

**Infrastructure & Growth Council Committee
Meeting Minutes**

Tuesday, December 15, 2009

10:00 a.m.

Municipal Plaza Room B

Members Present: Councilmember *Philip A. Cortez, District 4, Chair*
Councilmember *David Medina, Jr., District 5*
Councilmember *Reed Williams, District 8*
Councilmember *Elisa Chan, District 9*

Members Absent: *None*

Staff Present: Penny Postoak Ferguson, *Assistant City Manager*; Leticia Vacek, *City Clerk*; Chris Hebner, *Assistant City Attorney*; Carri Wiggins, *Office of the City Clerk*; Brandon Smith, *Office of the City Clerk*

Others Present: *Walter Serna, Patton Boggs, LLP*

1. Call to Order

Councilmember Cortez called the meeting to order.

2. Citizens to be Heard

There were no Citizens to be Heard.

3. Approval of Minutes for the November 17, 2009 Infrastructure & Growth Council Committee Meeting

Councilmember Williams moved to approve the Minutes of the November 17, 2009 Infrastructure and Growth Council Committee Meeting. Councilmember Chan seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Briefing and possible action – Consideration of applicants for VIA Metropolitan Transit Authority

Presented by Leticia M. Vacek, City Clerk

Leticia Vacek reported that there were two (2) vacancies on the VIA Metropolitan Transit Authority Board of Trustees and that there were four applicants. She noted that applicant Jeff Caplan was not present and that he had submitted a written statement.

Mary E. Briseno stated that she was seeking reappointment for a third and final term and noted that she had been an active participant on the VIA Metropolitan Transit Authority Board of Trustees. She indicated that she had served on various committees in the following capacities: Represented VIA on the Lonestar Rail District, Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO); Operations & Oversight Committee, Chair; Planning Committee; and Executive Committee.

Rick R. Hite cited his daily experiences with the City of San Antonio, Bexar County, MPO, and VIA as a retired Manager for the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality. He noted his

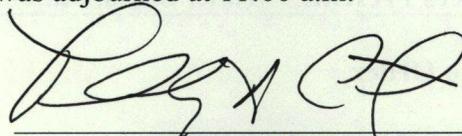
ability to handle citizen complaints, budgets, contracts and grants. He added that he had the experience, time, and patience to contribute his service to the VIA Metropolitan Transit Authority Board of Trustees.

Rick A. Pych, seeking reappointment, served on the Policy Board-Metropolitan Planning Organization; Executive Committee-Economic Development Foundation; and the Eastside TIRZ District. He spoke of progressive transportation modes that appealed to all constituents as his motivation to serve and indicated his willingness to work as a City appointee.

Councilmember Williams moved to recommend Mary E. Briseno and Rick A. Pych for reappointment to the VIA Metropolitan Transit Authority Board of Trustees and appoint Mary E. Briseno as designee to represent the interests of the Transportation Disadvantaged. Councilmember Chan seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

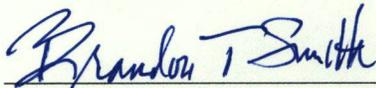
5. Adjourn

There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m.



Philip A. Cortez, Chairman

Respectfully Submitted,



Brandon T. Smith
Office of the City Clerk