

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

**A WORK SESSION AND REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO WERE HELD IN THE MUNICIPAL PLAZA BUILDING, WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9, 2013, AND JANUARY 10, 2013, RESPECTIVELY.**

The San Antonio City Council convened in a Work Session at 2:00 pm Wednesday, **January 9, 2013**, Municipal Plaza Building, with the following Councilmembers present: Bernal, Taylor, Ozuna, Saldaña, D. Medina, Lopez, C. Medina, Williams, Chan, Soules, and Mayor Castro. **ABSENT:** None.

**1. A BRIEFING REGARDING THE *BUY LOCAL SAN ANTONIO* PROGRAM GRANTING LOCAL PREFERENCES IN SPECIFIED CONTRACTING CATEGORIES.**

Ben Gorzell presented the Proposed Local Preference Program, noting that Texas Statute supports Local Business Enterprise Programs. He stated that during the last Legislative Session, the Texas Legislature adopted a revision to the law that allows cities to grant contracting preferences to local businesses when price alone determines the winning bid. He explained that the term "Local" was defined as a bidder whose principal place of business is within the city. He mentioned that the law previously allowed only cities with a population under 200,000 to grant such a preference.

Mr. Gorzell reported that under the new statute, the city may award contracts to local bidders for Personal Property if their bid is within 5% of the lowest non-local bidder for contracts under \$500,000; or within 3% of the lowest non-local bidder for contracts over \$500,000. He explained that for Non-Professional Services, local bidders could be awarded if their bid is within 5% of the lowest non-local bidder for contracts under \$500,000. He indicated that for Construction Contracts, local bidders could be awarded if their bid is within 5% of the lowest non-local bidder for contracts under \$100,000. He noted that Professional Services were governed by statute and that certain types of Professional Services Contracts must be selected based on demonstrated competence and qualifications and not on the basis of competitive bids. These contracts include: Architecture, Engineering, Land Surveying, Landscape Architecture, Professional Nursing, Optometry, Medicine, and Real Estate Appraising. He mentioned that a local preference could be applied to other discretionary solicitations for services not governed by statute.

Mr. Gorzell stated that an initial B Session Briefing on the Proposed Local Preference Program was presented on June 13, 2012. He noted the definition of a Local Business as a business headquartered or meets the following conditions: 1) An established place of business for at least one year in the incorporated limits of the city; and 2) From which at least 20% of its full-time, part-time and contract employees are regularly based or a minimum of 100 employees; and 3) From which a substantial role in the business' performance if a commercially useful function or a substantial part of its operations is conducted. He indicated that businesses would self-report this information.

Mr. Gorzell explained the applicability for the Proposed Local Preference Program by category. He stated that for Goods/Supplies it would be applied if their bid is within 3% of the lowest non-local bidder for contracts over \$50,000. For Non-Professional Services, it would be applied if it was within

3% of the lowest non-local bidder for contacts of \$50,000-\$500,000. He noted that for Construction Contracts, it would be applied if the bid was within 3% of the lowest non-local bidder for contracts of \$50,000-\$100,000. He mentioned that it would not apply to construction contracts awarded using alternative delivery methods. He reported that for purchases of Goods and Non-Professional Services under \$50,000, no local preference would be applied.

Mr. Gorzell reported that for Professional Services governed by statute and alternative delivery construction methods; current practice provides a preference of up to 20 points for knowledge of local conditions where relevant. He noted that criteria was contained in all CIMS Discretionary Solicitations and that weighting was determined by the CIMS Director and City Engineer based on scope of services. He stated that for other services not governed by statute, staff proposes awarding up to 10 points to local bidders in discretionary solicitations for Professional Service Contracts for which a local preference may be applied. He indicated that 10 points would be awarded to local bidders with business headquarters in San Antonio or five points would be awarded to bidders from which at least 20% of its full-time, part-time and contract employees are regularly based in the city or have a minimum of 100 employees in the incorporated limits of the city. He reported that the program would not apply to: 1) Federally funded programs per the statute; 2) Purchase of telecommunication or information services; 3) When City Council determines that it would not be in the best interest of the city; and 4) Low Bid Construction Contracts over \$100,000.

Mr. Gorzell stated that briefings on the Local Preference Program were provided to the Small Business Advocacy Committee (SBAC) on two occasions and they were not in favor of modifying the definition of a Local Business to include ownership. He noted that a briefing on the Local Preference Program was presented to the San Antonio Hispanic Chamber of Commerce on September 25, 2012 and they provided recommended changes in January 2013. Recommendations include branding of the Local Preference Policy and increasing accountability to the public to include quarterly performance reports to the City Council. He noted that staff recommends implementing a Local Preference Program on April 1, 2013 as proposed by city staff and incorporating two recommendations from the Hispanic Chamber regarding branding the Local Preference Program and increasing accountability to the public. He stated that staff did not recommend modifying the definition of a Local Business and that they would evaluate the performance of the Local Preference Program as experience was gained. He added that the program was consistent with the City Council goal of promoting San Antonio Local Businesses.

Mayor Castro thanked staff for the presentation and stated that he was enthusiastic about implementing the Local Preference Program in San Antonio. He asked of the definition of being headquartered in the city. Michael Bernard replied that it was self-reported and that the statute indicated that it was the principal place of business. Mayor Castro expressed concern with a business that could be headquartered in San Antonio but not conducting business here. He asked of the \$100,000 limit on construction contracts. Mr. Bernard replied that it was a statutory cap but believed that it was being addressed in the Legislature. Mayor Castro asked of Professional Services and if they would be integrated. Mr. Bernard replied that he would provide a list of the professional services governed by statute. Mr. Gorzell added that local preference could not be applied for certain services such as Architecture and Engineering but current practice provides a preference of up to 20 points for knowledge of local conditions where relevant.

Councilmember Saldaña asked of changes to the number of employees. Mr. Gorzell replied that the requirement for a minimum number of employees would be based on the company at the time of

solicitation. He added that a company would not receive more points than another if they were in the city longer than the minimum one year. Councilmember Saldaña asked of businesses headquartered in Bexar County. Mr. Gorzell replied that staff was not tracking same and currently tracked the SBEDA Ordinance Requirements. He noted that they would track additional information moving forward. City Manager Sculley spoke of the quarterly reports that would be provided to the City Council.

