

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, HELD IN
THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MUNICIPAL
PLAZA BUILDING, THURSDAY, NOVEMBER
16, 1995.

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95-48 The City Council convened in an informal "B" Session at 10:00 A.M., Municipal Plaza Building, "B" Room, to consider the following item(s). The Council members present were: FLORES, McCLENDON, BILLA BURKE, AVILA, SOLIS, HERRERA, ROSS, PEAK, WEBSTER, THORNTON. Absent: MARBUT.

DISCUSSION OF THE POSSIBLE MERGER OF THE CENTER FOR HEALTH CARE SERVICES AND THE UNIVERSITY HEALTH SYSTEM - Presentation by Mr. John Guess, Director of the University Health System. Introduction by County Commissioner Mike Novak. The City Council asked that a report by staff be prepared on the public hearings held by the University Health System on this issue.

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95-48 The regular meeting was called to order at 1:00 P.M. by the Presiding Officer, Mayor William E. Thornton, with the following members present: FLORES, McCLENDON, BILLA BURKE, AVILA, SOLIS, HERRERA, ROSS, MARBUT, PEAK, WEBSTER, THORNTON; Absent: NONE.

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95-48 Invocation - Reverend Keith Allen, Youth Minister, Mt. Zion First Baptist Church.

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95-48 Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States.

95-48 LOCAL ARTISTS' CERTIFICATES OF APPRECIATION

Mr. Alexander E. Briseno, City Manager, noted that the City's Department of Arts & Cultural Affairs recently initiated a program in which art work by local artists is displayed in the reception area of the offices of the Mayor and the City Manager. He stated that the art work will be rotated approximately every two months, and noted that the City has invited to today's Council meeting the three artists whose work

to delete from the top paragraph on Page 14 of the August 12, 1994 Minutes of City Council the words: "and plans are to develop and put out a Request For Proposal for such services to open next May, for services to begin with the new fiscal year in October 1995", and to insert the words: "and the expanded screening committee will conclude the evaluations next May and bring a recommendation to City Council in June."

Mr. Peak made a motion to amend and correct the August 25, 1994 City Council Minutes as outlined above. Ms. McClendon seconded the motion.

In response to a question by Mr. Solis, Ms. Rodriguez explained how the error had occurred.

The motion to approve the amendments and corrections to the City Council Minutes of August 25, 1994 prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Flores, McClendon, Billa Burke, Avila, Solis, Herrera, Ross, Marbut, Peak, Webster, Thornton. NAYS: None. ABSENT: None.

95-48 CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Avila made a motion to approve Agenda Items 6 through 15, constituting the Consent Agenda. Ms. Billa Burke seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the following Ordinances, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Flores, McClendon, Billa Burke, Avila, Solis, Herrera, Ross, Marbut, Peak, Webster, Thornton. NAYS: None. ABSENT: None.

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AN ORDINANCE 83,181

ACCEPTING THE PROPOSAL OF GOULD PUBLICATIONS OF TEXAS, INC. TO FURNISH THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO POLICE DEPARTMENT WITH HANDBOOKS FOR A TOTAL OF \$27,700.00.

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AN ORDINANCE 83,182

EXERCISING AN OPTION TO EXTEND THE CONTRACT OF FIESTA DATA SYSTEMS, INC. TO PROVIDE THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO INFORMATION SERVICES DEPARTMENT WITH COMPUTER HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE FOR A TOTAL OF APPROXIMATELY \$24,000.00 ANNUALLY. (MBE).

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AN ORDINANCE 83,183

ACCEPTING THE LOW QUALIFIED BID OF CONSOLIDATED SPECIALTY PRODUCTS, INC. FOR REPLACEMENT OF THE FLOORING IN THE WOODLAWN LAKE GYMNASIUM IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$49,985.00; CREATING THE WOODLAWN LAKE PARK IMPROVEMENT 1994 GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND PROJECT IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION; AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS AND ESTABLISHMENT OF A PROJECT BUDGET; AND PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT.

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AN ORDINANCE 83,184

AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH RONNEFELDT ENGINEERING CONSULTANTS, INC.; APPROPRIATING ADDITIONAL 1985 GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$9,491.00; AND PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT, ALL IN CONNECTION WITH THE LORD ROAD DRAINAGE #114C, PHASE I PROJECT.

