

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, HELD IN
THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, ON
THURSDAY, AUGUST 22, 1991.

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The meeting was called to order by the Presiding Officer, Mayor Nelson Wolff, with the following members present: PEREZ, PIERCE, BILLA BURKE, WING, MARTINEZ, THOMPSON, VERA, THORNTON, LABATT, LARSON, WOLFF. Absent: NONE.

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91-36 Invocation - Monsignor Balthasar Janacek, Christ the King Catholic Church.

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91-36 Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States.

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91-36 Minutes of the July 12, 1991 Regular City Council Meeting were approved.

91-36 GROUND WATER PROTECTION SEMINAR

Mr. Labatt drew the City Council's attention to the upcoming Ground Water Protection Seminar, to be held September 11, 1991 in the Fiesta Rooms of the Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center, sponsored by the Texas Water Commission.

91-36 CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Pierce made a motion to approve Agenda Items 8 through 20H, constituting the Consent Agenda, with Item 16 being pulled for individual consideration. Ms. Billa Burke seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the following Ordinances, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Perez, Pierce, Billa Burke, Thompson, Vera, Thornton, Labatt, Larson, Wolff; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Wing, Martinez.

AN ORDINANCE 74,138

ACCEPTING THE LOW BID OF KING WIRE AND CABLE TO FURNISH THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT WITH TRAFFIC CABLE FOR A TOTAL OF \$12,765.00.

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AN ORDINANCE 74,139

ACCEPTING THE LOW BID OF ASI TO FURNISH THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT WITH SOLID STATE ADAPTORS FOR TRAFFIC CONTROLLERS FOR A TOTAL OF \$5,088.00.

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AN ORDINANCE 74,140

ACCEPTING THE LOW BID OF MIDCAP BEARING TO FURNISH THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT WITH AC MOTOR SPEED CONTROLS FOR A TOTAL OF \$22,800.00.

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AN ORDINANCE 74,141

ACCEPTING THE LOW BID OF RUDY H. RODRIGUEZ TO FURNISH THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO WITH CHAIN LINK FENCE FOR A TOTAL OF \$3,600.00.

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AN ORDINANCE 74,142

ACCEPTING THE PROPOSAL OF NATIONAL STANDARDS ASSOCIATION TO RENEW THE FEDERAL SPECIFICATIONS SUBSCRIPTION FOR THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT FOR A TOTAL OF \$9,885.00.

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AN ORDINANCE 74,143

ACCEPTING THE BID OF ALAMO FORD NEW HOLLAND, INC. TO FURNISH THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO PUBLIC WORKS

DEPARTMENT WITH A TILT BED TRAILER FOR A TOTAL OF \$8,494.00.

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AN ORDINANCE 74,144

ACCEPTING THE LOW QUALIFIED BIDS OF NORTH PARK LINCOLN MERCURY, FIESTA DODGE SALES, INC., GUNN CHEVROLET, INC., SMITH CHEVROLET, AND SOUTHWAY FORD TO FURNISH THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO POLICE DEPARTMENT WITH TASK FORCE VEHICLES FOR A TOTAL OF \$270,155.67.

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AN ORDINANCE 74,145

ACCEPTING THE BIDS OF VARIOUS VENDORS TO FURNISH THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO WITH VARIOUS MATERIALS AND SERVICES ON AN ANNUAL CONTRACT BASIS FOR A TOTAL OF APPROXIMATELY \$3,400,000.

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AN ORDINANCE 74,146

AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF THE SUM OF \$2,371.00 OUT OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS; ACCEPTING THE DEDICATION OF TWO EASEMENTS IN CONNECTION WITH THE WETMORE ROAD RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT - THOUSAND OAKS TO CITY LIMITS; ACQUIRING AN EASEMENT IN CONNECTION WITH THE WHITEWOOD RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT - MEDINA BASE ROAD TO S.W. MILITARY DRIVE; ACQUIRING TITLE TO A PARCEL IN CONNECTION WITH THE ASHLEY ROAD RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT - BASCUM TO S. FLORES; AND REIMBURSING A PROPERTY OWNER FOR THE RELOCATION OF A SIGN IN CONNECTION WITH THE WEST AVENUE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT - FREDERICKSBURG ROAD TO I.H. 10.

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AN ORDINANCE 74,147

AUTHORIZING HEALTH, INC. TO BE THE OFFICIAL SPONSOR OF THE "COLOR ME GOSPEL" MUSIC FESTIVAL SEPTEMBER 6 AND 7, 1991.

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AN ORDINANCE 74,148

CLOSING THE WESTBOUND LANES OF NUEVA BETWEEN ALAMO AND PRESA STREETS ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 1991 FROM 10:00 A.M. UNTIL MIDNIGHT TO PROVIDE SECURITY AND PARKING FOR VEHICLES DURING THE LABOR DAY CELEBRATIONS.

