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TO: Mayor & City Council

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SUBJECT: Corridor Improvement Study and subsequent implementation along SW Military Dr. from US Highway 90 to Old Pearsall Rd.

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DATE: November 7, 2013

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Issue Proposed for Consideration

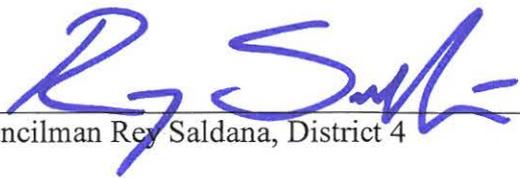
I ask for your support for the inclusion of the following item on the agenda of the earliest available meeting of the Governance Committee:

I respectfully request your support in directing city staff to prepare options and costs associated with the creation of a corridor improvement study along SW Military Dr. from US Highway 90 on the North to Old Pearsall Rd on the South. The intent of the corridor improvement study is two fold: 1) To leave a lasting first impression on the thousands of family members of freshly minted Air Force Cadets and 2) to integrate vehicular traffic into an efficient and complete street that supports pedestraians, bicyclists, and users of public transit. Other improvements to be studied should include the creation of native landscaping beds along the centerline median and asthetic infrastructure, such as flag poles and lighting to be used for Military presentations during significant national holidays.

Brief Background

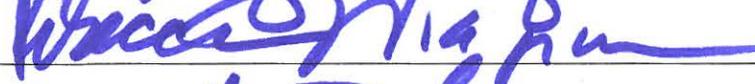
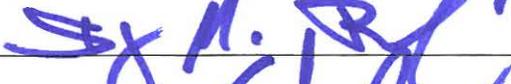
As the largest employer in the City of San Antonio, Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland currently employs over 52,000 military, civilian and other support contractors at its Southwest side location. Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland is also the Air Force's only basic military training center in the United States, instructing an average of 35,000 men and women each year. The economic impact of Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland on the City of San Antonio can be mearsured in many ways, including: employment payrolls, utilization of local contractors for large scale construction projects, housing, and sales taxes collected at local retailers. One area often overlooked is the contribution to the local tourism industry. Every Friday, for 50 weeks out of the year, families from across Texas and the United States gather at the Lackland Parade Field for Basic Military Graduation Ceremonies. These 3000 family members stay at local hotels, eat at local resturants and shop at local stores. The goal of the corridor improvements will be to beautify the area and welcome these men, women, and families to San Antonio by providing a symbolic and visually pleasing streetscape as they enter and leave Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland.

Submitted for Council consideration  
by:

  
Councilman Rey Saldana, District 4

Supporting Councilmembers' Signatures (4 only)

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