

CITY COUNCIL GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
Minutes

Wednesday, January 20, 2010
1:00 p.m.

San Antonio International Airport Terminal 1
Conference Room A, Mezzanine Level

Council Present:	Mayor Julián Castro, <i>Chair</i> Councilmember Mary Alice Cisneros, <i>District 1</i> Councilmember Ivy Taylor, <i>District 2</i> Councilmember Philip Cortez, <i>District 4</i> Councilmember Justin Rodriguez, <i>District 7</i>
Council Absent:	<i>None</i>
Staff Present:	Sheryl Sculley, <i>City Manager</i> ; Sharon De La Garza, <i>Assistant City Manager</i> ; Leticia Vacek, <i>City Clerk</i> ; Michael Bernard, <i>City Attorney</i> ; Richard Varn, <i>Chief Information Officer</i> ; Joe Nino, <i>Deputy City Attorney</i> ; Robert Reyna, <i>Assistant City Attorney</i> ; Debbie Klein, <i>Assistant City Attorney</i> ;
Others Present:	Abel Gonzalez, <i>Bike World</i> ; JD Simpson, <i>Bike World</i> ; Robin Stallings, <i>Bike Texas</i> ; Cindi Snell, <i>Bike World</i> ; Bill Kaufman, <i>Kaufman & Associates</i> ; Mitsuko Ramos, <i>Kaufman & Associates</i> ; John Mayfiero, <i>SA Wheelman</i> ; Doug Tolbird

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Castro called the meeting to order.

I. Approval of minutes from the December 16, 2009 Governance Committee Meeting

Councilmember Cortez moved to approve the minutes of the December 16, 2009 Governance Council Committee Meeting as submitted. Councilmember Cisneros seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

II. Items requiring individual briefing(s):

A. Staff recommendation on Safe Passing Ordinance

Presented by Richard Varn, Chief Information Officer

Richard Varn reported that a Safe Passing Ordinance had been passed by the State Legislature but was subsequently vetoed by the Governor. He stated that that a local ordinance would aid by providing clearer guidance to motor vehicle users, pedestrians, and bicyclists. He stated that staff recommended Option A from the following the following options:

- Option A – Most enforceable, easy to understand and most harmonious with state law.
- Option B – Least enforceable – Identical to state law with the exception of levying a “C” misdemeanor instead of a “B” misdemeanor which can be levied by the state.
- Option C – Moderately enforceable – Slightly different version of state law which clarifies that you have to be legally on the road for it to apply.

Councilmember Cortez asked of the education component regarding the proposed ordinance. Mr. Varn clarified that a portion of stimulus funds would be used to address educational activities. Additionally, he stated that an application was submitted for a specific safety grant in the amount of \$300,000 to focus mainly on safety education.

Councilmember Cortez moved to forward Option B to the full Council for consideration. Councilmember Cisneros seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

III. Council Consideration Requests: No Item(s) scheduled

IV. Consideration of items for future meetings

A. Next meeting date: February 17, 2010

Sharon De La Garza stated that the next Governance Council Committee meeting was scheduled for February 17, 2010.

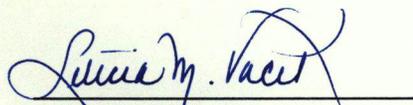
V. Adjourn

There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 1:59 p.m.

ATTEST:



Julián Castro
Mayor



Leticia M. Vacek
City Clerk