

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO HELD IN  
THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, ON  
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 1983.

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The special meeting was called to order at 4:33 P.M. by the presiding officer, Mayor Henry Cisneros, with the following members present: BERRIOZABAL, WEBB, DUTMER, WING, EURESTE, THOMPSON, ALDERETE, HARRINGTON, ARCHER, HASSLOCHER, CISNEROS. Absent: NONE.

83-52 Mayor Cisneros briefly explained the reason for the special meeting, repeating his comments made earlier in the regular meeting that one interpretation of Section 1269M of the state statutes holds that the City Council should affirm appointment of the new police chief, even though that appointment is made by the City Manager under terms of the City Charter.

The Clerk read the following Resolution:

A RESOLUTION NO. 83-52-90

CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF CHARLES RODRIGUEZ AS  
POLICE CHIEF.

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Mrs. Dutmer moved that the Resolution be approved. Mr. Webb seconded the motion.

Mr. Eureste and Mrs. Dutmer both spoke in support of the Resolution.

Mayor Cisneros stated that the San Antonio Police Officers Association was notified that this action was to be considered by the City Council this afternoon.

Mr. Thompson spoke of his concern that only the minimum two-hour legal notice had been given to the call of this special meeting for this purpose, and stated that for that reason, he would abstain from the vote. He also stated his concern that no citizen was here for the public hearing on this matter.

Mr. Wing stated his opinion that this maintains the integrity of Council-Manager government in San Antonio, noting that selection of the new Police Chief is a decision of the City Manager, and this action only affirms by Resolution the City Council's backing of that selection.

Mr. Hasslocher stated his belief that this is a proper move, and spoke in support, noting that all should work together to welcome Chief Rodriguez to San Antonio as the new Police Chief.

Mr. Webb noted that there is no Public Hearing involved in this action, nor is one required; that the City Manager made the decision and the Council is standing behind his decision by Resolution. He then spoke briefly on details of the selection process.

After discussion, the motion prevailed by the following vote:  
AYES: Berriozabal, Webb, Dutmer, Wing, Eureste, Alderete, Harrington, Archer, Hasslocher, Cisneros; ABSTAIN: Thompson; NAYS: None; ABSENT: None.

Mayor Cisneros thanked the Council for all its hard work, and stated that this Council has a history of good works, of which he personally is proud. He then spoke briefly of the amount of work expected

to be accomplished by this Council, and again thanked them for their dedication.

83-52 There being no further business, the Special Council Meeting was adjourned at 4:39 P.M.

A P P R O V E D

*Henry Cisneros*  
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ATTEST: *Norma S. Rodriguez*  
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