

CEREMONIAL ITEMS

KWANGJU, SOUTH KOREA TRADITIONAL PERFORMING ARTS TROUPE

Mayor Peak stated that the City of San Antonio is currently hosting a group of some 12 performers and two city officials from our Sister City, Kwangju, South Korea, and noted that the performing group will be performing one time only at the Texas Folklife Festival on Friday, August 1, 1997. He then introduced Ms. Elizabeth Costello, Director of International Relations.

Ms. Costello spoke to the many business and cultural exchanges between Kwangju and San Antonio, and introduced the leaders of the group due to perform at the Texas Folklife Festival, including a Living Natural Treasure of South Korea, Mr. Cho.

Leaders of the group thanked the city for its welcome.

The director of the Kwangju Arts & Cultural Office stated that this is an opportunity to introduce the culture of Korea to South Texas, thus strengthening the ties of the two cities.

Mayor Peak then presented a San Antonio book and Alamo pins to each member of the visiting troupe and their leaders as mementos of their visit to San Antonio.

Representatives of the Kwangju group in turn presented the City with a traditional Korean fan.

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MR. ANDREW GUERRERO, LAND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

Mayor Peak introduced Mr. Andrew Guerrero, Planner III in the Land Development Services Division, Department of Planning, and noted that he is retiring from the City after many years working with City Council on zoning matters, and the Council has invited him here today to honor him for his long and outstanding service to the City of San Antonio.

Mayor Peak then read and presented a special Resolution of Appreciation to Mr. Guerrero.

Mr. Guerrero thanked the Mayor and City Council, and the City Staff, for honoring him on this occasion.

Mayor Peak spoke to his remembrances of working with Mr. Guerrero for many years while both were staff members of the Department of Planning for the City, calling him a fellow planner and a professional.

Individual City Council members then congratulated Mr. Guerrero for his high level of professional work and spoke to their individual remembrances of him.

City Council then recognized the presence of a number of Mr. Guerrero's family members, present in the audience.

Mr. Rolando Bono, Assistant City Manager, spoke of Mr. Guerrero as the consummate public servant.

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ENCINO PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL VISITORS

Mr. Bannwolf recognized the presence in the audience of a group of visiting students from Encino Park Elementary School, visiting City government offices today.

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97-30 CONSENT AGENDA

Ms. Guerrero made a motion to approve Agenda Items 5 through 25, constituting the Consent Agenda, with items 8, 15, 20, 23 and 24 having been pulled for individual consideration, and items 6 and 11 having earlier been removed from consideration by the City Manager. Mr. Webster seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion carrying with it the passage of the following Ordinances, prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Flores, Salas, Guerrero, Prado, Vásquez, Menendez, Garza, Marbut, Bannwolf, Webster, Peak. **NAYS:** None; **ABSENT:** None.

AN ORDINANCE 86333

ACCEPTING THE LOW, QUALIFIED BIDS OF TEXANA MACHINERY CORPORATION, ROMCO EQUIPMENT COMPANY, COOPER EQUIPMENT COMPANY AND QUALITY EQUIPMENT COMPANY TO PROVIDE THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO PUBLIC WORKS, AVIATION AND PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENTS WITH HEAVY EQUIPMENT TO BE UTILIZED FOR LOADING AND HAULING ASPHALT AND OTHER MATERIALS USED IN STREET CONSTRUCTION AND ROUTINE MAINTENANCE PROJECTS, TO INCLUDE A DRUM ROLLER, ASPHALT PAVER, CHIP SPREADER AND VARIOUS LOADERS, FOR A TOTAL OF \$870,572.24.

