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2003-09 The City Council convened in an informal “B” Session at 10:00 A.M., Municipal Plaza Building “B” Room, to consider the following items(s):

A) Staff Presentation and Summary on the Tree Preservation Ordinance. (Presented by Florencio Pena, Director, Development Services; Christopher J. Brady, Assistant City Manager.)

The Council members present were: Perez, Sanders, Moorhouse, Martin, Herrera, Barrera, Castro, Conner, Schubert, Carpenter, Garza. ABSENT: None.

The “B” Session adjourned at 11:35 A.M.

2003-09 The regular meeting was called to order at 1:15 P.M. by the Presiding Officer, Mayor Edward D. Garza, with the following members present: Perez, Sanders, Moorhouse, Martin, Herrera, Barrera, Castro, Conner, Schubert, Carpenter, Garza. ABSENT: None.

2003-09 Invocation by Pastor Terry Richardson, Valley-Hi Assembly of God.

2003-09 Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States.

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PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATION FOR THE KOREAN WAR COMMEMORATION – "AS A GRATEFUL NATION REMEMBERS."

Mayor Garza called forward Colonel Richard E. Gonzales, Ret. to accept a Proclamation that recognizes that the U.S. Congress has authorized the Department of Defense to conduct the 50th anniversary of the Korean War Commemoration. Mayor Garza stated that San Antonio has been designated as a Commemoration Partner by the United States Department of Defense, and noted the importance of recognizing the prisoners of war, those missing in action, as well as the contributions of women and minorities during the Korean War. He further noted the importance of providing the American public with lessons, history, and the legacy of the Korean War and of maintaining world peace and freedom. Mayor Garza proclaimed March 8, 2003 as a day of recognition, remembrance and sincere gratitude to the Korean War veterans and their families.

Col. Gonzales, on behalf of the City of San Antonio Veterans Affairs Commission, introduced Major General Nels Running, Executive Director of the Department of Defense of the Korean War Commemoration Celebration Committee. Gen. Running thanked the City Council for their participation in the Korean War Commemoration, and presented Mayor Garza a Commemoration Partner Certificate, a Commemoration Flag and poster.

Council members expressed their appreciation to the Department of Defense for the commemoration to veterans and their families for service during the Korean War.

PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATION FOR "CPR DAY" AND RECOGNITION OF CROSSROADS HONOREES.

Mayor Garza read a Proclamation in recognition of Cardiac Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) Day to encourage citizens to learn about CPR. Dr. Donald Gordon came forward to accept the Proclamation, and spoke about the benefits of CPR. He stated that free CPR training will be conducted on March 22, 2003 at the Alamodome.

The City Council then recognized the eight “Crossroad” honorees who utilized CPR to save a life.

Mayor Garza commended the courageous work performed by Dr. Gordon’s staff and the honorees for savings other peoples’ lives.
Councilman Perez made a motion to approve the January 30, 2003 City Council minutes. Councilman Martin seconded the motion.

Councilman Sanders made a motion to amend the minutes to reflect remarks made by Mr. Jack Finger including his comments on Item #4 regarding the Mayor’s Commission on Integrity and local government issues. Councilman Sanders also noted that Mr. Finger spoke on Item #41 regarding tax dollars allocated to an annual picnic, and Mr. Finger's objection to contingency account spending as indicated on Item #54 with regards to funds allocated for a school graduation party. Councilman Martin seconded the motion.

The motion to approve the amendments to the City Council Minutes of January 30 2003, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Sanders, Moorhouse, Martin, Herrera, Barrera, Castro, Conner, Carpenter, Garza. NAYS: Perez. ABSENT: Schubert.

The City Council minutes for the meeting of January 30, 2003 were amended as indicated.

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2003-09  CONSENT AGENDA - CITIZEN'S COMMENTS

Ms. Julie Iris Oldham, P. O. Box 40263, District 8, spoke to her concerns that the City of San Antonio continues to hire outside counsel for legal representation while there are over 50 city attorneys on staff. She expressed her objection to Item #8 regarding a contract for barricades. She also spoke against the Community Development Block Grant funds for various projects. Ms. Oldham discussed Item #14 and her concerns regarding the repair of Salado Creek and money donated by former Councilperson Deborah Guerrero to that project. Ms. Oldham further spoke about Brooks Development Authority and her objection with one of its members.

Councilwoman Moorhouse responded to Ms. Oldham regarding the neighborhood development in her district and noted that it was a Tax Increment Fund project, where the homes were built according to specifications.

Mr. Nazarite Ruben Flores Perez, 627 Hearne Avenue, spoke on Item #15 and his concern with the San Antonio Food Bank distributing food items to religious sectors. He also spoke on Item #17 and his concern for any violation of civil rights.
Mr. Jack M. Finger, P. O. Box 14048, thanked Councilman Sanders for the amendments to correct his comments. He spoke to Item #14 regarding a contract for legal service and his concern regarding contributions to Council members from that contractor. Mr. Finger spoke to Council members abstaining from voting on this item. He also spoke to Item 17A and his objection to the Board Application form not being filled out completely.

Mr. Charles English, 807 Canton, President, Jefferson Heights Association, spoke to Item #8 regarding a contract to rent barricades for the SBC Center. He discussed the various problems, including lack of accessibility, brought out by the construction in the vicinity of the Jefferson Heights Association. Mr. English requested City Council not approve Item #8.

Councilman Sanders recognized a need for change to improve access in the community, and is aware of plans to make changes in those neighborhoods.

2003-09 CONSENT AGENDA

Councilman Perez made a motion to approve Agenda Items 7 through 17B, constituting the Consent Agenda. Councilwoman Moorhouse 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, Herrera, Barrera, Castro, Conner, Garza. NAYS: None. ABSENT: Schubert, Carpenter.