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AN ORDINANCE 74,149

APPOINTING LYNDIA BILLA BURKE, TO SERVE ON SUBCOMMITTEES, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS.

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AN ORDINANCE 74,150

APPOINTING COUNCILMEMBER FRANK WING, TO SERVE ON THE FIREMEN'S AND POLICEMEN'S PENSION FUND BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

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AN ORDINANCE 74,151

APPOINTING COUNCILMEMBER YOLANDA VERA TO SERVE ON THE CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

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AN ORDINANCE 74,152

APPOINTING COUNCILMEMBER LYLE LARSON TO SERVE ON THE WATER POLICY COMMITTEE.

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AN ORDINANCE 74,153

REAPPOINTING ROGER GARZA TO SERVE ON THE BOARD OF APPEALS FOR A TERM OF OFFICE TO EXPIRE ON JULY 31, 1993.

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AN ORDINANCE 74,154

APPOINTING DANIEL R. CANALES TO SERVE ON THE HOUSING TRUST FUND BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR A TERM OF

OFFICE TO EXPIRE ON MAY 30, 1993.

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AN ORDINANCE 74,155

APPOINTING RAY MONTEZ TO SERVE ON THE HOUSING TRUST FUND - NEIGHBORHOOD ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR A TERM OF OFFICE TO EXPIRE ON MAY 30, 1993.

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AN ORDINANCE 74,156

APPOINTING GILBERTO RAMON TO SERVE ON THE SAN ANTONIO COMMISSION ON LITERACY FOR A TERM OF OFFICE TO EXPIRE ON SEPTEMBER 15, 1992.

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91-36 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 74,157

ACCEPTING THE PROPOSAL OF RICHARD MOGAS, A.I.A. IN AN AMOUNT OF \$3,000.00 FOR ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH THE MARTIN LUTHER KING MEMORIAL; PROVIDING FOR MISCELLANEOUS CONTINGENICES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,500.00; APPROPRIATING FUNDS AND AUTHORIZING PAYMENT.

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Mr. Pierce made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Ms. Billa Burke seconded the motion.

Mr. Joe Aceves, Director of Public Works, explained the proposed ordinance dealing with new signage for the Martin Luther King, Jr. Bridge and the \$50,000 fund-raising effort underway in the community.

Mr. Richard Mogas, Architect, briefly explained the competition held among architectural students at the University of Texas at San Antonio to design the signage for the bridge.

Mr. Jason Pacconi, student winner of the competition, explained the symbolism of his bridge signage design, honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Mr. Pierce spoke of his hope that the new signage will symbolize the spirit of Dr. King.

Mr. Larson addressed his concern for proceeding with this project prior to the collection of the necessary outside funds to pay for it.

Mr. Pierce explained the fundraising plans and spoke to the history of this project, leading up to the design contest for the new signage.

In response to a question by Mr. Thompson, Mr. George Clark, representing the Martin Luther King Arch Committee, noted that Rev. R. A. Callies Sr. has been briefed and is in favor of this contest and signage design.

Mr. Thornton compared the winning competitive design with the "towers and cable" concept exemplified by the Alamodome.

Ms. Vera addressed her concerns for beginning work on a project that might not be completed, though she supports the project.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Perez, Pierce, Billa Burke, Martinez, Thompson, Vera, Thornton, Labatt, Larson, Wolff; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Wing.

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91-36 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 74,158

AMENDING SECTION 11-40 OF THE CITY CODE TO REDUCE THE REQUIREMENTS FOR MANUAL FIRE ALARM SYSTEMS.

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Mr. Labatt made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Mr. Thompson seconded the motion.

Mr. Steve Worley, Fire Marshal, explained the proposed changes to San Antonio's stringent regulation on manual fire alarm systems.

Mayor Wolff and Mr. Thompson urged the Fire Marshal to continue review of certain City Fire Code requirements, without compromising fire safety.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Perez, Pierce, Billa Burke, Martinez, Thompson, Vera, Thornton, Labatt, Larson, Wolff; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Wing.

91-36 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 74,159

AMENDING SECTION 11-40 OF THE CITY CODE TO ALLOW THE USE OF PLASTIC GASOLINE CONTAINERS THAT ARE LABELED BY AN APPROVED LABORATORY OR BY FACTORY MUTUAL.

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Mr. Labatt made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Ms. Vera seconded the motion.

Mr. Steve Worley, Fire Marshal, explained the proposed change in Fire Code requirements as they relate to plastic gasoline containers.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Perez, Pierce, Billa Burke, Thompson, Vera, Thornton, Labatt, Larson, Wolff; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Wing, Martinez.

