

**CITY COUNCIL GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE MEETING  
MINUTES**

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18, 2012  
1:00 PM  
MEDIA BRIEFING ROOM, CITY HALL**

Council Present:	Mayor Julián Castro, <i>Chair</i> Councilmember Diego Bernal, <i>District 1</i> Councilmember Ivy R. Taylor, <i>District 2</i> Councilmember David Medina Jr., <i>District 5</i> Councilmember Cris Medina Jr., <i>District 7</i>
Staff Present:	Sheryl Sculley, <i>City Manager</i> ; Michael Bernard, <i>City Attorney</i> ; Leticia Vacek, <i>City Clerk</i> ; Jed Maebius, <i>Mayor's Office</i> ; Majed Al-Ghafry, <i>Public Works Director</i> ; Michael Rogers, <i>Assistant Director Public Works</i> ; Mark Jacobson, <i>Public Works Engineer</i> ; Valerie Esparza, <i>Senior Management Analyst</i> ; Hector Morales, <i>Policy Director</i> ;
Others Present:	Marissa Wagner, <i>KTSA Reporter</i>

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Castro called the meeting to order.

**I. Approval of minutes from the March 21, 2012 Governance Committee Meeting**

Councilmember Taylor moved to approve the minutes of the March 21, 2012 Governance Committee Meeting as submitted. Councilmember D. Medina seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

**II. Council Consideration Request(s):**

- a. **Briefing and possible action on a request from Councilman Cris Medina, District 7, related to Commuter Traffic Relief.**  
Majed A. Al-Ghafry, Director, Public Works

Mr. Majed A. Al-Ghafry, Director of Public Works, informed the City Council that the Commuter Traffic Relief Project did not qualify for immediate funding. He provided a follow up to the February 9<sup>th</sup> meeting and reported that Bandera Road is a State Facility. He stated that at the request of the City Council, staff has been working with the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) to investigate ways to provide relief to commuter traffic on Bandera Road. He reported that TxDOT suggested incorporating four display message signs. He noted that they are also considering signal timing adjustments. He recommended that the long term solution would be to assume responsibility in the Leon Valley Area and place the traffic signals on the City's system. Mr. Al-Ghafry noted that there is a Task Force Mobility Area Meeting scheduled in May in coordination with The Medical Center area employees, which staff will attend and report back.

Councilmember C. Medina thanked Mr. Al-Ghafry for the work done to address the traffic issues. He asked for the cost of the four display message signs. Mr. Al-Ghafry stated that the cost is \$110,000 each totaling \$440,000. He added that they are looking at other signs to consider. Councilmember C. Medina asked of the timeline to hear back from TxDOT. Mr. Al-Ghafry stated that it would be about a month.

Mayor Castro thanked Councilmember C. Medina in bringing forth said item which would include an Intergovernmental discussion with Leon Valley. Councilmember D. Medina also thanked Councilmember C. Medina for taking on said issue.

There was no action required for this item.

**III. Consideration of items for future meetings**

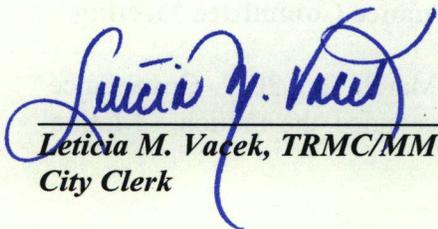
- a. Next Meeting Scheduled: May 16, 2012

Mayor Castro noted that the next Governance Meeting was scheduled for May 16, 2012.

**IV. Adjourn**

There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

  
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*Leticia M. Vacek, TRMC/MMC*  
City Clerk

  
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*Julián Castro*  
Mayor