

**State of Texas
County of Bexar
City of San Antonio**



**Meeting Minutes
City Council A 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
Rosie Castro, Dist. 7 | Manny Pelaez, Dist. 8
John Courage, Dist. 9 | Clayton Perry, Dist. 10

Thursday, May 11, 2023

9:00 AM

Municipal Plaza Building

The City Council convened a regular meeting in the Norma S. Rodriguez Council Chamber in the Municipal Plaza Building beginning at 9:04 AM. City Clerk Debbie Racca-Sittre took the Roll Call noting a quorum with the following Council Members present:

PRESENT: 11 – Nirenberg, Bravo, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello Havrda, Castro, Pelaez, Courage, Perry

ABSENT: None

PROCEDURAL

1. Invocation

The invocation was delivered by Sister Odilia Korenek, CEO of Blessed Sacrament Academy, guest of Councilmember Viagran, Council District 3.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

The Mayor led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Approval of minutes for the City Council meetings of April 19, 2023 and April 20, 2023.

Councilmember Perry moved to Approve the minutes for the City Council meetings of April 19, 2023 and April 20, 2023. Councilmember Rocha Garcia seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Bravo, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello
Havrda, Castro, Pelaez, Courage, Perry

POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

Mayor Nirenberg read a proclamation for Letter Carrier Food Drive Day and invited representatives from the National Association of Letter Carriers Local 421 to speak about their annual Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive.

Mayor Nirenberg proclaimed the month of May as Internal Audit Month and recognized City Auditor, Kevin Barthold to speak. Councilmember Courage, Chair of the Audit Committee, recognized the City Auditor's Office for their work.

Councilmember Rocha Garcia recognized the travel and tourism industry in San Antonio and invited Marc Anderson, Chief Executive Officer of Visit San Antonio to speak. Mayor Nirenberg proclaimed May 7th through 13th to be National Travel & Tourism Week in San Antonio.

Councilmember Perry recognized Teacher's Appreciation Week and highlighted the work of two local teachers Lisa Barry and Aime Charney who both won HEB Excellence in Education Awards.

City Manager Erik Walsh thanked all City employees for their public service in honor of Public Service Week.

ACTION ITEMS FOR STAFF BRIEFING

CONSENT AGENDA

Purchase of Services, Supplies and Equipment

4. 2023-05-11-0302

Ordinance approving a contract with Automated Logic Contracting Services, Inc., in the amount of \$100,000 to provide a replacement Building Automation System for the Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) 911 Emergency Dispatch Center. Funding is from FY 2023 Tax Notes and included in the FY 2023 Deferred Maintenance Program. [Ben Gorzell Jr., Chief Financial Officer; Troy Elliott, Deputy Chief Financial Officer, Finance]

Councilmember Perry moved to Approve on the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Courage seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Bravo, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello

Havrda, Castro, Pelaez, Courage, Perry

5. 2023-05-11-0303

Ordinance approving a contract with FarWest Environmental Supply, Inc., for two handheld chemical detectors for the San Antonio Fire Department for a total cost of \$56,420.10. Funding is from the 2020 Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) Grant. [Ben Gorzell Jr., Chief Financial Officer; Troy Elliott, Deputy Chief Financial Officer, Finance]

Councilmember Perry moved to Approve on the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Courage seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Bravo, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello
Havrda, Castro, Pelaez, Courage, Perry

6. 2023-05-11-0304

Ordinance approving a contract with FarWest Environmental Supply, Inc., for ten portable wireless gamma radiation and toxic industrial chemical monitors for the San Antonio Fire Department for a total cost of \$59,001. Funding is from the 2020 Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) Grant. [Ben Gorzell Jr., Chief Financial Officer; Troy Elliott, Deputy Chief Financial Officer, Finance]

Councilmember Perry moved to Approve on the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Courage seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Bravo, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello
Havrda, Castro, Pelaez, Courage, Perry

7. 2023-05-11-0305

Ordinance approving a contract with Triad Marine & Industrial Supply, Inc., to provide the San Antonio Fire and Police Departments with four inflatable boats and four transport trailers for a total cost of \$131,322. Funding is from the 2020 Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) Grant. [Ben Gorzell Jr., Chief Financial Officer; Troy Elliott, Deputy Chief Financial Officer, Finance]

Councilmember Perry moved to Approve on the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Courage seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Bravo, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello
Havrda, Castro, Pelaez, Courage, Perry

Acquisition, Sale or Lease of Real Property

8. 2023-05-11-0306

Ordinance amending the River Walk Lease Agreement between BGSCR Riverwalk, LLC, doing business as Bubba Gump Shrimp, and the City of San Antonio to exercise its five-year renewal term, commencing on July 1, 2023, and expiring on June 30, 2028. Additional revenue of \$152,048 over the five years will be deposited into the Riverwalk Capital Improvement Fund. [Lori Houston, Assistant City Manager; John Jacks, Director, Center City Development and

Operations Department]

Councilmember Perry moved to Approve on the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Courage seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Bravo, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello Havrda, Castro, Pelaez, Courage, Perry

Miscellaneous

9. 2023-05-11-0307

Ordinance approving a Sister City Agreement with Baguio, Philippines. [Alejandra Lopez, Assistant City Manager; Brenda Hicks-Sorensen, Director, Economic Development]

Mayor Nirenberg spoke in support of the Item and the International Sister Cities Program. He provided background on the relationship between San Antonio and the Philippines.

Councilmembers Pelaez, Rocha Garcia and Viagran spoke in support of making Baguio a Sister City.

Nonie Cabana and Melinda Rodriguez thanked City Council for making Baguio, Philippines a Sister City and recognized the month of May as Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander (AANHPI) Heritage Month.