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AN ORDINANCE 86334

ACCEPTING THE BIDS OF VARIOUS COMPANIES TO PROVIDE THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO WITH VARIOUS MATERIALS AND SERVICES ON AN ANNUAL CONTRACT BASIS FOR THE 1997-98 FISCAL YEAR FOR A TOTAL OF APPROXIMATELY \$990,000.00. (COPIES OF BID PACKETS ARE AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW IN THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE)

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AN ORDINANCE 86335

ACCEPTING THE LOW, QUALIFIED BID OF SAN ANTONIO CONSTRUCTORS, INC. IN THE AMOUNT \$974,790.91 IN CONNECTION WITH THE AARON PL. - PLEASANTON TO COMMERCIAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROJECT; AUTHORIZING A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT; REVISING THE PROJECT BUDGET; AUTHORIZING \$68,006.35 FOR MISCELLANEOUS CONSTRUCTION CONTINGENCY EXPENSES; AUTHORIZING \$6,300.00 PAYABLE TO FERNANDEZ, FRAZER, WHITE AND ASSOCIATES FOR ADDITIONAL ENGINEERING EXPENSES; AUTHORIZING \$35,703.34 FOR PROJECT OVERSIGHT COSTS; AND PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT.

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AN ORDINANCE 86336

AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A FIVE (5) YEAR LEASE AGREEMENT WITH CAJUN RIVERPORT, INC. D/B/A BOUDRO'S RESTAURANT FOR APPROXIMATELY 185.85 SQUARE FEET OF PUBLIC SPACE ON THE SAN ANTONIO RIVER WALK TO BE USED FOR OUTDOOR DINING SERVICES AT AN ANNUAL RENTAL RATE OF \$3,122.28 IN YEAR ONE, \$3,278.39 IN YEAR TWO, \$3,442.31 IN YEAR THREE, \$3,614.43 IN YEAR FOUR AND \$3,795.15 IN YEAR FIVE.

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AN ORDINANCE 86337

AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH DURANGO STREET LIMITED COMPANY D/B/A HERITAGE PLAZA OFFICE BUILDING FOR 1,924 SQUARE FEET OF OFFICE SPACE LOCATED AT 406 SOUTH MAIN AVE., SUITE 218 FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 1997 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 1999 AT A RATE OF \$1,654.64 PER MONTH FOR YEAR ONE, \$1,827.80 PER MONTH FOR YEAR TWO, AND \$1,924.00 PER MONTH FOR YEAR THREE; IN CONNECTION WITH THE SAN ANTONIO METROPOLITAN HEALTH DISTRICT (SAMHD) IMMUNIZATION PROJECT; AND AUTHORIZING PAYMENTS TO THE LESSOR FOR THE FIRST YEAR IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

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AN ORDINANCE 86338

AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH M & W BUILDERS FOR USE BY THE SAN ANTONIO METROPOLITAN HEALTH DISTRICT OF APPROXIMATELY 4,500 SQUARE FEET OF CLINIC AND OFFICE SPACE AT 3630 SOUTHEAST MILITARY DRIVE FOR THE PERIOD SEPTEMBER 1, 1997 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2002 AT A RATE OF \$3,600.00 PER MONTH FOR YEARS 1 AND 2, \$3,825.00 PER MONTH FOR YEARS 3 THROUGH 5; IN CONNECTION WITH SPECIAL SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION FOR WOMEN, INFANTS, AND CHILDREN (WIC); AND APPROVING PAYMENTS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

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AN ORDINANCE 86339

AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH MORTON SCHAFFER FOR A BUILDING WITH 5,400 SQUARE FEET OF OFFICE SPACE LOCATED AT 814 MCCULLOUGH AVE., FOR THE PERIOD AUGUST 1, 1997 THROUGH JULY 31, 2002 AT A RATE OF \$3,500.00 PER MONTH FOR YEARS 1 - 3, AND \$3,890.00 PER MONTH FOR YEARS 4 AND 5; IN CONNECTION WITH THE SAN ANTONIO METROPOLITAN HEALTH DISTRICT (SAMHD) TUBERCULOSIS CONTROL PROJECT; AND APPROVING PAYMENTS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

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AN ORDINANCE 86340

AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF THE SUM OF \$1,200.00 FOR FEE SIMPLE TITLE TO ONE PARCEL IN CONNECTION WITH THE OCTAVIA PLACE DRAINAGE PROJECT #63, PHASE II, AND ACCEPTING THE DEDICATION OF A SIDEWALK EASEMENT ON BASSE ROAD FROM THE ALAMO QUARRY MARKET LIMITED.

