

**--State of Texas County
of Bexar City of San
Antonio**



**Meeting Minutes City
Council A Session**

Municipal Plaza Building
114 W. Commerce Street San
Antonio, Texas 78205

2023 – 2025 Council Members

Mayor Ron Nirenberg
Dr. Sukh Kaur, Dist. 1 | Jalen McKee-Rodriguez, Dist. 2
Phyllis Viagran, Dist. 3 | Dr. Adriana Rocha Garcia, Dist. 4 Teri
Castillo, Dist. 5 | Melissa Cabello Havrda, Dist. 6 Marina
Alderete Gavito, Dist. 7 | Manny Pelaez, Dist. 8 John
Courage, Dist. 9 | Marc Whyte, Dist. 10

Thursday, September 19, 2024

9:00 AM

City Council Chambers

The City Council convened a regular meeting in the Norma S. Rodriguez Council Chamber in the Municipal Plaza Building beginning at 9:15 AM. City Clerk Debbie Racca-Sittre took the Roll Call noting a quorum with the following Council Members present:

PRESENT: 11 – Nirenberg, Kaur, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello Havrda, Alderete Gavito, Pelaez, Courage, Whyte

ABSENT: None

PROCEDURAL

1. Invocation

The invocation was delivered by Catholic Archbishop Gustavo Garcia Siller, guest of Mayor Ron Nirenberg.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Nirenberg led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag.

3. Approval of minutes for the City Council meetings of September 3, 2024; September 4, 2024; and September 5, 2024.

Councilmember Kaur moved to Approve the minutes of the September 3, 2024, September 4, 2024, and September 5, 2024 City Council meetings. Councilmember McKee-Rodriguez seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Kaur, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello
Havrda, Alderete Gavito, Courage, Whyte
Absent: Pelaez

POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

There were no ceremonial items.

ACTION ITEMS FOR STAFF BRIEFING

2024-09-19-0701

4. Ordinance adopting the Annual Consolidated Operating and Capital Budgets for the City of San Antonio Fiscal Year 2025 that begins October 1; approving projects included in the FY 2025 to FY 2029 Five-Year Infrastructure Management Plan; approving the FY 2025 to FY 2030 Six- Year Capital Improvements Program for the City of San Antonio; approving certain contracts; providing for a one-time annuity increase for retirees and their beneficiaries and a revision to the City's contribution rate in connection with the Texas Municipal Retirement System; authorizing personnel complements; appropriating funds; and amending related ordinances. [Erik Walsh, City Manager, Justina Tate, Director, Management & Budget]

Mayor Nirenberg requested a staff presentation on Items 4 through 10 simultaneously as they were all related. City Manager Erik Walsh outlined major components of the proposed FY 2025 Budget which included amendments added through Budget Work Session discussions including:

1. \$1,202,472 over two years to add one Local Government Corporation position to the Mayor's office and City Council Districts 3, 4, 6, 8, and 10.
2. \$600,000 over two years to provide seed funding to support the development of the Center for Health Equity in South Texas (CHEST) to address health disparities on the Southwest Side and East Side of San Antonio.
3. \$1,000,000 in FY 2025 to provide housing assistance for individuals on the verge of eviction or other forms of homelessness (rental assistance, utility assistance, etc.).
4. \$1,000,000 increase in FY 2025 to the Neighborhood Access and Mobility Program (NAMP) for each council district to receive an additional \$100,000.
5. \$300,000 over two years for University of Texas Health San Antonio Ricardo Salinas Pediatric Dentistry Clinic.

6. \$200,000 over two years to increase funding for the Cesar Chavez March from \$100,000 annually to \$200,000 annually.
7. \$100,000 over two years for Seniors in Play which was an increase from \$100,000 to \$150,000
8. \$300,000 in FY 2025 for Urban Tree Canopy
9. \$180,000 in FY 2025 for the Eastside Youth Content Creator Program
10. \$100,000 in FY 2025 for the Crisis Nursery Program feasibility study
11. \$29,701 in FY 2026 to be used toward the FY 2026 Budget deficit

Deputy City Manager Maria Villagomez thanked the City and Firefighter's negotiating team. She stated that the current Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) was awarded through arbitration and was set to expire on December 31, 2024. She reported that the parties began negotiating in February 2024 and reached a tentative agreement on August 23, 2024 after holding 12 negotiation sessions. Villagomez noted that the new three-year \$109.6 million agreement provided a 20% base wage increase over three years, reallocated certification pay to base wages, provided accountability in the City's sick leave process, offered a more robust parental leave benefit, and paved the way for discussions regarding more efficient and modern applicant processing and enhanced promotion processes.

City Manager Walsh noted that the Budget was balanced and did not require any new property taxes from residents. He warned that spending would need to be reduced in future years but noted that the City earned a high resident satisfaction rate and would continue to make responsible investments.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mayor Nirenberg took up public comment on Items 4 through 10 simultaneously.

