

CITY COUNCIL GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20, 2011
1:00 PM
MEDIA BRIEFING ROOM, CITY HALL

Council Present:	Mayor Julián Castro, <i>Chair</i> Councilmember Mary Alice P. Cisneros, <i>District 1</i> Councilmember Ivy R. Taylor, <i>District 2</i> Councilmember Philip A. Cortez, <i>District 4</i>
Council Absent:	Councilmember Justin Rodriguez, <i>District 7</i>
Staff Present:	Sheryl Sculley, <i>City Manager</i> ; Peter Zaroni, <i>Assistant City Manager</i> ; Michael Bernard, <i>City Attorney</i> ; Leticia Vacek, <i>City Clerk</i> ; Ben Gorzell, <i>Chief Financial Officer</i> ; Chris Looney, <i>Development Services Assistant Director</i> ; Jeff Pullin, <i>Public Utilities Administrator</i> ; Jed Maebius, <i>Mayor's Office</i> ; Bernadette McKay, <i>Deputy City Attorney</i> ; Edward Guzman, <i>Assistant City Attorney</i> ; Robert Nordhaus, <i>Assistant City Attorney</i> ; Brandon Smith, <i>Office of the City Clerk</i>
Others Present:	Paula Gold-Williams, CPS Energy

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Castro called the meeting to order.

I. Approval of minutes from the March 9, 2011 Governance Committee Meeting

Councilmember Cisneros moved to approve the minutes of the March 9, 2011 Governance Committee Meeting as submitted. Councilmember Taylor seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

II. Council Consideration Requests(s)

- a. **Briefing and possible action on a request from Councilmember John G. Clamp, District 10, directing the Development Services Department to amend the Tree Maintenance License (TML) Program to include an Arborist Certification to operate within the City of San Antonio**
Roderick Sanchez, Director, Development Services Department

Roderick Sanchez reported that implementing an Arborist Certification may not be within the reach of current license holders; therefore, staff has recommended additional training. He noted that staff requested to further explore the City Code modifications through the appropriate boards and commissions and then provide recommendation to the Infrastructure and Growth Council Committee.

Councilmember Cortez moved to forward said item to the Infrastructure & Growth Council Committee. Councilmember Cisneros seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously by those present.

- b. Briefing and possible action on a request from Councilmember John G. Clamp, District 10, proposing a street renaming of Mann-Weimer Road, Mozley Rise and Queens Crown (east & west), to Queens Crown**
Roderick Sanchez, Director, Development Services Department

Mr. Sanchez reported that the meandering street configurations of the Randolph Hills Neighborhood, specifically Mann-Weimer Way, Mozley Rise and Queens Crown (east and west) have been a point of concern to neighborhood residents. He stated that residents expressed concern that the street patterns would further promote public safety and/or medical emergency delays due to difficulty navigating through the vicinity. He noted that staff requested that said item be processed to include a briefing and public hearing with the Planning Commission and ultimately to the full Council for consideration.

Councilmember Cortez moved to process said item with a Public Hearing before the Planning Commission as recommended by staff. Councilmember Cisneros seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously by those present.

- c. Consideration of a request from Councilmember John G. Clamp, District 10, requesting a plan to reduce the effects of “spikes” in the CPS Energy monthly fuel adjustments charge and to explore the feasibility of using off-system power sales as a revenue source to fund conservation efforts**
Ben Gorzell, Chief Financial Officer

Ben Gorzell reported that staff has continued to discuss with CPS Energy the utilization of off-system sales margins and the recommendation to develop a policy to manage its reliance on those margins. He noted that CPS Energy provided a financial strategy statement indicating that they will not rely on the revenues of its off-system sales to support recurring operating expenses. He added that staff recommended accepting CPS Energy’s financial strategy statement and will continue to work with CPS Energy on its utilization of off-systems sales margins and monitor CPS Energy’s reliance on those margins with its long-term financial plans.

Mayor Castro requested that CPS Energy address said issue in an a future meeting before the City Council to provide an opportunity to consider the pros and cons.

III. Consideration of items for future meetings

- a. Next Meeting Scheduled: May 18, 2011

Mayor Castro announced that the next meeting was scheduled for May 18, 2011.

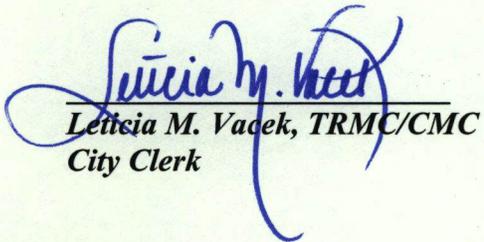
IV. Adjourn

There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 1:27 p.m.

ATTEST:



Julian Castro
Mayor



Leticia M. Vacek
Leticia M. Vacek, TRMC/CMC
City Clerk