

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



**Meeting Minutes  
Public Comment 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

**Wednesday, February 26, 2025**

**5:00 PM**

**City Council Chambers**

The City Council convened the Public Comment Session in the Norma S. Rodriguez Council Chamber in the Municipal Plaza Building beginning at 5:00 p.m. City Clerk Debbie Racca-Sittre took the Roll Call with the following Council Members present:

**PRESENT: 8** – Kaur, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Pelaez, Courage, Whyte

**ABSENT: 3** - Nirenberg, Cabello Havrda, Alderete Gavito

**PUBLIC HEARING**

1. Public Hearing for proposed Substantial Amendment #2 to the HOME-American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP) Allocation Plan for the reprogramming of \$1,830,407 from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). [Lori Houston, Assistant City Manager; Melody Woosley, Director, Human Services]

Mayor Pro-Tem Kaur called the Public Hearing to order at 5:17 p.m.

City Clerk Debbie Racca-Sittre read the caption for the Item.

Mayor Pro-Tem Kaur invited members of the public to speak. No members of the public spoke on the Item.

Having heard all comments from those persons wishing to speak, Mayor Pro-Tem Kaur closed the hearing at 5:18 p.m.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

2. Public Comment is your opportunity to address your City of San Antonio elected officials directly about issues that are important to you and your community. To sign up to speak visit [www.saspeakup.com](http://www.saspeakup.com). Click on meetings and events and select the meeting you'd like to participate in. Sign up to speak or submit a written comment. NOTE: Speaker registration closes 15 minutes before the start of the meeting. Members of the public are given up to three minutes to speak, and groups are given up to nine minutes.

Jesse Ortega complained about loud noises and traffic in the Lavaca Neighborhood.

Carl Merkle stated that he had been kidnapped and was a victim of white collar crime and the justice system.

Martha Huerta asked the City Council to help her son get out of detention and she noted that she was evicted as a result of his incarceration.

Nikolaj Zbikowski expressed concerns regarding civil rights violations and his involuntary commitment to the San Antonio State Hospital.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further comment, the meeting was adjourned at 5:29 p.m.

**Approved**

**Ron Nirenberg  
Mayor**

**Debbie Racca-Sittre  
City Clerk**