Greater San Antonio Chamber of Commerce President Jeff Webster spoke in support of the Budget and CBA. Lily Teran, Alec Puente with American Heart Association, Hillary Lily with the Nature Conservancy Texas Chapter, Ismael Herrera with American Association of Retired Persons, Joey Pawlik with Activate SA and the San Antonio Complete Streets Coalition, Lori Day with Visibility SA, and Toni Harkins spoke in support of the City's Complete Streets policy.

Antonio Diaz and Diana Uriegas spoke in support of funding for homeless and displaced people in the Budget and in opposition to the use of taxpayer dollars to build a new baseball stadium. Uriegas opposed increasing taxes and property valuations.

Winslow Swart, Jim Harnish, and April Dickson spoke in support of funding for the San Antonio Philharmonic. Aidan Robinson representing the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees (AFSCME) Union spoke in support of salary increases for City employees included in the Budget.

Jack Finger recommended that City Council approve a tax cut and suggested cutting the Budget for Arts and Culture. Finger opposed increasing fees for burial transit permits, notary services, and

Emergency Medical Service transport.

DISCUSSION:

Mayor Nirenberg requested discussion on Items 4 through 10 simultaneously as they were all related.

Councilmember Viagran spoke in support of the Budget with no tax increase and highlighted investments in City infrastructure, complete streets, green infrastructure, Code Enforcement, the Father Roman Center, public safety with letters of support from seven Council District 3 neighborhood associations for new police officers, the Firefighter CBA and new fire stations, wage increases for City civilian employees, animal care services, and affordable housing.

Councilmember Pelaez spoke in support of the Budget and highlighted the work of the staff including negotiations on the CBA and the services provided by the delegate and arts agencies. He noted the hard work of CPS Energy. Councilmember Pelaez asked about the list of amendments and whether there was money for the philharmonic and wanted to discuss a lawsuit. City Manager Walsh stated that the Proposed Budget included \$111,000 for the SA Philharmonic and did not need to be an amendment because it was already there pending the agency's IRS-990. Segovia stated that any lawsuit needed to be discussed in Executive Session. Councilmember Pelaez supported funding for small businesses.

Councilmember Cabello Havrda spoke in support of spending on infrastructure, public safety, and parks as these were the top concerns voiced by residents. She supported the Complete Streets Policy and Multimodal Plan, funding for police proactive policy and new officers, and the Firefighter CBA and new firefighters, homelessness and housing, parks, streetlights, passports, and health services.

Councilmember Rocha Garcia spoke in support of new traffic signals, HVAC at libraries, playground shade structures, and sidewalk projects in Council District 4. She congratulated the Asian American Resource Center for receiving funding. Councilmember Rocha Garcia supported the Firefighter CBA and funding to upgrade fire protection in Council District 4 and the crisis nursery program. She was pleased to support the Community Health Committee (CHC) to ensure improved health access to residents south of Highway 90 and to promote equity.

Councilmember Whyte commented that the Budget was the most important action that the City Council took and spoke in support of spending money to directly impact residents quality of life through funding the new Firefighter CBA, 65 new police officers, infrastructure including the amended NAMP amounts, homeless encampment cleanup, redesign of Harry Wurzbach Parkway, continuation of extended hours for senior centers, parks, and the Asian Resource Center.

Councilmember Whyte supported using a hybrid Zero Based Budget (ZBB) Model for FY 2026.

Councilmember Alderete Gavito recommended that the Budget focus on core services such as infrastructure, public safety, and homeless services. She supported ZBB and additional funding for NAMP. She supported amendments 1, 2, 4, 7 and 8. Councilmember Alderete Gavito expressed support for San Antonio Firefighters and Police.

Councilmember Castillo was pleased there was a Youth Budget Town Hall. She supported additional funding for infrastructure such as streets and sidewalks, alley maintenance, pavement markings, school crossings, and signals. She supported funding for Urban Tree Canopy and the dental clinic.

Councilmember Castillo spoke in support of funding to address illegal dumping and recommended expansion of the San Antonio Fear Free Environment (SAFFE) Police Officer Program. She supported the San Antonio Firefighter Association CBA and Budget. Councilmember Castillo supported funding for the Philharmonic and asked if the Westside TIRZ could fund their request. She supported the crisis nursery program and extension of senior center hours.

Councilmember Courage commented that the Budget was a moral document and told the community how its government perceived their needs and wants. He recognized that there were 250,000 in San Antonio living in poverty and 60,000 families relied on the San Antonio Food Bank and seniors that received lunches every day. He noted that there were more youth today without opportunities turning to gangs and crime and supported reducing gun violence. He recommended creating more affordable housing for working families and for seniors on fixed incomes, and bringing more and better paying jobs. He supported improved education, healthcare, and reliable energy. Councilmember Courage acknowledged that the Budget was limited and called on partnerships with businesses, churches, and the State.

Councilmember Kaur spoke in support of the Budget and highlighted new shade structures in parks, library services, Solid Waste Management Services, Metro Health, Reproductive Justice Fund, the Neighborhood and Housing Services Department, bike facilities and movement toward Vision Zero, Department of Human Service's focus on homelessness and supportive housing, Asian Resource Center, and additional funding for the Kenwood Community Center.