Councilmember Chan asked thanked staff for their work and recognized the Hispanic Chamber for working to promote small businesses. She asked of the potential for carrying points over from one step to the next in a two-step process. Mr. Gorzell replied that he could not think of any instances in which that would apply but would follow up with the City Council. Councilmember Chan asked of the reports that would be provided. Mr. Gorzell replied that staff would begin tracking progress after the program was implemented in April and provide quarterly progress reports to the City Council which would also be available to the public. Councilmember Chan asked of a waiver of variances. Mr. Gorzell replied that he did not foresee a waiver process being implemented and would be a stand-alone Ordinance monitored by Finance. Councilmember Chan requested a follow-up meeting with staff to discuss the program.

Councilmember Ozuna asked of the boundaries utilized for the program. Mr. Gorzell replied that businesses would have to be located within the incorporated city limits. Mr. Bernard added that the city was implementing a program that is authorized by statute. Councilmember Ozuna asked of enforcement and compliance. Mr. Gorzell responded that the program would be administered by the Finance Department through the Purchasing Division. He noted that the SBEDA Component was administered by the Economic Development Department and that there was a great amount of coordination among the two departments. He indicated that the program was based on self-reporting and was not recommending that staff provide enforcement. Ms. Sculley added that staff would follow up on complaints received and that companies would have to sign an affidavit regarding the information they provide. Councilmember Ozuna asked if the Local Preference Program was only for the City of San Antonio. Mr. Bernard confirmed that it was only for City of San Antonio Contracting.

Councilmember Bernal asked of contract employees. Mr. Bernard provided the definition of a Local Business from the City's Ordinance noting that they must be an established place of business for at least one year in the incorporated limits of the city; and from which at least 20% of its full-time, part-time and contract employees are regularly based or a minimum of 100 employees; and from which a substantial role in the business' performance if a commercially useful function or a substantial part of its operations is conducted. Councilmember Bernal stated that he did not understand how the duration and contract piece work together and would like to discuss in further detail.

Councilmember D. Medina asked of the \$100,000 threshold for construction contracts. Mr. Bernard replied that the City of Houston had passed an Ordinance in anticipation of what they thought the law would look like and did not include a \$100,000 cap. He noted that State Legislation was passed to cap construction projects at \$100,000. He stated that he believed that since their Ordinance conflicted with State Law, they would ask the Legislature to raise that amount. Councilmember D. Medina asked if the amount could be increased through the City of San Antonio's Legislative Agenda. Ms. Sculley and Mr. Bernard confirmed that the city could amend its agenda to include said item.

Councilmember Taylor requested a meeting to discuss in further detail with staff noting that she would like to understand the effect that the Ordinance may have on other strategies being implemented.

Councilmember Lopez asked of the online, real time reporting of dollars spent with local, small, minority and women-owned businesses. Mr. Gorzell replied that they would increase accountability to the public through same and would also provide quarterly performance reports to the City Council. Councilmember Lopez asked if there was an order of priority. Ms. Sculley replied that staff was not recommending a priority order but was a policy decision of the City Council. Councilmember Lopez spoke of the need to have a policy discussion to set a preference among local, small, minority, and women-owned businesses once data is collected. Mr. Gorzell replied that they would track the data and provide it to the City Council in the quarterly reports.

Councilmember C. Medina asked of the \$50,000 threshold for purchases of Goods and Non-Professional Services and the significant administrative impact noted. Mr. Gorzell replied that departments currently had authority to execute contracts up to \$50,000 as an informal process. He stated that there were methods in place to address smaller contracts and did not utilize Local Preference for same. Councilmember C. Medina thanked the Hispanic Chamber for their work.

Mayor Castro thanked staff for the presentation.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mayor Castro recessed the meeting at 3:39 pm to convene in Executive Session for the purposes of:

- A. DISCUSS LEGAL ISSUES RELATED TO SANITARY SEWER OVERFLOWS PURSUANT TO TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 551.071 (CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY).**
- B. DELIBERATIONS REGARDING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT NEGOTIATIONS AND DISCUSS RELATED LEGAL ISSUES PURSUANT TO TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTIONS 551.087 (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT) AND 551.071 (CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY).**
- C. DELIBERATE THE PURCHASE, EXCHANGE, LEASE OR VALUE OF REAL PROPERTY AND DISCUSS RELATED LEGAL ISSUES PURSUANT TO TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTIONS 551.072 (REAL PROPERTY) AND 551.071 (CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY).**

Mayor Castro reconvened the meeting at 5:30 pm and announced that the City Council had been briefed in Executive Session but did not take any action. He addressed the Ceremonial Items.

### **CEREMONIALS**

Mayor Castro presented the winners of the Inaugural "Light Up Downtown" Holiday Lights Contest held from November 23-December 19, 2012. It was noted that during this new San Antonio Holiday Tradition, businesses in the downtown area competed for the best and brightest holiday light display. It was further noted that the goal of the contest was to create an illuminated view of the downtown skyline and showcase the heart of the city to locals and visitors for a unique holiday experience. Awards were presented in the categories of: Best Store Front, Best Building, Best Non-Profit, Best Use of Space, and CPS Greenest Energy.

Mayor Castro presented a Proclamation in recognition of the 26<sup>th</sup> Annual MLK March which celebrates the accomplishments and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. It was noted that the event would be held on January 21, 2013 beginning at 10:00 am at the MLK Freedom Bridge. It was also noted that a commemorative program was scheduled at the park immediately following the march, along with many activities and food booths.

Mayor Castro recessed the meeting at 5:49 pm and announced that the meeting would resume at 6:00 pm for Citizens to be Heard.

### **CITIZENS TO BE HEARD**

Councilmember Lopez reconvened the meeting at 6:00 pm and called upon the individuals registered to speak.

