HIGGINS ROAD JOINT VENTURE FOR FEE SIMPLE TITLE ON TWO PARCELS (\$14,185.55), FOR A TEMPORARY EASEMENT (\$1,146.00), AND FOR A PERMANENT EASEMENT (\$16,068.75) IN CONNECTION WITH THE HIGGINS ROAD - NACOGDOCHES TO STAHL PROJECT LOCATED IN COUNCIL DISTRICT 10; APPROPRIATING FUNDS; AND PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT.

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AN ORDINANCE 97105

AUTHORIZING PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,505.00 TO GERRY RICKHOFF, COUNTY CLERK, FOR THE DEFENDANTS IN CONDEMNATION CAUSE NO. 2001-ED-0023, CITY OF SAN ANTONIO VS. HERIBERTO HUERTA, MISAEL HUERTA, ARTURO HUERTA, AND NAEL HUERTA, ET AL FOR THE ACQUISITION OF A PERMANENT EASEMENT AND PAYMENT OF THE

AMOUNT OF \$1,309.00 FOR COURT COSTS IN CONNECTION WITH THE W.W. WHITE PHASE I - RIGSBY TO LORD PROJECT IN COUNCIL DISTRICT 2; FOR THE TOTAL SUM OF \$6,814.00; APPROPRIATING FUNDS AND PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT.

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AN ORDINANCE 97106

AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF ADDITIONAL FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,445.31 PAYABLE TO COUNTY OF BEXAR FOR FEE SIMPLE TITLE TO ONE PARCEL; AUTHORIZING THE AMOUNT OF \$11.00 PAYABLE TO COUNTY CLERK, FOR RECORDING FEES; FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$1,456.31 IN CONNECTION WITH THE MOCKERT STREET AREA (MOCKERT, FORREST, W. LAMBERT, KLINE, AND CASS) PROJECT; APPROPRIATING FUNDS AND PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT. (AMENDS ORDINANCE NO. 96645, OCTOBER 31, 2002.)

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AN ORDINANCE 97107

AUTHORIZING PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$6,870.13 TO BRACEWELL & PATTERSON, L.L.P., FOR LEGAL SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH THE BLANCO ROAD & JACKSON KELLER INTERSECTION (MPO) PROJECT (\$36.00), ESCALON STREET #1008 DRAINAGE PROJECT (\$2,160.00), FIRE STATION NO. 7 (\$576.00), FUNSTON STREET PROPERTIES PROJECT (BOTANICAL CENTER IMPROVEMENTS) (\$306.00), HI-LIONS DRAINAGE PROJECT #80, PHASES III & V (\$1,747.80), HILDEBRAND AVENUE - I.H. 10 TO BREEDEN (MPO) PROJECT (\$432.00), HUNT LANE - MARBACH TO U.S. 90 (MPO) PROJECT (\$180.00), OCTAVIA DRAINAGE PROJECT #63, PHASE II PART 1 (\$396.00), PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE AT HIDDEN COVE ELEMENTARY PROJECT (\$36.00), PLEASANTON ROAD - SOUTHCROSS TO MAYFIELD (MPO) PROJECT (\$18.00), SAN PEDRO AVENUE - QUINCY TO ROMANA (MPO) PROJECT (\$108.00), TEZEL - TIMBER PATH TO OLD TEZEL (MPO) PROJECT (\$2.55), AND THE W.W. WHITE PHASE I - RIGSBY TO LORD PROJECT (\$871.78); REVISING THE BUDGETS; APPROPRIATING FUNDS; AND PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT.

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AN ORDINANCE 97108

AUTHORIZING A FIVE (5) YEAR LEASE AGREEMENT WITH PALACIO DEL RIO, LTD., D/B/A PALACIO DEL RIO FOR APPROXIMATELY 884.51 SQUARE FEET OF RIVER WALK SIDEWALK SPACE IN CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 1 TO BE USED FOR OUTDOOR DINING PURPOSES FOR ANNUAL RENT OF \$17,194.92 IN YEAR ONE, \$17,619.48 IN YEAR TWO, \$18,044.04 IN YEAR THREE, \$18,468.60 IN YEAR FOUR AND \$18,999.24 IN YEAR FIVE.

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AN ORDINANCE 97109

APPROVING THE ASSIGNMENT OF AN EL MERCADO LEASE AGREEMENT WITH AN AMENDED ONE (1) YEAR LEASE TERM FROM ALEJANDRO REYES (DECEASED) TO PETRA RIVERA BUSTOS IN THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO'S EL MERCADO AT MARKET SQUARE IN CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 1.

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AN ORDINANCE 97110

TERMINATING A LICENSE AGREEMENT ORIGINALLY APPROVED BY ORDINANCE NO. 71136, DATED FEBRUARY 22, 1990 AND AUTHORIZING A TEN (10) YEAR LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH LA DUKE ENTERPRISES, INC. D/B/A ASTRO BOWL LANES TO USE A PORTION OF PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY FOR PARKING PURPOSES, ADJACENT TO LOTS 19 AND 22, BLOCK C, NCB 8711, AT 3203 HARRY WURZBACH ROAD, FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF \$35,260.00, TO BE PAID IN TEN (10) EQUAL ANNUAL PAYMENTS OVER THE TERM OF THE AGREEMENT.

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AN ORDINANCE 97111

AUTHORIZING A TEN (10) YEAR LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH BEXAR CONCRETE WORKS, INC. TO ERECT A GATE ACROSS A PORTION OF JUDSON ROAD PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY AT A POINT BEING APPROXIMATELY 1000

FEET NORTH OF NORTH LOOP 1604 EAST FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF \$5,000.00.

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AN ORDINANCE 97112

AUTHORIZING A TEN (10) YEAR LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH J.P. MORGAN CHASE BANK TO USE PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY FOR AN EXISTING FIBER OPTIC CONDUIT BENEATH AND ACROSS THE 500 BLOCK OF EAST HIGHLAND BOULEVARD, BETWEEN NCB'S 3323 AND 3335, FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF \$6,500.00.

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AN ORDINANCE 97113

AUTHORIZING A JOINT USE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO AND CITY PUBLIC SERVICE FOR THE JOINT USE OF APPROXIMATELY 13,000 SQUARE FEET OF LAND IN BEXAR COUNTY, TEXAS VALUED AT APPROXIMATELY \$1,533.08 FOR OVERHEAD ELECTRIC LINES TO SERVE THE NORTHERN PORTION OF THE IRON HORSE CANYON SUBDIVISION.

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AN ORDINANCE 97114

AUTHORIZING A FOUR (4) MONTH EXTENSION OF THE INTERIM LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH GREY FOREST UTILITIES (GFU), FROM FEBRUARY 1, 2003 THROUGH MAY 31, 2003, TO ALLOW GFU TO USE THE CITY RIGHTS-OF-WAY TO OPERATE A GAS DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM WITHIN AN INTERIM LICENSED AREA AND PROVIDING THAT CONSIDERATION OF 3% OF GROSS REVENUES THAT ARE DERIVED FROM GFU'S SYSTEM WITHIN THE INTERIM AREA WILL BE PAID TO THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO.

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AN ORDINANCE 97115

AUTHORIZING THE FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE LEGAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH MILLER, CANFIELD, PADDOCK & STONE P.L.C. TO CONTINUE TO PROVIDE LEGAL ASSISTANCE RELATED TO TELECOMMUNICATIONS, CABLE, BROADBAND OR INTERNET MATTERS, INCLUDING FRANCHISE RENEWAL AND REOPENER NEGOTIATIONS FOR AN ADDITIONAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$40,000.00; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE SAID AGREEMENT; AND AUTHORIZING PAYMENT.

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AN ORDINANCE 97116

AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH PARENT/CHILD INCORPORATED (PCI) WHICH WILL ALLOW THE SAN ANTONIO METROPOLITAN HEALTH DISTRICT (SAMHD) TO PROVIDE PHYSICAL AND DENTAL EXAMINATIONS ON A REIMBURSABLE FEE-FOR-SERVICE BASIS FOR THE PERIOD FEBRUARY 1, 2003 TO JANUARY 31, 2004; ESTABLISHING A FUND; ADOPTING A BUDGET; APPROVING A PERSONNEL COMPLEMENT; AND AUTHORIZING CONTRACTUAL SERVICES.

