

AN ORDINANCE 100327

ADDING A PROPOSITION TO THE BALLOT FOR THE SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON MAY 7, 2005, IN ACCORDANCE WITH CHAPTER 334, TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE, AS AMENDED, AND OTHER APPLICABLE LAW, ON THE QUESTION OF IMPLEMENTING AND APPROVING CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION NO. 2004-29-25 WHICH DESIGNATES, AND PROVIDES FOR THE PLANNING, ACQUISITION, ESTABLISHMENT, DEVELOPMENT, CONSTRUCTION, OR RENOVATION OF, AND THE METHOD OF FINANCING FOR, THE PARKS DEVELOPMENT AND EXPANSION VENUE PROJECT, WHICH INCLUDES THE ACQUISITION OF OPEN SPACE AND LINEAR PARKS ALONG LEON CREEK, SALADO CREEK, MEDINA RIVER AND SAN ANTONIO RIVER, AND FOR IMPROVEMENTS AND ADDITIONS TO THE MUNICIPAL PARKS AND RECREATION SYSTEM; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 99608 IN ACCORDANCE HEREWITH.

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**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of San Antonio, Texas ("City Council") desires to provide for the planning, acquisition, establishment, development, construction or renovation of a venue project ("Venue Project") as authorized by, and defined in, Chapter 334, Texas Local Government Code, as amended ("Chapter 334"), which includes the acquisition of open space and linear parks along Leon Creek, Salado Creek, Medina River and San Antonio River, and for improvements and additions to the Municipal Parks and Recreation System; and

**WHEREAS**, if the Venue Project described herein is approved by the voters, the City may use money received from the sales and use tax approved by the voters to reimburse or pay the costs of planning, acquiring, establishing, developing, constructing, or renovating such approved Venue Project, or pay the principal and interest on, and other costs relating to bonds or other obligations issued by the City to finance the Venue Project; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the requirements of Chapter 334, Section 334.021, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2004-29-25 on August 19, 2004, designating a Venue Project and designating the method of financing for such Venue Project; and

**WHEREAS**, Chapter 334, Section 334.024, authorizes the City to order an election on the question of approving and implementing this Resolution and approving this Venue Project and the method of financing; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the requirements of Chapter 334, Section 334.022, the City, before calling such election, sent a copy of this Resolution to the State Comptroller, who has (1) performed an analysis to determine if approval and implementation of this Resolution will have a significant negative fiscal impact on state revenue, and (2) provided to the City written notice of the results of the analysis; and

**WHEREAS**, the Comptroller, by letter dated September 1, 2004, determined, and the City has received written confirmation thereof, that implementation of this Resolution will not have a significant negative impact on state revenue; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council hereby finds that an election should be held under the authority of Chapter 334 on the question of implementing and approving this Resolution and imposing a sales and use tax for the purposes hereinafter identified; and

**WHEREAS**, Ordinance No. 99608, passed and approved by the City of San Antonio City Council on August 19, 2004, ordered a special election to be held on Saturday, May 7, 2005, on the question of approving and implementing Resolution No. 2004-27-23 which designates, and provides for the planning, acquisition, establishment, development, construction, or renovation of, and the method of financing for the *EDWARDS AQUIFER PROTECTION VENUE PROJECT*; and

**WHEREAS**, it is now necessary to amend Ordinance No. 99608 to include the *PARKS DEVELOPMENT AND EXPANSION VENUE PROJECT* on the ballot of said special election, and to provide, as the method of financing for said Projects, a 1/8% sales and use tax, for the two Projects; and

**WHEREAS**, it is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Ordinance was passed was open to the public, and public notice of the time, place, and purpose of said meeting was given, all as required by Chapter 551, Texas Government Code; **NOW THEREFORE:**

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:**

**SECTION 1. DATE; OFFICIAL PROPOSITIONS.** The official ballot for the special election to be held on May 7, 2005 shall be prepared in accordance with Chapter 334 and the Texas Election Code and at said election the following PROPOSITIONS shall be submitted in accordance with the law:

**THE EDWARDS AQUIFER PROTECTION VENUE PROJECT PROPOSITION**

**PROPOSITION NO. 1**

“Shall the City Council of the City of San Antonio, Texas, be authorized to implement Resolution No. 2004-27-23 (the “Venue Project Resolution”), which provides for the planning, acquisition, establishment, development, construction, or renovation of, and method of financing for the “**Edwards Aquifer Protection Venue Project**,” which includes the acquisition of property for a conservation easement or open-space preservation program intended to protect water in the Edwards Aquifer, and to impose a sales and use tax at the rate of one-eighth of one percent (1/8 of 1%) (a portion of which tax shall be shared with and used for the “**Parks Development and Expansion Venue Project**” if such venue project is also approved by the voters) for the purpose of financing the “**Edwards Aquifer Protection Venue Project**” in an amount not to exceed \$90 million (including costs of issuance and interest on bonds or other obligations, if any)?”