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AN ORDINANCE 86341

AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,000.00 WITH DUGGER, CANADAY, GRAFE & WOELFEL, INC. FOR THE PREPARATION OF PROFESSIONAL REAL ESTATE APPRAISALS RELATED TO THE BENRUS/WITT DRAINAGE PROJECT #1059; APPROPRIATING FUNDS; AND PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT.

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AN ORDINANCE 86342

DECLARING A PUBLIC NECESSITY FOR THE ACQUISITION OF FEE SIMPLE TITLE TO PORTION OF LOT 19, COUNTY BLOCK 5008-G, CITY OF CASTLE HILLS, FRANCIS MACKAY SURVEY NO. 366, BEXAR COUNTY, TEXAS FOR A PUBLIC PURPOSE, NAMELY THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE BLANCO ROAD AND JACKSON-KELLER INTERSECTION METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION PROJECT.

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AN ORDINANCE 86343

AUTHORIZING PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,362.50 FOR APPRAISAL SERVICES TO DUGGER, CANADAY, GRAFE & WOELFEL IN THE WESTERN AVENUE DRAINAGE PROJECT #74; AND APPRAISAL SERVICES TO ECKMANN, GROLL, RUNYAN & WATERS, INC. IN THE SOUTH FLORES DRAINAGE PROJECT #70-70A, PHASE II, THE SCIENCE PARK DRAINAGE PROJECT #58, AND THE LARKSPUR DRIVE DRAINAGE PROJECT, LOCATED IN DISTRICT 9.

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AN ORDINANCE 86344

AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF AN ADDITIONAL \$300,000.00 FROM THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (TDH) TO AUGMENT FUNDING OF THE TITLE V MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH PROJECT OPERATED BY THE SAN ANTONIO METROPOLITAN HEALTH DISTRICT (SAMHD); AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF CONTRACT AMENDMENTS WITH TDH; REVISING THE PROJECT BUDGET ESTABLISHED IN ORDINANCE NO. 85245, PASSED AND APPROVED DECEMBER 5, 1996; AUTHORIZING ONE (1) ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL POSITION; AND APPROVING CONTRACTUAL SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROJECT.

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AN ORDINANCE 86345

AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF \$21,321.30 TO THE AIRPORT COUNCIL INTERNATIONAL FOR 1997 MEMBERSHIP DUES.

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AN ORDINANCE 86346

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 VIOLATIONS OF THESE TRAFFIC REGULATIONS, EXCEPT THE CIVIL PARKING VIOLATIONS, 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 PROVISION OF CITY CODE SECTION 19-225 (ADMINISTRATIVE ADJUDICATION OF STOPPING, STANDING, AND PARKING VIOLATIONS).

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97-30 Agenda Item 6, being a proposed ordinance accepting the offer of the Xerox Corporation to provide the City of San Antonio Purchasing & General Services Department with a high volume digital color copier system for high-speed reproduction of printed materials for distribution throughout various City departments, on a lease basis for a total of approximately \$4,400.00 monthly for a five year period, was earlier removed from consideration by the City Manager.
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The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 86347

AUTHORIZING THE SAN ANTONIO WATER SYSTEM TO PROVIDE FUNDS FOR THE WHATABURGER, INC., WATER MAIN OVERSIZING PROJECT, WHICH CONSISTS OF INCREASING THE SIZE OF APPROXIMATELY 520 FEET OF WATER LINE ALONG FM 1604 NORTH OF NACOGDOCHES ROAD FROM THE NORMAL EIGHT (8) INCH BORDER WATER MAIN TO SIXTEEN (16) INCHES AT A COST OF \$33,280.00.

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Mr. Prado made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Mr. Bannwolf seconded the motion.