Councilmember Rocha Garcia moved to Approve. Councilmember Viagran seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Bravo, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello Havrda, Castro, Pelaez, Courage, Perry

10. 2023-05-11-0308

Ordinance approving a one-year interlocal cooperation agreement for fire protection, hazmat, and emergency response services with CPS Energy for the Calaveras Power Station Facilities, effective May 1, 2022 through April 30, 2023 in the amount of \$30,900, with automatic renewals and fee increases. This ordinance also accepts payment of \$100,000 from CPS for the purchase of a watercraft. [Maria Villagómez, Deputy City Manager; Charles N. Hood, Fire Chief]

City Clerk Debbie Racca-Sittre read the caption posting for Item 10 as corrected: Ordinance approving a one-year interlocal cooperation agreement for fire protection, hazmat, and emergency response services with CPS Energy for the Calaveras power station facilities, effective May 1, 2023 through April 30, 2024 in the amount of \$30,900.00, with automatic renewals and fee increases, and for the purchase of a watercraft.

Councilmember Perry moved to Approve on the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Courage seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Bravo, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello
Havrda, Castro, Pelaez, Courage, Perry

11. 2023-05-11-0016R

Resolution of No Objection for Culebra Road Apartments, LP's application for 2023 Non-Competitive 4% Housing Tax Credits (HTC) from the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) for the development of a 199-unit affordable multi-family rental housing development named Culebra Road Apartments, located at 4740 Culebra Road and acknowledgment that more than 20% of the total housing in the Census Tract is supported by HTC. [Lori Houston, Assistant City Manager; Veronica Garcia, Director, Neighborhood and Housing Services]

Councilmember Perry moved to Approve on the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Courage seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Bravo, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello
Havrda, Castro, Pelaez, Courage, Perry

12. 2023-05-11-0309

Ordinance approving a Chapter 380 Economic Development Agreement in the amount of \$247,008.75 from the Inner City Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone #11 between the City of San Antonio and Alamo City Studios for the Eastside Youth Content Creators Summer 2023 Program. [Lori Houston, Assistant City Manager; Veronica Garcia, Director, Neighborhood and Housing Services]

Councilmember McKee-Rodriguez highlighted his support for the Item and invited representatives from the program to speak.

Councilmember Perry moved to Approve on the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Courage seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Bravo, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello
Havrda, Castro, Pelaez, Courage, Perry

13. 2023-05-11-0310

Ordinance approving an agreement to contribute right-of-way funds (fixed price) between the City of San Antonio and the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) and authorizing payment in the amount not to exceed \$9,200.20 to TxDOT for the acquisition of right-of-way associated with the TxDOT Highway US 90 Improvements project located 0.8 miles west of IH 410 to IH 410. Funding is from the FY 2023 General Fund Budget. [Roderick Sanchez, Assistant City Manager; Razi Hosseini, Director, Public Works]

Councilmember Perry moved to Approve on the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Courage seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Bravo, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello
Havrda, Castro, Pelaez, Courage, Perry

14. 2023-05-11-0311

Ordinance approving a Tender and Release Agreement between the Great American Insurance Company (GAIC) and the City of San Antonio to accept funds in an amount not to exceed \$138,464.01 as defined in the agreement for the original construction contract award between the City of San Antonio and All In Construction, LLC related to the Animal Care Services Parking Lot Expansion Project; and authorizing the appropriation of these funds from the GAIC to the Animal Care Services Parking Lot Expansion Project which is included in the FY 2023 - FY 2028 Capital Improvement Program. [Roderick Sanchez, Assistant City Manager; Razi Hosseini, Director, Public Works]

Councilmember Perry moved to Approve on the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Courage seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Bravo, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello
Havrda, Castro, Pelaez, Courage, Perry

15. 2023-05-11-0312

Ordinance approving a contract with Monterrey Iron & Metal to provide Recycling of Metals Services to the Solid Waste Management Department for a term of three years, with two additional one-year renewals. The estimated annual revenue of \$60,000 will be deposited into the Solid Waste Operating and Maintenance Fund. [David W. McCary, Assistant City Manager; David Newman, Director, Solid Waste Management]

Councilmember Perry moved to Approve on the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Courage seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Bravo, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello
Havrda, Castro, Pelaez, Courage, Perry

City Manager's Report

16. City Manager's Report

City Manager Erik Walsh shared the results of the 2022 External Audit and announced that for the 5th year in a row, the City's Annual Financial Audit was issued with no findings. City Manager Walsh recognized the Finance Department for their excellent work.

City Manager Walsh provided statistics on the attendance and events at the Alamodome and recognized the 30th anniversary of the opening of the Alamodome May 15, 1993. City Manager Walsh concluded his comments by showing an employee spotlight video highlighting the work of Billie Bingman who sets up events at the Alamodome.

Executive Session

Mayor Nirenberg recessed the meeting into Executive Session at 10:03 a.m. to deliberate or discuss the following:

- A. Economic development negotiations pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.087 (economic development).
- B. The purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.072 (real property).
- C. Legal issues related to litigation involving the City pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071 (consultation with attorney).
- D. Legal issues relating to COVID-19 preparedness pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071 (consultation with attorney).
- E. Deliberate issues related to the San Antonio Public Safety Radio System pursuant to Texas Government Code Sections 551.076 (security devices and audits) and 551.071 (consultation with attorney).

At 10:35 a.m. Mayor Nirenberg reconvened the meeting and announced that no official action had been taken in Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 10:47 a.m.

Approved

**Ron Nirenberg
Mayor**

**Debbie Racca-Sittre
City Clerk**