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AN ORDINANCE 97117

APPOINTING DALE RISER (MAYOR) TO THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT FOR A TERM OF OFFICE TO EXPIRE ON FEBRUARY 22, 2005.

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2003-04      At this time, reference was made to Item 29B.

At this time, Councilman Martin requested to have Item #29B pulled for re-consideration on February 20, 2003. Councilman Perez seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion, to table this Item, prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Perez, Sanders, Moorhouse, Martin, Barrera, Castro, Conner, Schubert, Carpenter, Garza. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None.

Agenda Item 29B was tabled until the meeting of February 20, 2003.

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2003-04 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 97118

AMENDING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT AND AUTHORIZING ADDITIONAL FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$57,000.00 FROM 1999 G.O. DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT BOND FUNDS TO VICKREY AND ASSOCIATES, INC. FOR ADDITIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH THE MILITARY DITCH #65 PROJECT, LOCATED IN COUNCIL DISTRICT 4; REVISING THE PROJECT BUDGET; APPROPRIATING FUNDS; AND PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT. (AMENDS ORDINANCE NO. 92423, AUGUST 31, 2000.)

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Councilwoman Moorhouse made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Councilman Schubert seconded the motion.

Mr. Tom Wendorf, Director of Public Works, described the Military Ditch #65 project, located in District 4, and what they needed to do to solve some flooding that occurs on the west side of the tracks, a copy of which is on file with the papers of this meeting. He explained that Military Ditch #65 was an extension of 6-mile creek, and it was important to understand that with the work and expansion done in 6-mile creek, it allowed for the development of the property at Zarzamora and I-35.

Councilman Martin thanked Mr. Wendorf for his work, and stated the reason that he brought this item forward was because it was important to address the drainage issue. He referenced the expansion of South Park Mall and Vara Chevrolet, and how projects like these allow for economic growth. He noted that these projects bring a lot to the City, and it is an investment worth making. He noted that addressing the drainage issue now would allow for the entire quadrant to be uplifted with economic development.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Sanders, Moorhouse, Martin, Barrera, Castro, Conner, Schubert, Carpenter, Garza. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** Perez.

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2003-04 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 97119

ACCEPTING THE LOW, QUALIFIED BID OF SIA ENGINEERING, INC. D/B/A ALL CONSTRUCTION COMPANY (MBE) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,768,701.00 IN CONNECTION WITH THE HENRY A. GUERRA, JR. BRANCH LIBRARY PROJECT LOCATED AT 7978 S.W. MILITARY DRIVE IN COUNCIL DISTRICT 6; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT; AUTHORIZING \$176,870.00 FOR CONSTRUCTION CONTINGENCY EXPENSES; FOR AN OVERALL TOTAL OF \$1,945,571.00 FROM LIBRARY SYSTEMS IMPROVEMENTS 1999 BOND PROGRAM FUNDS; APPROPRIATING FUNDS; AND PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT.

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Councilwoman Moorhouse made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Councilman Barrera seconded the motion.

Mr. Tom Wendorf, Director of Public Works, stated that this project focused on the Henry A. Guerra, Jr. Branch Library located in Council District 6, a copy of which is on file with the papers of this meeting. He then described what this project would accommodate. He explained that there was 11 bidders, and noted that they were able to get the contractor to commit to a sub-contract. The estimated completion date for the library is April 2004.

Councilman Barrera thanked Mr. Wendorf for the work that the Public Works Department has done on this project, and stated that it was long overdue. He stated that they did run into some setbacks in terms of the land. He expressed his approval of this project, and said that the work being done brings it closer to the reality of the Henry A. Guerra, Jr. Branch Library. He spoke to the impact that it would have on the community.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Sanders, Moorhouse, Martin, Barrera, Castro, Conner, Schubert, Carpenter, Garza. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** Perez.

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2003-04 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 97120

APPOINTING PATRICIA M. MAJOR AS THE CITY AUDITOR OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, AS REQUESTED BY MAYOR EDWARD D. GARZA, CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE.

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Councilwoman Moorhouse made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Councilwoman Conner seconded the motion.

Mayor Garza stated that this item was on the agenda to confirm the appointment of a City Auditor, a copy of which is on file with the papers of this meeting. He explained the process that was set forth to seek an individual to fill this position. He thanked the Governance Committee for their diligent efforts throughout the entire process, and further thanked Mr. Steve Hennigan for his participation. He described the characteristics that they were looking for, and the many resumes they sifted through. He stated that a total of 27 resumes were received, and noted that the committee held a number of interviews. After a very thorough research, the Governance Committee concluded that they should offer the position to Mrs. Patricia Major.

Mrs. Major stated that she recently retired from City Public Service (CPS) after a long career and had served in several other capacities. She also stated that the position sounded interesting to her, and she felt that her qualifications would fit this position well. She further noted that she was a Certified Public Accountant, and thanked the City Council for their confidence in her.

Mayor Garza thanked Mrs. Major. He stated that after ratification, they would introduce her to the staff over at the Office of Internal Review. He noted that the office would have a person who had the experience and leadership to move them in the right direction. He congratulated Mrs. Major and wished her well.

Councilwoman Conner stated that she was glad Mrs. Major was accepting the position. She then expounded on the process that the Governance Committee went through, and elaborated on how they screened 27 candidates from all areas of the country.

Councilman Schubert concurred with the recommendation of Mrs. Major. He stated they were looking for someone with talent and capabilities to move the department forward. He then stated that it was an exciting job for the first person to step into, because they could mold the department. He stated that people from all over the country had applied, but emphasized that Mrs. Major's experience and understanding of the process of an internal audit office had been detrimental to the Committee's decision. He then congratulated Mrs. Major.

Councilman Barrera explained that the screening process was extensive, but that it was the first time that the committee had to select an Auditor for the City. He also congratulated Mrs. Major and wished her well.

Councilman Castro congratulated Mrs. Major and complimented her for taking on this task. He stated that her role was highly anticipated both by the City Council and the City Staff who all wanted to know how the city government was spending their money, and that she would be the one to play that role.

Councilman Perez thanked Councilman Schubert for his guidance and leadership with the committee. He stated that it was a lengthy process, but noted that they found the best candidate in Pat Major. He stated that he was looking forward to what she will bring to the office, and wished her the best of luck in the challenge that she would be taking on. He then stated that this job was one that would not be without controversy, but he expressed his complete confidence in Mrs. Major, and noted that she would represent the City well.

Mayor Garza indicated that the Governance Committee involved the City Manager in the process, who paid a visit to Mrs. Major.

City Manager Terry Brechtel thanked the members of the Governance Committee for allowing her the opportunity to meet with Mrs. Major. She stated that they would work together in partnership. She noted that Mrs. Major had extensive experience and a great grasp of how to deal with conflict issues. She then took an opportunity to thank Ms. Carrie Bond for her leadership during these past 12 months while she served as Interim Director of the Internal Audit Department.

Mayor Garza also thanked Ms. Bond for filling as an Interim.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Perez, Sanders, Moorhouse, Martin, Barrera, Castro, Conner, Schubert, Carpenter, Garza. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None.

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2003-04      **INDIVIDUAL ITEMS - CITIZENS COMMENTS**

Mr. Jack M. Finger, P.O. Box 12048, spoke to Item #30, and the Report of the Mayor's Committee on Integrity and Trust in Local Government. He commended Mayor Emeritus Lila Cockrell for her work and dedicated efforts in compiling the report. He further spoke against Item #41, and urged the Council not to give any monies to the homosexual picnic.

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2003-04      **REPORT OF THE MAYOR'S COMMITTEE ON INTEGRITY AND TRUST IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT.**

Mayor Garza spoke to the need of changing the "culture" at City Hall, and how the change needed to be made in ways that the City Council could actively participate. He then stated that he hoped that the report being presented to the Council would serve as a foundation for improvements. He expounded on how this report could be used as a template, and how it should be applied across the board. He thanked the Committee for their time and commitment, and noted that up to this point, that these were just recommendations, and that it would be up to the City Council to mandate these changes. He asked that the committee look at both short and long term recommendations.