Stanley Mitchell expressed concern with the VIA Streetcar Project noting the high costs to operate it. He indicated that the financial condition of VIA was not good and that for 2011; they operated at an operating loss of \$139.7 million. He asked why they would build a Streetcar System that they could not afford to operate and expressed concern with investing taxpayer money. He noted that there were necessary reasons for bus subsidies but did not believe that subsidizing a Streetcar Program was appropriate. He outlined the 2020 Normal Year Income Statement for Streetcar Operations and stated that he believed that the Streetcar Operating Expenses were understated as they did not include corporate overhead. He added that VIA Bus Operations needed to increase their occupancy.

Patsy Cheyney stated that she lived at the Granada Apartments and expressed concern with the lack of lighting along one side of the Riverwalk near the apartments. She noted that they used to receive additional lighting from the offices that were leased but the offices were now vacant. She indicated that she was concerned due to the tourists that visit that area of the Riverwalk and asked that the city address the issue.

Nazirite Ruben Flores Perez referenced an article entitled, "CPS Partner Lost \$60 Million" from the San Antonio Express News. He stated that he was not opposed to conducting business with South Korea but was concerned with the loss of funds. He noted that the city should not be giving away city property.

Dolores Gomez expressed concern with the flood damage caused to her home due to the flood that occurred in 2002. She stated that she had not received assistance from District 7 even though she had requested it. She asked why the city had sent her a letter saying they would provide assistance but had not helped her in any way.

Richard Slife expressed opposition to the Streetcar Project and noted that private support did not exist for the project. He quoted Randal O'Toole and stated that streetcars do not produce transit-oriented development; the developments are there due to tax incentives provided. He indicated that taxpayers could not pull their support as the business community had done and asked of the core functions that would be cut to fund the \$15 million needed for the project.

Owen Biediger expressed concern with the VIA Streetcar Project. He stated that VIA provided good bus service but did not believe that streetcars were mass transit because they served a small route. He noted that the merchants along the route did not support the project and that San Antonio did not need

streetcars. He indicated that these types of projects were proven to lose money and asked the City Council to vote in opposition.

Gizelle Luevano expressed concern with her Stablewood Home and stated that the homeowners had not heard anything from D R Horton or city staff for two months. She requested a meeting with the City Manager and Mayor Castro.

Esmeralda Perez also expressed concern with her Stablewood Home and stated that it was very difficult to come to the City Council Meetings to request assistance. She asked Mayor Castro to focus on San Antonio and requested a meeting with him and the City Manager. She stated that she expected her home to be built correctly and was concerned with her family's health issues.

Janet Ahmad spoke of the stringent Code Amendments that the City of Cibolo had approved the previous day in which all lots must have environmental testing conducted on them. She noted that they were considering a Home Lemon Law and spoke of the mortgage fraud that she believed needed to be addressed. She requested a meeting with the City Manager and Mayor Castro noting that the Stablewood Homeowners needed assistance.

Nita Shaver expressed concern with the new LED Christmas Lights on the Riverwalk. She stated that the installation of the lights was poor and spotty and that many of the lights were knotted on the top of the trees. She noted that there were too many blue lights and believed that the lights lacked warmth. She added that they did not photograph well and did not reflect off the water's surface.

Charles and Priscilla White submitted written testimony expressing concern with their home built by D R Horton in the Stablewood Subdivision. They wrote of the terrible smell and sink holes, and referenced medical complications experienced by family members and neighbors.

Faris Hodge, Jr. submitted written testimony and expressed concern that the Fire Department is not inspecting elementary, middle and high schools. He wrote of Representative Charlie Gonzalez no longer serving in Congress and noted that he did not believe that the name of the Dangerous Structure Determination Board should be changed. He expressed concern that the restrooms in the Farmers Market and El Mercado are not ADA Compliant. He asked why there was a Union Representative Category on the VIA Metropolitan Board.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further discussion, Councilmember Lopez adjourned the meeting at 6:35 pm.

The San Antonio City Council convened in a Regular Meeting on Thursday, **January 10, 2013**, at 9:00 am in the City Council Chambers.

## **ROLL CALL**

City Clerk Leticia M. Vacek took the Roll Call and noted a quorum of the Council with the following present: Bernal, Taylor, Ozuna, Saldaña, D. Medina, Lopez, C. Medina, Williams, Chan, Soules, and Mayor Castro. It was noted that Mayor Castro was on his way to the meeting. **ABSENT**: None.

**Item 1.** The Invocation was delivered by Rabbi Yossi Marrus, Associate Rabbi, Chabad Lubavitch of South Texas, guest of Councilmember Cris Medina, District 7.

**Item 2.** Mayor Pro Tem C. Medina led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

**Item 3. MINUTES**

Councilmember Bernal moved to approve the Minutes for the November 7-8, 2012 and the November 14-15, 2012 City Council Meetings. Councilmember Taylor seconded the motion.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Bernal, Taylor, Ozuna, Saldaña, D. Medina, Lopez, C. Medina, Williams, Chan, and Soules. **NAY:** None. **ABSENT:** Mayor Castro.

**ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION**

The City Clerk read the caption for Item 4:

**2013-01-10-0001**

Item 4. AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AN AGREEMENT WITH THE AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS FOR THE ACCEPTANCE AND APPROPRIATION OF A CONTRIBUTION IN THE AMOUNT OF UP TO \$107,000.00 FOR THE PERIOD OF DECEMBER 4, 2012 THROUGH DECEMBER 4, 2013.

Kathy Davis, Animal Care Services Director presented information regarding the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA) Rachael Ray \$100K Challenge Award. She stated that the ASPCA was established in 1866 as the first humane organization in the Western Hemisphere. She noted that the ASPCA cares for pet parents and pets, provides positive outcomes for at-risk animals, and serves victims of animal cruelty. She reported that Rachael Ray funds an award through the ASPCA consisting of a three-month contest among 50 shelters to beat their individual records for pet adoptions. She stated that the past three years had resulted in an increase of over 30,000 additional pet adoptions nationwide. She indicated that the City of San Antonio Animal Care Services (ACS) Department was the first public entity in ASPCA History to win the ASPCA Challenge. She noted that ACS adopted, rescued and returned 4,054 cats and dogs to win the grand prize. She added that the funds would be used to support the ACS Foster Program. She thanked the many community partners that assisted ACS to receive the award.