91-36 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 74,160

AUTHORIZING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH DAVIS, RUPE ARCHITECTS, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$156,630.00 TO PROVIDE ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROPOSED VEHICLE AND RADIO MAINTENANCE FACILITY; AUTHORIZING \$38,700.00 FOR MISCELLANEOUS CONTINGENCY EXPENSES AND \$500.00 FOR ADVERTISING EXPENSES; APPROPRIATING FUNDS AND PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT.

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Mrs. Billa Burke made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Mr. Thompson seconded the motion.

Mr. Joe Aceves, Director of Public Works, briefly explained the proposed ordinance to fund movement of the vehicle and radio maintenance facility to its new location, and he spoke to the funding sources, including domed stadium facility funds because the domed stadium is taking the present site of this vehicle and radio maintenance building.

A discussion then took place concerning the proposed move of

the facility to a new site on South Frio Street, and the planned development of several other tracts in the same Vista Verde area.

Mr. Alex Briseno, City Manager, spoke of a possible bond-sale package for the spring of 1992 that could possibly include the police sub-station for this area and expansion of the existing fire station.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Perez, Pierce, Billa Burke, Wing, Martinez, Thompson, Vera, Thornton, Labatt, Larson, Wolff; NAYS: None; ABSENT: None.

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91-36 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 74,161

AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A COST SHARING AGREEMENT AND A RELATED ESCROW AGREEMENT WITH ALBERTSON'S INC. AND BEXAR COUNTY FOR CONSTRUCTION OF A BRIDGE ON PRUE ROAD OVER LEON CREEK; AND AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$200,000.00 TO BEXAR COUNTRY AS THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO'S SHARE IN THE COST OF SAID CONSTRUCTION.

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Mrs. Billa Burke made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Mr. Larson seconded the motion.

Mr. Joe Aceves, Director of Public Works, explained the project, including the funding agreement with Albertson's and with Bexar County, noting that the City will pay only \$200,000 of the estimated \$900,000 cost of the new bridge.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Perez, Pierce, Billa Burke, Wing, Martinez, Thompson, Vera, Thornton, Labatt, Larson, Wolff; NAYS: None; ABSENT: None.

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91-36 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 74,162

ESTABLISHING AND APPOINTING MEMBERS TO A CITY COUNCIL REDISTRICTING COMMITTEE; AND DESIGNATING THE APPROPRIATE DEPARTMENTAL SUPPORT.

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Mr. Pierce made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Ms. Billa Burke seconded the motion.

Mayor Wolff spoke to the need to begin moving toward the Council's redistricting plan, in order to have redistricting in place by the May 1993 City elections.

Ms. Rebecca Q. Cedillo, Director of Planning, spoke to the work that already has been accomplished in this regard, and the relative size of each Council district under the new redistricting plan.

Mr. Martinez spoke to the need for sufficient time for Justice Department approval of the redistricting plan, prior to the February 1993 filing deadline for the City elections. He also spoke to the matter of public input into the redistricting process.

In response to a question by Mr. Martinez, Mr. Lloyd Garza, City Attorney, discussed the fact that work continues on Justice Department questions dealing with the term-limitation referendum approved by City voters last May.

Ms. Cedillo noted that a late-September work session of the City Council is planned to kick off the redistricting design.

In response to a question by Mr. Perez, Mr. Garza spoke to the status of the legal challenge to the 1990 census figures for San Antonio.

Mr. Thompson urged the "fast-track" approach to redistricting, including scheduling.

Mr. Wing spoke to the process that must be followed in redistricting.

Mr. Larson urged that the City emulate the process used by Bexar County in the redistricting matters, which involved citizens taking part in that process.

Ms. Vera discussed the proposed timetable and the need for work plans.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Perez, Pierce, Billa Burke, Wing, Martinez, Thompson, Vera, Thornton, Labatt, Larson, Wolff; NAYS: None; ABSENT: None.

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91-36 ZONING HEARINGS

4. CASE Z91094 - to rezone Lots 37 thru 42, Block 1, NCB 9645

and Lots 1 thru 8, Block 1, NCB 9645 from "A" Single Family Residence District to "B-1" Business District and "R-1" Single Family Residence District located on the east side of Hillcrest between Culebra Road and Brandywine Avenue, having 400 feet on Culebra Road, 366.10 feet on Hillcrest and 200 feet on Brandywine Avenue, 3551 Culebra Road.

The Zoning Commission has recommended that this request of change of zone be approved by the City Council.

Ms. Ramona Leonards, representing the proponent, explained plans for use of the property in question as an out-patient mental health service facility for children.

Ms. Vera spoke to her concerns with plans for development of this facility and problems that can be caused in neighborhoods by this type of development. She asked the proponents to be sensitive to nearby residences.