Councilmember Kaur stated that Council District 1's priority was streets and sidewalks and recommended working collaboratively with utility partners to expedite projects and Public Works goals of now "F" streets and a sidewalk index. She indicated that it was imperative keep our small local businesses open. She recommended increasing spay/neuters and addressing loose dogs through Animal Care Services. Councilmember Kaur recommended development of strong evidence-based outcomes for our services including public safety. She recommended more assistance for mental health and home rehabilitation. She supported prioritizing tools to reach out to residents and the business community. Councilmember Kaur supported the Firefighter CBA.

Councilmember McKee-Rodriguez supported funding for infrastructure on the East Side of town including failed streets, sidewalks, bike facilities, lighting, parks, shaded playgrounds, bus stops, and community/senior centers. He supported protecting people from loose and dangerous dogs. He supported services for the homeless, but expressed concern that homeless persons were being swept away like trash.

Councilmember McKee-Rodriguez was happy for the seed money for CHEST, and funding for housing assistance programs, midnight basketball, and land bank to increase affordable housing. He recognized the Office for Integrated Community Safety and the funding of construction mitigation grants to small businesses as well as marketing internships. Councilmember McKee-Rodriguez was pleased that the new East and West Side spay/neuter clinics were opening and he was grateful for the Eastside Content Creator Funding and funding for the Cemetery Master Plan.

Mayor Nirenberg acknowledged that the City Council had reached consensus even though not everyone agreed on every single line item. Today was Mayor Nirenberg's twelfth and final City Budget and he thanked staff and council colleagues. Mayor Nirenberg supported 65 new police officers,

housing for 500 more residents, over 40,000 spay/neuter surgeries through ACS, and increased funding for infrastructure. He noted that this was the eighth year of a Budget with an equity framework that did not raise taxes and even provided relief for homeowners, seniors, and the disabled. He stated that there was a \$3 billion plan to assist 95,000 cost-burdened households within the operating fund and the Housing Bond. He noted that Ready to Work was a landmark program and the San Antonio International Airport was getting a makeover and Rapid Transit was underway. He stated that delivering a CBA with firefighters that honored their work and reflected the excellent relationship with unions was a testament to the City's commitment to safety.

Councilmember Cabello Havrda moved to Approve funding for Older Adults Technology Services (OATS). Councilmember Courage seconded the motion The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Kaur, McKee-Rodriguez, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello Havrda, Alderete Gavito, Pelaez, Courage, Whyte
Recuse: Viagran

Councilmember Cabello Havrda moved to Approve fFunding for Communities in Schools. Councilmember Courage seconded the motion The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Kaur, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Castillo, Cabello Havrda, Alderete Gavito, Pelaez, Courage, Whyte
Recuse: Rocha Garcia

Councilmember Rocha Garcia moved to Approve the funding in the Budget for Cesar E. Chavez Legacy and Education Foundation and Family Violence Prevention Services, Inc. Councilmember Cabello Havrda seconded the motion The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Kaur, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello Havrda, Alderete Gavito, Courage, Whyte
Recuse: Pelaez

Councilmember Cabello Havrda moved to Approve the funding in the Budget for BioMed SA Councilmember Rocha Garcia seconded the motion The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Aye: Kaur, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello Havrda, Alderete Gavito, Courage, Whyte
Recuse: Pelaez, Nirenberg

Councilmember Rocha Garcia moved to Approve the funding in the Budget for Las Casas Foundation, Mexican American Civil Rights Institute, Girl Scouts, H-E-B, Methodist Healthcare Ministries, Musical Bridges Around the World, Project Quest, and the Witte Museum.

Councilmember Cabello Havrda seconded the motion The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Aye: Kaur, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello Havrda, Alderete Gavito, Pelaez, Courage, Whyte
Recuse: Nirenberg

Councilmember Courage moved to Approve the balance of the Budget as presented. Councilmember Viagran seconded the motion The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Kaur, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello Havrda, Alderete Gavito, Pelaez, Courage, Whyte

2024-09-19-0702

5. Ordinance ratifying the adoption of the FY2025 Budget that will require raising more revenue from property taxes than in the FY2024 Budget. [Erik Walsh, City Manager, Justina Tate, Director, Management & Budget]

Councilmember Rocha Garcia moved to Approve. Councilmember Courage seconded the motion The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Kaur, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello Havrda, Alderete Gavito, Pelaez, Courage, Whyte

Discussion was included with Item 4.

2024-09-19-0703

6. Ordinance setting the Ad Valorem Tax Rate for Maintenance and Operation of the City of San Antonio at 33.009 cents per \$100 of taxable valuation for the Tax Year beginning on January 1, 2024 and ending on December 31, 2024. [Erik Walsh, City Manager, Justina Tate, Director, Management & Budget]

Councilmember Cabello Havrda moved to Approve. Councilmember Rocha Garcia seconded the motion The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Kaur, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello Havrda, Alderete Gavito, Pelaez, Courage, Whyte

Discussion was included with Item 4.