Mayor Pro Tem C. Medina called upon Nazirite Ruben Flores Perez to speak.

Mr. Nazirite Ruben Flores Perez stated that crossbreeding animals was a violation of Biblical Law and expressed support for ACS receiving the grant.

Councilmember Saldaña congratulated ACS for their work over the past year-and-a-half and asked how the funds would be utilized. Ms. Davis replied that the funds would be used for the ACS Foster Program which would add capacity to the facility.

Mayor Castro entered the meeting at this time.

Councilmember D. Medina stated that he was pleased with the work of ACS and recognized ACS Partners. He spoke of his experience in adopting a dog which was made possible due to the Foster Program.

Councilmember Saldaña moved to adopt the proposed Ordinance. Councilmember D. Medina seconded the motion.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Bernal, Taylor, Ozuna, Saldaña, D. Medina, Lopez, C. Medina, Williams, Chan, Soules, and Mayor Castro. **NAY:** None. **ABSENT:** None.

The City Clerk read the caption for Items 5A and 5B:

Item 5. CONSIDERATION OF THE FOLLOWING MATTERS IN CONNECTION WITH THE CITY'S STATE AND FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE PROGRAMS:

**2013-01-10-0002**

- A. AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE 2013 STATE LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM FOR THE 83RD LEGISLATURE.
  
- B. STAFF PRESENTATION ON THE IMPACT OF THE FEDERAL "FISCAL CLIFF" ON THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO'S BUDGET AND PROGRAMS.

Carlos Contreras introduced the new Intergovernmental Affairs Director, Jeff Coyle who would begin his employment on February 1, 2013. Mr. Contreras presented a Power Point with information on the 83<sup>rd</sup> State Legislative Program. He reported that on November 15, 2012, the City Council approved the following:

**City of San Antonio (COSA) Initiatives:**

- Hemisfair Redevelopment
- Land Bank Amendments
- Illegal Fill Violations
- Fire Department Eligibility List
- Replat Without Vacating Preceding Plat
- Regulation of Boarding Homes.

**Endorsements:**

- DWI Checkpoints
- Economic Development Funds and Opportunities
- Public and Higher Education Funding
- Homelessness Program Funding
- Reduction of Teen and Unplanned Pregnancies
- Sales Tax Exemption for Datacenters.

## **Protection of Municipal Interests:**

- Appraisal and Revenue
- Broadband Network
- Franchise and Municipal Right-of-Way Fees
- Pay Day and Auto Title Lending
- Public Utilities
- Tree Preservation
- Unfunded Mandates
- Vested Rights

Mr. Contreras highlighted the Proposed Amendment within the Joint Community Initiatives-Transportation Category to support additional funding options for city and regional transportation programs and initiatives dedicated to improve mobility. Additionally, the city will support VIA's efforts to implement its comprehensive transportation plan and support increased funding opportunities for multimodal transit projects. He highlighted possible funding sources that could include the Rainy Day Fund, Phase Out Diversions, and Gas Tax Increase. Within the Endorsements-Graffiti Category, he indicated that the city would support amendments to the Local Government Code to increase penalties associated with graffiti offenses. He stated that within the CPS Energy Endorsements, the city would work to ensure an appropriate amount of reserve generation capacity exists to continue to meet the State's growing population and to preserve local control of CPS Energy. For SAWS Endorsements, he noted that they would support Groundwater Management Reform, Brackish Groundwater Laws, and State Water Plan Funding.

Mr. Contreras reported that next steps would include the IGR Department assigning bills to departments for review and analysis and working with Delegation Members on sponsorship of COSA Initiatives. He stated that Committee Assignments would be made in early February 2013.

Mr. Contreras spoke of the American Tax Relief Act of 2012 passed on January 1, 2013 which permanently extends a number of tax provisions that expired at the end of 2012. He stated that it extends Unemployment Benefits, Medicare Payments and Farm Subsidies. He reported that it would have an impact on city grant programs beginning in 2014. He indicated that the city currently receives \$154.3 million in Federal and State Pass-Through Grants and that could be reduced by \$11 million. He added that the 2% Payroll Tax was allowed to expire and that employees would once again have 6.2% of their wages withheld to pay for Social Security. He mentioned that IGR Staff and the Office of Management & Budget would coordinate with Federal Consultants to track the issue and strategize on the city's next steps.

Mayor Castro thanked staff for their work and recognized Mr. Coyle and the Lobby Team. He thanked the IGR Council Committee and spoke of the need to support funding for Universities.

Councilmember Lopez thanked staff for their work and spoke of the great work of the IGR Council Committee.

Councilmember Soules asked of the Edwards Aquifer Authority (EAA) issue within the SAWS Agenda. Mr. Greg Flores of SAWS stated that the item was on the SAWS Agenda and could include it with the

city's endorsements. Councilmember Soules asked why it was not listed. Mr. Flores replied that the SAWS Board had approved adding it as a top priority. He indicated that Bexar County was underrepresented on the EAA Board and would work to maintain good relationships within the region.

Councilmember Chan recognized Councilmember Lopez for his work as the Chair of the IGR Council Committee. She stated that she believed the city was taking a great approach in utilizing lobbyists.

Mayor Castro called upon the individuals registered to speak.

Jack M. Finger stated that he was in support of ending the gas tax diversions and of utilizing a Vehicle Registration Tax for roads. He noted his opposition to toll roads and dedicated transit lanes.

Nazirite Ruben Flores Perez spoke of the great amount of money being spent and referenced an article in the San Antonio Express News entitled, "Payday Lenders spent big on Election 2012."

Councilmember Lopez moved to adopt the proposed Ordinance for Item 5A. Councilmember Bernal seconded the motion.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Bernal, Taylor, Ozuna, Saldaña, D. Medina, Lopez, C. Medina, Williams, Chan, Soules, and Mayor Castro. **NAY:** None. **ABSENT:** None.