Mrs. Lila Cockrell, Chair of the Committee, narrated a slide presentation that amplified on the findings of the "Mayor's Committee on Integrity and Trust in the Local Government," a copy of which was made part of the official papers of this meeting. She described each of the four research subcommittees, and said that they began their work by inviting a number of public officials and civic leaders who had expertise and knowledge on some of the things that they were going to tackle. She noted that they had heard from many of them, and had received great support from the City Staff. She also stated that there was a need to hear the public at large, so they had held public meetings to allow interested citizens an opportunity to come and observe what the Committee was doing. She stated that many of the concerns related to the perception that the City Council was not listening to the citizens.

General William McBride stated that his sub-committee was greatly assisted by the Ethics Compliance Officer, Ms. Helen Valkovich. He stated that they had also talked to many of the people who first drafted and modified the code throughout the years. In his opinion, he noted that the Ethics Code was in good quality and did not need to be re-done, but the Committee did have some recommendations. He narrated a section of the

PowerPoint presentation that Mrs. Cockrell introduced, and stated that the leadership of the City had to be sensitive to impropriety, and he urged City Council to give this serious consideration. He then stated that the City should have a "no gift" policy just as other businesses and entities do. He also suggested that they have "recurrent" training for everyone. He then spoke to the Ethics Review Board and the need for them to be able to get sworn testaments and give binding opinions. He also suggested that there be a reorganization of the Ethics information on the website.

Ms. Tessa Martinez Pollack introduced members of her team. She thanked the Mayor and Council for giving such latitude around the charges to enable them to search for solutions to restore integrity and trust in local government. She expounded on the expectations as outlined in the powerpoint presentation, and said that in talking with several individuals, it seemed that there wasn't a careful distinction about lobbyists. She spoke to the possibility of a database that would be available for the public. She then spoke about the Zoning Commission, and how the City should appoint areas of expertise that would include developers, contractors, etc. She also spoke about high-risk contracts.

Mrs. Cockrell stated that one of the most complex issues was in the area of campaign finance regulations.

Dr. Richard Gambitta narrated a portion of the slide presentation regarding the final report of the Mayor's Committee on Integrity and Trust. He highlighted various aspects of their recommendations, including the limit of donations to the Mayor and Council and placing limits on contributions by signatories for high-risk contracts, and also placing limits on candidate loans to campaign accounts. He stated that the committee recommended that the City Auditor monitor campaigns finance reports, and concluded by stating that this was a first step in a large march towards improving trust in government. He then thanked Mayor Garza and Mrs. Cockrell for their leadership.

Reverend Charles Johnson stated that they took this charge very seriously, but did note that they were learners and students throughout the entire process. He suggested that the City Council, as leaders of the community, lead the entire City to be a model to the community by performing periodic ethics and character education so that they don't go over something just once. In addition, he suggested that the implementation of a character education program. He urged the City Council to be an example for school children to show them models of fairness and respect. He also stated that this type of soft activity would make a difference in changing the culture of City government. He stated that these were just suggestions and recommendations, which are not binding. He further stated an annual self-evaluation would be helpful, where the City Council could "huddle up" and see how they are doing in abiding by the Ethics Code.

Ms. Cockrell spoke about courtesy and attention, and explained to the City Council that the citizens are interested in what they do and how they conduct themselves during a Council meeting, and suggested that they display courtesy. She encouraged them to be present as much as possible during the Council sessions. She noted that one of the comments they received was about them being on the telephone. She emphasized the importance of showing courtesy to those speaking at a Council meeting. She spoke to the public perception, and how the suggestions she is imposing upon them do not need an ordinance or charter revision. She further spoke to long term recommendations, such as the Council appointing a committee to recommend changes in the City Charter. She spoke to term limits, Council salaries, the authority of the Ethics Review Board, and an independent elected public advocates. She stated that the Mayor's Committee on Integrity and Trust in Local Government put in a lot of work during the last 3 months, and urged the Council to give it their serious attention. She stated that everyone was united in their great love for the City, while looking to the future with hope and confidence.

Mayor Garza thanked Mrs. Cockrell and the entire commission for their diligent work.

The following citizen(s) appeared to speak:

Mr. Steve Seidel urged the Council to avoid any public policy that would make it difficult for good people to run for office. He stated that it was hard to imagine the Committee coming up with the report they presented today, and commended each one of them, but stated that he believed they needed more time to research to consider the ramifications of their decisions. He encouraged public hearings before any ordinance would be considered.

Mr. Charles English stated that during the Public Hearings, Ms. Cockrell welcomed him and listened to him and his concerns. He urged the Council to take this report to heart. He stated that the citizens needed to be heard, because they feel that they have no voice. He commended the body that the Mayor has put together, but stated that no one could dictate integrity and trust – it had to come from within.

Ms. Julie Iris Oldham, P.O. Box 40263, thanked the Mayor for treating the citizens with dignity. She spoke of an incident involving Councilman Carpenter and Mr. Paul Fox, his administrative aide. She further spoke about the Mayor's Committee on Integrity and Trust in Local Government.

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Mayor Garza thanked the members of the Commission who were present in the audience.

Mrs. Cockrell said that they couldn't have done their work without the assistance of Ms. Helen Valkovich, Ethics Compliance Officer, City Attorney's Office. She stated that Ms. Valkovich was an attorney who went above and beyond her job duties.

Mayor Garza stated that change is never easy, and that the recommendations put forth were bold and different, but if approached with an open mind, others could see that it would be beneficial to all those involved. He stated that he looked forward to taking an objective look at the recommendations put forth, and noted that the input of citizens did make a difference. He further stated that he looked forward to moving to the Governance Committee, and expounded on how it was important to embrace change in a way that citizens feel their input did make a difference.

Councilman Castro thanked Mrs. Cockrell and the other members of the Committee. He expressed his amazement at the document that was presented to them. He spoke to the issue of campaign contributions, and stated that they have the power to implement more stringent rules than state laws required. He stated that it should be more transparent to the public as to who is giving the City money, and how it is being spent. For discretionary contracts on Zoning issues, he suggested that it was a worthy suggestion to have the Zoning Commission interest based, as opposed to having it districted, but stated that there needed to be a balance. He noted that the practical recommendations that the Committee made were good, such as the limited use of the telephone. He thanked the committee again for their work.

Councilman Perez noted that many things being recommended could be done immediately, but others would require a more in-depth look at. He stated that no one could legislate morality. He further stated that he understood what the Committee's task was, and the community perception. He noted that the Council could take steps to reverse misconceptions that the public had about the Council. He expressed his eagerness to discussing the report with the Governance Committee, and further stated that he would not abrogate anybody's rights as they move forward to apply the recommendations put forth. He stated that the City Council was elected to be a check and balance.

Councilwoman Conner thanked the Committee for their work. She stated that she looked forward to studying the report. She spoke to the opportunity for change, and confirmed how it is necessary sometimes. She spoke to the need to have a balance in everything being done, and not changing everything all at once.

Mr. Andrew Martin, City Attorney, stated that charter amendments could only be made once every 2 years, and noted that the last time amendments were made was in November 2001.

Councilwoman Moorhouse thanked every member of the Committee. She stated that the final report would serve as a constant reminder of how the elected and government officials are working for the constituents. She hoped that there would be a process to have the City Council get a full report, so that they may hear all the pros and cons of an issue so that they can make the best decision that they can as elected officials. She further suggested that certain boards have categorical and district representation. She noted that change is never easy but sometimes it needs to take place. She again thanked the Committee for their efforts and time on this.

Councilman Barrera thanked Mayor Emeritus Cockrell and members of the Committee. He stated that he looked forward to the ramifications of this report, and acknowledged that it would not be put on the shelf.

Councilman Schubert thanked the members of the Committee for their work. He spoke to the task that the City Council had to restore trust and integrity at City Hall. He acknowledged that all of the recommendations being put forth would be looked at, and hoped for continuing dialogue with the Committee members.

At this time, Mayor Garza adjourned the discussion on the report given by the Committee on Integrity and Trust in Local Government, to convene in Executive Session.