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AN ORDINANCE 83,185

AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF FIELD ALTERATION NO. 4 IN THE DECREASED AMOUNT OF \$26,630.17 TO THE CONTRACT WITH E-Z BEL CONSTRUCTION CO. IN CONNECTION WITH THE ASHLEY ROAD - BASCUM BLVD. TO SOUTH FLORES PROJECT.

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AN ORDINANCE 83,186

CONSENTING TO THE SAN ANTONIO BOTANICAL CENTER SOCIETY'S CONTRACT WITH MR. ED VERVAIS FOR USE OF A PORTION OF THE GROUND FLOOR OF THE CARRIAGE HOUSE LOCATED AT THE SAN ANTONIO BOTANICAL CENTER FOR RESTAURANT PURPOSES, WITH ALL PROCEEDS FROM SAID CONTRACT TO BE USED TO SUPPORT THE BOTANICAL CENTER.

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AN ORDINANCE 83,187

AUTHORIZING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,000.00 WITH ECKMANN, GROLL, RUNYAN & WATERS, INC. FOR PREPARATION OF PROFESSIONAL REAL ESTATE APPRAISALS RELATED TO THE

PICKFORD AVENUE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROJECT 34TH STREET TO SAN JOAQUIN; REVISING THE PROJECT BUDGET; AND PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT.

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AN ORDINANCE 83,188

AUTHORIZING PAYMENT IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$1,050.00 FOR TITLE SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH THE PICKFORD AVENUE COMMUNITY WITH THE PICKFORD AVENUE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROJECT 34TH TO SAN JOAQUIN; AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS.

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AN ORDINANCE 83,189

AMENDING THE TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES SCHEDULES ESTABLISHED BY CHAPTER 19 (TRAFFIC REGULATIONS), ARTICLE III (TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES), SECTION 19-68(B) TO INCLUDE CERTAIN ADDITIONS TO THE OFFICIAL TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICE SCHEDULE FOR "STOP" SIGNS, "YIELD RIGHT-OF-WAY" SIGNS, "PROHIBITED PARKING AT ALL TIMES" SIGNS, AND "PROHIBITED TURN" SIGNS; AUTHORIZING THE PERMANENT INSTALLATION OF SAID DEVICES; DECLARING THEM AS OFFICIAL TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO; AND DECLARING VIOLATION OF THESE TRAFFIC REGULATIONS, EXCEPT TH CIVIL PARKING VIOLATION, TO BE MISDEMEANOR CRIMES PUNISHABLE BY A FINE OF NOT MORE THAN \$200.00, AND DECLARING VIOLATIONS OF THE CIVIL PARKING VIOLATIONS TO BE SUBJECT TO THE ENFORCEMENT PROVISIONS OF CITY CODE SECTION 19-225 (ADMINISTRATIVE ADJUDICATION OF STOPPING, STANDING, AND PARKING VIOLATIONS).

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AN ORDINANCE 83,190

APPOINTING ELIZABETH QUINTANILLA AND ISABEL R. CASTILLO TO THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO YOUTH COMMISSION FOR TERMS OF OFFICE TO EXPIRE ON JUNE 1, 1996 AND 1997, RESPECTIVELY.

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95-48 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 83,191

AUTHORIZING THE TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF ALAMO STREET BETWEEN HOUSTON AND CROCKETT, FROM 5:00 P.M. TO 7:00 P.M. ON FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 1995, SO THAT THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO AND THE ALAMO PLAZA ASSOCIATION MAY CONDUCT THE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY IN ALAMO PLAZA; AND PROVIDING FOR AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE UPON PASSAGE BY EIGHT (8) AFFIRMATIVE VOTES.

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Ms. Billa Burke made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Ms. McClendon seconded the motion.

In response to a question by Mayor Thornton, Mr. Ron Darner, Director of Parks & Recreation, spoke to the several events involved, estimating that some 100,000 to 120,000 citizens are expected to attend this ceremony and the parade along the downtown San Antonio River.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Flores, McClendon, Billa Burke, Avila, Solis, Ross, Marbut, Peak, Webster, Thornton; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Herrera.