There was no action required for Item 5B.

### **CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS 6-20**

Consent Agenda Items 8, 14, 16, 19, and 20 were pulled for Individual Consideration.

Councilmember Saldaña moved to approve the remaining Consent Agenda Items. Councilmember Lopez seconded the motion.

Mayor Castro called upon Nazirite Ruben Flores Perez.

Mr. Nazirite Ruben Flores Perez referenced the janitorial contract for the learning centers (Item 6) and expressed concern with the seating arrangement in the computer lab at the Wille Velasquez Center.

The motion to approve the remaining Consent Agenda Items prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Bernal, Taylor, Saldaña, D. Medina, Lopez, C. Medina, Williams, Chan, Soules, and Mayor Castro. **NAY:** None. **ABSENT:** Ozuna.

### **2013-01-10-0003**

Item 6. AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE OFFER FROM ERNESTINA LUNA DBA UNIFIED SERVICE ASSOCIATES TO PROVIDE JANITORIAL SERVICES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES LEARNING AND SENIOR CENTERS FOR AN ESTIMATED ANNUAL COST OF \$208,500.00 FROM THE GENERAL FUND.

**2013-01-10-0004**

Item 7. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH ERNESTINA LUNA DBA UNIFIED SERVICE ASSOCIATES TO PROVIDE JANITORIAL SERVICES FOR THE WIC PROGRAM CLINICS FOR THE SAN ANTONIO METRO HEALTH DEPARTMENT, FOR AN ESTIMATED ANNUAL AMOUNT OF \$73,000.00 FUNDED FROM THE WIC GRANT BUDGET.

**2013-01-10-0006**

Item 9. AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE OFFER FROM SAFETY SUPPLY, INC. TO PROVIDE SAN ANTONIO POLICE DEPARTMENT WITH 38 TEXAS TANGO BALLISTIC VESTS FOR A TOTAL COST OF \$101,972.24, FUNDED BY THE 2010 URBAN AREA SECURITY INITIATIVE GRANT AND THE 2011 STATE HOMELAND SECURITY PROGRAM GRANT.

**2013-01-10-0007**

Item 10. AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE BIDS FROM CALDWELL COUNTRY CHEVROLET AND CALDWELL COUNTRY FORD TO PROVIDE THE SAN ANTONIO POLICE AND FIRE DEPARTMENTS WITH 17 COMPACT AND HALF-TON TRUCKS FOR A TOTAL COST OF \$356,479.00, FUNDED WITH THE EQUIPMENT RENEWAL AND REPLACEMENT FUND.

**2013-01-10-0008**

Item 11. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE NEGOTIATION AND EXECUTION OF A DEVELOPER PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT WITH SPORTS OUTDOOR AND RECREATION PARK (SOAR) IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$100,000.00 FOR THE REALIGNMENT OF DAVID EDWARDS DRIVE, A 2007 BOND SAVINGS FUNDED PROJECT LOCATED IN COUNCIL DISTRICT 10; AMENDING THE LEASE AGREEMENT WITH SPORTS OUTDOOR AND RECREATION PARK; AND, LIMITING VEHICULAR TRAFFIC ON THE EXISTING PORTION OF DAVID EDWARDS DRIVE UPON COMPLETION OF THE ROAD REALIGNMENT.

**2013-01-10-0009**

Item 12. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A CHANGE ORDER IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$337,299.45 FOR A TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$6,271,693.11 AND AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO SWINERTON BUILDERS, FOR THE FIRE SERVICES AND LOGISTICS FACILITY, AN AUTHORIZED 2007-2012 CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION FUNDED PROJECT, LOCATED IN COUNCIL DISTRICT 6.

**2013-01-10-0010**

Item 13. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE OFFICE OF URBAN REDEVELOPMENT SAN ANTONIO (OUR SA) AND THE REALLOCATION OF FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$175,000.00 FROM THE FORT SAM HOUSTON DEVELOPMENT FUND TO OUR SA FOR LAND BANKING ACTIVITIES.

Item 15. CONSIDERATION OF THE FOLLOWING BOARD, COMMISSION AND COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS FOR THE REMAINDER OF UNEXPIRED TERMS OF OFFICE TO EXPIRE MAY 31, 2013, TO BE EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY UPON THE RECEIPT OF EIGHT AFFIRMATIVE VOTES, OR, IN THE EVENT EIGHT AFFIRMATIVE VOTES ARE NOT RECEIVED, TEN DAYS AFTER APPOINTMENT; OR FOR TERMS AND EFFECTIVENESS AS OTHERWISE INDICATED BELOW:

- A. APPOINTING KATHRYN D. RODRIGUEZ (DISTRICT 5) TO THE BUILDING STANDARDS BOARD.
- B. APPOINTING MARK A. PACHECO (DISTRICT 5) TO THE BROOKS DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY.

**2013-01-10-0001R**

Item 17. A RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE CENTER CITY DEVELOPMENT OFFICE AND THE DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT TO INITIATE A ZONING CHANGE TO DESIGNATE THE MISSION SAN JOSE VIEWSHED PROTECTION OVERLAY DISTRICT COVERING APPROXIMATELY 40 ACRES ALONG THE ROOSEVELT AVENUE CORRIDOR BETWEEN VFW BLVD, THE MISSION SAN JOSE BELL TOWER AND WOODHULL STREET AND BETWEEN THE SAN ANTONIO RIVER PORTAL AND THE MISSION SAN JOSE BELL TOWER.

**2013-01-10-0013**

Item 18. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AGREEMENTS WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER AT HOUSTON FOR RESEARCH, TRAINING, EVALUATION AND CONSULTING SERVICES RELATED TO THE PREVENTION OF ADOLESCENT PREGNANCY AND SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASES AND HIV IN A CUMULATIVE AMOUNT UP TO \$90,000.00 FOR TERMS BEGINNING ON FEBRUARY 1, 2013 AND ENDING ON OCTOBER 31, 2013.

