

**Infrastructure & Growth Council Committee
Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday, May 20, 2009

1:30 p.m.

Municipal Plaza B Room

Members Present: Councilmember Diane Cibrian, *District 8*
Councilmember Jennifer Ramos, *District 3*
Councilmember Philip Cortez, *District 4*
Councilmember Lourdes Galvan, *District 5*

Members Absent: *None*

Staff Present: Pat DiGiovanni, *Deputy City Manager*; Penny Postoak-Ferguson, *Assistant City Manager*; T.C. Broadnax, *Assistant City Manager*; Rod Sanchez, *Planning & Development Services Director*; David Garza, *Housing & Neighborhood Services Director*; Robert Murdock, *Military Affairs Director*; Fernando DeLeon, *Planning & Development Services Assistant Director*; Martha Sepeda, *First Assistant City Attorney*; James Henderson, *Military Affairs Assistant Director*; Norb Hart, *Deputy City Attorney*; Chris Hebner, *Assistant City Attorney*; Gabriel Garcia, *Assistant City Attorney*; Brandon Smith, *Office of the City Clerk*

Others Present: Zina Tedford, *City of Kirby*; Celeste Werner, *Matrix Design Group*; Mike Hiraptia, *Matrix Design Group*; Phil Reiding, *Fort Sam Houston*; Michael DeNuccio, *Drenner & Golden Stuart Wolff*; John Leal, *CPS*; Mike De La Garza, *CPS*; Bruce Evans, *CPS*; Jim Campbell, *CPS*

1. Call to Order

Councilmember Cibrian called the meeting to order.

2. Citizens to be Heard

There were no citizens to be heard.

3. Approval of Minutes for the April 15, 2009 Infrastructure & Growth Council Committee Meeting

Councilmember Cortez moved to approve the Minutes from the April 15, 2009 Infrastructure and Growth Council Committee Meeting. Councilmember Ramos seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Briefing and possible action on Chapter 6 of the City Code of San Antonio, Texas by adopting the 2009 edition the International Energy Conservation Code (IECC) and providing for penalties, publication and an effective date

Presented by Rod Sanchez, Director, Planning & Development Services Department

Rod Sanchez reported that the proposed ordinance was the companion ordinance to the Sustainable Building Code and achieved the energy efficiency/savings target of 15%. He stated that the Mechanical Appeals and Advisory Board had conducted a public hearing and there was no public opposition. The Board unanimously recommended approval.

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

5. Briefing on Camp Bullis Joint Use Study (JLUS)

Presented by The Matrix Group with support of the Office of Military Affairs

Celeste Warner provided an overview of the Camp Bullis Joint Land Use Study (JLUS) recommendations. Councilmember Ramos asked of possible land purchase opportunities to protect Camp Bullis. Pat DiGiovanni stated that land transfer options were under consideration regarding properties purchased with Proposition 3 Funds and noted that discussions had been initiated with State Parks and Wildlife in an effort to protect Camp Bullis.

6. Staff follow-up briefing and action on a request to amend Chapter 35, Unified Development Code of the City of San Antonio, Texas adopting provisions for Live Entertainment as requested by Councilmember Cibrian, District 8

Presented by Rod Sanchez, Director, Planning & Development Services Department

Councilmember Cortez expressed concern with the Downtown District not being included in the proposed ordinance. Mr. Sanchez replied that staff had opted not to include the Downtown District because live entertainment had to be allowed in an area within the City. Councilmember Cortez asked of sexually oriented businesses in the Downtown District. Mr. Sanchez clarified that sexually oriented businesses were not allowed in the Downtown Zoning District.

Councilmember Cortez asked of the process for current businesses that choose to incorporate live entertainment. Mr. Sanchez stated that the amendment of live entertainment to a current certificate of occupancy would require a zoning case subject to City Council approval.

In response to Councilmember Galvan, Mr. Sanchez stated that temporary use certificates of occupancy were utilized for events such as Fiesta, for a defined period of time.

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

7. Briefing and possible action on an ordinance request from the City of Kirby for the City of San Antonio to release approximately 73.475 acres of land from the City of San Antonio municipal boundaries so that it may become part of the city limits of the City of Kirby

Presented by Jesus Garza, Assistant Director, Planning & Development Services Department

Jesus Garza presented information regarding a request from the City of Kirby for the release of land from the City of San Antonio. He stated that the City of Kirby would like to address service delivery issues created by the municipal boundary and provide consistent service to those areas.

He noted that the request also included the release of 1.10 acres of land from the City of Kirby to the City of San Antonio.

Chairperson Cibrian expressed concern with the disproportionate exchange of land and the precedent established by proceeding with said request.

Councilmember Ramos moved to forward said item, with additional information, to the full Council for consideration. Chairperson Cibrian requested that staff explore alternatives and noted that forwarding said item did not indicate her support for said item. Councilmember Galvan seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

8. Briefing on certain CPS Energy expenses related to nuclear energy and other related information

Presented by Jim Campbell, Senior Director of Government Relations, CPS Energy

Jim Campbell provided an overview of CPS Energy's South Texas Project (STP) Tours and a listing of Elected Officials, Staff and Candidates for office that had attended. He stated that proposals were being evaluated for the addition of two nuclear units next to the existing units at STP. He noted that the City Council would have to consider the best option to provide for the City of San Antonio's energy needs.

9. Briefing on CPS Energy Solar Incentives

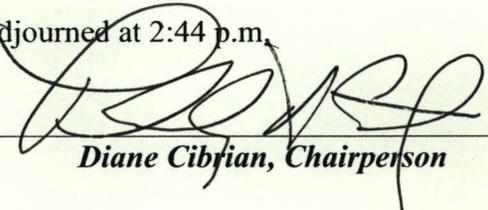
Presented by Bruce Evans, Director of Customer Solutions & Delivery, CPS Energy

Bruce Evans responded to inquiries regarding the Savings for Tomorrow Energy Plan (STEP) and Conservation Program Funding. Councilmember Galvan asked of Energy Efficiency Rebates and if they were a component of the STEP Program. Mr. Evans confirmed that the Energy Efficiency Rebates were a component of the STEP Program. He noted that Point of Purchase rebates would be made available at the time of purchase and that Energy Star refrigerators and air conditioners would be provided to individuals that qualified for the Low-Income Weatherization Program.

Chairperson Cibrian expressed concern with information provided by CPS Energy regarding Solar Energy. She requested that additional information be provided to the full City Council on May 21, 2009 regarding the construction of a Solar Power Plant.

10. Adjourn

There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 2:44 p.m.



Diane Cibrian, Chairperson

Respectfully Submitted,



Brandon T. Smith
Office of the City Clerk