

THIS IS A PROPOSED DRAFT AND WILL BE REPLACED BY THE FINAL, SIGNED ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL.

AN ORDINANCE

ADOPTING THE ANNEXATION AND GROWTH MANAGEMENT POLICY AS A COMPONENT OF THE CITY'S COMPREHENSIVE MASTER PLAN.

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WHEREAS, the City of San Antonio's SA Tomorrow Comprehensive Plan, adopted August 11, 2016 by Ordinance 2016-08-11-0590, included an updated *Annexation Policy, Program, and Plan*; and

WHEREAS, changes to state law in 2017 (Senate Bill 6) and 2019 (House Bill 47) prevents Texas cities from unilaterally managing growth in the extraterritorial jurisdiction through strategic annexation, thus rendering the *2016 Annexation Policy, Program, and Plan* ineffective; and

WHEREAS, the City began updating its policy in 2019 to conform to the changes in state law and through extensive public process developed the Annexation and Growth Management Policy; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission and City Council have been briefed on the draft Annexation and Growth Management Policy document and have considered public comments and proposed changes to the draft document; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 213 of the Texas Local Government Code provides that the Comprehensive Master Plan may consist of a coordinated set of plans organized by subject and geographic area, and may be adopted and amended by ordinance following a public hearing and review by the Planning Commission; and

WHEREAS, the San Antonio Planning Commission has reviewed the Annexation and Growth Management Policy and found the plan to be consistent with City policies, plans, and regulations, therefore meeting all requirements; and

WHEREAS, the San Antonio Planning Commission held a public hearing on July 26, 2023 at which time the public was given the opportunity to give testimony and present written evidence; and

WHEREAS, the San Antonio Planning Commission recommended adoption of the Annexation and Growth Management Policy with revisions; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends adoption of the Annexation and Growth Management Policy with the Planning Commission revisions; **NOW THEREFORE;**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

SECTION 1. The Annexation and Growth Management Policy is hereby adopted as a component to the City's SA Tomorrow Comprehensive Plan.

SECTION 2. The Annexation and Growth Management Policy is adopted as presented.

SECTION 3. The 2016 *Annexation Policy, Program, and Plan*, adopted August 11, 2016 by Ordinance 2016-08-11-0590, is hereby superseded by the Annexation and Growth Management Policy.

SECTION 4. The Annexation and Growth Management Policy is attached as **Attachment I**.

SECTION 5. This ordinance shall take effect on September 10, 2023.

PASSED AND APPROVED on this 31st day of August 2023.

M A Y O R
Ron Nirenberg

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Debbie Racca-Sittre, City Clerk

Andrew Segovia, City Attorney