AN ORDINANCE 97267

ACCEPTING THE BID SUBMITTED BY C & M GOLF & GROUNDS EQUIPMENT TO PROVIDE THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO ALAMODOME AND PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENTS WITH AN ANNUAL CONTRACT FOR JACOBSN EQUIPMENT PARTS AND SERVICE FOR AN ESTIMATED ANNUAL COST OF $70,000.00.

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AN ORDINANCE 97268

ACCEPTING THE LOW BID SUBMITTED BY FLASHER EQUIPMENT COMPANY TO PROVIDE THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
WITH AN EIGHTEEN (18) MONTH CONTRACT FOR RENTAL OF BARRICADES AND ALLIED ITEMS FOR THE SBC CENTER FOR AN ESTIMATED COST OF $480,600.00.

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AN ORDINANCE 97269

SELECTING BAIN, MEDINA, BAIN, INC. TO PROVIDE ENGINEERING SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH THE OGDEN FROM DEWEY TO ASHBY AND E. COURTLAND FROM MAIN TO MCCULLOUGH COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROJECTS, LOCATED IN COUNCIL DISTRICT 1; AUTHORIZING THE NEGOTIATION AND EXECUTION OF A 28TH YEAR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) FUNDED PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $57,694.00; AUTHORIZING $5,800.00 FOR MISCELLANEOUS PROJECT CONTINGENCY EXPENSES; FOR AN OVERALL TOTAL AMOUNT OF $63,494.00; REVISING THE PROJECT BUDGET; AND PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT.

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AN ORDINANCE 97270

AMENDING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT AND AUTHORIZING PAYMENT IN THE ADDITIONAL AMOUNT OF $14,250.00 FROM 1999 G.O. DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT BOND FUNDS TO TURNER COLLIE & BRADEN, INC. FOR ADDITIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH THE AVE MARIA DRAINAGE PROJECT, LOCATED IN COUNCIL DISTRICT 9; AUTHORIZING $1,425.00 FOR MISCELLANEOUS ENGINEERING CONTINGENCY EXPENSES; FOR AN OVERALL TOTAL OF $15,675.00; APPROPRIATING FUNDS; AND PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT. (AMENDS ORDINANCE NO. 94912, MARCH 8, 2002.)

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AN ORDINANCE 97271

APPROPRIATING FUNDS AND PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF $17,168.31 TO SOUTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY FROM 1999 G.O. DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT BOND FUNDS FOR THE RELOCATION OF

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UNDERGROUND FACILITIES IN CONNECTION WITH THE GUILBEAU DRAINAGE AT FRENCH CREEK PHASE I PROJECT, LOCATED IN COUNCIL DISTRICT 7.

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AN ORDINANCE 97272

AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO THE SURFACE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM - METROPOLITAN MOBILITY REHABILITATION AGREEMENT DATED MAY 9, 2000 WITH THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION ("TXDOT") AND AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATION OF $14,400.00 FROM 2002 CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION FUNDS AND THE REIMBURSEMENT OF $57,600.00 FROM TXDOT, FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT OF $72,000.00; AND AUTHORIZING A FORCE ACCOUNT IN CONNECTION WITH THE CITY-WIDE BIKE RACKS (MPO) PROJECT. (AMENDS ORDINANCE #91434, MARCH 16, 2000.)

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AN ORDINANCE 97273

AUTHORIZING PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF $1,437.50 FROM 1994 G.O. DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT BOND FUNDS TO DUGGER, CANADAY, GRAFE, INC. FOR APPRAISAL SERVICES AND EXPERT TESTIMONY IN CONNECTION WITH THE W.W. WHITE PHASE I - RIGSBY TO LORD PROJECT, LOCATED IN COUNCIL DISTRICT 2; APPROPRIATING FUNDS; AND PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT.

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AN ORDINANCE 97274

AUTHORIZING PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF $4,795.64 TO DAVIDSON & TROILO, P.C., FOR LEGAL SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH THE BABCOCK ROAD/LEON CREEK IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT ($398.00), BITTERS ROAD - WEST AVENUE AT HEIMER METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION PROJECT ($1,948.85), PLEASANTON ROAD - SOUTHCROSS TO MAYFIELD METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION PROJECT ($1,320.60), AND THE SALADO CREEK GREENWAY (HIKE & BIKE, PHASE I) PROJECT ($1,128.19);
REVISING THE BUDGET; APPROPRIATING FUNDS; AND PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT.

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AN ORDINANCE 97275

AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A COMMUNITY SERVICES BLOCK GRANT (CSBG) AWARD FROM THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS ("TDHCA") IN THE AMOUNT OF $30,000.00 FOR THE PURPOSE OF ACQUIRING AND DISTRIBUTING FOOD TO NEEDY INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES; AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT WITH THE TDHCA IN CONNECTION WITH SAID AWARD; AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A FUNDING AGREEMENT WITH THE FOOD BANK FOR THE PURPOSES OF ACQUIRING AND DISTRIBUTING FOOD TO NEEDY INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES; AND APPROVING A BUDGET.

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AN ORDINANCE 97276

RATIFYING THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION AND AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF $119,303.00 FROM THE LOCAL BOARD OF THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY'S EMERGENCY FOOD AND SHELTER NATIONAL BOARD PROGRAM FOR THE PROVISION OF RENTAL AND MORTGAGE ASSISTANCE BY THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO'S DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY INITIATIVES, COMMUNITY ACTION DIVISION FOR THE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2002 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2003; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF ANY NECESSARY DOCUMENTS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH; AND APPROVING A BUDGET AND PERSONNEL COMPLEMENT.

