## 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, October 19, 2022

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 5:14 PM. City Clerk Debbie Racca-Sittre took the Roll Call noting a quorum with the following Council Members present:

**PRESENT:** 6 – Nirenberg, Bravo, McKee-Rodriguez, Castillo, Sandoval, Perry

ABSENT: 5 - Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Cabello Havrda, Pelaez, Courage

### **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. Members of the public are given up to three minutes to speak, and groups are given up to nine minutes.

Jon Melendez spoke of migrants sleeping on sidewalks and stated that they were being exploited.

Antonia Infante stated that she resided in Government Hill and residents were a target for

flipping homes. She asked the City Council for assistance to address her concerns.

Steve Versteeg stated that he was a member of the Unified Development Code (UDC) Committee and urged the City Council to approved all of the amendments put forth.

D'Ette Cole asked the City Council to support UDC amendments 16.8 and 16.10.

Stacy Schwantz spoke in support of UDC amendments 16.8 and 16.10.

Dora Perez spoke in support of UDC amendment 16.18.

Will McLeod stated that shrubs and vegetation were blocking signs at the intersection of Babcock Road and Wurzbach. He spoke of graffiti near Circle K on Wurzbach.

Ray Morales spoke in support the Tier 1 UDC amendments and noted that the City had trouble enforcing rules related to Short Term Rentals.

Tony Garcia asked the City Council to approve the UDC amendments.

Rose Hill, Maria De La Garza and Marie Stout spoke of two neighborhoods fighting each other and spoke in support of the registry tool for landlords.

Sylvia Alaniz, resident of Council District 2, spoke of not having the resources or the time to engage an Attorney for neighborhood issues.

Bianca Maldonado stated that 49 letters from constituents from 36 neighborhood associations were sent to the City Council. She reported that the neighborhood associations, coalitions and individuals supported 21 amendments and opposed three amendments and had concerns regarding amendment 22-21 and amendments 23-6. She noted that the Tier 1 Coalition and the Planning and Community Development worked with residents. She added that good public engagement produced quality neighborhoods.

Phyllis Newman stated that a neighborhood association was not about having power and control and was about serving neighbors and strengthening bonds.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 6:02 PM.

**Approved** 

Ron Nirenberg Mayor