95-48 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 83,192

ACCEPTING THE LOW QUALIFIED BID OF YANTIS CORPORATION, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,468,201.40, FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF TAXIWAY G PROJECT AT SAN ANTONIO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT; AUTHORIZING AN ADDITIONAL \$346,820.07 FOR A CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT; ACCEPTING A PROPOSAL FROM W.E. SIMPSON COMPANY, INC. TO PROVIDE RESIDENT INSPECTION SERVICES FOR A FEE NOT TO EXCEED \$52,096.93; REVISING THE BUDGET FOR SAID PROJECT; APPROPRIATING FUNDS; AND PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT.

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Ms. Billa Burke made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Mr. Avila seconded the motion.

Mr. Mike Kutchins, Director of Aviation, spoke to details of the taxiway reconstruction project.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Flores, McClendon, Billa Burke, Avila, Solis, Ross, Marbut, Peak, Webster, Thornton; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Herrera.

95-48 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 83,193

AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A SPECIAL ALLOCATION OF \$250,000.00 FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE TO CONDUCT JOINT COVERT INVESTIGATIONS IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE WEED AND SEED PROGRAM.

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Mr. Avila made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Ms. Billa Burke seconded the motion.

Police Chief Al Philippus explained the series of three consecutive proposed ordinances on today's agenda and their correlation, all involving the Weed and Seed Program grant. He narrated a brief video presentation of program highlights, accomplishments, and plans for expanding the original program, targeted to the city's east side, into areas of the west side, as well. He then spoke to certain program statistics, noted the revitalization of areas involved in the Weed and Seed Program, and addressed the multi-agenda partnership involved.

Mayor Thornton lauded the program and its participants.

Ms. McClendon spoke to the difference made by this program, and spoke of it as a model for the rest of the nation.

Members of AmeriCorp program then came forward to identify themselves and to be congratulated by the City Council.

In response to a question by Ms. McClendon, Chief Philippus spoke to the 48-50 per cent reduction in crime after the successful Weed and Seed Program-sponsored AmeriCorp program work in the neighborhoods.

Mr. Solis spoke in gratification for the extension of this successful program to the city's west side.

Mr. Avila addressed the program's importance to the neighborhoods it affects.

Mr. Peak spoke to the importance of having all three of these related ordinances explained as one package, and asked to have the program statistics to use in neighborhood meetings.

The AmeriCorp group then was sworn in by Mayor Thornton.

Mr. Marvin Washington, spokesperson for the group, addressed the importance of the program to both young and old, across the nation, and spoke to the cohesiveness of the group in San Antonio.

Mayor Thornton addressed the tremendous difference these young people have made in the neighborhoods, and spoke to the need to have their input in order to help solve the crime problems there. He noted that San Antonio's program is often a model for other cities.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Flores, McClendon, Billa Burke, Avila, Solis, Herrera, Ross, Marbut, Peak, Webster, Thornton; NAYS: None; ABSENT: None.

95-48 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 83,194

AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A WEED AND SEED/JUST SERVE GRANT FROM THE OFFICE OF JUSTICE PROGRAMS, BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE AND EOWS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$416,814.00; AND AUTHORIZING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH ST. MARY'S UNIVERSITY FOR PROJECTS IN SUPPORT OF THE WEED AND SEED/JUST SERVE PROGRAM.

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Ms. McClendon made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Mr. Solis seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Flores, McClendon, Billa Burke, Avila, Solis, Herrera, Ross, Marbut, Peak, Webster, Thornton; NAYS: None; ABSENT: None.

95-48 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 83,195

AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A WEED AND SEED GRANT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$500,000.00; AND AUTHORIZING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACTS WITH ST. MARY'S UNIVERSITY, SAN ANTONIO

REPORTING BACK, AND BEXAR COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS FOR
PROJECTS IN SUPPORT OF THE WEED AND SEED PROGRAM.

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Ms. McClendon made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance.
Mr. Avila seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage
of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Flores,
McClendon, Billa Burke, Avila, Solis, Herrera, Ross, Marbut, Peak,
Webster, Thornton; NAYS: None; ABSENT: None.

95-48 At this point, Mayor Thornton was obliged to leave the meeting.
Mayor Pro Tem Webster presided.

95-48 TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION - Granted:

Mayor William E. Thornton to travel to Fort Worth, Texas from
December 05, 1995 to December 05, 1995, to meet with H. Ross Perot Jr.
to identify the factors that contributed to the success of Alliance
Airport as well as problem areas for the privatization of Kelly AFB.

