

AN ORDINANCE 2009-02-12-0115

**AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A \$150,000.00 DONATION
FROM ZACHRY CORPORATION FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
ACTIVITIES IN COUNCIL DISTRICT 2.**

* * * * *

WHEREAS, in an effort to encourage the City to continue to invest in economic development in this area of town, the Zachry Corporation has donated \$150,000.00 towards these efforts, which the City desires to accept and place in a special fund for future use; **NOW THEREFORE:**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

SECTION 1. The City Manager or her designee, or the Director of the Housing and Neighborhood Services Department or his designee, is authorized to accept a \$150,000.00 donation from Zachry Corporation for economic development activities in Council District 2. A copy of said donation letter is attached hereto and incorporated herein for all purposes as **Attachment I.**

SECTION 2. The City Manager, or her designee, or the Director of the Housing and Neighborhood Services Department or his designee, is further authorized to execute any necessary documents to effectuate the acceptance of said donation.

SECTION 3. Funds generated by this ordinance will be deposited and appropriated in Fund 11001000 General Fund, Order 207000000261 Economic Development District 2 - Contribution, General Ledger 4502220 Contribution Private Restricted.

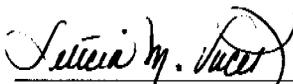
SECTION 4. The financial allocations in this Ordinance are subject to approval by the Director of Finance, City of San Antonio. The Director of Finance may, subject to concurrence by the City Manager or the City Manager's designee, correct allocations to specific SAP Fund Numbers, SAP Project Definitions, SAP WBS Elements, SAP Internal Orders, SAP Fund Centers, SAP Cost Centers, SAP Functional Areas, SAP Funds Reservation Document Numbers, and SAP GL Accounts as necessary to carry out the purpose of this Ordinance.

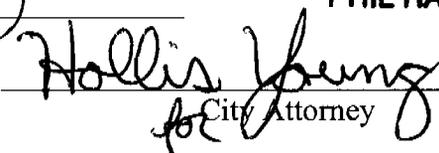
SECTION 5. This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon passage by eight (8) affirmative votes of the entire City Council; otherwise, said effective date shall be ten (10) days from the date of passage hereof.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 12th day of February, 2009


M A Y O R

PHIL HARDBERGER

ATTEST: 
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM: 
for City Attorney



April 2, 2006

H. B. Zachry, Jr.
Contract

Ms. Sheryl Sculley
City Hall
100 Military Plaza
San Antonio, Texas 78288-3966

VIA HAND DELIVERY

Dear Ms. Sculley:

We understand that significant progress has been made to revive the Community Economic Revitalization Agency (CERA) which, we understand, has recently been renamed San Antonio for Growth on the Eastside (SAGE) to direct economic development on the city's East Side. We applaud those improvements, including installing key business people on the board and clearing financial obligations of the agency.

CERA representatives have discussed with Deputy City Manager Jelynn Burley an arrangement for direct funding to the agency, a 501-C (3) entity. We would be pleased to contribute \$100,000 directly to CERA to more effectively further economic development of that area. We want to encourage the City of San Antonio and CERA to accelerate economic development projects on the East Side.

We appreciate the support you and the City Council have provided for matters that helped facilitate the development of a Staybridge Hotel and the Vidorra Condominiums in District 2.

As you know, funding from the TIRZ No. 11 has been allocated for the proposed "quiet zone" to limit train whistles in the area. I especially appreciate the support of the TIRZ Board and Councilwoman Sheila McNeil, and the focused efforts of the staff in working out the development agreements.

Still outstanding is the matter of a final agreement between the City and the Union Pacific Railroad to create the "quiet zone." If train whistles continue to be blown 24 hours a day in the area, then the success of economic development efforts will be jeopardized. We would welcome your and the City's continued efforts to complete this agreement as soon as possible.

As these projects progress and CERA continues to improve, we want to encourage the City of San Antonio to continue to invest in economic development on the East Side. Accordingly, we are prepared to contribute \$150,000 to the City of San Antonio, specifically to further stimulate growth and economic development in District 2. This investment in our City's growth is made possible by the hotel, which will open this summer, and phase one of the condominiums, which are being pre-sold, and could be ready for occupancy as early as year end 2008.

Thank you and the Council for your continued willingness to work for economic growth in the city.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'H.B. Zachry, Jr.', written over a printed name.

H.B. Zachry, Jr.

cc: Hon. Sheila McNeil

Zachry Group, Inc.