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AN ORDINANCE 97277

REAPPOINTING ANDREW C. GUERRERO (DISTRICT 10) AND APPOINTING JOSE A. MACIAS, JR. (DISTRICT 6) TO THE TAX PHASE-IN ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR TERMS OF OFFICE TO EXPIRE ON MAY 18, 2004 AND MAY 18, 2005.

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AN ORDINANCE 97278

REAPPOINTING GRACE ROSE P. GONZALES (DISTRICT 7) TO THE GREATER KELLY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FOR A TERM OF OFFICE TO EXPIRE ON NOVEMBER 30, 2004.

2003-09 INDIVIDUAL ITEMS - CITIZENS COMMENTS

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

Ms. Julie Iris Oldham, P.O. Box 40263, spoke to Item #18 regarding the resignation of a Municipal Court Judge, and asked for the process to appoint judges. She also spoke to Item 16 regarding emergency shelter and her interest in applying for those funds. Ms. Oldham also expressed her concern with Item #20, and encouraged City Council to update software technology to provide better service to the citizens. Ms. Oldham also spoke to Item #24 regarding Brooks City Base and her concern about the neighboring businesses in that location.

(Mayor Garza returned to the meeting and presided.)

Mr. Nazarite Ruben Flores Perez, 627 Hearne Avenue, spoke to Items #28 regarding changing the name from Durango Street to H. F. Garcia and his concern about the process. He also spoke to Item #31 and his concurrence with Toyota Manufacturing planned for that area.

Mr. Jack M. Finger, P.O. Box 12048, voiced opposition to Item #22 regarding a management service contract at the San Antonio International Airport, and his objection to Council members receiving campaign contributions from the contractor. He also spoke on the Executive Session regarding the Dallas Cowboys contract. Mr. Finger also spoke to Item #28 regarding his objection to the process involved in the Durango Street name change.

2003-09 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:
AN ORDINANCE 97279

ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF PART-TIME MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE DAVID J. RODRIGUEZ EFFECTIVE MARCH 1, 2003; DECLARING A VACANCY TO EXIST AS A RESULT OF THE RESIGNATION OF JUDGE RODRIGUEZ; AND DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER AND STAFF TO INITIATE ALL STEPS NECESSARY TO FILL THE VACANCY CREATED BY THE RESIGNATION OF JUDGE RODRIGUEZ; EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY IF PASSED BY AT LEAST EIGHT (8) VOTES.

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

Ms. Yolanda Ledesma, Acting City Clerk, stated that advertising for the vacant position has been initiated, and a report will be made to the City Council as the process continues.

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

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2003-9  The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 97280

AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF $500,000.00 FOR COMPUTER HARDWARE EQUIPMENT TO BE PURCHASED THROUGH ANNUAL CITY CONTRACTS AND REQUIRED FOR THE ERM PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION.

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

Mr. Troy Elliott, Enterprise Resource Management (ERM) Project Director, gave a briefing on the ERM project status, project budget, Small Business Economic Development Advocacy (SBEDA) participation by firm, ERM project team and end user...
training, ERM project testing, and background for Items #19, 20 and 21 (a copy of which is on file with the papers of this meeting).

In response to Councilman Perez regarding a change and the basis for moving the date for Wave A, Mr. Elliott stated that the date was changed to April 14th to allow for coordination for the San Fernando Cathedral Rededication. Councilman Perez noted that assurance to the public has to be made regarding information presented previously for a March 30th date, and that everything was in fact, ready by that date. Mr. Elliott stated that due to the rededication celebration, his staff altered their time line for more testing and more training, but it was not a necessity to do so, and the only reason for the date change was the San Fernando event.

In response to Councilman Perez regarding an Request for Proposal (RFP) of the testing software and the reasons for the delay on the RFP, Mr. Elliott stated that the RFP went out on February 14th and responses are expected by March 7th. He added the reasons for the delay involved additional time requirements for coordination between departments, but that once the RFP was finalized, his staff contacted the new auditor for a review of the RFP.

Councilman Perez voiced his preference in receiving any additional documentation on “A” or “B” items in plenty of time for his review.

In response to Councilman Perez as to the City Auditor’s Office participation on this RFP, Ms. Patricia M. Mayor, City Auditor, stated that she has already participated in some meetings and plans to speak in the Governance Committee meeting regarding additional training for her staff. Ms. Mayor plans to define the role of the auditor’s office, make some recommendations to engage the audit firm that the City uses for the regular audit, and a review of their testing procedures to give overall general concurrence that they believe that the process is acceptable.

Councilman Perez expounded on the importance of the City Auditor becoming involved and prepared to report to the Governance Committee and the City Council on this item and other similarly critical items with regards to the implementation and funding of the project.

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

AN ORDINANCE 97281

ACCEPTING THE BID FROM SIGMA SOLUTIONS, INC., UTILIZING THE DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION RESOURCES "GO DIRECT" CONTRACT TO PROVIDE THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO ENTERPRISE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PROJECT WITH BACKUP SOFTWARE LICENSES FOR THE SUM OF $161,535.35; AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS.

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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, Herrera, Barrera, Castro, Conner, Schubert, Carpenter, Garza. NAYS: None. ABSENT: None.

The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 97282

RATIFYING THE EXECUTION OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE SAP PUBLIC SERVICES, INC. LICENSE AND MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT TO PROVIDE FOR THE ACQUISITION OF PROPRIETARY SOFTWARE LICENSES FOR THE GIS BUSINESS CONNECTOR FOR $23,280.00 AND SUBSEQUENT MAINTENANCE AT AN INITIAL ANNUAL AMOUNT OF $3,321.00 AS PART OF THE ENTERPRISE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PROJECT; APPROPRIATING FUNDS; AND PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT. (AMENDS ORDINANCE NO. 95976, JUNE 20, 2002.)