**[CONSENT ITEMS CONCLUDED]**

**ITEMS PULLED FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION**

The City Clerk read the caption for Item 8:

**2013-01-10-0005**

Item 8. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE FOLLOWING CONTRACTS ESTABLISHING UNIT PRICES FOR GOODS AND SERVICES FOR AN ESTIMATED ANNUAL COST OF \$555,000.00: (A) CAPROCK GROUP, LLC DBA TEXAS WILSON OFFICE FURNITURE FOR STEELCASE SYSTEMS FURNITURE, (B) GRANDE TRUCK CENTER FOR HEAVY DUTY VOLVO, MACK, WESTERN STAR AND MEDIUM AND HEAVY DUTY FORD TRUCKS (E350, F350 AND ABOVE) PARTS & SERVICE (C) RELIANCE TRUCK & EQUIPMENT, LTD. FOR

BERGKAMP POTHOLE PATCHER PARTS & SERVICE AND (D) NESTLE WATERS FOR BOTTLED WATER.

Councilmember C. Medina asked of the procurement process. Troy Elliott replied that they were competitively bid and advertised on the City's Website. He stated that vendors registered in the Centralized Vendor Registry (CVR) were also sent bid notices. Councilmember C. Medina asked if staff worked with small businesses to notify them of same. Mr. Elliott replied that they worked with various organizations and the Economic Development Department to ensure that vendors were aware of city opportunities and that they register in the CVR.

Councilmember C. Medina moved to adopt the proposed Ordinance. Councilmember Lopez seconded the motion.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Bernal, Taylor, Ozuna, D. Medina, Lopez, C. Medina, Williams, Chan, Soules, and Mayor Castro. **NAY:** None. **ABSENT:** Saldaña.

The City Clerk read the caption for Item 14:

**2013-01-10-0011**

Item 14. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A GRANT AND PROGRAM BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$166,000.00 FROM THE CITIES FOR FINANCIAL EMPOWERMENT FUND FOR SUPPORT AND COORDINATION OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF TWO FINANCIAL EMPOWERMENT CENTERS; AUTHORIZING A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY, FAMILY SERVICE ASSOCIATION, AND THE UNITED WAY; AND AUTHORIZING A PERSONNEL COMPLEMENT OF ONE GRANT-FUNDED POSITION IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES.

Councilmember D. Medina highlighted the grant and asked of the term. Melody Woosley replied that the \$166,000 was for the first year of a three-year grant and that an additional \$900,000 was provided to partner agencies to provide the services. She indicated that the city staff hired for the program would provide oversight, management and evaluation of the program. She added that the staff hired by partners would perform the financial management services. Councilmember D. Medina expressed his support and stated that he was pleased that the services would be provided to the community.

Councilmember Taylor thanked everyone for their work on the program and stated that she was pleased that a second center would be opened on the East Side.

Mayor Castro stated that this would be important for families in the community to ensure that they are saving for their children's college.

Councilmember D. Medina moved to adopt the proposed Ordinance. Councilmember C. Medina seconded the motion.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Bernal, Taylor, Ozuna, Saldaña, D. Medina, Lopez, C. Medina, Williams, Chan, Soules, and Mayor Castro. **NAY:** None. **ABSENT:** None.

The City Clerk read the caption for Item 16:

**2013-01-10-0012**

Item 16. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE CITY'S INVOLVEMENT IN VIA'S FIVE YEAR STREETCAR AND TRANSIT IMPROVEMENT PLAN, SPECIFICALLY: (1) REMOVAL OF THE CONDITION OF ESTABLISHING A SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT AND THE CONTRIBUTION OF \$15,000,000.00 IN PRIVATE SECTOR FUNDS AND REPLACING THE FUNDING WITH OTHER NON-CITY OF SAN ANTONIO FUNDS; (2) REMOVAL OF THE CONDITION TO DEVELOP AND APPROVE A TRI-PARTY INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH ALL PARTNERING FUNDING ENTITIES AND REPLACING THE TRI-PARTY ARRANGEMENT WITH TWO INTERLOCAL AGREEMENTS—ONE BETWEEN THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO AND VIA AND ONE BETWEEN BEXAR COUNTY AND VIA; AND, (3) CLARIFICATION OF THE COUNTY'S \$55,000,000.00 CONTRIBUTION.

Mike Frisbie reported that staff was recommending an amendment to the city's involvement in VIA Metropolitan's Five-Year Streetcar and Transit Improvement Plan, noting that conditions had changed since its approval in October 2011. He stated that the city had approved a \$55 million package that included the Streetcar Program, Westside Multi-Modal Center, Robert Thompson Center, Downtown Bus Stop Improvements, Bus Circulator, and Park and Rides. He indicated that VIA had requested that the city match Bexar County's contribution of \$55 million and that staff had looked into funding options. He noted that the city identified \$40 million in city funds and \$15 million funded by a private special assessment of Downtown Property Owners. He reported that over the past year, the funding gap had disappeared thanks to other funding partners and Bexar County increasing their contribution to \$92 million. He stated that staff is recommending that the city drop the \$15 million requirement for the special assessment from Downtown Property Owners. He added that a Tri-Party Agreement among Bexar County, VIA and the City was no longer necessary due to the increase in Bexar County's Funding. He mentioned that 2 two-party agreements could be implemented; one between the City of San Antonio and VIA and one between Bexar County and VIA.

Mayor Castro asked if the city's contribution remained the same at \$40 million. Mr. Frisbie confirmed that the city's contribution remains at \$40 million. Mayor Castro asked of the other sources of funding that had been identified. Mr. Frisbie replied that Bexar County had increased their contribution from \$55 million to \$92 million and that the Federal Government had provided support as well. Mayor Castro asked if a Public Improvement District (PID) could be implemented in the future. Mr. Frisbie responded that a PID could be assessed in the future and that the Downtown Alliance was open to discussions regarding a PID or individual contributions from private property owners. Mayor Castro stated that private sector investment would be good for this project and should be pursued in some form.

Mayor Castro called upon the individuals registered to speak.