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95-48 TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION - Granted:

Councilman Juan F. Solis III, to travel to Austin, Texas from
November 14, 1995 to November 15, 1995, to attend the Texas Defence
Economic Adjustment Advisory Council Meeting and State Wide Conference.

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95-48 HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

City Clerk Norma S. Rodriguez stated that several City Council
members already have made allocations from their respective Contingency
Fund Accounts in connection with the Habitat For Humanity Run/Walk, and
spoke to those allocations.

Mr. Peak spoke to the importance of Habitat For Humanity, and
asked his fellow Council members for funds from their respective
Contingency Fund Accounts to help defray costs of the Run/Walk.

Ms. Helen Bryan, representing Habitat For Humanity, noted that
her group has operated in San Antonio for some 20 years, and she

explained how the proceeds from the Run/Walk will be used. She then spoke to the various Habitat For Humanity projects underway in the city, and presented Council members with special tee-shirts to mark the occasion.

Various Council members then made allocations from their respective funds for this purpose.

The Clerk then read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 83,196

AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS FROM SEVERAL CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT FUNDS TO ASSIST HABITAT FOR HUMANITY WITH POLICE SECURITY AND BARRICADE COST ASSOCIATED WITH THE 5K RUN/WALK SCHEDULED FOR SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 1995 BEGINNING AT 8:00 A.M. IN THE DOWNTOWN AREA; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, AS REQUESTED BY COUNCILMAN HOWARD W. PEAK.

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Mr. Marbut made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Mr. Herrera seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Flores, McClendon, Billa Burke, Avila, Solis, Herrera, Ross, Marbut, Peak, Webster; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Thornton.

95-48 The Clerk read the following Resolution:

A RESOLUTION NO: 95-48-60

EXPRESSING APPRECIATION TO THE TEXAS TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION AND ADVOCATING THE CONTINUED DEVELOPMENT, FUNDING AND CONSTRUCTION OF MAJOR HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENTS IN THE SAN ANTONIO AREA, AS REQUESTED BY COUNCILMAN HOWARD W. PEAK.

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Ms. Billa Burke made a motion to approve the proposed Resolution. Mr. Peak seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Resolution, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Flores, McClendon, Billa Burke, Avila, Solis, Herrera, Ross, Marbut, Peak, Webster; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Thornton.

95-48 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 83,197

APPROVING A PARADE AN AUTHORIZING THE TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF CERTAIN STREETS FROM 10:00 A.M. UNTIL 10:45 A.M. SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 1995 IN CONNECTION WITH THE JACOBS CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 100TH ANNIVERSARY PARADE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, AS REQUESTED BY COUNCILWOMAN RUTH JONES MCCLENDON.

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Ms. McClendon made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Mr. Flores seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Flores, McClendon, Billa Burke, Avila, Solis, Herrera, Ross, Marbut, Peak, Webster; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Thornton.

95-48 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 83,198

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 28 OF THE CITY CODE ENTITLED "SIGNS AND BILLBOARDS" AND DESIGNATING THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT AS AN ADVISORY BOARD TO THE DIRECTOR OF BUILDING INSPECTIONS REGARDING REQUESTS FOR VARIANCE FROM REGULATIONS WITHIN ARTICLE IX (ON PREMISE SIGNS) AND ARTICLE VII (URBAN CORRIDORS WITHIN THE CITY'S EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION) AND WITH REGARDS TO INTERPRETATIONS OF ARTICLE IX MADE BY THE CHIEF ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR, AND PROVIDE FOR AN APPEALS PROCESS, AND LIMIT STANDING TO APPEAL TO THE APPLICANT AND OWNERS OR LESSEES OF PROPERTY WITHIN 1,000 FEET OF ANY PORTION OF THE LOT OR PORTION THEREOF ON WHICH THE VARIANCE OR APPEAL IS DESIRED, AND PROVIDING THAT THE FEE FOR AN APPEAL SHALL BE \$150.00 AND THE FEE FOR VARIANCE SHALL BE \$300.00.

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Ms. Billa Burke made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Mr. Flores seconded the motion.

Mr. Gene Camargo, Director of Building Inspections, reviewed the status and history of the proposed amendments to regulations

governing on-premise signs. He then narrated a video presentation of the proposed amendments, and stated that he has heard no opposition to the proposed changes, noting that City staff recommends their approval.

