

**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, April 17, 2024

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 5:49 PM. City Clerk Debbie Racca-Sittre took the Roll Call with the following Council Members present:

PRESENT: 7 – Nirenberg, Kaur, McKee-Rodriguez, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Pelaez, Courage

ABSENT: 4 - Viagran, Cabello Havrda, Alderete Gavito, Whyte

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 visit 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.

Guillermo Vazquez, representing the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal

Employees (AFSCME) Union spoke in support of removing the political activity prohibition for City employees from the City Charter through the charter amendment process.

Laura Linam spoke regarding dangerous dogs and requested more assistance for Animal Care Services. Marisela Martinez supported the Animal Care Services Strategic Plan.

Stephanie Garcia, Skylar Newman, Rose Hill, Kenneth Spradley, Misty Huggins, and Marisela Martinez spoke in support of keeping the horse drawn-carriages downtown.

Joshua Hinson spoke in support of his sidewalk chalk art and against the art being washed away downtown.

Deforest Dorroh, Jr. a UPS driver, requested that City Council create programs to combat road rage and suggested alternatives to alleviate traffic.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further public comment, the meeting was adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Approved

**Ron Nirenberg
Mayor**

**Debbie Racca-Sittre
City Clerk**