Mr. John German, Director of Public Works, explained the need for the water line extension, and spoke to the customer's costs for running that line, noting that this is standard policy of San Antonio Water System.

Mr. Prado asked that SAWS work closely with the City in scheduling street-cuts for water work.

Mayor Peak stated that he would deliver this message to the SAWS board.

After consideration, the motion prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Flores, Salas, Guerrero, Prado, Vásquez, Menendez, Garza, Marbut, Bannwolf, Webster, Peak; **NAYS:** None; **ABSENT:** None

97-30 Agenda Item 11, being a proposed ordinance assigning the Farmers Market Plaza Lease Agreement with Siew O. And Walter RF. Pang d/b/a Siew Pang International gift Shop in the Farmers market authorized by Ordinance No. 79223, passed and approved on November 23, 1993, to Siew Pang, Inc. d/b/a/ Fun Fashions at Noah's Ark; amending the use clause of said Farmers Market Plaza Lease Agreement; and assessing a \$1,000.00 payment for said assignment, was earlier removed from consideration by the City Manager.

97-30 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 86348

ACCEPTING FEE SIMPLE TITLE TO A PARCEL OF LAND IN VISTA VERDE SOUTH, LOCATED AT THE INTERSECTION OF SOUTH FRIO STREET AND SAN FERNANDO STREET, FROM THE URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO TO PROVIDE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE NEW FIRE STATION NO. 11, WHICH IS LOCATED IN DISTRICT 5.

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

Mr. John German, Director of Public Works, explained the proposed transfer of ownership of this property to provide a new location for Fire Station No. 11.

The following citizen(s) appeared to speak

Mr. Faris Hodge, Jr., 140 Dora, spoke to the need for more fire stations to be constructed around the City. He spoke to the response times of Emergency Medical Services units and the need for new ambulances in order to supplement the current fleet.

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After consideration, the motion prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Flores, Salas, Guerrero, Prado, Vásquez, Menendez, Garza, Marbut, Bannwolf, Webster, Peak; **NAYS:** None; **ABSENT:** None.

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97-30 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 86349

AUTHORIZING PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$39,814.21 FOR LEGAL SERVICES TO WELLS, PINCKNEY & MCHUGH ON THE WESTERN AVENUE DRAINAGE PROJECT #74, THE HI-LIONS DRAINAGE PROJECT #80, THE

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WURZBACH PARKWAY PROJECT, THE BASSE ROAD AT SAN PEDRO MEROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION PROJECT AND THE LARKSPUR STREET DRAINAGE PROJECT; AND PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT.

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

After consideration, the motion prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Flores, Salas, Guerrero, Prado, Vásquez, Menendez, Garza, Marbut, Webster, Peak; **NAYS:** None; **ABSTAIN:** Bannwolf; **ABSENT:** None.

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97-30 Mayor Peak welcomed a group of Boy Scouts from Troop 307 to City Council Chambers.

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97-30 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 86350

AUTHORIZING THE CONFIRMATION OF SUBMISSION OF A GRANT PROPOSAL IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$540,000.00 (\$180,000.00 ANNUALLY) FOR THE PERIOD OCTOBER 1, 1997 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2000, FOR A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY INITIATIVES AND THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, WHICH WILL ALLOW THE CHILDREN'S RESOURCES DIVISION TO OFFER TRAINING TO PERSONNEL FOR THE EDUCATION OF INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES.

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Mr. Salas made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Mr. Webster seconded the motion.

Ms. Dianne Sherman, Acting Director of the Department of Community Initiatives, explained the unique training involved for those working with children with disabilities in the area's child care centers.

After consideration, the motion prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Flores, Salas, Guerrero, Prado, Vásquez, Menendez, Garza, Bannwolf, Webster, Peak; **NAYS:** None; **ABSENT:** Marbut.