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2003-04      **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The City Council recessed its regular session at 3:23 P.M. in order to convene in Executive Session for the purpose of:

- A) Attorney-client consultation pursuant to Sec. 551.071 of the Texas Government Code, to discuss legal issues related to collective bargaining negotiations with the San Antonio Police Officers Association.

The City Council adjourned the Executive Session at 4:12 P.M. and reconvened in regular session, at which time Mayor Garza stated that City Council had been briefed on the above-styled matters and had given staff direction, but had taken no official action.

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2003-04      The Clerk read the following Resolution:

A RESOLUTION  
NO. 2003-04-05

REGARDING THE CITY COUNCIL'S INTENT TO CONSIDER THE TENTATIVE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT REACHED WITH THE SAN ANTONIO POLICE OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION, SUBJECT TO THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS BEING SUBMITTED TO THEIR MEMBERSHIP.

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Councilman Carpenter made a motion to approve the proposed Resolution. Councilwoman Moorhouse seconded the motion.

Mr. Eric Walsh, Assistant City Manager, narrated a slide presentation regarding the tentative collective bargaining agreement between the City of San Antonio and the San Antonio Police Officers Association (SAPOA), a copy of which was made part of the official papers of this meeting. He detailed the collective bargaining history, and highlighted the tentative agreement including management and financial issues. He further expounded on the impact to the employee and the estimated cost.

Mr. Lowell Denton explained that they reached a tentative agreement on December 23, 2002. They revisited the language that the union proposed to them regarding the off-duty employment article, and the San Antonio Police Officers Association's involvement in potential litigation over that part of the contract. He noted that on December 30, 2003, a lawsuit was filed alleging Fair Labor Standards Act violations, including the off-duty employment article. In face of the issues raised during the lawsuit, he stated that it was prudent to address these issues in the contract. He stated that they have had positive meetings with the Union, and that they are on the same page, but have had some problems finalizing the final language that would carry this agreement forward.

Mr. Chris Brady, Assistant City Manager, stated that if this Resolution is accepted by the Council, that they would continue to meet with the Union to finalize the contract language. He noted that if approved, it would be brought back to the Council for a vote.

Mayor Garza thanked the City Staff for their presentation.

The following citizen(s) appeared to speak:

Mr. Rene Rodriguez, President of the San Antonio Police Officers Association, spoke in favor of the police contract being presented to the Council. He stated that the men and women in blue were deserving of the raise being proposed. He acknowledged that they

entered the negotiations with good faith, and confirmed that the initial contract was bargained for in good faith. He confirmed that their main objective was to seek a contract that would fairly compensate the officers, while also being fair to the taxpayers. He stated that the lawsuit caused the City to go back and review certain practices that may not have been in compliance with the law. He stated that any new language should protect the rights of over-time pay, and added that this suit was just another pay issue. He further noted that the police officers risked their lives everyday, and acknowledged that they are trusting that the City Council would do the right thing.

Mr. Charles English stated that the police are here to protect and serve the citizens of San Antonio. He expressed his disapproval about the agreement, and expressed concern about the lawsuits regarding the City and the Police Officers Association. He further stated that the officers choose their profession. He stated that it was important to compromise, in times like these, when resources are short.

Ms. Julie Iris Oldham, P.O. Box 40263, spoke to City employees not receiving a raise. She spoke about the increasing burglary incidents, and the high number of unsolved cases. She also spoke against a pay raise for the police department.

Mr. Jack M. Finger, P.O. Box 12048, stated that since September 11, 2001, the image of police officers has improved. He stated that the men and women in uniform protect us from the "bad guys," but stated that the appreciation for what they do cannot be diminished and their actions could be denounced if they go to extremes by taking a big chunk of the City budget. He expressed concern about recent negative occurrences with many San Antonio Police Officers.

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Mayor Garza thanked City Staff for their work on this agreement being proposed. He indicated that the Council had been briefed, and that the San Antonio Police Officers Association has been giving their input on this very important contract. He stated that it was important to reward and also compensate those who chose to be a Police Officer. He noted that the City has experienced inconsistencies in various crime rates. He stated that public safety is critical, and that the Police Officers are the 1<sup>st</sup> responders and have done and continue to do an outstanding job. He referenced recent incidents where the lives of police officers were in danger. He further stated that the agreement being negotiated was good and accountable, and noted that the amendment bought forth in light of the lawsuit was an appropriate action to protect the City's financial interest. He encouraged the San Antonio Police Officer's Association to work with the City's negotiation team. He indicated that the citizens were very interested in the decisions that they make, and it was important to come to a mutual consensus. He stated that he looked forward to full Council support.

Councilman Castro thanked the City's negotiation team and acknowledged that both sides have acted very professionally. He concurred with Mayor Garza about public safety being a top priority because it's a basic service. He stated that it was important to give the public an opportunity to review the agreement before they approved it. He sought confirmation from Mr. Andrew Martin, City Attorney, that the Council was considering a resolution saying they would take up the issue on a certain date after there is more of a process to review the agreement.

City Attorney Martin confirmed that this was a resolution regarding the City's intent to consider the tentative bargaining agreement reached with the San Antonio Police Officers Association, which was subject to the proposed amendments being submitted.

Councilman Castro emphasized that this was a long process and noted that they will give the public an opportunity to review the agreement before they approve it. He spoke to the average pay increase in 4 years.

Assistant City Manager Walsh indicated that the raise is not what every officer will receive, and it will actually depend on the officer. He then made reference to slide 17 of the powerpoint presentation for further explanation.

Councilman Castro spoke to the provision that gave the Chief of Police flexibility in promoting discipline.

Discussion ensued between Councilman Castro and Chief Albert Ortiz regarding matters concerning the Chief's provision and procedures used to suspend or fire an officer on serious offenses or for technical violations, and further discussed the fitness requirements of Police Officers and the use of bullet-proof vests.

Councilman Schubert expressed his appreciation to the negotiating team, and questioned the information on slide 20 of the powerpoint presentation regarding the projected deficit, and whether money was budgeted for such occurrences.

In response to Councilman Schubert's question about the projected shortfall, City Manager Terry Brechtel, indicated that it was too soon to forecast what the amount of the budget shortfall would be for next year or the 5 years.

Councilman Schubert wanted to make sure that the citizens understood the magnitude of the contract. He stated that there needed to be a full and complete public hearing, and concurred that public safety is important. He confirmed that officers are well compensated, but acknowledged that it was important to hear from the constituents to seek their input on this issue. He spoke to the lawsuit, and any changes in the future that

could cost the City money. He also spoke to the 1989 contract, and stated that unless issues are resolved, he could not support this contract, noting that it had nothing to do with the officers who are doing great work, but the taxpayers needed to know the magnitude of this contract.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Resolution, prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Perez, Sanders, Moorhouse, Martin, Barrera, Castro, Conner, Schubert, Carpenter, Garza. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None.

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**2003-04 PUBLIC HEARING: A.) REGARDING THE VACANCY OF THE CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT, PLACE 5 AND B.) INTERVIEWS OF QUALIFIED APPLICANTS TO FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF SAID DISTRICT, PLACE 5.**

Mayor Garza declared the Public Hearing to be open.

Mayor Garza gave a brief background on what occurred after the resignation of Councilman David Garcia. He stated that they had 11 applications, and 2 of the candidates had withdrawn. He spoke to the interview process, and stated that each candidate would be allowed 5 minutes. He mentioned that at the conclusion of interviews, the Council members could nominate their candidate choice.

The following citizen(s) appeared to speak:

Mr. Nazarite Ruben Flores Perez, 627 Hearne Avenue, spoke to a person he felt would be a good candidate for District 5.

Mr. Allen Townsend urged the Council to nominate Ms. Dora Ramos. He stated that she had been involved in public life a lot of years, and he also stated that he believed that she would act in an ethical and upright manner. He added that she was also an honorable human being.

Ms. Diane Lang spoke in favor of Ms. Dora Ramos. She stated that Ms. Ramos had been active in the neighborhood and is interested in grass roots, and would work her heart out for causes that she believed in. She stated that she also believed in Ms. Ramos' integrity, and was confident that she would not run in the May Election. She urged the Council to support Ms. Ramos.

