

**CITY COUNCIL GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE MEETING  
Minutes**

**April 15, 2009**

**2:00 p.m.**

**Media Briefing Room**

Council Present:	Mayor Phil Hardberger, <i>Chair</i> Councilmember Mary Alice Cisneros, <i>District 1</i> Councilmember Delicia Herrera, <i>District 6</i> Councilmember Justin Rodriguez, <i>District 7</i> Councilmember John Clamp, <i>District 10</i>
Staff Present:	Sheryl Sculley, <i>City Manager</i> ; Pat DiGiovanni, <i>Deputy City Manager</i> ; Sharon De La Garza, <i>Assistant City Manager</i> ; Michael Bernard, <i>City Attorney</i> ; Leticia Vacek, <i>City Clerk</i> ; James Henderson, <i>Office of Military Affairs Deputy Director</i> ; Robbie Hammond, <i>Human Resources</i> ; Edward Guzman, <i>City Attorney's Office</i> ; Ray Rodriguez, <i>City Attorney's Office</i> ; Barbara Ankamah, <i>Center City Development Office</i> ; Mona Gamez, <i>City Manager's Office</i> ; Mandy Milam, <i>Office of the City Clerk</i>

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Hardberger called the meeting to order.

**I. Approval of minutes from the meeting of April 1, 2009**

Councilmember Herrera moved to approve the minutes of April 1, 2009 as submitted. Councilmember Cisneros seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously by those present.

**II. Council Consideration Requests**

- A. Consideration of a request by Councilmember Louis E. Rowe, District 9, requesting city staff to explore implementing an incentive program to encourage the construction of quality housing, rehabilitation of existing housing, and commercial development in the vicinity of Fort Sam Houston.

Staff Recommendation: *Refer to the Economic and Community Development Council Committee.*

Councilmember Herrera moved to refer said item to the Economic and Community Development Council Committee. Councilmember Rodriguez seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously by those present.

**III. Audit Committee Update**

Councilmember Herrera reported that she and Mr. Manuel Long had interviewed five candidates for the City Auditor position and three finalists had been selected to be interviewed by the full Council on April 16, 2009. She added that Mr. Bernard, Ms. Martha Sepeda, and Ms. Vacek also participated in the interviews. Candidates included Mr. Park Pearson, Interim City Auditor; Mr. Steve Shepherd; and Ms. Jo Ann Prakapas. She noted that City Charter required the City Auditor to be a CPA and that Mr. Shepherd had been considered for the position previously, but was unable to accept because he was not a CPA at the time.

Ms. Sculley noted that no one from the City Manager's Office had been involved in the process.

Mr. Hammond noted outreach efforts to the Association for Local Government Auditors, the Institute of Internal Auditors, the Advancing Government Accountability group, the San Antonio CPA Society, and the International Hispanic Network. He added that staff also targeted auditors from cities that had won auditing awards. He spoke of the two candidates not selected for a second interview noting that Mr. Roger Strout was a strong candidate, but had been eliminated from consideration because he was not a CPA. He added that the fifth candidate was an auditing consultant.

Ms. Sculley noted that Mr. Hammond was responsible for recruiting the City's executive level positions. She commended him for his work and noted his involvement in the recruiting process for Aviation and Animal Care Services Directors.

Councilmember Clamp entered the meeting at this time.

Councilmember Herrera stated that she felt there was a very strong process for interviewing the candidates and was confident in those selected.

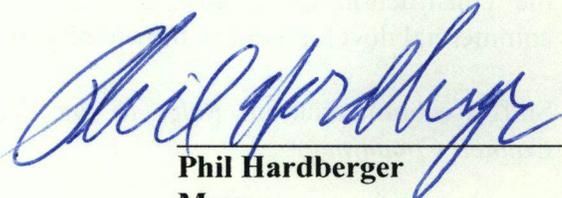
**IV. Consideration of items for future meetings**

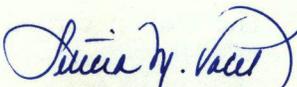
No items addressed.

**V. Adjourn**

There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 2:20 pm.

**ATTEST:**

  
**Phil Hardberger**  
Mayor

  
**Leticia M. Vacek**  
City Clerk