Ms. Vera made a motion to approve the recommendation of the Zoning Commission. Mr. Martinez seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the following Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Perez, Pierce, Billa Burke, Wing, Martinez, Thompson, Vera, Thornton, Labatt, Larson, Wolff. NAYS: None; ABSENT: None.

AN ORDINANCE 74,163

AMENDING CHAPTER 35 OF THE CITY CODE THAT CONSTITUTES THE COMPREHENSIVE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO BY CHANGING THE CLASSIFICATION AND REZONING OF CERTAIN PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN AS LOTS 37 THRU 42, BLOCK 1, NCB 9645 FROM "A" SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO "R-1" SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENCE DISTRICT AND LOTS 1 THRU 8, BLOCK 1, NCB 9645 FROM "A" SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO "B-1" BUSINESS DISTRICT, 3551 CULEBRA ROAD. "THE PENALTY FOR VIOLATION IS A FINE NOT TO EXCEED \$1,000.00."

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91-36 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 74,164

AUTHORIZING THE SECOND ANNUAL EASTSIDE HISPANIC FESTIVAL PARADE; APPROPRIATING \$500.00 FROM THE DISTRICT 4 DISCRETIONARY ACCOUNT FOR TRAFFIC CONTROL AND SUPPORT-RELATED SERVICES AS REQUESTED BY COUNCILMEMBER FRANK WING; AND DECLARING AN

EMERGENCY.

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Mr. Wing made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Mr. Pierce seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Perez, Pierce, Billa Burke, Wing, Martinez, Thompson, Vera, Thornton, Labatt, Larson, Wolff; NAYS: None; ABSENT: None.

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REPORT ON INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Ms. Vera spoke to the importance of international relations initiatives to the City of San Antonio and asked Mr. Garcia to make his briefing to the City Council.

Mr. Jose Luis Garcia, Acting Director, International Relations Office, spoke to certain strategies in international relations that were being pursued. A copy of his report is made a part of the papers of this meeting. He spoke to the heavy involvement of three City departments in international relations and addressed plans to open a "Casa San Antonio" facility in both Monterey and Guadalajara.

Ms. Frances Solcher Ortiz, Convention and Visitors Bureau, spoke to the various options and initiatives in Guadalajara for San Antonio.

Ms. Vera amplified on plans for a permanent San Antonio office in Guadalajara, and addressed funding requirements and sources for those funds, including the matter of raising private funding by Mr. Garcia. She spoke to plans for creation of the "San Antonio International Affairs Foundation", to be co-chaired by Mr. Martin Weiss and Mr. David Cortez.

Mayor Wolff spoke to the importance of this foundation in fostering trade and economic development for San Antonio in Guadalajara, noting that the State of Jalisco has opened an office in San Antonio.

Mr. Mike De La Garza, representing H. E. Butt Grocery Company, stated that his firm is donating \$40,000 for establishment of San Antonio's office in Guadalajara. City Council members thanked the firm for its spirit of community involvement and cooperation in making this grant.

Ms. Vera moved that City staff be directed to take all necessary steps toward opening San Antonio's office in Guadalajara, and to accept with thanks the donation by H.E. Butt Grocery Company. Ms. Billa Burke seconded the motion.

Mr. Thompson spoke of San Antonio's important contacts in key cities of Mexico and addressed the need to coordinate efforts in all areas.

A discussion then took place concerning Mexico's importance to San Antonio's economic development.

After consideration, the motion to proceed, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Perez, Pierce, Billa Burke, Martinez, Thompson, Vera, Thornton, Labatt, Larson, Wolff; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Wing.

91-36 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 74,165

SETTING A PROPOSED TAX RATE FOR FISCAL YEAR 1991-92 (TAX YEAR 1991) AND SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING ON SUCH PROPOSED TAX RATE FOR THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 1991 AT 3:00 P.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT CITY HALL.

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Mrs. Billa Burke made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Mr. Larson seconded the motion.

Mr. George Noe, Director of Management Services, explained the procedures that must be followed in setting the tax rate, including the setting of a recommended tax rate. He noted that the recommended tax rate can only be lowered, not raised.

Mr. Larson asked that the recommended tax rate be set at 5.5 per cent instead of the 6.94 per cent level, as proposed. He stated his belief that future increases in City revenues should trigger a like decrease in the City tax rate.

Mr. Thornton lauded the responsible budget presentation of City staff, and spoke to suggested cuts that he has recommended in the budget, in coming weeks. He stated his opinion that there is a strong desire within the community to hold down taxes.

Mr. Wing emphasized that the recommended tax rate level of a 6.94 per cent increase represents merely a ceiling figure and can be lowered. He warned, however, that some tax increase level will be necessary this year.