Ms. Maria Dominguez spoke to the history of elected officials of District 5.

Mr. Frank Tellez expressed his support for Mr. Ralph Gomez. He stated that Mr. Gomez knew the district, and urged the Council to appoint him as interim Council member.

Ms. Roberta Alvarez urged the Council to support Mr. Ralph Gomez.

Ms. Julie Iris Oldham, P.O. Box 40263, stated that there were a lot of good people in District 5, and from the consensus in talking to people, Ms. Dora Ramos was the one who would do well in the interim position.

Mr. Ruben Espronceda, President of the Thelka Neighborhood Association, spoke to District 5 being fragmented, with some areas in the West Side and South Side. He stated that it was time to have unity in that district, indicating that they needed someone with experience and wisdom. He spoke to the many qualified candidates with experience and talent, and noted that District 5 needed someone who had the ability to heal the wounds that have occurred in the past 13 years. He urged City Council to nominate Ms. Dora Ramos.

Mr. Eiginio Rodriguez stated that he had moved from District 7 to District 5, and urged the Council to choose someone who would value the rights of the citizens to petition and vote. He cited the PGA situation, and stated that whichever candidate the Council chooses, he urged them to follow Councilman Castro's example.

Mr. Kevin Lopez spoke in favor of Ms. Nora Herrera.

Mr. Richard Garcia urged the Council to support Mr. Rolando Rocha. He spoke to the qualities that he had, and stated that he felt that he was the right person for the job. He spoke to his experience and integrity.

Mr. Art Delgado stated that for many years, District 5 had very little representation. He urged the Council to pick someone who would take charge, and who also had experience with that neighborhood.

Ms. Rachel Cywinski stated that all the applicants were excellent. Although she didn't live in the district, she urged the Council to support Mr. Rolando Rocha. He spoke to his qualifications, and his ability to do well in that position.

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There being no further citizens signed to speak to this matter, Mayor Garza declared the Public Hearing to be closed.

## **THE INTERVIEWING PROCESS:**

Ms. Dora Ramos, applicant, stated that she has witnessed a dire need for continued leadership. She spoke to her qualifications and stated that she has seen the basic needs of the community. She stated that she was a grass roots person who is in touch with her community, and would bring a great deal of experience that would bring a necessary element to the Council seat. She also stated that District 5 needed back-to-basic initiatives, and indicated that her reason for applying for the seat was to take advantage of an opportunity to protect and promote her district in this interim. She expressed that her hopes of building a bond of trust between the Council member and the community as a whole. She acknowledged that her goals were simple, but confirmed that her impact would be enormous. Through her interim, she concurred that she would create detailed files and track progress of each issue, and pledged not to seek campaign contributions from any lobbyists. She also stated that she did not have a desire to seek re-election for this office, nor would she endorse any applicant. She challenged the other applicants to make the same statement.

In response to Mayor Garza's question as to whether she would seek re-election in May, Ms. Ramos replied no.

In response to Councilwoman Moorhouse on the definition of the responsibilities of a Councilmember, Ms. Ramos stated that she would work diligently within her 1<sup>st</sup> week in office, and would seek the advice of the Council.

Councilman Castro stated that there was a gap on how the constituents felt and how the former Councilman voted. He asked Ms. Ramos how she thought that she could reconcile this issue.

In response to Councilman Castro's question, Ms. Ramos stated that she would probably have town hall meetings and encourage the citizens to come in to the office. She stressed that she would encourage involvement. She stated that the citizens need to feel that the government is their friend.

Mr. Brandon Vasquez, applicant, stated that he grew up in District 5, and acknowledged that he knew the needs of his district and understood that there wasn't any unity. He stated that there was a need for communication, but felt that there wasn't any communication between the former Councilman for this district and the community. He confirmed that he only hears from elected officials during the elections. He encouraged the Council to open up lines of communication between now and May, although the time is brief, many things could still be taken care of. He expressed his desire to pick up ideas left behind by former Councilman David Garcia. He further expressed his hope that the

person that does run in the May election was a proponent of education. He spoke to the Mayors State of the City speech, and indicated that San Antonio is a blueprint of what other cities will seek to be like. He confirmed that there wasn't a lot of room to expand on the district, but noted that he was a proponent of working with other districts. He further stated that he would not run in the upcoming May election.

Mr. Rolando Rocha, applicant, stated that District 5 needed someone who was willing to work for the citizens of District 5. He stated that he was a serious community activist, and a founding member of his neighborhood association. He indicated that he is vice-president of a small brokerage firm, and stated that he could bring that experience and desire to City Council. He spoke about job creation, and the need for better jobs. He stated that the entrepreneurial spirit is very important to the betterment of District 5. He further stated that it was critical to appoint someone who will not seek this post in the May election.

In response to Councilman Sanders question as to whether he would endorse a candidate in the upcoming May election, Mr. Rocha stated that he intended not to do so. In addition, he stated that because of his licensing, he would do anything in his power not to have any money cross his hands.

Mr. Manuel Hernandez, applicant, spoke to his desire to restore confidence in District 5. He further stated that he would not seek to run for Council in the May election.

Mr. Ralph Gomez, applicant, noted that he was a proud product of District 5. He spoke to his qualifications, and acknowledged his hope to continue working on different city projects. He stated that he traveled to overgrown vacant lots, and spoke to the importance of cleaning up these lots. He also spoke of his eagerness to continue projects that have already been started. He confirmed that he would make himself readily accessible for the constituents of District 5.

In response to Mayor Garza's question as to whether he would seek the District 5 seat in the upcoming May election, Mr. Gomez said he would not.

In response to Councilman Carpenter's question as to how he would support himself financially if he were appointed, Mr. Gomez stated that since his father passed away, he does receive financial support as a result of that.

Mr. Bill Lefler, applicant, expressed his desire to fill this interim position. He spoke to his childhood background, and indicated how he would be an example of one who works hard and has strong integrity.

Mr. Dustin Martinez, applicant, voiced that he was a life long resident of District 5. He expressed his desire to restore trust in the District, and stated that he sought to tackle the challenges that the District faced. He concurred that he shared the vision of the Mayor, and expressed that he would be proud to be a member of the City Council.

In response to Councilman Carpenter's question as to how he would support himself, Mr. Martinez stated that his employees would help him carry the load.

Mr. Jesse Jesus Rodriguez, applicant, urged the City Council to support him for the interim appointment of District 5. He spoke to different aspects of his life, including his family. He noted that they were all educated in the San Antonio Independent School District, and were also graduates of Burbank High School. He spoke to his college degree and explained how he began his career. He indicated that he supported small business operations. He also affirmed that he was proud of the work that his business did, and spoke to the constructive management services of his business. He believed that his experience would provide assistance to the City Council.

In response to Councilman Perez' question as to whether he would seek office in May, Mr. Rodriguez stated that he wasn't sure.

Councilman Schubert questioned the extent of his business, and whether they did federal contracting.

In response to Councilman Schubert's question, Mr. Rodriguez stated that he did do federal contracting, and that his business was worldwide.

Ms. Nora Herrera, applicant, cited her reasons for seeking the interim appointment of District 5. She stated that she is seeking to rebuild restoration and confidence in that district. She explained the pessimism and distrust that she has seen in her City neighbors. She expressed that she wanted to establish trust, and restore confidence in the City government. She confirmed that she is seeking to establish town hall meetings in areas that have been ignored. Together, she stated they could develop long-term goals. She referenced her résumé, her work experience and a project that she had with one of her jobs. She further noted that she was a fluent Spanish speaker, and formerly worked as a Council aide. She stated that District 5 faced many issues and acknowledged that it was imperative to restore confidence. As part of her vision, she noted that she would create a citizens advisory committee and address the issue of the safety of children in their walk to school. She confirmed that she would not seek re-election in May. She urged Council to support her nomination of interim.

In response to Councilman Carpenter's question as to how she would support herself, Ms. Herrera stated that she has saved enough money for the next few months.

In response to Councilwoman Conner's question as to whether she would be committed to this position full-time, Ms. Herrera responded yes.

Ms. Herrera affirmed that she would support candidates for District 5 if she approved of their vision for District 5.