Ms. Loyce Ince, Vice President, San Antonio Conservation Society, and Mr. Stan Waghalter, representing the association of combined neighborhood groups, spoke in recommendation of the proposed amendments.

Mr. Marbut spoke to how the amendments came about, noting that City Council last week moved to close a loophole in the City's ethics ordinance, and today, taking another such action to re-define "warranty work" and the appeals process dealing with on-premise signs.

Mr. Peak stated his belief that the entire process concerned will be much easier, noting that representatives of the sign industry and neighborhood groups are in concurrence with the recommendations.

Mr. Ross noted that the proposed amendments tighten specifics of the regulations in order to eliminate subjectivity in those regulations.

Mr. Avila spoke in support for the proposed amendments, and congratulated the City staff for its efforts.

Mr. Ross asked that the Council's Policy and Planning Committee consider increasing the five-member Zoning Board of Adjustment, in view of new state legislation and plans to increase that board's responsibilities.

Mr. Solis, chairman of that committee, stated that his committee will look at this at its December 7, 1995 meeting.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: McClendon, Billa Burke, Avila, Solis, Herrera, Ross, Marbut, Peak, Webster; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Flores, Thornton.

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95-48 (At this point, Mayor Pro Tem Webster was obliged to leave the meeting. Mr. Flores presided in the absence of the Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem.)

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95-48 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 83,199

ACCEPTING U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD) ENTERPRISE COMMUNITIES PROGRAM FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,947,368.00; APPROPRIATING

SAID FUNDS; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF ALL
RELATED DOCUMENTS; AND APPROVING THE BUDGET.

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Ms. Billa Burke made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Mr. Solis seconded the motion.

Mr. Andrew Cameron, Director of Housing & Community Development, provided Council members with a handout of materials, and narrated a brief video presentation of the Enterprise Communities Program. A copy of his handout and presentation is made a part of the papers of this meeting. He presented an overview of the program, then outlined its guidelines and parameters in San Antonio.

(At this point, Mayor Pro Tem Webster returned to the meeting to preside.)

Mr. Cameron spoke to the need to address infrastructure improvements in this area, as a result of citizen surveys there, and addressed how other programs impact this particular program. He then spoke to the program's benchmarks and milestones.

In response to a question by Mr. Webster, Mr. Cameron explained cost-per-person breakdowns for various training programs provided by existing organizations. He explained that this is a one-time commitment only, and not new service. Finally, he spoke to the providers involved.

Mr. Solis spoke to the background of this program and its coming to fruition, noting that it has been the goal of the Council's Housing Task Force to provide one-time-only funds. He spoke to the importance of both the training and infrastructure improvements of a major San Antonio area, speaking to the need to help small businesses to expand.

Ms. McClendon stated her belief that this program meets the community's needs.

Ms. McClendon then made an amendment to take \$100,000 from Benchmark 3.3 and transfer that amount into Benchmark 4.1, job training for the Bexar County Opportunities Industrialization Corporation (BCOIC). Mr. Solis seconded the motion.

Mr. Ross stated his belief that such allocations, as recommended, should come before the Council's Small Business Committee before coming before the full City Council for action.

Mr. Cameron noted that the recommendations were reviewed by the Council's Housing Task Force, which addressed them, because much of the funding is for areas not receiving Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding.

Mr. Solis explained the Housing Task Force recommendations, and stressed that this is a community effort.

Mr. Ross stated his opinion that Council members, who sit on a number of committees, should see these recommendations before they come before the Council for decision. He further expressed his belief that they should have been part of the process in developing recommendations.

Ms. McClendon explained that these Housing and Urban Development program funds were channeled to the Housing Task Force, which received community input.

Mr. Webster stated his belief that some Council members are frustrated by not having a part in the process, and cited the Small Business Committee, as an example.

Mr. Cameron stated that, at this point, program spending can be evaluated and the funding re-channeled if desired. He then spoke to the time-period for the spending of these funds.

Mr. Marbut made a motion to table this matter for one week. Mr. Herrera seconded the motion.

Mr. Cameron noted that the City Council gave City staff direction to channel this program through the Housing Task Force.

Mr. Solis addressed the reasons for the recommendations.

Ms. McClendon noted that a previous Council had set the criteria for this 'enterprise area'.