Bob Martin, President of the Homeowner Taxpayer Association expressed concern that the business community did not want to help fund the Streetcar Project. He stated that the citizens had voted against light rail which he compared to streetcars. He noted that the price of one mile of track for a streetcar was equivalent to the cost of 40 Primo Buses which run on natural gas and do not need new infrastructure to operate. He added that San Antonio had streetcars until 1933 at which time they were deemed obsolete.

Jack M. Finger spoke in opposition to the Streetcar Project and asked why the business community was no longer in support of the project. He stated that the city's contribution of \$40 million could be better spent and asked why the project was not put to a vote by the citizens.

Janet Ahmad gave her time to Bob Martin and he stated that he was looking forward to the next City Council Election. He asked if the City Councilmembers would let their constituents know that they voted in favor of streetcars.

Ben Brewer, President of the Downtown Alliance spoke in support of the amendments presented by staff. He stated that their membership has been supportive of this type of modality as an alternative means of transportation in the center city. He indicated that there would be opportunities for private sector involvement through sponsorships and he believed that there was strong private sector support for the project.

Ed Cross stated that he is a property owner in the Downtown Area and that his firm had constructed two projects in the Downtown Area that would be served by streetcars. He noted that more people are moving downtown and downsizing to one vehicle. He urged the City Council to support the amendments and stated that he is ready to write a check to support the project.

Councilmember Williams stated that he was not a fan of rail but was a fan of the city working on transportation issues. He noted that he believed that what the city had previously approved was a compromise and that the North/East Route was done well. He mentioned that Bexar County will not use Advanced Transportation District (ATD) Funds which he believed was the right thing to do. He spoke of the bus circulator for the East/West Line which would provide the opportunity to study the bus circulator concept. He indicated that he had compromised on the private support component and that the city was not committing any more money. He stated that what became important to him was that there should be commitment from the people that would benefit from the project. He noted that development was following incentives and was pleased with what was happening on Broadway. He stated that he believed that they should stay with the same plan.

Councilmember Williams moved to deny Item 16 and to reconfirm and preserve City Ordinance 2011-10-20-0846. Councilmember Soules seconded the motion.

Councilmember Lopez stated that the two top issues that emerged from SA2020 were Education and Transportation and spoke of the importance of leveraging funding among agencies to address same. He noted that there was no way that any one governmental entity could raise enough taxes or receive enough funding to fund a transportation project. He added that this was one of the multi-modal approaches that the city should take from a long-term perspective.

Councilmember Lopez moved to adopt the proposed Ordinance as presented by staff. Councilmember D. Medina seconded the motion.

Councilmember Soules stated that he had not voted for the project in the past and could not support it today. He noted that even though he did not support the initiative, he believed that private support was important. He indicated that there were greater needs within the General Fund that include parks, libraries, streets, drainage, and roads. He cautioned that the project could come in over budget even

though alternate funding had been identified. He added that he believed the issue should be put to a public vote.

Councilmember Chan asked if this particular development would benefit the private sector. Mr. Frisbie replied that due to the permanent nature of the rail system, he believed that economic development and redevelopment would occur among the stations and area. Councilmember Chan asked of the \$15 million commitment no longer needed from the private sector. Mr. Frisbie stated that the private sector funds were no longer needed as there had been a significant increase in funding from Bexar County. Councilmember Chan asked of the rationale for reducing the private sector contribution and not the city's contribution. Mr. Frisbie explained that under the current agreement, the city's \$40 million was contingent upon the \$15 million commitment from the private sector. City Manager Sculley stated that conditions for the East to North Route included a \$15 million investment from the private sector. Subsequent to the city's decision, VIA and Bexar County announced that they had full funding for the East to West Route which caused confusion for Downtown Property Owners. She added that she believed that the business community was supportive of the Streetcar Project but had not established how they could participate financially. Councilmember Chan stated that if it was an equity issue, then the city's contribution should also be reduced since the \$40 million was taxpayer money.

Councilmember Bernal clarified that the business community is very excited about streetcars. He noted that the County Commissioner that voted against the streetcar funding is now starting a business on Broadway. He stated that the city is getting twice the route for the same amount of money. He added that the Streetcar Project was part of a larger transportation plan and commended Bexar County for increasing their contribution. He indicated that there should be a different model in which the private sector can contribute in a way that is fair to everybody along the route. He added that it was important to improve the city's Downtown Area and move the city forward.

Councilmember Williams stated that he did not believe that the city was getting twice the amount of project for the same amount of money. He noted that it is through doing that we learn what works best and expressed concern with duplicating transportation services. He reiterated that the conditions have not changed.

Councilmember Soules expressed concern that the first plan was impossible to implement. He stated that staff should have done a better job of creating a program that brought in private investment dollars prior to the City Council voting on the project. He added that if there was a willingness from the property and business owners to invest in the project, the details should be locked down.

The motion by Councilmember Williams to deny the proposed Ordinance and reconfirm and preserve City Ordinance 2011-10-20-0846 seconded by Councilmember Soules was voted on first.

That motion failed by the following vote: **AYES:** Williams, Soules and Chan. **NAYS:** Bernal, Taylor, Ozuna, Saldaña, D. Medina, Lopez, C. Medina, and Mayor Castro. **ABSENT:** None.

The motion by Councilmember Lopez to adopt the proposed Ordinance as presented by staff seconded by Councilmember D. Medina was voted on at this time.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Bernal, Taylor, Ozuna, Saldaña, D. Medina, Lopez, C. Medina, and Mayor Castro. **NAYS:** Williams, Chan and Soules. **ABSENT:** None.

The City Clerk read the caption for Item 19:

**2013-01-10-0014**

Item 19. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO TO CONTINUE TO UTILIZE THE STATE OF TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION RESOURCES CONTRACTS TO PROVIDE THE CITY WITH TECHNOLOGY SERVICES AND EQUIPMENT FOR AN AMOUNT OF UP TO \$35,000,000.00 AS PROVIDED FOR IN THE FY 2013 BUDGET FOR HARDWARE, SOFTWARE, PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL SERVICES, TELECOMMUNICATION SERVICES, AS WELL AS MAINTENANCE AND SUPPORT.