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Councilwoman Moorhouse made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Councilwoman Herrera 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, Herrera, Barrera, Castro, Conner, Schubert, Carpenter, Garza. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** None.

The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

**AN ORDINANCE 97283**

DESIGNATING THE FIRM OF CARTER & BURGESS, INC. TO PROVIDE PROGRAM MANAGEMENT SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH THE TERMINAL EXPANSION, DEMOLITION WORK, NEW PARKING FACILITIES AND VARIOUS OTHER PROJECTS AT SAN ANTONIO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT; AUTHORIZING NEGOTIATION AND EXECUTION OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $16,148,000.00; APPROPRIATING FUNDS NOT TO EXCEED $16,148,000.00 FOR THE THREE YEAR TERM OF THE CONTRACT; ESTABLISHING THE BUDGET AND PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT.

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

Mr. Kevin Dolliole, Director, Aviation Department, gave a presentation on the Program Management Services San Antonio International Airport (a copy of this presentation is on file with these papers). He outlined the purpose, 1-3 year scope, 4-5 year program scope, ultimate layout, scope of services, selection process, selection ratings, interview process, interview ratings, final rankings and final summary. He also reported on the City Council Airport Advisory Committee, financial outlook & background, combined team, Carter Burgess role, Parsons Brinckerhoff role, group joint roles, subcontractor participation, key contract provisions, independent consultant, staffing projections, negotiated staffing projections, staffing positions, fees, potential schedule impacts and fee comparison.

In response to Mayor Garza regarding the next steps and time frame for the next opportunity that the City Council will be briefed, Mr. Dolliole stated that as the design consultant is brought on board, a negotiated contract will be presented to the City Council for approval. Mr. Dolliole also noted that some briefing will be presented at that time, but early on in the design phase of the overall plan, some feedback will be requested.
within the first three months of that process for direction on the type and extent of community involvement desired.

Mayor Garza noted that the City Council would want to be kept informed on all details on the exterior landscape surrounding the airport and on the interior design of the new concourses. He also noted that the City Council looks forward to giving input on the project as well as including those from the Reach for the Sky group and the citizens who will be appointed to various groups working on airport issues.

In response to Councilman Carpenter on established safeguards for the overall and management projects, Mr. Dolliole stated that his staff has developed a program in such a way, that it may be pulled back if necessary. He explained that they have the ability to stop this program at different points along the way, and also noted the fact that there is the ability to terminate either a portion or the full program at the City’s discretion within 90 days notice at no cost. Mr. Dolliole further noted that if situations slow down in different components of the program, the ability to use the same personnel is protected, and a portion of the program may be suspended up to 120 days without losing the program management team.

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

2003-09 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 97284

AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A GENERAL OPERATING AGENCY CONTRACT WITH THE BROOKS DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF $2,516,752.60 FOR TEN PROJECTS AT BROOKS CITY-BASE.

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

Ms. Virginia Covarrubias, Fiscal Operations Manager at Brooks City Base Office, gave a presentation on the Brooks Development Authority Operating Agency Contract FY 03, a copy of which is on file with the papers of this meeting. She outlined the purpose,
projects, architecture, engineering, land planning, related services, communications infrastructure, construction, space planning and master planning. Ms. Covarrubias spoke to plans on marketing & promotions, outside legal counsel, business plan, security services, insurance, policy analysis and coordination.

Mayor Garza thanked the staff for the presentation and the job well done at the Brooks City Base Office.

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, Herrera.

2003-09 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 97285

APPROVING THE FORM, CONTENT, AND DISTRIBUTION OF THE PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT PERTAINING TO THE ISSUANCE, SALE AND DELIVERY OF APPROXIMATELY $8,330,000 IN PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF "CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, AIRPORT SYSTEM REVENUE REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2003-A," AND APPROXIMATELY $3,285,000 IN PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF "CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, AIRPORT SYSTEM REVENUE REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2003-B"; COMPLYING WITH THE REQUIREMENTS CONTAINED IN SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION RULE 15c2-12; AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY'S STAFF, CO-FINANCIAL ADVISORS AND BOND COUNSEL TO TAKE ALL ACTIONS DEEMED NECESSARY IN CONNECTION WITH THE SALE OF SUCH BONDS.

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

Mr. Milo Nitschke, Director, Finance Department, narrated a presentation on the approval of preliminary official statements, and other actions related to the sale of bonds, a copy of which is on file with the papers of this meeting.
(At this point, Mayor Garza was obliged to leave the meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Conner presided.)

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

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2003-09 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 97286

AN ORDINANCE COMPLYING WITH THE REQUIREMENTS CONTAINED IN SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION RULE 15c2-12, INCLUDING THE APPROVAL AND DISTRIBUTION OF A PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT PERTAINING TO THE ISSUANCE OF APPROXIMATELY $25,855,000 "CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS GENERAL IMPROVEMENT REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2003"; AUTHORIZING THE CITY'S STAFF, CO-FINANCIAL ADVISORS, AND CO-BOND COUNSEL TO TAKE ALL ACTIONS DEEMED NECESSARY IN CONNECTION WITH THE SALE OF SUCH OBLIGATIONS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

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

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2003-09 The Clerk read a proposed ordinance approving an extension of Line-of-Duty (LOD) leave for Firefighter Luis Morales, extending his one-year LOD leave for an August 1998 ankle injury by 564.5 hours (396.5 sick leave hours and 168 annual leave hours) during the time period of September 27, 1998 to January 6, 1999; staff recommends approval of an extension for 39.5 hours of sick leave.
Fire Chief Robert Ojeda, San Antonio Fire Department, presented a Request for Extension of Line of Duty (LOD) Leave form for Firefighter Luis Morales. He outlined the four types of leave and the San Antonio Fire Department LOD policy.

