

Quality of Life Council Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, February 9, 2010
10:00 a.m.

Basement Conference Room – City Hall

Members Present: Councilmember Jennifer V. Ramos, Chair, *District 3*
Councilmember Mary Alice P. Cisneros, *District 1*
Councilmember Ivy R. Taylor, *District 2*
Councilmember David Medina, Jr., *District 5*

Members Absent: *None*

Staff Present: T.C. Broadnax, *Assistant City Manager*; Peter Zaroni, *Interim Assistant City Manager*; Paula Stallcup, *Downtown Operations Director*; Cindy Schoenmakers, *Community Initiatives Interim Director*; Ed Davis, *Economic Development Assistant Director*; Edward Gonzalez, *Community Initiatives Interim Assistant Director*; Jed Maebius, *Office of the Mayor*; Enid Howard, *Assistant City Attorney*; Lisa Biedeger, *Assistant City Attorney*; Denise Monday, *Assistant City Attorney*; Chris Hebner, *Assistant City Attorney*; Stephen Whitworth, *Assistant City Attorney*; Shreya Shah, *Assistant City Attorney*; Brandon Smith, *Office of the City Clerk*

Also Present: Frank Burney, *Martin & Drought*; Nancy Hard, *Family Service Association*

At this time, the Committee addressed Item 4.

4. Head Start Program Update

Presented by Cindy Schoenmakers, Interim Director, Department of Community Initiatives

Cindy Schoenmakers reported that the City of San Antonio Head Start Program was scheduled for the Triennial Federal Review for the 2009-2010 Program Year on May 2-14, 2010. She stated that the Federal Review Team would identify areas of concern and program strengths. She noted that any non-compliance would result in an action plan with a specified time for correction. She added that City Staff would provide the Quality of Life Council Committee Members with additional training opportunities in preparation for the review.

Councilmember Cisneros requested an update on vacant Head Start positions filled since the last Quality of Life Council Committee Meeting. She expressed concern with possible non-compliance issues during the federal review due to vacant Head Start positions.

Chairperson Ramos requested that federal review technical training and documentation of any delegate agency non-compliance be included in the monthly Head Start briefing to the Committee.

Call to order

Chairperson Ramos called the meeting to order.

1. Citizens to be Heard

There were no Citizens to be Heard.

2. Approval of the Minutes for the January 12, 2010 Quality of Life Council Committee Meeting

Councilmember Cisneros moved to approve the Minutes of the January 12, 2010 Quality of Life Council Committee Meeting. Councilmember Taylor seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Briefing and possible action on the creation of Family Friendly Zones at parades in San Antonio

Presented by Paula X. Stallcup, Director, Downtown Operations

Paula Stallcup reported that the parade route for the two large Fiesta Parades downtown were at capacity and did not provide for additional seating areas for the proposed program. She stated that the Urban Management Assistants of South Texas (UMAST) had agreed to provide the seating area in front of Municipal Plaza (114 W. Commerce) to pilot the Tobacco/Alcohol Free (TAF) Zone Program at the Battle of Flowers and Flambeau Parades. She noted that the seating area would be designated as a non-smoking, alcohol-free area and that UMAST would inform individuals of the TAF Zone during the purchase of tickets. Ms. Stallcup indicated that the estimated cost for enforcement by two SAPD Officers was \$1,050.00 for both parades.

In response to Councilmember Cisneros, Ms. Stallcup stated that the proposed TAF Zone was limited to the specified area because tickets had already been disseminated and would have required printing indicating a TAF Zone.

Councilmember Medina indicated that the purpose of his request for Family Friendly Zones was not to limit individuals from anything but to create additional options for the community.

Councilmember Medina moved to forward said item to the full Council for consideration. Councilmember Cisneros seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Briefing and possible action on recommendation for the Consolidated Human Development Services process for FY 2011-2012

Presented by Cindy Schoenmakers, Interim Director, Department of Community Initiatives

Cindy Schoenmakers presented staff's recommendation to extend the term of contracts of current delegate agencies for an additional one-year term from October 1, 2010 to September 30, 2011 and to distribute a ballot to the Council to prioritize funding for FY 2011.

Councilmember Taylor expressed concern with not issuing the Consolidated Funding Request for Proposals to solicit applications for human services projects. Ms. Schoenmakers indicated

the rationale to postpone the RFP until next year was due to a potential reduction in funding. Peter Zaroni indicated that staff did not recommend soliciting additional contractors for services with the possibility of a reduction in funding and that current contracts could be extended and adjusted according to the budget outcome.

Councilmember Taylor moved to proceed with the Consolidated Funding Request for Proposals. Councilmember Medina seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Briefing and possible action to provide Resolution of Support for Montabella Senior Project in District 2 & San Juan Square III Project in District 5

Presented by Nina Nixon-Mendez, Interim Administrator, Grants & Monitoring Administration

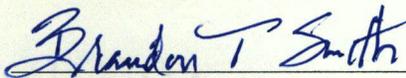
Nina Nixon-Mendez presented staff's recommendation for approval of a Resolution of Support for the development of the Montabella Senior Apartments in District 2 and the San Juan Square Phase III, Multi-Family Housing Project in District 5. She reported that market study reviews had determined that there was a need for additional affordable housing units in Council Districts 2 and 5.

Councilmember Medina moved to forward said item, as two separate Resolutions, to the full Council for consideration. Councilmember Cisneros seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

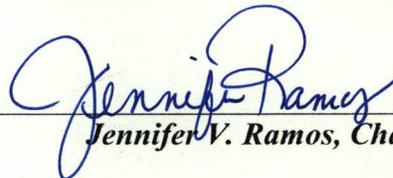
7. Adjournment

There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 11:47 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



*Brandon T. Smith
Office of the City Clerk*



Jennifer V. Ramos, Chairperson