Mayor Garza concluded the interview process, and acknowledged the great group of applicants. He explained that nominations would now be taken, and he emphasized that those nominated would be required to attend a public meeting.

### **NOMINATIONS BY COUNCIL:**

Councilman Moorhouse made a motion to nominate Ms. Nora Herrera for the vacancy of the District 5 Council seat. Councilman Barrera seconded the motion.

In a roll-call vote, Ms. Herrera received the votes of: **AYES:** Perez, Moorhouse, Martin, Barrera, Castro, Conner, Schubert, Carpenter, Garza. **NAYS:** Sanders. **ABSENT:** None.

Councilwoman Conner made a motion to nominate Mr. Brandon Vasquez for the vacancy of the District 5 seat. Councilman Schubert seconded the motion.

In a roll-call vote, Mr. Vasquez received the votes of: **AYES:** Barrera, Castro, Conner, Schubert. **NAYS:** Perez, Sanders, Moorhouse, Martin, Carpenter, Garza. **ABSENT:** None.

Councilman Perez made a motion to nominate Mr. Ralph Gomez for the vacancy of the District 5 seat. Councilman Carpenter seconded the motion.

In a roll-call vote, Mr. Gomez received the votes of: **AYES:** Perez, Sanders, Martin, Barrera, Schubert, Carpenter. **NAYS:** Moorhouse, Castro, Conner, Garza. **ABSENT:** None.

Councilman Sanders made a motion to nominate Ms. Dora Ramos for the vacancy of the District 5 seat. Councilman Carpenter seconded the motion.

In a roll-call vote, Ms. Ramos received the votes of: **AYES:** Perez, Sanders, Moorhouse, Barrera, Castro, Conner, Schubert, Carpenter, Garza. **NAYS:** Martin. **ABSENT:** None.

Mayor Garza thanked all of the candidates for District 5.

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2003-04 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 97121

AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A TWO (2) YEAR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT, WITH TWO (2) ONE-YEAR RENEWAL OPTIONS, WITH MUNICIPAL SERVICES BUREAU FOR THE COLLECTION OF CITY OF SAN ANTONIO DELINQUENT ADJUDICATED CLASS C MISDEMEANOR FINES FOR A FEE OF THIRTY PERCENT (30%) OF THE NET AMOUNT COLLECTED.

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Councilman Castro made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Councilman Schubert seconded the motion.

Mr. Quentin Porter, Director of Municipal Courts, narrated a slide presentation regarding the contract to collect City of San Antonio delinquent adjudicated class C misdemeanor fines, a copy of which was made part of the official papers of this meeting. He gave detailed background information of the original Ordinance, and expounded on the contract terms.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Moorhouse, Barrera, Castro, Conner, Schubert, Carpenter, Garza. **ABSTAIN:** Sanders, Martin. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** Perez.

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2003-04 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 97122

AUTHORIZING THE INSTALLATION OF STOP SIGNS TO CREATE AN ALL-WAY STOP TRAFFIC CONTROL AT THE INTERSECTION OF RIVAS STREET AND N.W. 34TH STREET LOCATED IN COUNCIL DISTRICT 7; AS REQUESTED BY COUNCILMAN JULIAN CASTRO, DISTRICT 7.

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Councilwoman Moorhouse made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Councilman Barrera seconded the motion.

Mr. Tom Wendorf, Director of Public works, narrated a slide presentation regarding the Rivas Street and NW 34<sup>th</sup> street installation of all-way stop signs, a copy of which was made part of the official papers of this meeting. He discussed the applicable laws.

Councilman Castro stated that this was consideration of placing a 4 way stop in the area of Rivas and NW 34<sup>th</sup> streets. He spoke to the history of this intersection, and the challenge of the department to be able to assimilate putting speed humps and being able to include qualitative factors. He voiced that the citizens in that area are telling them that this has been a consistent problem over the years, and asked for warrants putting in a traffic control device, at the very least. He then read an e-mail from one of Mr. Wendorf's staff members. He urged Council to support his motion.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Perez, Sanders, Barrera, Castro, Schubert, Carpenter, Garza. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** Moorhouse, Martin, Conner.

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2003-04 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 97123

APPROVING THE HUD 108 LOAN GUIDELINES FOR THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ACCEPT AND REVIEW APPLICATIONS FOR FUNDING THROUGH SAID PROGRAM; AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SUBMIT RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE CITY COUNCIL.

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Councilman Carpenter made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Councilman Perez seconded the motion.

Mr. Andrew Cameron, Director of Housing and Development, narrated a slide presentation of the proposed section 108-loan program policy, a copy of which was made part of the official papers of this meeting. He described what the section 108-loan

program policy was, and the mechanisms for using section 108, and the type of activities eligible for this program.

(At this point, Mayor Garza was obliged to leave the meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Conner presided.)

Councilman Perez wanted to know about the repayments, and the level of scrutiny on each project. He spoke to the issue of repayments in the event of default. He then thanked Mr. Cameron for his presentation.

Councilman Sanders congratulated Mr. Cameron for the presentation, and stated that District 2 was anticipating assistance with regard to this project. He spoke to the importance of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds and entitlements.

(Mayor Garza returned to the meeting and presided.)

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Perez, Sanders, Moorhouse, Martin, Barrera, Castro, Conner, Schubert, Carpenter, Garza. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None.

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2003-04 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 97124

APPROVING A POLICY FOR REVIEWING TAX EXEMPT AND TAXABLE BOND FINANCED PROJECTS SUBMITTED TO THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO BY THE SAN ANTONIO HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION OR THE SAN ANTONIO HOUSING TRUST FINANCE CORPORATION OR THE SAN ANTONIO HOUSING TRUST FINANCE CORPORATION; AND APPROVING A BOND FINANCING TRANSACTION FOR THE AUTUMN OAKS AND THE CREST OF THOUSAND OAKS APARTMENTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$13,675,000.00.

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Councilman Perez made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Councilwoman Moorhouse seconded the motion.

Mr. Andrew Cameron, Director of Housing and Community Development, narrated a slide presentation regarding the multi-family housing bond financing through the San Antonio Finance Corporation, a copy of which was made part of the official papers of this meeting. He described the purpose of the recommendation on the proposed bond financing of the Autumn Oaks and the Crest of Autumn Oaks apartment projects. He further discussed staff's assessment.

Councilman Carpenter noted that the applicant did brief him on this project. He thanked Mr. Cameron for his work on this project.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Perez, Sanders, Moorhouse, Martin, Barrera, Castro, Conner, Schubert, Carpenter, Garza. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None.

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2003-04 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 97125

AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF \$1,000.00 FROM THE MAYOR'S CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT FUND AND \$500.00 FROM THE DISTRICT 1 CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT FUND, PAYABLE TO THE DOWNTOWN ALLIANCE/SAN ANTONIO, TO BE USED TO OFFSET EXPENSES ASSOCIATED WITH ITS URBAN RENAISSANCE LUNCHEON HELD ON JANUARY 27, 2003 TO ADDRESS THE NEED FOR MORE DOWNTOWN HOUSING IN SAN ANTONIO; AS REQUESTED BY MAYOR EDWARD D. GARZA.

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Councilman Perez made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Councilman Carpenter seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Perez, Sanders, Moorhouse, Martin, Barrera, Castro, Schubert, Garza. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** Conner, Carpenter.

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2003-04 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 97126

AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF \$250.00 FROM THE MAYOR'S CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT FUND, PAYABLE TO THE SAN ANTONIO CHAPTER OF HADASSAH TO SAVE A LIFE, TO BE USED TO OFFSET EXPENSES ASSOCIATED WITH EDUCATING COMMUNITIES, FAMILIES, AND INDIVIDUALS THROUGHOUT SAN ANTONIO REGARDING THE URGENCY OF ORGAN AND TISSUE DONATION; AS REQUESTED BY MAYOR EDWARD D. GARZA.

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Councilman Perez made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Councilman Sanders seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Perez, Sanders, Moorhouse, Martin, Barrera, Castro, Schubert, Garza. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** Conner, Carpenter.