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97-30 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 86351

AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF ADDITIONAL PREMIUMS FOR THE ADDITION AND REPLACEMENT OF TWO (2) NEW HELICOPTERS TO THE CITY'S HELICOPTER HULL & LIABILITY INSURANCE WITH AMERICAN EAGLE GROUP PURCHASED THROUGH SEDGWICK JAMES OF TEXAS, INC., THE CITY'S SOLE BROKER OF RECORD; FOR AN ESTIMATED EXPENSE OF \$29,374.00. (AMENDS ORDINANCE NO. 85278 DATED DECEMBER 12, 1996)

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Mr. Webster made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Mr. Bannwolf seconded the motion.

Mr. Frank Garza, Acting City Attorney, explained the need for additional insurance premiums for police helicopters, noting that the new helicopters are now being moved from their downtown location to Stinson Municipal Airport facilities.

The following citizen(s) appeared to speak:

Mr. Faris Hodge, Jr., 140 Dora, stated that he was glad to see the helicopters moved into hangars.

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After consideration, the motion prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Flores, Salas, Guerrero, Prado, Vásquez, Menendez, Garza, Marbut, Bannwolf, Webster, Peak; **NAYS:** None; **ABSENT:** None

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97-30 Agenda Item 26, being a proposed ordinance accepting the low qualified bid of Clark Construction Company in the amount of \$778,010.00 in connection with the Micro-Surface 1997 Project located in various Council Districts; authorizing a construction contract; authorizing \$77,801.00 for miscellaneous construction contingency expenses; authorizing \$800.00 for advertising expenses; and providing for payment, was earlier removed from consideration by the City Manager.

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97-30 Agenda Item 27, being a proposed ordinance accepting the low qualified bid of Clark Construction Company, Inc. in the amount of \$930,887.60 in connection with the Seal Coat 1997 Project located in various Council Districts; authorizing a construction contract; authorizing \$93,088.76 for miscellaneous construction contingency expenses; authorizing \$800.00 for advertising expenses; and providing for payment, was earlier removed from consideration by the City Manager.

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97-30 Agenda Item 28 , being a proposed ordinance accepting the low qualified bid of San Antonio Constructors, Inc. in the amount of \$1,746,746.94 in connection with the Asphalt Overlay 1997 Project located in various Council Districts; authorizing a construction contract; authorizing \$174,674.69 in miscellaneous construction contingency expenses; authorizing \$800.00 for advertising expenses; and providing for payment, was earlier removed from consideration by the City Manager.

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97-30 Agenda Item 29, being a proposed ordinance accepting the low qualified bid of Clark Construction Company in the amount of \$630,078.50 in connection with the Slurry Seal 1997 Project located in various Council Districts; authorizing a construction contract; authorizing \$63,007.85 for miscellaneous construction contingency expenses; authorizing \$800.00 for advertising expenses; and providing for payment, was earlier removed from consideration by the City Manager.

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97-30 Agenda Item 30, being a proposed ordinance accepting the low qualified bid of Clark Construction Company in the amount of \$201,555.00 in connection with the construction of the Base & Pavement Repair 1997 Project located in various Council Districts; authorizing a construction contract; authorizing \$21,055.50 for miscellaneous construction contingency expenses; authorizing \$800.00 for advertising expenses; and providing for payment, was earlier removed from consideration by the City Manager.

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97-30 It was the consensus of City Council members present to undertake consideration of Agenda Item 32 at this time.

The Clerk read the following Resolution:

A RESOLUTION
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SUPPORTING THE APPLICATION BY MIDTOWN ON BLANCO TO THE TEXAS HISTORICAL COMMISSION FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR STAFF TRAINING, PLANNING AND ADMINISTRATION FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF COMMERCIAL REVITALIZATION OF THE BLANCO ROAD BUSINESS CORRIDOR; AND PROVIDING FOR AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE UPON EIGHT (8) AFFIRMATIVE VOTES.

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Mr. Flores made a motion to approve the proposed Resolution. Mr. Salas seconded the motion.

Ms. Margi Gant, Housing & Community Development Department, spoke to the reasons for including Midtown On Blanco for participation in the Urban Main Street Program.