Mr. Martinez spoke in support for Mr. Wing's comments and addressed the concensus-building requirements of the budget process. He also spoke to his concerns for diminishing City service levels.

Ms. Billa Burke spoke in support for the process involved.

Mayor Wolff briefly reviewed the budget approval schedule.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Perez, Pierce, Billa Burke, Wing, Martinez, Vera, Thornton, Wolff; NAYS: Larson; ABSENT: Thompson, Labatt.

(At this point, Mayor Wolff was obliged to leave the meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Wing presided.)

91-36 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 74,166

ACCEPTING THE LOW QUALIFIED BID OF INTERKAL, INC. FOR THE ALAMODOME: PACKAGE 9a - UPPER DECK SEATING, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,280,246.00, WITH AN ADDITIONAL \$25,605.00 FOR A CONSTRUCTION CONTINGENCY; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN STANDARD FORM CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT; AND PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT FROM THE 1/2 PERCENT VIA SALES TAX REVENUE COLLECTION.

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Mr. Pierce made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Mr. Martinez seconded the motion.

Mr. Roland Lozano, Director of Dome Development, distributed copies of a staff memorandum to Council members. A copy of the memorandum is made a part of the papers of this meeting. He then spoke to the two separate Alamodome seating packages involved and addressed the chronology of the bid process for this dome seating package. He noted that the Dome Advisory Committee had recommended that the bid contain an alternate that would allow for 19-inch or 20-inch wide contoured seats in the upper level, in lieu of the planned bench seating. The DAC recommends that Council honor the commitment made during the dome election process to provide a 65,000-seating capacity stadium, according to Mr. Lozano, who also stated that the DAC agreed that staff should seek an alternate bid on providing armless 18-inch-wide plastic seats, in order to be able to provide the 65,000-seat target. He then addressed staff recommendations for award of the contract to Interkal, Inc. on Packages 9A and 9B.

Mr. David Cruz, representing Sides Supply/Hussey Seating, addressed reasons why he feels that Hussey seats are the best for this project, and he disputed contentions made by City staff before the Dome

Advisory Committee. He stated his belief that the National Basketball Association recommends that such stadiums used by its teams have seats with armrests, and further noted that the National Football League also concurs in that. He then addressed specifics of the bids, stating his belief that his clients' bid prices on 18-inch-wide seats were the lowest received when the bids were opened. He then discussed various considerations involved and discussions held during the DAC meeting concerned, and stated his belief that using the Hussey seats would save some \$98,000. He also stated that the savings could reach \$188,000 if certain changes could be made in requirements for "powder coating" of the seats that will be located inside the Alamodome, not in outside areas subject to the weather. He also stated his belief that stadium patrons prefer padded seats, and stressed the local nature of the Sides Supply bid. He then quoted from a letter concerning the differences between the padded versus the plastic unpadded seats.

Mr. Peter A. Hussey, Executive Vice President, Hussey Seating, stated his belief that so-called "powder-coating" is not needed on Alamodome seats because they are inside and not subject to weathering. He also explained the rationale for the bid he was involved in.

Mr. Paul Sides, Sides Supply, stressed the local nature of his firm and its bid.

Mr. Gordon J. Cookingham, Interkal, Inc., Kalamazoo, Michigan, stated that his competitor's product also is produced out of state, in Maine, and he addressed what he felt was the superior nature of his chair.

Mr. Roger Kronkright, representing the same firm, addressed his firm's product development and new seating design for the Alamodome, as compared to his competitor's product. He addressed the importance of engineering "platform systems" that are easy to change, as dome events change. He then addressed his firm's intent to subcontract with minority and women-owned business firms.

Mr. John F. Clark, Texas distributor for Interkal, Inc., spoke to his 26-year association with Interkal, Inc., and noted that they have a local representative, as well.

Mr. Fernie Tamblin, Southwest Sports Installers, stated that his firm has worked for the past eight years with the John F. Clark Company here in San Antonio, and he spoke highly of the firm's product.

Mr. Alex Reyes, S&A Welding, spoke in favor of the City Council awarding the bid to Interkal, Inc.

Mr. Cronkright noted that Kirby Building Specialties is another local firm which will be a part of this contract.

In response to a question by Mr. Thornton, Mr. Lozano explained agenda items 28 and 29, noting that one item deals with upper

deck seating and the other deals with armchair/moveable platforms for the lower level.

A discussion then took place concerning options available to the Council at this point.

Mr. Martinez noted that he had received a letter from one of the bidders after the bids had been received and opened, and noted further that the City cannot consider this as part of the original bid after the bids have been opened.