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2003-04 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 97127

AUTHORIZING THE TOTAL EXPENDITURE OF \$525.00 FROM THE MAYOR'S CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT FUND AND COUNCILMAN JULIAN CASTRO'S CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT FUND, PAYABLE TO JEFFERSON OUTREACH FOR OLDER PEOPLE, TO BE USED TO OFFSET EXPENSES ASSOCIATED WITH "CELEBRATE SENIORS DAY", AN OUTING FOR SENIORS AND SENIOR ORGANIZATIONS WHO WILL TRAVEL TO THE CAPITOL IN AUSTIN TO VISIT THEIR LEGISLATORS AND SEE THE STATE'S GOVERNMENT AT WORK, TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2003; AS REQUESTED BY MAYOR EDWARD D. GARZA.

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Councilman Martin made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance with additional funds added by District 7 - \$200. Councilwoman Moorhouse seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Perez, Sanders, Moorhouse, Martin, Barrera, Castro, Schubert, Garza. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** Conner, Carpenter.

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2003-04 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 97128

AUTHORIZING THE TOTAL EXPENDITURE OF \$1,250.00 FROM THE MAYOR'S AND COUNCILMAN CARROLL SCHUBERT, DISTRICT 9 CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT FUNDS, PAYABLE TO THE BARSHOP JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER OF SAN ANTONIO, TO BE USED TO OFFSET EXPENSES ASSOCIATED WITH THE SENIOR GAMES TO BE HELD FROM FRIDAY, APRIL 4, 2003 TO SUNDAY, APRIL 13, 2003; AS REQUESTED BY MAYOR EDWARD D. GARZA.

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Councilman Perez made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance with additional funds added by District 9 - \$250. Councilwoman Moorhouse seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Perez, Sanders, Moorhouse, Martin, Barrera, Castro, Schubert, Garza. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** Conner, Carpenter.

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2003-04 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 97129

AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF \$350.00 FROM THE DISTRICT 1 CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT FUND, PAYABLE TO ST. AGNES NUTRITION CENTER, TO BE USED TO OFFSET EXPENSES ASSOCIATED WITH "CELEBRATE SENIORS DAY", AN OUTING FOR SENIORS AND SENIOR ORGANIZATIONS WHO WILL TRAVEL TO THE CAPITAL IN AUSTIN TO VISIT THEIR LEGISLATORS AND SEE THE STATE'S GOVERNMENT AT WORK, TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2003; AS REQUESTED BY COUNCILMAN BOBBY PEREZ.

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Councilman Perez made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Councilwoman Moorhouse seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Perez, Sanders, Moorhouse, Martin, Barrera, Castro, Schubert, Garza. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** Conner, Carpenter.

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2003-04 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 97130

AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF \$970.00 FROM THE DISTRICT 1 CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT FUND, PAYABLE TO ST. MARK'S UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, TO BE USED TO PURCHASE EQUIPMENT FOR THE CHURCH'S AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM; AS REQUESTED BY COUNCILMAN BOBBY PEREZ.

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Councilman Perez made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Councilman Martin seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Perez, Sanders, Moorhouse, Martin, Barrera, Castro, Conner, Schubert, Garza. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** Carpenter.

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2003-04 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 97131

AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF \$550.00 FROM THE DISTRICT 1 CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT TO THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT, FOR ONE SHOWMOBILE, WITH SOUND SYSTEM (\$550.00) AND AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF \$500.00 FROM THE DISTRICT 1 CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT FUND, PAYABLE TO THE GAY & LESBIAN COMMUNITY CENTER

OF SAN ANTONIO, INC., TO BE USED TO OFFSET EXPENSES ASSOCIATED WITH THE HEALTH FAIR COMPONENT AT THE PRIDE FEST PICNIC TO BE HELD ON SATURDAY, JUNE 21, 2003; AS REQUESTED BY COUNCILMAN BOBBY PEREZ.

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Councilman Perez made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Councilman Castro seconded the motion.

The following citizen(s) appeared to speak:

Mr. Martin Herrera addressed his concerns about citizens who signed up to speak against this Ordinance. He stated that the Pridefest is an event that affects all citizens, and was an opportunity to educate the community on matters of health. He thanked the Council for their support.

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After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Perez, Moorhouse, Martin, Barrera, Castro, Conner, Carpenter, Garza. **NAYS:** Sanders, Schubert. **ABSENT:** None.

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2003-04 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 97132

AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF \$2,000.00 FROM THE DISTRICT 3 CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT FUND TO THE DISTRICT 3 CITY HALL MAIL & PARCEL POST LINE ITEM; AS REQUESTED BY COUNCILWOMAN ANTONIETTE "TONI" MOORHOUSE.

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Councilwoman Moorhouse made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Councilman Martin seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Perez, Sanders, Moorhouse, Martin, Barrera, Conner, Schubert, Carpenter, Garza. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** Castro.

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2003-04 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 97133

AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF \$500.00 FROM THE DISTRICT 3 CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT FUND, PAYABLE TO THE NATIONAL ALLIANCE FOR THE MENTALLY ILL, TO BE USED FOR A FAMILY EDUCATION CLASS TO EDUCATE FAMILY MEMBERS WHO HAVE A FAMILY MEMBER WHO IS MENTALLY ILL ABOUT COPING METHODS, COMMUNITY RESOURCES AVAILABLE AND ADVOCACY ON BEHALF OF THEIR MENTALLY ILL FAMILY MEMBER; AS REQUESTED BY COUNCILWOMAN ANTONIETTE "TONI" MOORHOUSE.

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Councilwoman Moorhouse made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Councilman Martin seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Perez, Sanders, Moorhouse, Martin, Barrera, Castro, Conner, Schubert, Carpenter, Garza. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None.

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2003-04 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 97134

AUTHORIZING THE TOTAL EXPENDITURE OF \$1,500.00 FROM THE DISTRICT 3 AND DISTRICT 4 CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT FUNDS, PAYABLE TO DRESS FOR SUCCESS SAN ANTONIO, TO BE USED TO HELP DEFRAID THE COST ASSOCIATED WITH "SUIT TALES," A FUNDRAISING EVENT TO BE HELD ON MARCH 15, 2003, WHICH WILL SUPPORT THE NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION THAT PROVIDES SUITS, JOB SKILLS AND CONFIDENCE BOOSTS TO WOMEN

MAKING THE TRANSITION FROM WELFARE TO WORK; AS REQUESTED BY COUNCILWOMAN ANTONIETTE "TONI" MOORHOUSE.

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Councilwoman Moorhouse made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance with additional funds added by District 4 - \$500. Councilman Martin seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Perez, Sanders, Moorhouse, Martin, Barrera, Castro, Conner, Schubert, Carpenter, Garza. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None.

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2003-04 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 97135

AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF \$650.00 FROM THE DISTRICT 3 CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT FUND, PAYABLE TO POSITIVE BEGINNINGS, INC., TO BE USED TO PURCHASE MATERIALS FOR ITS CHILDCARE AND ADULT CARE PROGRAM; AS REQUESTED BY ANTONIETTE "TONI" MOORHOUSE.

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Councilwoman Moorhouse made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Councilman Sanders seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Perez, Sanders, Moorhouse, Martin, Barrera, Castro, Conner, Schubert, Carpenter, Garza. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None.

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2003-04 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 97136

AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF \$500.00 FROM THE DISTRICT 4 CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT FUND TO THE PARKS AND RECREATION

DEPARTMENT FOR THE USE OF ONE SHOWMOBILE, WITH SOUND SYSTEM, FOR THE ST. BONAVENTURE CATHOLIC CHURCH'S SPRING FESTIVAL TO BE HELD ON SUNDAY, MAY 4, 2003; AS REQUESTED BY COUNCILMAN ENRIQUE "KIKE" MARTIN.

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Councilman Perez made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Councilwoman Conner seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Perez, Sanders, Moorhouse, Martin, Barrera, Castro, Conner, Schubert, Garza. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** Carpenter.

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2003-04 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 97137

AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF \$2,500.00 FROM THE DISTRICT 4 CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT FUND, PAYABLE TO THE NORMOYLE LONGHORNS POP WARNER FOOTBALL TEAM, TO BE USED TO PURCHASE UNIFORMS AND EQUIPMENT FOR THE TEAM; AS REQUESTED BY COUNCILMAN ENRIQUE "KIKE" MARTIN.