After consideration, the motion prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Flores, Salas, Guerrero, Prado, Vásquez, Garza, Marbut, Bannwolf, Peak; **NAYS:** None; **ABSENT:** Menendez, Webster.

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The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 86352

SELECTING ANN ADAMS TO DESIGN, FABRICATE AND INSTALL DECORATIVE TILES AT THE CONVENTION CENTER PLAZA IN CONNECTION WITH THE TROLLEY STATION PROJECT; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$11,000.00; APPROPRIATING FUNDS; AND PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT.

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Ms. Guerrero made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Mr. Garza seconded the motion.

Mr. Eduardo Diaz, Director, Arts & Cultural Affairs Department, narrated a video presentation of the history of the public arts program since its adoption last July, and plans for work on the Trolley Station Project.

Mr. Marbut spoke to his concern with the entire process of the public arts program.

The following citizen(s) appeared to speak:

Mr. George Muellich, 9210 Village Drive, spoke in favor of the public arts program as an enhancement to public buildings and a matter of civic pride, citing the Eiffel Tower in Paris as an example.

Mr. Faris Hodge, Jr., 140 Dora, stated that he feels that this funding is secondary to such basic needs as funding for fire and police services, and expressed his belief that VIA Metropolitan Transit should fund this Trolley Station Project itself.

Mr. Jack Finger, P.O. Box 12048, spoke against using tax funds for public arts projects.

Ms. Beth Bender Wells, architect and member of the Public Arts Advisory Committee, spoke to this as an opportunity for unique examples of art in public projects.

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Mr. Marbut spoke to a brief background of the "one per cent for public art" matter and addressed several reasons for his opposition. He stated his belief that architects and engineers should be involved in the 'public art' process, and voiced his concern with the tough financial times of today and the need to use public funds on the basics. He spoke to the City Council six-signature memorandum asking that this entire program be sent to the Council's Plans & Policy Committee for review and reconsideration. He also stated his belief that the City could use these funds to help it stay under-budget on these projects. He asked the Council to, at least, delay this action until a committee decision is made on possible new recommendations.

Mr. Webster spoke in agreement with Mr. Marbut's comments.

In response to a question by Mr. Webster, Mr. Efren Gonzalez, Acting Director of Aviation, stated his opinion that any delay in constructing the walkways at International Airport's Parking Expansion Project, noted in the following Ordinance, would affect the overall costs of this \$33 million parking garage project.

Mr. Webster stated his desire to have the City Council go ahead with the walkway project at International Airport, but delay construction of the new pay-stations there until the Plans & Policy Committee makes its recommendations on the public art issue.

Mr. Garza stated that the Council needs to consider just what kind of city it will leave behind. He stated his willingness to give this program a chance, although he agrees with Mr. Marbut that design ideas should be integrated into the project design, in the first place.

In response to a question by Mr. Prado, Mr. Diaz noted that the artist in question has been working closely with the architect on the Trolley Station Project during its design phase, as well as have the artists involved with the International Airport parking garage project.

Mr. Prado stated his belief that a priority must go to providing better streets and public safety, not public art, stating his contention that public arts program matters send the wrong message to the public. He spoke in support for Mr. Webster's memorandum on this issue, and stated that he cannot support the ordinance as written today.

Ms. Guerrero noted that the funds dedicated to the public arts program cannot be used for anything else, such as infrastructure improvements. She spoke in agreement with Councilman Garza on his concerns for what we are leaving behind, and spoke in support for the proposed Ordinance.

In response to a question by Mr. Flores, Mr. Michael Beaty, architect on the Trolley Station Project, narrated a brief video presentation on that project and explained how the 'public art' portion is a functional part of the overall project.

Mr. Flores stated his belief that the public arts programs involved in the two matters under consideration today are functional, and he spoke in support for the Trolley Station Project.

Discussion then took place concerning what might happen to these dedicated 'public art' funds should they not be approved by the Council for that particular use.