In response to a question by Mr. Martinez, Mr. Lozano spoke to the local companies involved with both bidders, and noted that both bidders presently manufacture their products outside of the state of Texas.

A discussion also took place concerning the bids of both companies involved and why the "powder coating" alternate was recommended.

In response to a question by Mr. Martinez, Mr. Steve Souter, project architectural team, explained the alternate bid on "powder coating" and why his team recommended its usage for the dome's seats. He then spoke briefly to the bidding chronology.

(At this point, Mayor Wolff returned to the meeting to preside.)

Ms. Carol Darby, Alamodome Facilities Manager, spoke to the desirability of having the extra durability of "powder-coated" seating and the importance of this, in view of the fact that Alamodome seating will be moved more often than seating in other such facilities.

(At this point, Mayor Wolff was obliged to leave the meeting. Mr. Larson presided in the absence of the Mayor Pro Tem.)

Mr. Martinez noted that the customer, in this case, prefers "powder-coating", and the bidding reflects that. He spoke in support for the City staff recommendation.

In response to a question by Mr. Larson, Mr. Lozano addressed the matter of the letter received from the Hussey firm, submitted after the bids had been opened and read aloud. He spoke to the pre-bid conferences held on dome seating matters and stated that, on June 12, Interkal, Inc. was the low bidder, based upon alternates selected. He then reiterated the bid comparison between the bids of Interkal and Sides Supply.

Mr. Alex Briseno, City Manager, noted that to accept Bid Alternate 5, which is not being recommended, the Alamodome seating would have to be cut to 63,500.

Mr. Larson stated his belief that the bid for upper-deck

seating might have to be re-bid.

(At this point, Mayor Wolff returned to the meeting to preside.)

In response to a question by Mr. Larson, Mr. Souter explained the "powder-coating" requirement was recommended as an alternate bid item as a desirable addition to that bid.

Mr. Labatt spoke in favor of rebidding the upper-deck seating, Package 9A, and to accept the next agenda item, Package 9B, as recommended.

Mr. Labatt made a substitute motion to reject all bids on Package 9A, the upper-deck seating, and to authorize City staff to re-bid the package for seating with and without arms, to include an 18-inch-wide seat, as well. Ms. Vera seconded the motion.

Mr. Thompson spoke in favor of accepting the DAC recommendation, and he spoke against rebidding the package.

In response to a question by Mr. Perez, Mr. Lozano stated that the City Attorney's office feels that to accept the post-bid letter from Sides Supply/Hussey Seating would prejudice the bid process.

In response to a question by Mr. Thornton, Mr. Lozano noted that rebidding the package would not adversely affect the Alamodome completion schedule.

Mayor Wolff spoke in support for the City staff recommendation.

After consideration, the substitute motion, failed by the following vote: AYES: Martinez, Vera, Thornton, Labatt, Larson, NAYS: Perez, Pierce, Billa Burke, Wing, Thompson, Wolff; ABSENT: None.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Perez, Pierce, Billa Burke, Wing, Martinez, Thompson, Thornton, Labatt, Wolff; NAYS: Vera, Larson; ABSENT: None.

91-36 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 74,167

ACCEPTING THE LOW QUALIFIED BID OF INTERKAL, INC. FOR THE ALAMODOME: PACKAGE 9b - ARMCHAIRS/MOVABLE PLATFORMS, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,084,291.00, WITH AN ADDITIONAL \$406,743.00 FOR A CONSTRUCTION CONTINGENCY; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN STANDARD FORM CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT; AND PROVIDING

FOR PAYMENT FOR THE 1/2 PERCENT VIA SALES TAX
REVENUE COLLECTION.

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Mr. Wing made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Mr. Martinez seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Perez, Pierce, Wing, Martinez, Thompson, Labatt, Larson, Wolff; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Billa Burke, Vera, Thornton.

91-36 1991-92 PROPOSED ANNUAL BUDGET-PUBLIC LIBRARY SYSTEM

Ms. Marie Schwartz, Chairman of the Library Board of Trustees, spoke briefly of the library system's events of the past year, including progress on the new Main Library, and she reviewed future plans for the system, including the matter of new branch libraries. She also addressed the large volume of volunteer work performed on behalf of the library system.

Mr. Michael Schott, Treasurer of the Board, stated his opinion that the City Manager has recommended a fair and equitable budget for the library system, and he spoke to certain specifics of the \$8.4 million budget. He spoke in favor of the proposed five per cent employee wage increase, and briefly discussed initiatives to acquire more private funding for the library system.

Ms. Debbie Prost, President, Library Foundation, spoke to having achieved the funding for a \$1 million challenge grant and other fundraising efforts. She stated that she accepts the City's recommended challenge to raise more matching funds, and stated her opinion that the current public/private partnership will benefit the library system.