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Councilman Martin made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Councilman Perez seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Perez, Sanders, Moorhouse, Martin, Barrera, Castro, Conner, Schubert, Garza. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** Carpenter.

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2003-04 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 97138

AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF \$1,500.00 FROM THE DISTRICT 4 CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT FUND, PAYABLE TO THE PARK SOUTH VILLAGE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, TO BE USED TO OFFSET EXPENSES AND PURCHASE TROPHIES FOR THE ASSOCIATION'S SOFTBALL LEAGUE CLOSING CEREMONIES IN AUGUST 2003; AS REQUESTED BY COUNCILMAN ENRIQUE "KIKE" MARTIN.

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Councilman Martin made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Councilwoman Moorhouse seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Perez, Sanders, Moorhouse, Martin, Barrera, Castro, Conner, Schubert, Carpenter, Garza. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None.

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2003-04 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 97139

AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF \$1,750.00 FROM THE DISTRICT 4 CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT FUND, PAYABLE TO THE ST. JOHN BOSCO CHEERLEADING SQUAD, TO BE USED TO DEFRAY THE COSTS OF ATTENDING A CHEERLEADING COMPETITION IN GALVESTON, TEXAS IN FEBRUARY 2003; AS REQUESTED BY COUNCILMAN ENRIQUE "KIKE" MARTIN.

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Councilman Martin made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Councilwoman Moorhouse seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Perez, Sanders, Moorhouse, Martin, Barrera, Castro, Conner, Schubert, Carpenter, Garza. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None.

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2003-04 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 97140

AUTHORIZING THE FOLLOWING ADJUSTMENTS TO THE DISTRICT 7 ONE-TIME PROJECTS BUDGET: REPROGRAMMING THE REMAINING BALANCE SET ASIDE FOR THE DECO DISTRICT PEDESTRIAN ENHANCEMENTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$169,197.00; REPROGRAMMING BALANCE SET ASIDE FOR ST. PAUL'S COMMUNITY CENTER NUTRITION SITE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,233.00; REPROGRAMMING THE AMOUNT SET ASIDE FOR THE ST. MARY'S LITERACY CENTER - SBC PILOT PROGRAM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,000.00; REPROGRAMMING THE REMAINING BALANCE SET ASIDE FOR THE WOODLAWN LAKE PARK - JULY 4, 2000 EVENT BY \$10,581.00; REPROGRAMMING THE REMAINING BALANCE SET ASIDE FOR THE WOODLAWN LAKE SOLAR CALL BOXES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$963.00; REPROGRAMMING THE REMAINING BALANCE SET ASIDE FOR THE SCHOOL ZONE FLASHER - CARSON ELEMENTARY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,631.00; AND CREATING A NEW "DECO DISTRICT PARKING AREA PROPERTY ACQUISITION & SITE CLEARANCE" PROJECT FUND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$200,605.12; AS REQUESTED BY COUNCILMAN JULIAN CASTRO.

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Councilwoman Moorhouse made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Councilman Castro seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Perez, Sanders, Moorhouse, Barrera, Castro, Conner, Carpenter, Garza. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** Martin, Schubert.

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2003-04 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 97141

AUTHORIZING THE TOTAL EXPENDITURE OF \$1,000.00 FROM THE DISTRICT 7 AND MAYOR'S CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT FUNDS, PAYABLE TO THE

MONTICELLO HISTORIC DISTRICT ORGANIZATION, TO BE USED TO OFFSET COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE ANNUAL FIESTA HOME TOUR TO BE HELD ON SATURDAY, APRIL 19, 2003; AS REQUESTED BY COUNCILMAN JULIAN CASTRO.

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Councilwoman Moorhouse made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance with additional funds added by District 11 (Mayor) - \$500. Councilman Castro seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Perez, Sanders, Moorhouse, Barrera, Castro, Conner, Carpenter, Garza. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** Martin, Schubert.

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2003-04 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 97142

AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF \$25,000.00 FROM THE DISTRICT 8 CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT FUND, PAYABLE TO THE GOVERNANCE SUBCOMMITTEE ON CHARTER REVISION, TO BE USED AS RESOURCES FOR THE COMMITTEE TO OBTAIN CONSULTANT SERVICES, THE DEVELOPMENT OF A POSITION PAPER AND OTHER ACTIONS RELATED TO THE PREPARATION OF A BALLOT INITIATIVE; AS REQUESTED BY COUNCILWOMAN BONNIE J. CONNER.

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Councilwoman Moorhouse made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Councilwoman Conner seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Moorhouse, Barrera, Castro, Conner, Carpenter, Garza. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** Perez, Sanders, Martin, Schubert.

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2003-04 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 97143

AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF \$4,887.00 FROM THE DISTRICT 10 CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT FUND TO THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO'S PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, TO BE USED TO HIRE A CONTRACTOR TO LANDSCAPE THE CITY OWNED MEDIANS ON THOUSAND OAKS; AS REQUESTED BY COUNCILMAN DAVID CARPENTER, DISTRICT 10.

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Councilwoman Moorhouse made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Councilman Carpenter seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Moorhouse, Barrera, Castro, Conner, Schubert, Carpenter, Garza. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** Perez, Sanders, Martin.

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2003-04 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 97144

AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF \$300.00 FROM THE DISTRICT 10 CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT FUND, PAYABLE TO THE CLARA DRISCOLL MIDDLE SCHOOL PTA, TO BE USED TO HELP DEFRAY THE COST OF THE 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE GRADUATING CLASS PARTY PROMOTING AND ENCOURAGING AN ALCOHOL-FREE/DRUG-FREE ENVIRONMENT FOR THE STUDENTS TO BE HELD ON MAY 10, 2003; AS REQUESTED BY COUNCILMAN DAVID CARPENTER, DISTRICT 10.

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Councilman Carpenter made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Councilman Perez seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Perez, Moorhouse, Barrera, Conner, Schubert, Carpenter, Garza. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** Sanders, Martin, Castro.

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2003-04      **CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

City Manager Terry Brechtel advised the Council that staff had appointed Mr. Jerry Pittman as the new Assistant Police Chief. She detailed his experience and his rankings, and spoke to his extensive involvement in the community, especially with the youth.

Mr. Pittman expressed his appreciation to the Mayor and Council for their support throughout the years. He said thus far, it has been a pleasurable experience, and City staff has been very professional. He thanked the Council for their support to the San Antonio Police Department.

Mayor Garza and the members of the City Council congratulated Mr. Pittman on his appointment, and extended best wishes.

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2003-04                                      **CITIZENS TO BE HEARD**

**MR. CHARLES ENGLISH**

Mr. Charles English, 807 Canton St., spoke on an incident with Councilman Sanders. He stated that he wanted to bring some facts to the Council's attention and discuss a picture of an area in District 2 that he is very concerned about. He discussed other areas in the District that he was concerned about, and talked about various photos that he considered were problem areas.

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**MR. RUBEN ESPRONCEDA**

Mr. Ruben Espronceda stated that the citizens are concerned about one of the individuals being nominated to fill the District 5 vacancy. He spoke against the nomination of Mr. Ralph Gomez, and stated that for the next 3 months, they needed someone in office that would bring them together. He noted that it was important that the appointee begin to mend the problems that District 5 has had.

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**MR. DAVID KLAR**

Mr. David Klar, 3249 Chimney Springs Dr., thanked the Mayor for publicly supporting the Edwards Aquifer. He noted that he hoped the Council would follow his lead because this was a very important issue. He encouraged the Mayor and City Council to support the upcoming revised tree ordinance. He also encouraged them to work with Toyota. He spoke against tax abatements.

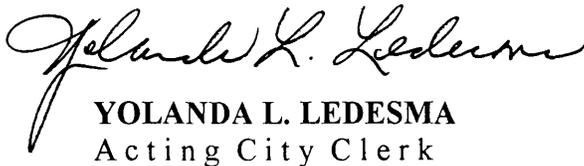
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2003-04 There being no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 P.M.

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



**EDWARD D. GARZA  
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Attest:



**YOLANDA L. LEDESMA**  
Acting City Clerk