The motion to table failed to carry by the following vote:
AYES: Herrera, Marbut, Webster. NAYS: Flores, McClendon, Billa Burke, Avila, Solis, Ross, Peak. ABSENT: Thornton.

Mr. Ross spoke to the need to coordinate funding for organizations, and that some committees need to consider this. He addressed the need for a process.

(At this point, Mayor Thornton returned to the meeting to preside.)

The amendment prevailed by the following vote: AYES: McClendon, Billa Burke, Avila, Solis, Herrera, Ross, Marbut, Peak, Webster, Thornton. NAYS: None. ABSENT: Flores.

Mayor Thornton spoke in support for the recommendations, stating his belief that this is the time to move forward with this program and follow-through. He noted that the City cannot lose continually.

The main motion, as amended, then prevailed by the following vote: AYES: McClendon, Billa Burke, Avila, Solis, Herrera, Ross, Marbut, Peak, Webster, Thornton. NAYS: None. ABSENT: Flores.

95-48 PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCE

Mayor Thornton declared the Public Hearing to be open.

Mr. Marbut announced that he would be abstaining from this vote.

Ms. Rebecca Q. Cedillo, Vice President for Planning, San Antonio Water System, narrated a video presentation, a copy of which is made a part of the papers of this meeting. She explained the background of the proposed 33 new regulations to Chapter 34 of the City Code, including directives for development over the Edwards Aquifer Recharge Zone. She noted that two of the 33 recommendations deal with the matter of underground storage tanks in the recharge zone. She spoke to the recommendations for a management plan for recharge zone development.

The following citizen appeared to speak:

Mr. George Rice, 1431 Cable Ranch Road #918, member of several groups and organizations interested in the matter of underground storage tanks over the recharge zone, spoke in support for the SAWS recommendations.

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There being no further citizens signed to speak to this matter, Mayor Thornton declared the Public Hearing to be closed.

The City Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 83,200

AMENDING CHAPTER 34, ARTICLE VI, OF THE CITY CODE BY ADDING A NEW DIVISION 7 THEREUNDER ENTITLED "UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK MANAGEMENT PROGRAM" CONTAINING NEW SECTIONS 34-1000 THROUGH 34-1099 REQUIRING THE PERMITTING OF AND REGULATING THE USE, MONITORING, AND TESTING OF CERTAIN UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANKS LOCATED WITHIN THE EDWARDS RECHARGE ZONE DISTRICT AND THE EDWARDS TRANSITION ZONE IN ORDER TO PREVENT THE POLLUTION OF WATER WITHIN THE EDWARDS AQUIFER; AUTHORIZING THE COLLECTION OF REGISTRATION, RENEWAL, AND INSPECTION FEES FOR UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANKS SUBJECT TO THESE REGULATIONS; PROVIDING FOR COLLECTION OF CIVIL

PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF; DECLARING THE VIOLATION THEREOF TO BE A CRIMINAL MISDEMEANOR PUNISHABLE UPON CONVICTION BY A FINE NOT TO EXCEED \$2,000.00; MAKING ASSOCIATED AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTER 34, ARTICLE I, DIVISION 8 OF THE CITY CODE RELATING TO THE WATER QUALITY AND ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION AND ENFORCEMENT ACCOUNT; AND DIRECTING PUBLICATION OF THIS ORDINANCE AFTER PASSAGE.

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Mr. Peak made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Mr. Avila seconded the motion.

Mr. Peak noted that these recommendations represent the end of a two-year process to improve the regulations governing the Edwards Aquifer Recharge Zone.

In response to a question by Mr. Webster, Ms. Cedillo discussed the matter of cost recovery, noting that said recovery would be short of full recovery by about 50 per cent.

In response to a question by Mr. Ross, Ms. Cedillo spoke to the statistics involved with the number of underground storage tanks in the recharge zone which are used for refueling by firms, and not tanks used for re-sale of petroleum products.

In response to a question by Mr. Ross, Assistant Fire Chief Joe Candelario spoke to the plan for transporting hazardous materials over the recharge zone, noting that the plan now is in draft form.

Mr. Ross addressed his concern that trucks entering the United States from Mexico, and carrying hazardous materials, may not be required to meet the regulations for transporting hazardous materials in this area.