2024-09-19-0704

7. Ordinance setting the Ad Valorem City Property Tax Rate to pay the principal and interest on the funded debt of the City of San Antonio at 21.150 cents per \$100 of taxable valuation for the tax year beginning on January 1, 2024 and ending on December 31, 2024. [Erik Walsh, City Manager, Justina Tate, Director, Management & Budget]

Councilmember Rocha Garcia moved to Approve. Councilmember Courage seconded the motion The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Kaur, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello Havrda, Alderete Gavito, Pelaez, Courage, Whyte

Discussion was included with Item 4.

2024-09-19-0705

8. Ordinance amending fees as included within the fiscal year 2025 Budget within the General Fund and certain restricted funds and amending the City Code of San Antonio, Texas to reflect such changes. [Erik Walsh, City Manager, Justina Tate, Director, Management & Budget]

Councilmember Courage moved to Approve. Councilmember Pelaez seconded the motion The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Kaur, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello
Havrda, Alderete Gavito, Pelaez, Courage, Whyte

Discussion was included with Item 4.

2024-09-19-0706

9. Ordinance carrying forward certain FY 2024 Funds; amending prior appropriations; appropriating Funds for requirements in City projects and departments; and appropriating funds. [Erik Walsh, City Manager, Justina Tate, Director, Management & Budget]

Councilmember Pelaez moved to Approve. Councilmember Courage seconded the motion The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Kaur, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello
Havrda, Alderete Gavito, Pelaez, Courage, Whyte

Discussion was included with Item 4.

2024-09-19-0707

10. Ordinance authorizing the execution of a Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Local 624 International Association of Firefighters for a period to commence October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2027. [Erik Walsh, City Manager]

Councilmember Cabello Havrda moved to approve. Councilmember Pelaez seconded the motion The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Kaur, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello
Havrda, Pelaez, Courage, Whyte
Abstain: Alderete Gavito

Discussion was included with Item 4.

Councilmember Alderete Gavito noted that she was advised by the City Attorney's Office that she did not need to recuse from the vote on Item 10 because her brother was a firefighter and while she supported the contract, she felt more comfortable abstaining from the vote.

CONSENT AGENDA

Purchase of Services, Supplies and Equipment

- 11. 2024-09-19-0708**
Ordinance approving a contract with DécorIQ LLC for multicolor LED holiday lights for the City Center Development & Operations Department for a total cost of \$53,652. Funding is from the General Fund FY 2024 Adopted Budget. [Ben Gorzell Jr., Chief Financial Officer; Troy Elliott, Deputy Chief Financial Officer, Finance]

Councilmember McKee-Rodriguez moved to Approve on the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Viagran seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Kaur, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello
Havrda, Alderete Gavito, Pelaez, Courage, Whyte

- 12. 2024-09-19-0709**
Ordinance approving a contract with Pitney Bowes, Inc., for the purchase of two high-volume, turnkey mail systems and peripherals for the Finance Department, Print and Mail Operations, and maintenance and support for one year with two, one-year renewal options for an estimated total cost of \$191,000. Funding of \$121,000 for the initial 12-month period is from the FY 2024 Purchasing and General Service Fund operating Budget. Funding of \$35,000 annually for equipment maintenance and subscription fees for year two and three is contingent upon City Council approval of the annual Budget. [Ben Gorzell Jr., Chief Financial Officer; Troy Elliott, Deputy Chief Financial Officer, Finance]

Councilmember McKee-Rodriguez moved to Approve on the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Viagran seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Kaur, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello
Havrda, Alderete Gavito, Pelaez, Courage, Whyte

- 13. 2024-09-19-0710**
Ordinance approving the following contracts establishing unit prices for goods and services for an estimated cost of \$53,000 annually, included in the respective department's FY 2024 Adopted Budget: (A) Rapiscan Systems, Inc., for maintenance and support for X-ray machines at various City facilities; and (B) Quickseries Publishing, Inc., for the Ready South Texas Mobile Application for the San Antonio Fire Department, Office of Emergency Management. [Ben Gorzell Jr., Chief Financial Officer; Troy Elliott, Deputy Chief Financial Officer, Finance]

Councilmember McKee-Rodriguez moved to Approve on the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Viagran seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Kaur, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello
Havrda, Alderete Gavito, Pelaez, Courage, Whyte

Capital Improvements

- 14. 2024-09-19-0711**
Ordinance awarding the 2024 - 2026 Task Order Contract for Traffic Construction in the amount not to exceed \$3,518,725 to E-Z Bel Construction, LLC for neighborhood traffic calming construction projects and other traffic-related projects located citywide. Funding is from the General Fund, Advanced Transportation District Fund and included in the FY 2024 – FY 2029 Capital Improvement

Program. Funding for FY 2025 is contingent upon the approval of the FY 2025 Proposed Budget and future appropriations. [John Peterek, Interim Assistant City Manager; Razi Hosseini, Director, Public Works]

Councilmember McKee-Rodriguez moved to Approve on the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Viagran seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Kaur, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello
Havrda, Alderete Gavito, Pelaez, Courage, Whyte

