

City of San Antonio



Minutes Intergovernmental Relations Committee

Wednesday, February 9, 2022

10:00 AM

Municipal Plaza Building

Members Present: Manny Pelaez, *Chair*
Jalen McKee-Rodriguez, *Member*
Dr. Adriana RochaGarcia, *Member*
Marialyn Barnard, *Member*

Members Absent: Justin Rodriguez *Co-Chair*
Clayton Perry, *Member*

Approval of Minutes

1. **Approval of minutes from the January 12, 2022 meeting of the Intergovernmental Relations Committee.**

Councilmember McKee moved to approve the minutes of the January 12, 2022 Intergovernmental Relations Committee Meeting. Councilmember Rocha Garcia seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously by those present.

Briefing and Possible Action on

Item 3 was addressed at this time.

3. **Briefing on a request from Emergency Services District (ESD) No. 11 to incur debt of up to \$9.5 million for development and construction of a new fire station and purchase of supporting vehicles.** [Jeff Coyle, Assistant City Manager; Sally Basurto, Director, Department of Government Affairs]

Sally Basurto, Intergovernmental Affairs Director, provided a briefing on the request from Emergency Services District (ESD) No. 11 to incur debt of up to \$9.5 million for development and construction of a new fire station and purchase of supportive vehicles. Basurto provided an overview of the request, history and implications to the City of San Antonio related to the funding request. Basurto noted that the Planning

Department, Fire Department and SAPD had reviewed the request and staff supported the request.

Chair Pelaez stated that the Members of the Intergovernmental Relations Committee (IGR) would meet to review the Emergency Services District No. 11 request to incur debt. Chair Pelaez stated that the Bexar County members of the IGR would not be voting on the Item.

Councilmember Rocha Garcia moved to recommend and forward approval of the ESD No. 11 to incur debt to City Council for consideration. Councilmember McKee-Rodriguez seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously by those present.

2. Briefing on the implementation of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law and the San Antonio region's strategies. [Jeff Coyle, Assistant City Manager; Sally Basurto, Director, Department of Government Affairs]

Assistant City Manager Jeff Coyle introduced the briefing and provided an overview of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) Update. Coyle noted that the update included bi-partisan Infrastructure Executive Roundtable Committee meetings to discuss the law updates and consensus on funding opportunities.

Sally Basurto, Intergovernmental Affairs Director, provided an overview of the BIL to include an update on the FY22 RAISE application process and timeline; BIL Pursuit Strategies; and overview of the Infrastructure Executive Roundtable. Basurto noted that this process had been closely collaborated with Brooks Development Authority. Basurto introduced Leo Gomez, CEO of the Brooks Development Authority.

Gomez provided an overview of the infrastructure projects reviewed for the RAISE application consideration. Gomez reviewed the proposed Sidney Brooks complete street project and reviewed the social and economic impact of the reconstruction project and the project timeline which included application submission by April 14, 2022 and a potential award announcement in August 2022.

Commissioner Barnard stated that the Sidney Brooks project would provide great opportunity for the Brooks Development Authority area and noted her support of the project.

Councilmember McKee-Rodriguez noted his support for the application and proposed project.

Chair Pelaez stated that the Brooks Development Authority area had experienced great improvements and economic growth to the City of San Antonio and expressed his support of the proposed application and project. Chair Pelaez reiterated the importance of having all partners to include SAWS and CPS-Energy providing their support to these projects and assuring that lobbying was performed to demonstrate support.

Basurto provided an overview of the United States Conference of Mayors (USCM) meetings with legislatures. She provided a summary of the USCM meetings with administration officials to include U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, U.S. Department of Transportation, U.S.

Department of Labor, Federal Aviation Administration and other agencies. Basurto noted that the City of San Antonio was highlighted at the USMC.

Basurto provided a summary of recent Federal funding awards to the City of San Antonio to include awards from the US Army Corps of Engineers for Westside Creek System and a VIA funding award from the FTA for advanced rapid transit planning.

City Manager Eric Walsh noted that the RAISE application process was an excellent opportunity for collaboration for the City of San Antonio, Bexar County, Brooks Development Authority and other stakeholders to provide economic development to the area.

Chair Pelaez spoke of the importance of the collaboration efforts and expressed his support of the project.

No action was required for Item 2.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 10:55 AM.

APPROVED

Councilmember Manny Pelaez, Co-Chairman

Respectfully Submitted

*County Commissioner Justin Rodrigues,
Co-Chairman*

Debbie Racca-Sittre, Interim City Clerk