

# QUALITY OF LIFE COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2011  
10:00 AM

MEDIA BRIEFING ROOM, CITY HALL

**Members Present:** Councilmember Ivy R. Taylor, *Chair, District 2*  
Councilmember Diego Bernal, *District 1*  
Councilmember W. Reed Williams, *District 8*

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**Members Absent:** Councilmember David Medina, Jr., *District 5*

**Staff Present:** Sharon De La Garza, *Assistant City Manager*; T.C. Broadnax, *Assistant City Manager*; Thomas Schlenker, *Metro Health Director*; Leticia Saenz, *Deputy City Clerk*; Charles Pruski, *Metro Health Assistant Director*; Christine Rutherford Stuart, *Metro Health Interim Assistant Director*; Marc Castro, *Development Services Assistant Director*; John Jacks, *Development Services Assistant Director*; Jed Maebius, *Office of the Mayor*; Joe Nino, *Deputy City Attorney*; Ted Murphree, *Assistant City Attorney*; Edward Guzman, *Assistant City Attorney*; Brandon Smith, *Office of the City Clerk*

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**Also Present:** Bobby Perez, *Shelton & Valadez*; C.J. Littlefield, *HCS*; Louis Lopez, *YMCA*; Zack Miller; Dave Howell

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Chairperson Taylor called the meeting to order.

## 1. Citizens to be Heard

Citizens addressed the Committee during corresponding items.

## 2. Approval of Minutes of the September 20, 2011 Quality of Life Council Committee Meeting

Councilmember Williams moved to approve the Minutes of the September 20, 2011 Quality of Life Council Committee Meeting. Councilmember Bernal seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

## INDIVIDUAL BRIEFING

At this time, the Committee addressed Item 4

## 4. Metro Health Presentation and Briefing regarding the Communities Putting Prevention to Work Program (CPPW) programs and accomplishments

Dr. Thomas Schlenker, Director of Metro Health; Sharon De La Garza, Assistant City Manager

Dr. Thomas Schlenker provided an update on the programs and accomplishments of the Communities Putting Prevention to Work Program (CPPW). He reported that CPPW was an

obesity prevention effort that utilized physical exercise and nutrition to address community obesity and related health problems. Program Initiatives included the following:

- ✦ ¡Por Vida! – Healthy Restaurant Menu Initiative
- ✦ Farmers' Markets
- ✦ Salad Bars in Schools
- ✦ Complete Streets Policy
- ✦ Safe Routes to Schools
- ✦ SPARK

Dr. Schlenker stated that the program was funded with \$15.6 million in federal funds from March 2010 – March 2012. He noted that CPPW has generated substantial capital improvements and distributed equipment and facilities throughout the community.

Councilmember Williams stated that San Antonio Sports was the non-profit organization that will take lead for the SPARK Program and indicated that two schools had been identified in District 4. He expressed concern with the continuity of the CPPW Initiatives and spoke of ensuring that programs were continued in the future. He requested updates regarding the Physical Education Teacher Training Program and Teen Birth Trends.

Councilmember Bernal stated that Franklin Elementary School was interested in participating in the SPARK Program. He asked of the Safe Routes to Schools Initiative. Christine Rutherford responded that the Public Works Department was leading that initiative and that seven draft plans would be developed to provide safe routes for students to walk or bike to school. She noted that two of the draft plans had been returned to the schools.

Chairperson Taylor asked if the Outdoor Exercise Initiative would be expanded through the Bond Program. Sharon De La Garza responded that she was not sure if Bond Program requirements would allow for exercise equipment. She stated that park exercise equipment was funded through maintenance funds and noted that the Parks and Recreation Department was expanding options for exercise equipment. Chairperson Taylor spoke in support of exploring opportunities for park exercise equipment.

### **3. Consideration of Applicants to the Building Standards Board (3 slots)**

Leticia Vacek, City Clerk

Leticia Saenz reported that three Building Standards Board categories were open with one slot available in each category. She stated there were five applicants and two were present. She stated that District 3 had selected an applicant for appointment in the Historic Preservation category and that the Committee could proceed with that appointment or consider another applicant. She added that the category could be brought back for consideration at a future date.

Chairperson Taylor called on the applicants to address the Committee.

**David Howell** spoke of his legacy of giving and stated that he was compelled to contribute. He mentioned the culture and beauty of San Antonio and noted the importance of a balance in real estate in terms of land acquisition, property management, and code enforcement. In response to Councilmember Williams, Mr. Howell stated that he has retired from the military and owned insurance and marketing companies. He added that he was the Chief Resources Officer for Clover Properties.

**Michael Lockridge** stated that he was a native of San Antonio and a graduate of Abilene Christian College. He spoke of his experience in solving issues regarding real estate and noted a desire to make San Antonio a better place to live.

Councilmember Williams moved to recommend Stuart Johnson for appointment in the Historic Preservation Category. Councilmember Bernal seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Williams moved to recommend Michael Lockridge for appointment in the Multi-Family Rental Property Manager Category. Councilmember Bernal seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Williams moved to have Commercial Rental Property Manager Applicant Kim Mares address the Committee at the next meeting and that the Office of the City Clerk re-issue a press release for applicants for appointment in said category. Councilmember Bernal seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

**5. Briefing on the City Code for City Council to Approve the Establishment of New and/or Expanded Salvage Yards and Recycling Facilities**

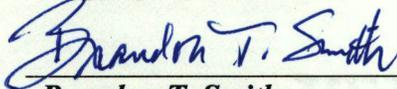
Marc Castro, Assistant Director, Development Services Department; T.C. Broadnax, Assistant City Manager

Marc Castro reported that the City Code requires City Council approval to establish a salvage yard or recycling facility within the corporate limits of San Antonio. In addition, the City Code requires a public hearing prior to City Council approval. He outlined approval process requirements and detailed next steps. He stated that Miller's Recycling has requested a recycling facility regulated by Chapter 16 Article VII within District 2 at 7118 NE Loop 410. Additionally, he stated that staff would be presenting code revisions to the Quality of Life and Infrastructure and Growth Council Committees in March 2012.

**6. Adjournment**

There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

*Respectfully Submitted,*



**Brandon T. Smith**  
*Office of the City Clerk*



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**Ivy R. Taylor, Chair**