**THE PARKS DEVELOPMENT AND EXPANSION VENUE PROJECT PROPOSITION**

**PROPOSITION NO. 2**

“Shall the City Council of the City of San Antonio, Texas, be authorized to implement Resolution No. 2004-29-25, which provides for the planning, acquisition, establishment, development, construction, or renovation of, and method of financing for the **“Parks Development and Expansion Venue Project,”** which includes the acquisition of open space and linear parks along Leon Creek, Salado Creek, Medina River and San Antonio River, and for improvements and additions to the Municipal Parks and Recreation System, and to impose a sales and use tax at the rate of one-eighth of one percent (1/8 of 1%) (a portion of which tax shall be shared with and used for the **“Edwards Aquifer Protection Venue Project”** if such venue project is also approved by the voters) for the purpose of financing the **“Parks Development and Expansion Venue Project”** in an amount not to exceed \$45 million (including costs of issuance and interest on bonds or other obligations, if any)?”

**SECTION 2. FORM OF BALLOTS.** The official ballots for said election shall be prepared in accordance with Chapter 334, Texas Local Government Code and the Texas Election Code so as to permit the electors to vote “FOR” or “AGAINST” the aforesaid PROPOSITIONS, with the ballots to contain such provisions, markings, and language as required by law, and with such PROPOSITIONS to be expressed substantially as follows:

**THE EDWARDS AQUIFER PROTECTION VENUE PROJECT PROPOSITION**

**PROPOSITION NO. 1**

FOR }

AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO TO PROVIDE FOR THE PLANNING, ACQUISITION, ESTABLISHMENT, DEVELOPMENT, CONSTRUCTION, OR RENOVATION OF THE **“EDWARDS AQUIFER PROTECTION VENUE PROJECT”** WHICH INCLUDES THE ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY FOR A CONSERVATION EASEMENT OR OPEN-SPACE PRESERVATION PROGRAM INTENDED TO PROTECT WATER IN THE EDWARDS AQUIFER, AND TO IMPOSE A SALES AND USE TAX AT THE RATE OF ONE-EIGHTH OF ONE PERCENT (1/8 OF 1%) (A PORTION OF WHICH TAX SHALL BE SHARED WITH AND USED FOR THE **“PARKS DEVELOPMENT AND EXPANSION VENUE PROJECT”** IF SUCH VENUE PROJECT IS ALSO APPROVED BY THE VOTERS) FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING THE **“EDWARDS AQUIFER PROTECTION VENUE PROJECT”** IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$90 MILLION (INCLUDING COSTS OF ISSUANCE AND INTEREST ON BONDS OR OTHER OBLIGATIONS, IF ANY).

AGAINST }

**THE PARKS DEVELOPMENT AND EXPANSION VENUE PROJECT PROPOSITION**

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AGAINST }

**SECTION 3. NOTICE.** (a) Form of Notice of Election. The City Clerk of the City of San Antonio is hereby authorized and directed to prepare a form of the Notice of Election in both English and Spanish, the contents of which comply with the requirements of Section 4.004 of the Texas Election Code (and other applicable law), and include at a minimum the nature and date of the election, the form of the propositions included in Section 1 of this Ordinance, the form of the ballot propositions included in Section 2 of this Ordinance, the location of each election day and early voting polling place, the locations, dates, and times of temporary branch locations of early voting, the hours the polls will be open, and any other information required by other law, and with such variations permitted by applicable law.

(b) Method of Giving Notice. Notice of said election shall be given by posting a copy of said Notice of Election, both in English and in Spanish, not later than the 21<sup>st</sup> day before the date set for said election on the bulletin board used for posting notices of the meetings of the City Council of the City. Notice of said election shall also be given by publishing said Notice of Election, both in English and in Spanish, at least once, not earlier than the 30<sup>th</sup> day or later than the 10<sup>th</sup> day before Election Day, in a newspaper of general circulation published in the City of San Antonio. It is hereby found and declared that the San Antonio Express-News is a newspaper of general circulation within the City.

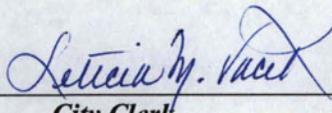
**SECTION 4. AMENDMENT TO ELECTION ORDINANCE.** Ordinance No. 99608, passed and approved by the City Council on August 19, 2004, is hereby amended to revise the language of the "Edwards Aquifer Protection Venue Project" proposition and ballot and add the "Parks Development and Expansion Venue Project" proposition to the ballot, all as indicated above. All other provisions of Ordinance No. 99608 not expressly amended hereby shall remain in full force and effect as of the day of its enactment.

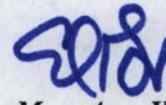
**SECTION 5. INCORPORATION OF RECITALS.** The statements contained in recitals included in the preamble of this Ordinance are hereby found to be true and correct, and such recitals are hereby incorporated into, and made a part of, this Ordinance for all purposes and are adopted as part of the judgment and findings of the City Council.

