State of Texas
County of Bexar
City of San Antonio

Meeting Minutes
Public Comment Session

City Hall Complex
San Antonio, Texas 78205

2021 – 2023 Council Members
Mayor Ron Nirenberg
Mario Bravo, 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
Ana Sandoval, Dist. 7 | Manny Pelaez, Dist. 8
John Courage, Dist. 9 | Clayton Perry, Dist. 10

| **Wednesday, November 17, 2021** | **5:00 PM** | **Municipal Plaza Building** |

The City Council convened a regular meeting in the Norma S. Rodriguez Council Chamber in the Municipal Plaza Building beginning at 5:42 PM. Interim City Clerk Debbie Racca-Sittre took the Roll Call noting aquorum with the following Council Members present:

PRESENT: 5 - Bravo, Rocha Garcia, Sandoval, Courage, Perry

ABSENT: 6 – Nirenberg, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Castillo, Cabello Havrda, Pelaez

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. 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, please go to www.sanantonio.gov/agenda and click on the eComment link for instructions. Members of the public are given up to three minutes to speak, and groups are given up to nine minutes.

Jack M. Finger spoke against expanding sexual orientation regulations. He noted that most residents of San Antonio did not like immoral initiatives.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further discussion, Mayor Pro-Tem Perry adjourned the meeting at 5:28 pm.

Approved

Ron Nirenberg
Mayor

Attest:
Debbie Racca-Sittre
Interim City Clerk

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Trae Johnson

November 16th 2021, 3:08 pm

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