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Item #24B

AN ORDINANCE 2015-05-14-0420

CREATING THE SAN ANTONIO HOUSING COMMISSION TO PROTECT AND PRESERVE DYNAMIC AND DIVERSE NEIGHBORHOODS AND APPROVING THE COMPOSITION OF THE COMMISSION.

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WHEREAS, the Mayor's Task Force on Preserving Dynamic and Diverse Neighborhoods was established on July 11, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the Task Force's specific charge was to identify policies and programs that encourage investment in inner city neighborhoods while minimizing or preventing displacement of people and reducing adverse impacts to the history, culture and quality of life of unique neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, the Task Force was comprised of community advocates, academics, non-profit housing partners, developers, and elected officials; and

WHEREAS, the Task Force, chaired by Mayor Ivy Taylor, held a total of 15 meetings since October 2014, all of which have been open to the public; and

WHEREAS, the Task Force completed a final report which included five short-term and eight long-term recommendations; and

WHEREAS, one of the short term recommendations of the Task Force is that City Council create the San Antonio Housing Commission to Protect and Preserve Dynamic and Diverse Neighborhoods to increase workforce and affordable housing preservation and production; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Commission would be a coordinating body charged with making recommendations to City Council on workforce/affordable housing preservation and production as well as policies to minimize displacement and mitigate the effects of neighborhood change; **NOW THEREFORE:**

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

SECTION 1. Creation. The San Antonio Housing Commission to Protect and Preserve Dynamic and Diverse Neighborhoods is created and tasked with implementing and developing recommendations listed above and as set forth by the Mayor's Task Force on Preserving Dynamic and Diverse Neighborhoods report accepted by City of San Antonio City Council on May 14, 2015.

SECTION 2. Composition of the Commission.
(a) The City Council approves the composition of the 15-member Commission, to be comprised of:

One Non-Profit Developer;
One Non-Profit Housing Provider;
One Housing Law and/or Policy Expert;
One Academic/Historian;
One Architect or Urban Designer;
One Construction Professional;
One San Antonio Housing Authority Representative;
Two Financial Institution Representatives;
Two For-Profit Private Real Estate/Development Representatives; and
Four Neighborhood Group/ Community Representatives (one of which shall be a Non-Profit Service Provider).

The Mayor may make changes to the categories above, and appointments may be made, without any further action by the City Council.

(b) City staff in the Department of Planning and Community Development, Office of the City Attorney and other City departments shall be available as resources to support the efforts of the Commission, as requested.

(c) In order to support its work, the Commission may also seek voluntary technical or specific professional assistance from individuals in the community representing certain technical disciplines or areas of special expertise.

SECTION 3. Appointment and terms. The Mayor shall appoint five members of the Commission and each member of the City Council shall appoint one member of the Commission. The Mayor shall draw five categories, followed by the members of the City Council who shall draw one each of the remaining ten categories to determine which category each Council Member shall fill with their appointment. Commission members shall be appointed for two year terms coterminous with City Council. Appointments may be made without further action by City Council. Initial terms shall end on May 31, 2017.

SECTION 4. The Commission is an advisory board to the City Council.

SECTION 5. Compensation. Commission members shall not be compensated for service on the Commission.

SECTION 6. Residency. City residency for Commission members is recommended, but is not required.

SECTION 7. Unless otherwise set out within this ordinance, the Commission shall be governed by the City's Boards and Commissions ordinance.

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SECTION 8. This ordinance is effective immediately upon the receipt of eight affirmative votes; otherwise, it is effective ten days after passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 14th day of May, 2015.

M A Y O R
Ivy R. Taylor

ATTEST:

Leticia M. Vacek, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Martha G. Sepeda, Acting City Attorney

Agenda Item:	**24B (in consent vote: 24A, 24B)**
Date:	05/14/2015
Time:	12:38:59 PM
Vote Type:	Motion to Appr w Cond
Description:	An Ordinance establishing the San Antonio Housing Commission and approving the composition of the Commission.
Result:	Passed

Voter	Group	Not Present	Yea	Nay	Abstain	Motion	Second
Ivy R. Taylor	Mayor		x				
Roberto C. Trevino	District 1		x			x	
Alan Warrick	District 2		x				
Rebecca Viagran	District 3		x				x
Rey Saldaña	District 4		x				
Shirley Gonzales	District 5		x				
Ray Lopez	District 6		x				
Cris Medina	District 7		x				
Ron Nirenberg	District 8		x				
Joe Krier	District 9		x				
Michael Gallagher	District 10		x				