15. 2024-09-19-0712

Ordinance awarding the 2025 Task Order Contract for Pavement Markings, Package A in an amount not to exceed \$4,591,271 to M & M Striping & Power Washing, LLC for roadway pavement markings located citywide. Funding is from the General Fund and Advanced Transportation District Fund contingent upon the approval of the FY 2025 Proposed Budget. [John Peterek, Interim Assistant City Manager; Razi Hosseini, Director, Public Works]

Councilmember McKee-Rodriguez moved to Approve on the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Viagran seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Kaur, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello
Havrda, Alderete Gavito, Pelaez, Courage, Whyte

16. 2024-09-19-0713

Ordinance awarding the 2025 Task Order Contract for Pavement Markings, Package B in an amount not to exceed \$4,591,271 to M & M Striping & Power Washing, LLC for roadway pavement markings located citywide. Funding is from the General Fund and Advanced Transportation District Fund contingent upon the approval of the FY 2025 Proposed Budget. [John Peterek, Interim Assistant City Manager; Razi Hosseini, Director, Public Works]

Councilmember McKee-Rodriguez moved to Approve on the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Viagran seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Kaur, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello
Havrda, Alderete Gavito, Pelaez, Courage, Whyte

17. 2024-09-19-0714

Ordinance awarding the 2024 Street Rehabilitation Task Order Contract Package 16 to Clark Construction of Texas, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$2,245,415.39, of which \$29,400 will be reimbursed by San Antonio Water System (SAWS) and \$3,500 will be reimbursed by CPS Energy for necessary adjustments to their existing infrastructure. Funding is from the General Fund, Advanced Transportation District Fund, 2022 General Obligation Bond Program, debt proceeds, and other funding sources included in the FY 2024 – FY 2029 Capital Improvement Program. [John Peterek, Interim Assistant City Manager; Razi Hosseini, Director, Public Works]

Councilmember McKee-Rodriguez moved to Approve on the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Viagran seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Kaur, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello
Havrda, Alderete Gavito, Pelaez, Courage, Whyte

18. 2024-09-19-0715

Ordinance awarding the 2025 Street Rehabilitation Task Order Contract Package 1 to J&P Paving Co., Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$7,988,841.95, of which \$113,858 will be reimbursed by San Antonio Water System (SAWS) and \$9,375 will be reimbursed by CPS Energy for necessary adjustments to their existing infrastructure. Funding is from the General Fund, the Advanced Transportation District Fund, debt proceeds, or other funding sources contingent upon the approval of the FY 2025 Proposed Budget. [John Peterek, Interim Assistant City Manager; Razi Hosseini, Director, Public Works]

Councilmember McKee-Rodriguez moved to Approve on the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Viagran seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Kaur, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello
Havrda, Alderete Gavito, Pelaez, Courage, Whyte

19. 2024-09-19-0716

Ordinance awarding the 2025 Street Rehabilitation Task Order Contract Package 2 to Clark Construction of Texas, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$8,111,371, of which \$144,250 will be reimbursed by San Antonio Water System (SAWS) and \$10,000 will be reimbursed by CPS Energy for necessary adjustments to their existing infrastructure. Funding is from the General Fund, the Advanced Transportation District Fund, debt proceeds, or other funding sources contingent upon the approval of the FY 2025 Proposed Budget. [John Peterek, Interim Assistant City Manager; Razi Hosseini, Director, Public Works]

Councilmember McKee-Rodriguez moved to Approve on the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Viagran seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Kaur, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello
Havrda, Alderete Gavito, Pelaez, Courage, Whyte

20. 2024-09-19-0717

Ordinance awarding the 2025 Street Rehabilitation Task Order Contract Package 3 to J&P Paving Co., Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$7,918,616.95, of which \$113,858 will be reimbursed by San Antonio Water System (SAWS) and \$9,375 will be reimbursed by CPS Energy for necessary adjustments to their existing infrastructure. Funding is from the General Fund, the Advanced Transportation District Fund, debt proceeds, or other funding sources contingent upon the approval of the FY 2025 Proposed Budget. [John Peterek, Interim Assistant City Manager; Razi Hosseini, Director, Public Works]

Councilmember McKee-Rodriguez moved to Approve on the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Viagran seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Kaur, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello
Havrda, Alderete Gavito, Pelaez, Courage, Whyte

21.

2024-09-19-0718

Ordinance awarding the 2025 Street Rehabilitation Task Order Contract Package 4 to Clark Construction of Texas, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$6,753,747 of which \$166,250 will be reimbursed by San Antonio Water System (SAWS) and \$10,000 will be reimbursed by CPS Energy for necessary adjustments to their existing infrastructure. Funding is from the General Fund, the Advanced Transportation District Fund, debt proceeds, or other funding sources contingent upon the approval of the FY 2025 Proposed Budget. [John Peterek, Interim Assistant City Manager; Razi Hosseini, Director, Public Works]

Councilmember McKee-Rodriguez moved to Approve on the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Viagran seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Kaur, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello
Havrda, Alderete Gavito, Pelaez, Courage, Whyte

22.