Mr. Salas spoke to the need to have an educational process on the public arts issue, and stated that he would be voting against the proposed Ordinance.

Mr. Marbut stated his belief that public structures should be designed to be pleasing to the eye, in the first place.

Mr. Vásquez noted that the Alamodome project was not created with any 'public art' set-aside.

Ms. Nora Chavez, Director of Finance, explained the use of specific bond funds, and spoke to what happens to any 'surplus' funds from bond projects. She stated that the bond counsel on this project needs to look at the issue to see what is legal in the use of such funds.

Mr. Salas expressed his belief that an ordinance is necessary that includes public art as part of the overall project, not a sub-contract to same.

Mr. Webster spoke in agreement with Mr. Salas' comments.

In response to a question by Mr. Prado, Mr. Diaz spoke to the artists' involvement with both projects before Council today, completely function and integrated into each project.

Mr. Prado stated his belief that VIA should pay for this Trolley Station work.

Mr. Menendez made a substitute motion to refer this matter to the Council's Policy & Planning Committee for review before it comes back before the City Council. Mr. Marbut seconded the substitute motion.

Discussion took place concerning the impact of delaying the two projects before Council today.

Mr. German and Mr. Gonzalez urged Council not to delay the actual construction work, if possible, but stated that they could work with a four-week delay, if necessary.

Mayor Peak defined the impact of 'public art' on the two projects versus a 'plain' design, citing the enhancements being made both to the Riverwalk access project and the parking garage at International Airport, in a subsequent ordinance.

In response to a question by Mr. Bannwolf, Mr. Steve Souter, representing Marmon Mok Architects, stated that the arts work is integrated into the airport parking project design, already, as a functional aspect of the work.

Mr. Bannwolf stated that he would be willing to delay construction of the two pay-stations at International Airport, but is concerned with the adverse impact of delaying the other projects until the question of "one per cent for public art" is decided. He stated that he would support moving these matters forward because of the time problems.

Mr. Menendez stated that he could support pulling the two self-pay stations in the airport project and go forward with the remainder of the airport project and the trolley station project, as well.

After discussion, the maker and seconder of the pending substitute motion both agreed to withdraw their substitute motion.

The main motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Flores, Guerrero, Menendez, Garza, Bannwolf, Webster, Peak; **NAYS:** Salas, Prado, Vásquez, Marbut; **ABSENT:** None.

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97-30 The Clerk read the following proposed Ordinance: selecting Christopher Janney, Bill FitzGibbons and Gary Sweeney to design, fabricate and install three individual artworks at the San Antonio International Airport in connection with the Airport Parking Expansion Project for amounts not to exceed \$160,000.00, \$85,000.00 and \$50,000.00, respectively; authorizing the execution of professional services contracts in connection therewith; appropriating funds; and providing for payment.

Mr. Bannwolf made a motion to approve only the Paseo Walkway funding for the new five-story parking garage at International Airport (\$160,000); approve the Day Star

Walkway funding for the same project (\$85,000); and to delay the Self-Pay Stations Project until the matter of "one per cent for public art" ordinance is referred to the Council's Policy & Planning Committee for review and referral back to City Council. Mr. Menendez seconded the motion.

Discussion then took place concerning the Policy & Planning Committee looking at the entire "one per cent for public art" issue.

Mr. Marbut offered a substitute motion to disapprove the Self-Pay Stations. Mr. Salas seconded the motion.

After discussion, the substitute motion failed to carry by the following vote: **AYES:** Salas, Prado, Vásquez, Marbut. **NAYS:** Flores, Guerrero, Menendez, Garza, Bannwolf, Webster, Peak. **ABSENT:** None.

The main motion, carrying with it the passage of the following Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Flores, Guerrero, Menendez, Garza, Bannwolf, Webster, Peak; **NAYS:** Salas, Prado, Vásquez, Marbut; **ABSENT:** None.