Mr. David Leamon, Director, San Antonio Public Library System, noted that library usage is increasing despite cuts in both budget and staffing. He stated that San Antonio's library system currently attracts some 2.5 million patrons per year, and he expects to have some 2,300 volunteers working next year to help the library system.

Mr. Perez addressed details of a group now planning a funds competition for a major new piece of art to be placed with the new Main Library.

In response to a question by Mr. Thornton, Mr. Leamon addressed the importance of state-mandated "maintenance of effort" funding rate and the need for the proposed five per cent raise to maintain the required level.

Mr. Labatt commended the volunteer organizations and the library board for their efforts to improve the library system in San Antonio.

In response to a question by Mr. Labatt, Mr. Rolando Bono, Assistant City Manager, addressed the current status of negotiations with Bexar County on funding library services outside the incorporated areas of San Antonio.

Mr. Labatt spoke to his concerns with the time it has taken to negotiate with the county on these interlocal agreements. He stated that he would prefer to see the contract in place before the fiscal year begins, instead of later.

In response to a question by Mr. Labatt, Mr. Bono explained the manner in which residents of suburban cities are served by the library system, and proposed legislation which could address a more equitable manner of return from these suburban cities.

Mr. Thompson spoke to improving hours of operation for the libraries and the need to increase library funding.

Mr. Wing also spoke to the library board's efforts and concurred with other comments by the City Manager relative to holding the line on the library.

By voice vote, it was the concensus of Council members present to approve the library budget presentation.

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91-36 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 74,168

APPROVING FIELD ALTERATION NO. 1, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$116,000.00, TO THE CONTRACT WITH BRANDT ENGINEERING FOR WORK ON THE ALAMODOME: PACKAGE 8C-HVAC SYSTEMS, WHICH WILL PROVIDE FOR SECURITY PERSONNEL SERVICES ON THE CONSTRUCTION SITE FOR DURATION OF THE PROJECT, ESTIMATED TO BE COMPLETED IN FEBRUARY 1993; AND PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT FROM THE 1/2 PERCENT SALES TAX REVENUE COLLECTION.

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Mr. Wing made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Mr. Martinez seconded the motion.

Mr. Gabriel Perez, Dome Development Office, briefly explained the ordinance and why Brandt Engineering was contracted. He then addressed the need for security services at the dome construction site.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Perez, Pierce, Wing, Martinez, Thompson, Labatt, Larson, Wolff; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Billa Burke, Vera, Thornton.

91-36 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 74,169

AUTHORIZING THE TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF MONTANA STREET, FROM IH 37 ROW TO CHERRY STREET, BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 9, 1991 THROUGH MARCH 1993, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSTRUCTING THE UNDERGROUND TRANSIT FACILITY AND THE MONTANA STREET DEPRESSION ASSOCIATED WITH THE ALAMODOME PROJECT.

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Mr. Wing made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Mr. Labatt seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Perez, Pierce, Wing, Martinez, Thompson, Labatt, Larson, Wolff; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Billa Burke, Vera, Thornton.

91-36 Travel Authorization request for Mayor Nelson W. Wolff to testify at a Public Hearing-North American Free Trade Agreement in Houston, Texas on August 27, 1991.

Mr. Thompson made a motion to approve the Travel Authorization request. Mr. Perez seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion, to approve the Travel Authorization, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Perez, Pierce, Wing, Martinez, Thompson, Labatt, Larson, Wolff; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Billa Burke, Vera, Thornton.

91-36 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 74,170

APPROPRIATING \$689,982.10 FOR CONSTRUCTION AND ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES IN CONNECTION WITH THE SAN PEDRO CREEK TUNNEL PROJECT; AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO

THE SAN ANTONIO RIVER AUTHORITY.

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Mr. Wing made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Mr. Martinez seconded the motion.

Mr. Joe Aceves, Director of Public Works, noted that this is a phased project, part of the overall San Pedro Creek tunnel project. He then addressed details of the work and noted that the City's costs will be about \$4 million, total, for the entire project. He then outlined the scope of the tunnel project designed to reduce floodplain impact upon the downtown area by moving floodwaters underground. He spoke to the status of the 20-foot-wide tunnel project for the San Antonio River, noting that construction now has resumed after cave-in problems.

Mr. Labatt stated his belief that the San Antonio River underground tunnel could be used to transport re-use water through a pumping system.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Perez, Pierce, Wing, Martinez, Thompson, Thornton, Labatt, Larson, Wolff; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Billa Burke, Vera.

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CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

MS. LISA ROLLINS

Ms. Lisa Rollins, President of the Towne Lake Garden Association, spoke to the Council regarding the need for a stop light at the intersection of Wayward and Nacogdoches Road, a copy of the petition is on file with the papers of this meeting. She also presented 200 plus signatures in favor of this request.