(Mayor Garza returned to the meeting and presided.)

Chief Ojeda delineated details to the dispute, Council options on subject item and recommendations.

The following citizen(s) appeared to speak:

Mr. Ricky Pool, attorney representing Firefighter Luis Morales spoke regarding information related to the situation where Mr. Morales believed he was approved for Line of Duty (LOD) leave by his supervisor. Mr. Pool noted the matter should have been followed as a grievance procedure, and requested the entire amount of charged annual and sick leave against Mr. Morales to be charged as LOD leave.

Mr. Luis Morales, Firefighter for the City of San Antonio, requested that the City Council not vote on this ordinance as it is written because he believes it is misrepresenting the facts. Mr. Morales explained a chronology of injuries beginning from 1998. He further requested the City conduct an investigation on his case in order to reimburse him 607 hours of leave.

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Deputy Fire Chief Steve Worley clarified several issues posed by Council members with regard to LOD, the various hours of time in question and the related injuries.

Discussion continued further on the policies of LOD and other administrative procedures.

Councilman Castro stated that he preferred to review documentation regarding the hours, in more detail and made a motion for continuance. Councilman Sanders seconded the motion.

Members of the City Council concurred with the recommendations of Councilman Castro for continuance for two weeks and a briefing to the City Council at Executive Session next week.

The amendment to the motion as presented by Councilman Castro for continuance was approved by the following vote: AYES: Perez, Sanders, Moorhouse, Martin, Herrera, Barrera, Castro, Conner, Schubert, Carpenter, Garza. NAYS: None. ABSENT: None.
The main motion, as amended, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Perez, Sanders, Moorhouse, Martin, Herrera, Barrera, Castro, Conner, Schubert, Carpenter, Garza. NAYS: None. ABSENT: None.

2003-09 EXECUTIVE SESSION

The City Council recessed its regular session at 3:15 P.M. in order to convene in Executive Session for the purpose of:

A) Amending Chapter 28 of the City Charter.

The City Council adjourned the Executive Session at 3:45 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.

2003-09 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 97287

AMENDING CHAPTER 28 OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO CODE, ENTITLED "SIGNS AND BILLBOARDS" BY REVISING AND ADDING DEFINITIONS TO CLARIFY THE SIGN REGULATIONS ESTABLISHED BY THAT CHAPTER.

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

City Attorney Andrew Martin gave a presentation on the Amendments to Chapter 28, a copy of which is on file with the papers of this meeting. He outlined the purpose, added definitions, and amended definitions.

The following citizen(s) appeared to speak:

Ms. Kathleen Trenchard, 215 E. Park Avenue, President, Scenic San Antonio, spoke to their concerns about complaints from lawyers and businessmen all over Texas that San
Antonio has lost its charm because of some offensive highway billboards. She congratulated the City for closing some of the loop holes in the Ordinance, but requested the City Council revise the Ordinance and asked the staff to be directed to conduct a review of City Charter, Chapter 28. Ms. Trenchard also asked for a public meeting in an effort to get feedback from the community.

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

2003-09 PUBLIC HEARING AND ORDINANCE: TO CLOSE, VACATE AND ABANDON AN IMPROVED PORTION OF NORTH MITTMAN STREET LOCATED BETWEEN BURLESON AND SHERMAN STREETS ADJACENT TO NCB 1306 IN COUNCIL DISTRICT 2.

Mayor Garza declared the Public Hearing to be open.

Ms. Rebecca Waldman, Director, Asset Management Department, narrated a slide presentation on the proposed closure of an improved portion of N. Mittman Street (a copy of which is on file with the papers of this meeting). She outlined the purpose, staff coordination, notification process, financial impact, and policy analysis.

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

Councilman Sanders made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Councilwoman Herrera 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, Herrera, Barrera, Conner, Schubert, Garza. NAYS: None. ABSENT: Castro, Carpenter.

The Clerk then read the following Ordinance:
AN ORDINANCE 97288

TO CLOSE, VACATE AND ABANDON AN IMPROVED PORTION OF NORTH MTTMAN STREET LOCATED BETWEEN BURLESON AND SHERMAN STREETS ADJACENT TO NCB 1306 IN COUNCIL DISTRICT 2, AS REQUESTED BY THE PETITIONER, THE SAN ANTONIO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, FOR THE TOTAL CONSIDERATION OF $13,426.00.

The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

2003-09 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 97289

CHANGING THE NAME OF H.F. GARCIA BOULEVARD TO DURANGO BOULEVARD; DESIGNATING A PORTION OF THAT STREET (BETWEEN INTERSTATE HIGHWAY 37 ON THE EAST AND INTERSTATE HIGHWAY 35 ON THE WEST) AS JUDGE H.F. GARCIA MEMORIAL BOULEVARD; AND WAIVING PROCEDURES ESTABLISHED BY CITY CODE FOR RENAMING CITY STREETS.

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

Mr. Florencio Pena, Director, Development Services Department, made a presentation on restoring the street name of Durango Boulevard and designation of a portion of Judge H. F. Garcia Memorial Boulevard (a copy of which is on file with these papers).

The following citizen(s) appeared to speak:

Ms. Jill Harrison Souter, San Antonio Conservation Society thanked the City Council for the solution to this issue of the Durango Boulevard street name change.