Hugh Miller reported that said item authorized the city to leverage the State of Texas Contracts. He explained that the State has a Department of Information Resources (DIR) which annually distributes Request for Proposals (RFP) to allow vendors to propose contracts with the State. He noted that once established; the contracts are open to municipal governments to leverage. He added that the city had been using the DIR for several years for a great amount of IT Projects.

Councilmember Chan asked of the process. Mr. Miller responded that the city could leverage an existing contract or request a purchase through the State-Approved Vendors. He confirmed that prices were previously negotiated through the State but the city could negotiate a lower price based on the volume being purchased. Councilmember Chan asked if the city could receive better prices on its own. Mr. Miller replied that it would be difficult to do so because the prices offered to the State were based on the volume of the entities utilizing the contracts. Councilmember Chan asked of the budget for IT Capital Projects. Mr. Miller stated that the IT Budget consisted of two components: 1) Operating and 2) Capital. He indicated that the Capital Budget was utilized for technology projects for IT Infrastructure and Departmental Technology Enhancements. He noted that some departmental projects included funding to address IT issues and that IT Services were assessed to departments via a monthly fee. Councilmember Chan stated that she would like a better understanding of how IT Purchases are reconciled with the budget. She referenced the IT that would be provided for the Pre-K 4 SA Project and asked of the hiring of consultants. Mr. Miller replied that some of the funding would be utilized for outside consultants and could utilize the DIR for same. Councilmember Chan spoke of the City Council's work to promote utilizing local, small businesses and asked why the DIR would be utilized for consultants. Mr. Miller indicated that there were local, minority, small, women-owned businesses on the DIR Contract. Ben Gorzell added that city staff would look to utilize firms that met the Small Business Economic Development Advocacy (SBEDA) requirements. Councilmember Chan stated that staff should not overlook the opportunity to help local small businesses in the IT Industry.

Councilmember Chan moved to adopt the proposed Ordinance. Councilmember D. Medina seconded the motion.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Bernal, Taylor, Ozuna, Saldaña, D. Medina, Lopez, C. Medina, Chan, Soules, and Mayor Castro. **NAY:** None. **ABSENT:** Williams.

The City Clerk read the caption for Item 20:

**2013-01-10-0015**

**Item 20. AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AMENDMENTS TO THE INNER CITY REINVESTMENT INFILL POLICY (ICRIP) BOUNDARY.**

John Dugan stated that the amendments were pursuant to the Strategic Plan for Community Development and designed to promote redevelopment in the Inner City. He noted that they had worked with the Economic and Community Development Council Committee for six months to evaluate data and prioritize neighborhoods in terms of need for redevelopment. He added that they had worked with the City Councilmembers to identify specific locations and that the revised Inner City Reinvestment Infill Policy (ICRIP) Boundaries took all of the information into account.

Councilmember D. Medina thanked staff for their work and asked of the benefits that could be accessed by those in the ICRIP. Mr. Dugan replied that the primary benefit was a waiver of development fees. He stated that secondary benefits included tax abatements and other types of tax policies linked to ICRIP locations. Councilmember D. Medina asked for a map of current ICRIP Boundaries and how long it had existed. Mr. Dugan provided the current map and stated that it had been created in 2008-2009. Councilmember D. Medina spoke of the process to revise the ICRIP Boundaries and stated that this was a great example of working strategically to support economic redevelopment. He noted that he was pleased that the Westside Development Corporation remained within the boundaries and that it would be important to ensure that the information was conveyed to the community.

Councilmember Chan thanked staff for their work and stated that she was pleased with the revised boundaries. She added that the map was reduced from 23% to 18% and spoke of the need to reinvest in areas with the best return on investment.

Councilmember Soules asked of the Perrin Beitel Corridor. Mr. Dugan confirmed that both sides of the street were incorporated into the ICRIP Boundaries. Councilmember Soules stated that he was pleased with the Goal Setting Session held with the City Council and believed it should happen again. He added that this would be beneficial for the entire city and was very supportive.

Councilmember Bernal thanked staff for their work and added that it was nice to see things stretching across the city. Councilmember C. Medina added his thanks to the staff for working with him on same.

Councilmember D. Medina moved to adopt the proposed Ordinance. Councilmember Chan seconded the motion.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Bernal, Taylor, Ozuna, Saldaña, D. Medina, Lopez, C. Medina, Chan, Soules, and Mayor Castro. **NAY:** None. **ABSENT:** Williams.

**Item 21. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

**A. MUNICIPAL RETROFIT PROGRAM**

Ms. Sculley provided an update on the Municipal Facility Retrofit Program created by the Office of Sustainability. She reported that a primary phase of the program was implemented in January 2012 and concluded last month, retrofitting 103 facilities that include libraries, community centers and fire stations. She stated that improvements consisted of indoor and outdoor lighting retrofits; heating and

cooling equipment replacement; and solar window film installation. She noted that 249 improvements were accomplished and that operation and maintenance costs would be reduced due to same. She indicated that the retrofits were expected to reduce annual electricity by 6.3 million kilowatt hours equivalent to removing 450 homes from the energy grid in San Antonio. She mentioned that utility consumption was tracked at each facility in order to measure savings and that the savings would be annually transferred into a Revolving Energy Efficiency Fund during the budget process. She reported that additional projects were under development for 2013 and they looked forward to the next phase of the program.

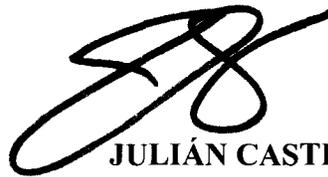
**POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE**

Mayor Castro recognized Councilmember Cris Medina who would be celebrating his birthday on January 14<sup>th</sup>. The City Council sang Happy Birthday to Councilmember C. Medina.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further discussion, Mayor Castro adjourned the meeting at 11:31 am.

**APPROVED**



**JULIÁN CASTRO  
MAYOR**

Attest:



**LETICIA M. VACEK, TRMC/MMC**  
City Clerk