Mr. Larson stated he is concerned and concurs with the request. He has met with Mr. Joe Aceves, Director of Public Works, and will get back to Ms. Rollins and her group in the near future.

MS. MARIA CASTILLO

Ms. Maria Castillo, Vice President of the Spring View Residents Association, spoke to the Council regarding the need for police protection in these housing authority units. She asked that the residents in the audience to stand and be recognized. She asked for lights, increased police patrols and a Park and Walk Police Patrol. She

also wants enforcement of the Curfew Ordinance in the area.

Mr. Pierce stated that he is very aware of the problems in the area and has met with the area residents. He mentioned that the San Antonio Housing Authority needs to address the issue of increased security, lights etc. at these housing units. He stated that higher police visibility is needed. He then made other recommendations which he hopes will alleviate the problems brought up by Mrs. Castillo.

Mr. Dale Jacobs reported on the increased criminal activity in the area and the police department's recommendation to meet with the residents in the area and discuss these problems.

A discussion on the curfew ordinance and clarification as to its exception was held.

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MR. FRANK GARCIA

Mr. Garcia, representing the Terrel Shady Apartments, spoke to the Council regarding a request he had made relative to some playground equipment. He had copies of a letter sent to him by Housing Authority representatives, a copy of the letter is on file with the papers of this meeting.

Mr. Martinez stated that the city had allocated \$30,000.00 in CDBG funding and the residents will need to work together to determine the priorities of the residents to see how these monies will be used. He advised Mr. Garcia to meet with Ms. Vera on these priorities.

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MR. STEPHEN PAUL CIBIK

Mr. Cibik, 1427 San Francisco, spoke to the Council, about his complaint on the cost to pick up his garbage and trash.

Mr. Martinez stated that the Council is trying to address the issue of garbage pick-up fee. He stated that the City Council is very concerned about any increase to this fee.

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MISS ANGELA SKOWEON

Miss Skoweon, 831 W. El Monte Blvd., spoke to the Council regarding the need to have a clubhouse in each council district in order to allow citizens a place to meet and socialize.

Mr. Perez mentioned the Commanders House in District 1 which serves this purpose.

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MR. MARIO C. CASTILLO

Mr. Castillo, 1918 San Fernando, spoke to the Council, regarding his employment. He stated that he doesn't have the money to relocate some automobiles as he was requested by the Code Compliance Department. He takes objection to this ordinance.

Mr. Martin Rodriguez, Code Compliance Director, advised Mr. Castillo of the procedures on appealing the request to move the vehicles.

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MR. ELMO LACY

Mr. Lacy, 2001 Virginia Blvd., spoke to the Council regarding methods of saving water.

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MS. KAY TURNER

Ms. Kay Turner, 7535 N. New Braunfels, stated that she is interested in accountability from the City Council with regard to the City Water Board and the Applewhite Project. She urged the Council to abandon the project once and for all. She also stated that the Recall issue is very possible.

Mr. Thornton stated that he took an oath to uphold the Constitution and he has an accountability to uphold the law. He also stated that her rehetoric is not helping the city.

Mr. Pierce stated that his position has not changed on the Applewhite Project, but he has to take the advise of the City's legal counsel.

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91-36 The City Council recessed at 6:35 P.M. and reconvened at 7:30 P.M.

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91-36 PROPOSED LEGISLATION

Mayor Wolff spoke to proposed legislation regarding the cat fish farm and the bills proposed by Representative Puente as well as bills by Krier and Schoolcraft. He asked for Council concurrence in getting the Bexar County legislative delegation to be together on this very important issue.

Mr. Thompson moved to approve the Mayor's suggestion.

By voice vote, it was the concensus of Council members to approve the suggestion.

91-36 The City Council recessed "A" session and convened to "B" Session for a presentation and discussion regarding Economic Development related issues including:

- 1) Alamo Iron Works Tax Phase-In Application
- 2) H. E. Butt Grocery Company Tax Phase-In Application
- 3) Status Report on the Economic Incentives Program.

91-36 The City Council reconvened the "A" Session at 8:42 p.m. and the Mayor announced that the Council would be going into Executive Session to hear the following:

A) Briefing on the proposed settlement of a case styled Artelia Canvor v. City of San Antonio and Luis Antonio Gamez, 89-CI-05673; and

B) Briefing on the status of a case styled State of Texas, County of Bexar et al v. Omni Vanier Vista Verde South Venture, et al, 89-TAI-5053.

91-36 The "A" Session reconvened at 8:50 P.M. and the Mayor announced that the City Council had been briefed on the above subjects and have given staff direction to proceed. There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:51 P.M.

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August 22, 1991
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