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Councilman Perez thanked everyone for their cooperation on this issue, and stated that an additional memorial plaque to the late Judge Garcia will be dedicated in the near future.

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

2003-09 NOMINATIONS FOR THE CONVENTION CENTER HOTEL ADVISORY BOARD.

Acting City Clerk Yolanda Ledesma presented the nominations for the Convention Center Hotel Advisory Board, noting that the nominees had been interviewed at the "B" Session held on March 6, 2003.

Councilman Perez made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance appointing Mr. Ruben Escobedo, Mr. Adam Garza, Mr. Joe McKinney, Mr. Henry Feldman, Ms. Julianne Galloway, and Mr. Richard Terrell to serve on the Convention Center Hotel Advisory Board. Councilwoman Moorhouse seconded the motion.

Mr. Trey Jacobson, Assistant Director, Economic Development, narrated a presentation on the Convention Center Hotel Advisory Board, a copy of which is on file with the papers of this meeting. He identified the specific board member categories to include representatives from Finance and Banking, Real Estate, Hotel Industry and one from the Community At-large. He also noted that the board would be making recommendations to the City Council on how it may proceed with ranking the existing responses on identifying preferred a financial design, and how City Council will ultimately select the top ranking developer, as well as project time issues.

Mayor Garza stated that the group would have some flexibility to make recommendations for the Convention Center Hotel and looked forward to getting this board started with the project.

In response to Councilman Castro regarding potential conflicts on the board, Mr. Jacobson stated that all board members meet the City's Ethics Code requirements and that they will submit a Financial Disclosure Report to the Office of the City Clerk.

In response to Councilwoman Moorhouse regarding a future agenda item to fill the current vacancy on this board, Mayor Garza stated that it would be brought to City Council for approval at a future date.
A drawing of lots to designate the terms of office was held. The following members will have an expiration of 3/15/2005: Mr. Henry Feldman, Ms. Julianne Galloway and Mr. Richard Terrell. The following members will have an expiration of 3/15/2007: Mr. Ruben Escobedo, Mr. Adam Garza, and Mr. Joe McKinney.

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

**AN ORDINANCE 97290**

**APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE CONVENTION CENTER HOTEL ADVISORY BOARD.** [**NOMINEES:** FINANCE/BANKING SECTOR: RUBEN ESCOBEDO, ADAM GARZA AND JOE MCKINNEY; REAL ESTATE/CORPORATE SECTOR: HENRY FELDMAN (HOTEL/TOURISM INDUSTRY) AND JULIANNE GALLOWAY; COMMUNITY APPOINTMENT: RICHARD TERRELL].

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**2003-09 PUBLIC HEARING AND ORDINANCE: REPROGRAMMING OF FY 2002-2003 HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES FOR PERSONS WITH AIDS (HOPWA) FUNDS, APPROPRIATION AND ALLOCATION OF FUNDS TO THE ALAMO AREA RESOURCE CENTER (AARC), AND ALLOCATION OF FUNDS TO THE BLACK EFFORT AGAINST THE THREAT OF AIDS, INC. (BEAT-AIDS).**

Mayor Garza declared the Public Hearing to be open.

Mr. Dennis Campa, Director, Community Initiatives Department, briefed the City Council on allocations of FY 2002-2003 Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) Funds, the appropriation and allocation of funds to the Alamo Area Resource Center (AARC), and allocation of funds to the Black Effort Against the Threat of AIDS, Inc. (BEAT-AIDS) and the re-programming of these funds (a copy of which is on file with these papers). He outlined the purpose, background information, and proposed action.

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

The following citizen(s) appeared to speak:
Mr. Jack M. Finger, P.O. Box 12048, spoke to his concern on this item regarding funding organizations that work with people suffering from AIDS when there are so many persons afflicted with other diseases. He also noted that the Alamo Resource Center did not submit a Financial Disclosure Report.

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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 Clerk then read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 97291

AUTHORIZING THE REPROGRAMMING OF $79,485.00 IN FY 2002-2003 HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES FOR PERSONS WITH AIDS (HOPWA) FUNDS AVAILABLE FROM THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY INITIATIVES, COMMUNITY ACTION DIVISION; AUTHORIZING THE CLOSE-OUT AND CANCELLATION OF AFFECTED PROJECTS AND THE CREATION OF THE APPROPRIATE PROJECTS AND PROJECT BUDGETS; AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATION AND ALLOCATION OF $45,300.00 TO THE ALAMO AREA RESOURCE CENTER (AARC) TO ESTABLISH A HOUSING RESOURCE AND REFERRAL NETWORK; AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATION AND ALLOCATION OF $34,185.00 TO BLACK EFFORT AGAINST THE THREAT OF AIDS, INC. (BEAT-AIDS) TO ALSO ESTABLISH A HOUSING RESOURCE AND REFERRAL NETWORK; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND SUBMISSION OF CONTRACTS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS AS NECESSARY IN CONNECTION THEREWITH; AND PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT.

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After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Sanders, Moorhouse, Martin, Herrera, Barrera, Castro, Conner, Schubert, Carpenter, Garza. NAYS: None. ABSENT: Perez.
2003-09  ON A POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

On a point of personal privilege, Mayor Garza introduced Mr. Javier Perez, ambassador to Spain in Washington D.C. Mayor Garza also recognized Dr. Alfonso Chiscano, the City's Ambassador to the Canary Islands and Spain, who brought Mr. Perez to San Antonio as part of his stay in San Antonio as we celebrate the 272nd anniversary of the arrival of the first family from the Canary Islands to our City. Mayor Garza invited Mr. Perez to address the City Council.