2024-09-19-0719

Ordinance awarding the 2025 Street Rehabilitation Task Order Contract Package 5 to F.D. Concrete, LLC in an amount not to exceed \$1,354,777, of which \$38,557 will be reimbursed by San Antonio Water System (SAWS) and \$250 will be reimbursed by CPS Energy for necessary adjustments to their existing infrastructure. Funding is from the General Fund, the Advanced Transportation District Fund, debt proceeds, or other funding sources contingent upon the approval of the FY 2025 Proposed Budget. [John Peterek, Interim Assistant City Manager; Razi Hosseini, Director, Public Works]

Councilmember McKee-Rodriguez moved to Approve on the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Viagran seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Kaur, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello
Havrda, Alderete Gavito, Pelaez, Courage, Whyte

23.

2024-09-19-0720

Ordinance awarding the 2025 Task Order Contract for Flatwork and Street Improvements Package 1 to San Antonio Concepts Construction, LLC in an amount not to exceed \$5,168,025 of which \$374,400 will be reimbursed by San Antonio Water System (SAWS) for necessary adjustments to their existing infrastructure. Funding is from the General Fund, the Advanced Transportation District Fund and other funding sources contingent upon the approval of the FY 2025 Proposed Budget. [John Peterek, Interim Assistant City Manager; Razi Hosseini, Director, Public Works]

Councilmember McKee-Rodriguez moved to Approve on the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Viagran seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Kaur, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello
Havrda, Alderete Gavito, Pelaez, Courage, Whyte

24.

2024-09-19-0721

Ordinance awarding the 2025 Task Order Contract for Flatwork and Street Improvements Package 2 to San Antonio Concepts Construction, LLC in an amount not to exceed \$4,966,423 of which \$248,350 will be reimbursed by San Antonio Water System (SAWS) for necessary adjustments to their existing infrastructure. Funding is from the General Fund, the Advanced Transportation District Fund and other funding sources contingent upon the approval of the FY 2025 Proposed Budget. [John Peterek, Interim Assistant City Manager; Razi Hosseini, Director, Public Works]

Councilmember McKee-Rodriguez moved to Approve on the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Viagran seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Kaur, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello
Havrda, Alderete Gavito, Pelaez, Courage, Whyte

25.

2024-09-19-0722

Ordinance awarding the 2025 Task Order Contract for Flatwork and Street Improvements Package 3 to Rucoba & Maya Construction, LLC in an amount not to exceed \$4,892,073.08 of which \$193,650 will be reimbursed by San Antonio Water System (SAWS) for necessary adjustments to their existing infrastructure. Funding is from the General Fund, the Advanced Transportation District Fund and other funding sources contingent upon the approval of the FY 2025 Proposed Budget. [John Peterek, Interim Assistant City Manager; Razi Hosseini, Director, Public Works]

Councilmember McKee-Rodriguez moved to Approve on the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Viagran seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Kaur, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello
Havrda, Alderete Gavito, Pelaez, Courage, Whyte

26.

2024-09-19-0723

Ordinance awarding the 2024 Non-Service Alley Improvements Task Order Contract Package B to Platinum Paving LLC in an amount not to exceed \$1,895,979.60. Funding of \$100,000 is from the General Fund included in the FY 2024 – FY 2029 Capital Improvement Program, and \$1,795,979.60 will be available from the General Fund contingent upon the approval of the FY 2025 Proposed Budget. [John Peterek, Interim Assistant City Manager; Razi Hosseini, Director, Public Works]

Councilmember McKee-Rodriguez moved to Approve on the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Viagran seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Kaur, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello
Havrda, Alderete Gavito, Pelaez, Courage, Whyte

27.

2024-09-19-0724

Ordinance approving a task order to a Job Order Contract with Amstar Inc, in the amount of \$650,000, for the Citywide Public Health and Safety Facility & Resiliency Improvements (Buena Vista Clinic) project. Funding is from 2022 General Obligation Bond funds included in the FY 2024 – FY 2029 Capital Improvements Program. [John Peterek, Interim Assistant City Manager; Razi Hosseini,

Director, Public Works]

Councilmember McKee-Rodriguez moved to Approve on the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Viagran seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Kaur, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello
Havrda, Alderete Gavito, Pelaez, Courage, Whyte

28. 2024-09-19-0725

Ordinance approving a task order to a Job Order Contract with Amstar Inc in the amount of \$1,214,994.92 for the Consolidated Rental Agency Center (ConRAC) Upgrades project. Funding is from Customer Facility Charge Revenue Bonds included in the FY 2024 – FY 2029 Capital Improvement Program. [John Peterek, Interim Assistant City Manager; Razi Hosseini, Director, Public Works]

Councilmember McKee-Rodriguez moved to Approve on the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Viagran seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Kaur, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello
Havrda, Alderete Gavito, Pelaez, Courage, Whyte