AN ORDINANCE 86353

SELECTING CHRISTOPHER JANNEY, BILL FITZGIBBONS AND GARY SWEENEY TO DESIGN, FABRICATE AND INSTALL TWO INDIVIDUAL ARTWORKS AT THE SAN ANTONIO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT IN CONNECTION WITH THE AIRPORT PARKING EXPANSION PROJECT FOR AMOUNTS NOT TO EXCEED \$160,000.00, \$85,000.00 AND \$50,000.00, RESPECTIVELY; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACTS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH; APPROPRIATING FUNDS; AND PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT.

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Mr. J. Rolando Bono, Assistant City Manager, noted that another project is due to come up for Council consideration during August, after which it was indicated by the Mayor that this matter should be held up for the time being.

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The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 86354

AUTHORIZING REIMBURSEMENT FROM THE DISTRICT 4 CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT FUND TO COUNCILMAN RAUL PRADO IN THE AMOUNT OF \$6,000.00 FOR ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES CONTRACTS WITH ENRIQUE "KIKE" MARTIN (\$1,450.00 PER MONTH) AND DAVID FERNANDEZ (\$1,550.00 PER MONTH) FROM AUGUST 1, 1997 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 31, 1997; AND AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF \$500.00 (\$250.00 PER MONTH) FROM THE DISTRICT 4 CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT FUND TO THE CITY'S GENERAL FUND FOR USE OF CITY HALL WORK SPACE AND RELATED EXPENSES FOR THE PERIOD AUGUST 1, 1997 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 1997; AS REQUESTED BY COUNCILMAN RAUL PRADO.

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Mr. Prado made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Mr. Bannwolf seconded the motion.

The following citizen(s) appeared to speak:

Mr. Faris Hodge, Jr., 140 Dora, stated his belief that City Council aides should be City employees, rather than on contract, so that they could receive both pay and benefits of a similar nature.

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After consideration, the motion prevailed by the following vote: **AYES:** Salas, Prado, Menendez, Garza, Bannwolf, Peak; **NAYS:** None; **ABSENT:** Flores, Guerrero, Vásquez, Marbut, Webster.

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CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

MR. FARIS HODGE, JR.

Mr. Faris Hodge, Jr., 140 Dora, spoke to the City Council on various issues relative to concerns he has observed in their respective districts.

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MRS. JULIE OLDHAM

Mrs. Oldham stated that she is still being harassed by personnel from the Code Compliance Department, Police Department, City Public Service, and the San Antonio Water System . She urged the City Council to discontinue tax abatements and to consider the quality of life of its citizens as its first priority.

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MR. JUAN B. VELA

Mr. Juan B. Vela spoke to the City Council regarding his perspective on arts in San Antonio and the many aspects which still need to be addressed by the City in this regard.

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MR. JOHNNY ZAMARIPPA

Mr. Zamarippa on behalf of Victory Fellowship and the Rev. Freddy Garcia spoke to the more than 500 participants of their program who will be distributing information on their program throughout the City. He stated that all these participants were former gang members, drug addicts or criminals who have now dedicated their lives to Jesus Christ.

Several members of the City Council commended the participants under the leadership of Rev. Garcia for their work and effort in the community.

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MR. PAT JOHNSON

Mr. Pat Johnson, representing Johnny Bates, distributed a copy of a letter he had received from the Governor in response to a letter he had written about the City of San Antonio's Towing Ordinance. He spoke in opposition to the manner in which this Ordinance is being enforced and that citizens are not being properly protected.

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97-30 City Council recessed its regular session at 3:55 P.M., reconvening at 5:00 P.M. for continuation of Citizens to be Heard portion with Mayor Pro-tem Menendez presiding:

MRS. RITA COREY

Mrs. Rita Corey, volunteer with Project Learn to Read, spoke to the City Council regarding the program, its history and the many participants they have helped through the years.

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97-31 There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 5:09 P.M.

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HOWARD W. PEAK
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Attest: 
NORMA S. RODRIGUEZ, CMC/AAE
City Clerk

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July 31, 1997
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