Mr. Perez thanked the City Council for the opportunity for him and his wife to visit San Antonio. He stated that he plans to partake in a number of activities that will bring to San Antonio, many Spaniards from all different walks of life who will deliver past memories and cultures that unite San Antonio with Spain. Mr. Perez also stated that he looked forward to establishing a friendship of cooperation with San Antonio.

2003-09  TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION - Granted:

Travel Authorization for Councilwoman Antoniette Moorhouse, District 3, who will travel to Washington, D.C. from Sunday, March 9, 2003 through Wednesday, March 12, 2003 to participate in the San Antonio Greater Chamber of Commerce's 25th annual "SA to DC" trip to meet with senior government officials on community issues.

Councilman Sanders made a motion to approve the proposed Travel Authorization. Councilman Martin seconded the motion.

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

2003-09  MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS STARBRIGHT INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION.

City Council recessed its regular meeting at 4:20 P.M. in order to convene the meeting of the Board of Directors of the STARBRIGHT INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION. The following members were present: Perez, Sanders, Moorhouse, Martin, Herrera, Barrera, Castro, Conner, Schubert, Carpenter, Garza. ABSENT: None.
Mr. Chris Brady, Assistant City Manager, briefed the City Council on the acquisition of 200 acres for the Starbright Industrial Development Corporation (IDC) (a copy of which is on file with these papers). He reported on bridge financing, purchase price, City Council Item #32, and the loan to IDC.

Mayor Garza called upon Mr. Philip Ross, attorney and broker for the seller of this property who spoke to some of the assets of the property. Mayor Garza noted that the first settlers were descendants of a Spanish governor of Texas whose family came from the Canary Islands.

Mr. Ross provided slides of the historic ranch house on the property, which is to be the location for the new Toyota Manufacturing Company. Mr. Ross stated that the owners of the property are requesting that the City of San Antonio and Toyota Manufacturing resolve that the house be preserved as a historic landmark and possibly be used as a conference center for the Toyota plant.

Mayor Garza stated that a resolution on this issue will be considered as another step that the City will be taking as part of the Toyota and Starbright Corporation.

Acting City Clerk Ledesma then read the following Resolution of the Board:

A RESOLUTION
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AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF APPROXIMATELY 200 ACRES OF LAND FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $1,300,000.00, PLUS ADDITIONAL CLOSING COSTS PAID AT THE CLOSING NOT TO EXCEED $85,000.00, FOR THE PURCHASE OF LAND LOCATED ON APPLEWHITE ROAD TO PARTIALLY IMPLEMENT THE PREVIOUSLY APPROVED ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CORPORATION AND THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, INCLUDING THE AUTHORIZATION OF (I) AN ASSIGNMENT TO THE CORPORATION OF AN EARNEST MONEY CONTRACT FOR SUCH ACQUISITION, (II) SELLER FINANCING FOR THE PURCHASE PRICE OF SUCH LAND, LESS $75,000.00, (III) A LOAN FROM THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO IN AN AMOUNT UP TO $160,000.00 FOR THE BALANCE OF SUCH PURCHASE PRICE AND FOR CLOSING COSTS, AND AUTHORIZING THE OFFICERS OF THE CORPORATION TO NEGOTIATE THE TERMS OF SUCH ACQUISITION, SELLER
FINANCING AND LOAN AND ANY DOCUMENTS FOR SUCH ACQUISITION, SELLER FINANCING AND LOAN, AND AUTHORIZING OTHER ACTIONS, AS NECESSARY.

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Councilwoman Moorhouse 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, Herrera, Barrera, Castro, Conner, Schubert, Garza. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** Martin, Carpenter.

There being no citizens signed to speak to this matter, Mayor Garza declared the Board of Directors meeting closed.

Mayor Garza adjourned the meeting of the Board Directors of the City of San Antonio, Texas Starbright Industrial Development Corporation, and reconvened the regular session of the City Council meeting at 4:32 P.M.

2003-09 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 97292

APPROVING A LOAN BY THE CITY TO CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, STARBRIGHT INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION ("CORPORATION") IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $160,000.00 TO ENABLE THE ACQUISITION OF APPROXIMATELY 200 ACRES OF LAND TO BE USED TO FULFILL OBLIGATIONS IN THE PREVIOUSLY APPROVED ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CORPORATION AND THE CITY, AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE THE TERMS OF SUCH LOAN AND ANY DOCUMENTS FOR SUCH LOAN, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS, AND AUTHORIZING OTHER ACTIONS, AS NECESSARY; EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY IF PASSED BY AT LEAST EIGHT (8) VOTES.

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Councilwoman Moorhouse 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, Herrera, Barrera, Castro, Conner, Schubert, Garza. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** Carpenter.

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2003-09  Acting City Clerk Yolanda Ledesma presented a report to the City Council outlining the status of the Financial Disclosure Reports (FDRs) as submitted by Board and Commission Members, as required by the Ethics Ordinance, a copy of which is on file with the papers of this meeting. Ms. Ledesma distributed a memorandum to the Council outlining those members who failed to submit FDRs by the initial deadline. She then reported on the final deadline and the number of outstanding reports.

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2003-09  CITY MANAGER’S REPORT

City Manager Terry Brechtel spoke regarding the appointment of the new Assistant City Attorney, Martha Zepeda, who will report for duty on March 31, 2003.

City Manager Brechtel also spoke regarding an update on the racial profiling data.

San Antonio Police Chief, Albert Ortiz, made a presentation on the Police Department’s Racial Profiling Summary Report (a copy of which is on file with these papers). He outlined the background, legal requirements, and issues creating a culture of integrity.