29. 2024-09-19-0726

Ordinance approving a Public Highway At-Grade Crossing Agreement between the City of San Antonio and the Union Pacific Railroad Company in the total amount not-to-exceed \$238,475 for supplemental work related to the Fredericksburg Road (North Flores Street to West Woodlawn Avenue) project. Funding is from 2017 General Obligation Bond funds included in the FY 2024 – FY 2029 Capital Improvements Program. [John Peterek, Interim Assistant City Manager; Razi Hosseini, Director, Public Works]

Councilmember McKee-Rodriguez moved to Approve on the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Viagran seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Kaur, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello
Havrda, Alderete Gavito, Pelaez, Courage, Whyte

Grant Applications and Awards

30. 2024-09-19-0727

Ordinance authorizing the acceptance of additional funds up to \$636,185 for a total amount up to \$3,729,636 from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Office of Grants Services, for the City of San Antonio Metropolitan Health District's Immunization and Vaccines for Children Program for the period July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025, and authorizing a revised program Budget and existing staff positions. [Erik Walsh, City Manager; Claude A. Jacob, Director, Health]

Councilmember McKee-Rodriguez moved to Approve on the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Viagran seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Kaur, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello
Havrda, Alderete Gavito, Pelaez, Courage, Whyte

31. 2024-09-19-0728

An ordinance authorizing the acceptance of the San Antonio First Responders Comprehensive Addiction and Recovery Project Grant (CARA) from the Department of Health and Human Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, in the amount not to exceed \$3,123,656.00 for the period of October 1, 2024 to September 30, 2028. This ordinance also authorizes an Interlocal agreement with the Southwest Texas Regional Advisory Council (STRAC). [María Villagómez, Deputy City Manager; Christopher Monestier, Interim Fire Chief]

Councilmember Castillo highlighted her support for the Item.

Councilmember McKee-Rodriguez moved to Approve on the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Viagran seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Kaur, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello
Havrda, Alderete Gavito, Pelaez, Courage, Whyte

Boards, Commissions and Committee Appointments

32. Approving the reappointment of Josie Uriegas Martinez (District 3) to the San Antonio Public Library Board of Trustees for the remainder of a term of office to expire on September 30, 2025. [Debbie Racca-Sittre, City Clerk]

Councilmember McKee-Rodriguez moved to Approve on the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Viagran seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Kaur, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello
Havrda, Alderete Gavito, Pelaez, Courage, Whyte

Miscellaneous

33. 2024-09-19-0729

Ordinance approving the levy of a special assessment for the Downtown Public Improvement District ("PID"); Levying an assessment rate for Fiscal Year 2025 at \$0.15 per \$100.00 value of commercial real property in the PID and \$0.09 per \$100.00 value of residential properties, except for those subject to a homestead exemption where the assessment rate shall be \$0.045 per \$100.00 value; and approving the Fiscal Year 2025 service and assessment plan for the PID. [Lori Houston, Assistant City Manager; John Jacks, Director, Center City Development & Operations]

Item 33 included a Public Hearing. No members of the public spoke on the Item.

Councilmember McKee-Rodriguez moved to Approve. Councilmember Viagran seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Kaur, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello

Havrda, Alderete Gavito, Pelaez, Courage, Whyte

34. 2024-09-19-0730

Ordinance approving the Investment Policy and Strategy for the City of San Antonio, Texas, as recognized by the Texas Public Funds Investment Act (the “Act”); designating certain employees as Investment Officers for the City of San Antonio; and providing an effective date. [Ben Gorzell, Jr., Chief Financial Officer, Troy Elliott, Deputy Chief Financial Officer]

Councilmember McKee-Rodriguez moved to Approve on the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Viagran seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Kaur, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello
Havrda, Alderete Gavito, Pelaez, Courage, Whyte

35. 2024-09-19-0731

Ordinance approving a contract with Raftelis Financial Consultants, Inc., for the development and implementation of a Storm Water Utility Fee (SWUF) technology system for the Public Works Department for a one-year period with four additional one-year renewal options for an estimated first year cost of \$350,000, and the total cost of \$830,000. Funding is from the Storm Water Operating Fund FY 2024 Adopted Budget. Funding for subsequent years is contingent upon City Council approval of the annual Budget. [Ben Gorzell Jr., Chief Financial Officer; Troy Elliott, Deputy Chief Financial Officer, Finance]

Councilmember McKee-Rodriguez moved to Approve on the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Viagran seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Kaur, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello
Havrda, Alderete Gavito, Pelaez, Courage, Whyte

36. 2024-09-19-0732

Ordinance approving an agreement with the Food Policy Council of San Antonio, Inc. for the implementation of the Urban Farming Pilot Program, as part of the City of San Antonio Metropolitan Health District’s Community Health & Safety Division in an amount up to \$60,000 for a term beginning upon execution through September 30, 2025. Funding is from the General Fund FY 2024 Adopted Budget. [Erik Walsh, City Manager; Claude A. Jacob, Director, Health]

Jack Finger spoke in opposition to the Item.