Ms. McClendon spoke in support for the recommendations, and thanked both Mr. Peak and Mr. Ross for their work in this matter.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Flores, McClendon, Billa Burke, Avila, Herrera, Ross, Peak, Webster, Thornton; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Solis, Marbut.

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95-48 Mayor Thornton recognized the presence in the audience of Master Anthony Santiago Lopez, first grandchild of Councilman Roger Flores, and other members of the family.
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95-48 City Council recessed its regular session at 4:02 P.M. in order to convene in Executive Session for the purpose of:

A. Staff briefing and report on the legal implications of an ordinance being considered by the City of Hill Country Village.

City Council adjourned the Executive Session and reconvened in regular session at 4:35 P.M., at which time Mayor Pro Tem Webster announced that the City Council had been briefed in Executive Session but took no official action.

95-48

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

Mayor Pro Tem Webster presided in the absence of the Mayor.

MRS. PATSY CHEYNEY

Mrs. Patsy Cheyney, San Antonio Alliance for the Mentally Ill, spoke to the Council about the need to review more details on the suggested merger of the Center for Health Care Services and the University Health System. She also expressed concern about the manner in which patients who are mentally ill are treated by the hospitals in Bexar County.

Councilman Peak spoke to this morning's "B" Session regarding the discussion of the proposed merger of the Center for Health Care Services and the University Health System and recommended that she present her concerns and views at the public hearings which are scheduled for later this month.

MR. CHARLES BOBBISH

Mr. Charles Bobbish spoke to the Council about the many concerns they have addressed to the Code Compliance Department and the instances of receiving no positive resolutions to the issues and concerns presented. He stated that this Department doesn't respond until they are threatened with the possibility of making these concerns public to the City Council. (A copy of his letter addressed to the Director of Code Compliance is on file with the papers of this meeting.)

Mr. Bobbish also made several suggestions on how to improve the efficiency of this office. He then presented a copy of a petition to the City Council asking for No Parking Signs on Lost Creek Street, a copy of which is on file with the papers of this meeting.)

In response to a question by Mr. Bobbish, Mr. Marbut stated that Mr. Bobbish's ideas relative to deputizing citizens is worth investigating.

In response to Mayor Pro-Tem Webster's questions, Ms. Liz Garcia, Assistant Director of Code Compliance, spoke to the many discussions her staff has had with Mr. Bobbish and other area residents and the corrective actions they have taken including the monitoring of the situation on week-ends. She also stated that they will continue to coordinate their efforts and keep the Bobbishes apprised of pending action.

MS. ANN MAESTAS

Ms. Maestas, President of the High Country Homeowners Association, spoke to the City Council about their concerns with the actions which are being advocated by the San Antonio Housing Authority by which non-profit agencies are buying out apartment complexes and renting them for subsidized housing purposes. This action is occurring all over the north and northeastern parts of the city and the residents are not being kept apprised. She also stated that the older high density public housing units are being replaced by low density apartment complexes throughout the City. Their main concern is with the issue of not being kept apprised. She then presented a copy of a petition she plans to send to President Clinton on this issue, a copy of said petition is on file with the papers of this meeting.

MR. DON WILKINS CASTILLO

Mr. Don Wilkins Castillo, 1010 No. Frio, spoke to the Council about his concerns with the crimes being committed by juveniles. He stated that proper punishment is warranted and that they should be held accountable for their actions.

MR. MARK JOHNSON

Mr. Mark Johnson reiterated many of the comments made by Ms. Maestas and also expressed concern that many of these non-profit agencies are being run by members of the San Antonio Housing Authority Board. He also took exception to renovations of these housing units by the employees of the San Antonio Housing

A discussion then took place by Mr. Johnson and members of Council on the checks and balances which exist and she actually monitors

the work of the San Antonio Housing Authority. Councilman Solis suggested that this group of citizens make their concerns known to the Board of the San Antonio Housing Authority.

Councilman Webster stated that the citizens' main concern and frustration is that they have not been kept apprised of what is occurring throughout the City on this issue. He will again try to get answers for the questions being asked by the citizens.

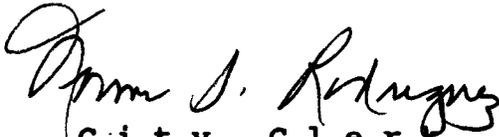
95-48 There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 5:25 P.M.

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