In response to Councilman Castro regarding a recent newspaper story that African Americans appear to be searched at least three times the rate of Anglos, Chief Ortiz stated that the underlying causes for those searches are unknown. He added that the Police Department would insist for the experts in this field to provide an analysis of the underlying situations of those citizens who were detained. He further noted that at this point, the City should be comfortable with moving forward to asking the experts if the City has a problem. Chief Ortiz stated that the Police Department does not condone racial profiling or any other practice that does not fall within the established police practices. He noted that the City would be best served to wait and form conclusions at a later date. Chief Ortiz also stated that the Police Department has always been more vigilant with racial profiling complaints than the public may perceive, and monitoring those activities will serve better than drawing conclusions.

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In response to Councilman Castro regarding the existence of racial profiling and the possibility of some searches being justified, Chief Ortiz stated that there are some individuals in the Police Department who are dealt with effectively, but they are dealt with one at a time and with the proper investigation. He added that it would be a disservice to the community to make generalizations based on raw data, and knows that his department is vigilant about complaints to gauge how the community and police officers are interacting than any racial profiling data. Chief Ortiz further noted that there have been relatively fewer complaints of racial profiling, racist comments or activities or actions than the public may perceive to be racially motivated.

Discussion continued noting community involvement with regard to policy making and ensuring that minority groups assist with developing policies that address this issue.

Chief Ortiz stated that if at the end of the study, the Police Department is given some recommendations for improving the system, the department will certainly welcome those recommendations.

Councilman Sanders stated that he has every faith that any incident that comes to Chief Ortiz will be handled professionally and thanked Councilman Castro for his remarks. He noted that racial profiling does exist in this country and when consensual searches are conducted, the citizen is put in a “Catch 22” position. He further noted, that once an action plan is formulated, communication between the community and the Police Department is vital to its success. Councilman Sanders spoke of his personal experience with racial profiling when he was stopped by a police officer for no legitimate reason. He further noted his appreciation to Chief Ortiz for his work on this issue.

Councilman Carpenter spoke in appreciation to Chief Ortiz for evaluating the racial profiling issue and stated that he looked forward to the final report.

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CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

MR. NAZARITE RUBEN FLORES PEREZ

Mr. Nazarite Ruben Flores Perez, 627 Hearne Avenue, spoke in support of the tree ordinance and other issues.

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MS. MARIA DOMINGUEZ

Ms. Maria Dominguez, 120 Camargo, spoke on code compliance, issues, building inspections, and transportation issues of the senior citizens.

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MR. JAMES MYERS

Mr. James Myers Attorney, spoke to racial profiling and his objection to the response from City Council to Chief Ortiz on that issue. Mr. Myers noted that he has personally experienced racism in San Antonio, and resented the statements as to whether racial profiling does or does not exist. He noted that it is his hope that racial profiling is resolved.

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MR. JOSE PEREZ

Mr. Jose Perez, stated that on December 13, 2001 City Council minutes, his remarks were omitted regarding valuable information that he had been wrongfully jailed on August, 2001 for simply asking questions during an SBA public meeting. Mr. Perez submitted a letter on that issue to Acting City Clerk Yolanda Ledesma of the City Clerk's Office.

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MR. REGINALD NELSON

Mr. Reginald Nelson, spoke to his objection of an existing City ordinance that prevents him, as an ex-offender, from obtaining a permit to work with the Ground Transportation Unit who has hired him as a driver. Mr. Nelson added that he was recently released from the Texas Department of Corrections, and is a professional diesel truck driver who is eager for the opportunity of improving his life and taking care of his elderly mother. He stated that the ordinance is not conducive to helping ex-offenders acquire the American Dream after they have paid their debt to society.

Councilman Sanders stated that he would like to sponsor an ordinance that places some limits on ex-offenders who are trying to re-establish their lives, and requested staff to assist in determining if it is conditional on the nature of the crime that limits issuing permits for employment. He noted that by denying people the American Dream, San
Antonio would be dealing with rising crime. Councilman Sanders stated that he will be contacting Mr. Nelson and will be meeting with the City Attorney’s office for a resolution to his problem.

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MR. CHARLES BARTLETT

Mr. Charles Bartlett, Salado Creek Foundation, spoke regarding his dedication to tree preservation and encouraged the City Council to vote for a strong tree preservation ordinance.

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2003-09 ON A POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

On a point of personal privilege, Mayor Garza called on the students from the International School of the America’s working with City Council members to come forward and be recognized.

The Mayor and Council commended the students on their hard work and complimented them for their services.

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2003-09 EXECUTIVE SESSION

The City Council recessed its regular session at 5:15 P.M. in order to convene in Executive Session for the purpose of:

A) Discuss legal issues related to the city's power to regulate and control signs, pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071 (consultation with attorney).

B) Discuss the lawsuit styled Charles Pollock and Tracy Pollock, individually and as next friend of Sarah Jane Pollock, a minor child, v. the City of San Antonio, Cause No. 2000-CI-01201, in the 225th Judicial District Court, Bexar County, Texas, pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071 (consultation with attorney).
C) Discuss lease and economic development negotiations, incentives offered, and related legal issues concerning a proposal by the Dallas Cowboys NFL Team to stay in San Antonio for its 2003 training camp, pursuant to Texas Government Code Sections 551.072 (deliberations involving real property), 551.087 (deliberations regarding economic development negotiations), and 551.071 (consultation with attorney).

The City Council adjourned the Executive Session at 5:45 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.

2003-09 There being no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting was adjourned at 5:46 P.M.

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EDWARD D. GARZA
MAYOR

Attest:

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YOLANDA L. LEDESMA
Acting City Clerk