Councilmember McKee-Rodriguez moved to Approve on the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Viagran seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Kaur, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello
Havrda, Alderete Gavito, Pelaez, Courage, Whyte

37. 2024-09-19-0733

Ordinance amending the agreement with Communities in Schools of San Antonio, as part of the City of San Antonio Metropolitan Health District’s SA Forward Plan to continue school-based counseling services for youth impacted by violence, for an additional amount up to \$81,000, increasing the total

contract amount to \$481,000 and extending the term through January 15, 2025. Funding is from the General Fund FY 2025 Proposed Budget. [Erik Walsh, City Manager; Claude A. Jacob, Director, Health]

Councilmember Rocha Garcia pulled the Item from the Consent Agenda in order to recuse.

Councilmember Kaur highlighted her support for the Item.

Councilmember Viagran moved to Approve. Councilmember Kaur seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Kaur, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Castillo, Cabello Havrda, Alderete Gavito, Pelaez, Courage, Whyte
Recuse: Rocha Garcia

38. 2024-09-19-0734

Ordinance approving an agreement with the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio to provide dental treatment for children referred by the San Antonio Metropolitan Health District's Oral Health program in an amount up to \$225,580 for the term September 1, 2024 through August 31, 2025, with options to renew for three, one-year terms for a total amount up to \$705,580, inclusive of renewals. Funding of \$71,500 is from the General Fund FY 2024 Adopted Budget; \$61,580 is from the Title V Dental Program grant; and \$92,500 is from the Medicaid Waiver 1115 grant in the FY 2025 Proposed Budget contingent upon City Council approval. Funding for subsequent years is contingent upon availability of grant funds and City Council approval of the annual Budget and funds. [Erik Walsh, City Manager; Claude A. Jacob, Director, Health]

Councilmember Castillo highlighted her support for the Item.

Councilmember McKee-Rodriguez moved to Approve on the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Viagran seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Kaur, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello Havrda, Alderete Gavito, Pelaez, Courage, Whyte

39. 2024-09-19-0735

Ordinance approving an agreement with the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio for Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments Laboratory Director services for the City of San Antonio Metropolitan Health District's Laboratory Services Branch in an amount up to \$192,000 for the term October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2034. Funding for the initial year is from the General Fund FY 2025 Proposed Budget. Funding for subsequent years is contingent upon City Council approval of the annual Budget. [Erik Walsh, City Manager; Claude A. Jacob, Director, Health]

Councilmember McKee-Rodriguez moved to Approve on the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Viagran seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Kaur, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello

40. 2024-09-19-0736

Ordinance approving a Chapter 380 Economic Development Agreement between the City of San Antonio and Forward Progress Arts & Entertainment in an amount up to \$175,145 for the Eastside Youth Content Creators Fall 2024 Program. Funding is from the Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone No. 11 - Inner City. [Lori Houston, Assistant City Manager; Veronica Garcia, Director, Neighborhood and Housing Services Department]

Jack Finger spoke in opposition to the Item.

Councilmember McKee-Rodriguez highlighted his support for the Item.

Councilmember McKee-Rodriguez moved to Approve on the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Viagran seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Kaur, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello
Havrda, Alderete Gavito, Pelaez, Courage, Whyte

41. 2024-09-19-0737

Ordinance approving two Interlocal Agreements with the U.S. Department of the Interior U.S. Geological Survey for the City of San Antonio to grant right-of-entry permission for the installation and maintenance of gauging stations at Leon Creek at Morey Road and Indian Creek at Medina Base Road. [John Peterek, Interim Assistant City Manager; Razi Hosseini, Director, Public Works]

Councilmember McKee-Rodriguez moved to Approve on the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Viagran seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Kaur, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello
Havrda, Alderete Gavito, Pelaez, Courage, Whyte

42. 2024-09-19-0738

Ordinance approving the purchase of commercial insurance policies for City operations for a one- year period effective October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2025, in an amount not to exceed \$1,767,357. Funding of \$666,424 is from the Workers' Compensation Fund and \$1,100,933 is from the Liability Insurance Fund and is contingent upon City Council approval of the FY 2025 Proposed Budget. [Ben Gorzell Jr., Chief Financial Officer; Debra M. Ojo, Director, Office of Risk Management]

Councilmember McKee-Rodriguez moved to Approve on the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Viagran seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Kaur, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello
Havrda, Alderete Gavito, Pelaez, Courage, Whyte

City Manager's Report

43. City Manager's Report

There was no City Manager Report.

Executive Session

Mayor Nirenberg recessed the meeting into Executive Session at 11:54 a.m. to discuss the following:

- A. Economic development negotiations pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.087 (economic development).
- B. The purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.072 (real property).
- C. Legal issues related to litigation involving the City pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071 (consultation with attorney).
- D. Legal issues related to emergency preparedness pursuant to Texas Government Code Sec. 551.071 (consultation with attorney).
- E. Legal issues related to collective bargaining pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071 (consultation with attorney).

Mayor Nirenberg reconvened the meeting in Open Session at 12:22 p.m. and announced that no official action had been taken in Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 12:22 p.m.

Approved

Ron Nirenberg Mayor

**Debbie Racca-Sittre
City Clerk**