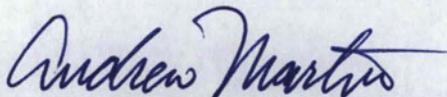
**SECTION 6. SEVERABILITY.** If any provision of this Ordinance or the application thereof to any circumstance shall be held to be invalid, the remainder of this Ordinance and the application thereof to other circumstances shall nevertheless be valid, and the City Council hereby declares that this Ordinance would have been enacted without such invalid provision.

**SECTION 7. EFFECTIVE DATE.** Pursuant to the City of San Antonio City Charter, this Ordinance shall take effect February 1, 2005, which is the tenth day following the passage of this Ordinance.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** this 21st day of January, 2005.

**ATTEST:**   
City Clerk

  
**M A Y O R**  
EDWARD D. GARZA

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**   
City Attorney

MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

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AVIATION
CITY ATTORNEY
MUNICIPAL COURT
REAL ESTATE (FASSNIDGE)
REAL ESTATE (WOOD)
RISK MANAGEMENT
CITY MANAGER
SPECIAL PROJECTS
CITY PUBLIC SERVICE - GENERAL MANAGER
CITY PUBLIC SERVICE - MAPS AND RECORDS
CODE COMPLIANCE
COMMERCIAL RECORDER
COMMUNITY INITIATIVES
CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU
CONVENTION CENTER EXPANSION OFFICE
CONVENTION FACILITIES
COUNCIL OFFICES
CULTURAL AFFAIRS
CUSTOMER SERVICE/311 SYSTEM
DEVELOPMENT SERVICES
HOUSE NUMBERING
LAND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES
TRAFFIC & DRAINAGE PLAN REVIEW
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
SOLID WASTE
EXTERNAL RELATIONS
PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICE
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FINANCE - ASSESSOR
FINANCE - CONTROLLER
FINANCE - GRANTS
FINANCE - PUBLIC UTILITIES SUPERVISOR
FINANCE- TREASURY
FIRE DEPARTMENT
HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
HUMAN RESOURCES (PERSONNEL)
INFORMATION SERVICES
INTERNAL REVIEW
INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS
LIBRARY
MANAGEMENT & BUDGET (OFFICE OF) OMB
MAYOR'S OFFICE
METROPOLITAN HEALTH DISTRICT
MUNICIPAL CODE CORPORATION
MUNICIPAL COURT
NEIGHBORHOOD ACTION
PARKS AND RECREATION
MARKET SQUARE
YOUTH INITIATIVES
PLANNING DEPARTMENT -NEIGHBORHOOD PLNG; URBAN DESIGN/HISTORIC PRESERVATION
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POLICE DEPARTMENT
GROUND TRANSPORTATION
PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR
CAPITAL PROJECTS
CENTRAL MAPPING
ENGINEERING
PARKING DIVISION
REAL ESTATE DIVISION
TRAFFIC ENGINEERING
PURCHASING AND GENERAL SERVICES
SAN ANTONIO WATER SYSTEMS (SAWS)
VIA

*Fact Ordinance*

AGENDA ITEM NUMBER: 39

DATE: Perez/Haass JAN 20 2005

MOTION: 100327 100327

ORDINANCE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

RESOLUTION NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

ZONING CASE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION: \_\_\_\_\_

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ROGER O. FLORES JR. District 1			
JOEL WILLIAMS District 2			
RON SEGOVIA District 3			
RICHARD PEREZ District 4			
PATTI RADLE District 5			
ENRIQUE M. BARRERA District 6			
JULIAN CASTRO District 7			
ART A. HALL District 8			
CARROLL SCHUBERT District 9			
CHRISTOPHER "CHIP" HAASS District 10			
EDWARD D. GARZA Mayor			

# Agenda Voting Results

**Name:** 39.

**Date:** 01/21/05

**Time:** 01:36:09 AM

**Vote Type:** Multiple selection

**Description:** An Ordinance adding a proposition to the ballot for the special election to be held on May 7, 2005, in accordance with Chapter 334, Texas Local Government Code, as amended, and other applicable law, on the question of implementing and approving City Council Resolution no. 2004-29-25 which designates, and provides for the planning, acquisition, establishment, development, construction, or renovation of, and the method of financing for, the Parks Development and Expansion Venue Project, which includes the acquisition of open space and linear parks along Leon Creek, Salado Creek, Medina River and San Antonio River, and for improvements and additions to the Municipal Parks and Recreation System; providing for an effective date; and amending Ordinance No. 99608 in accordance herewith. [Presented by Christopher J. Brady, Assistant City Manager; J. Rolando Bono, Interim City Manager]

Voter	Group	Status	Yes	No	Abstain
ROGER O. FLORES	DISTRICT 1	Not present			
JOEL WILLIAMS	DISTRICT 2		x		
RON H. SEGOVIA	DISTRICT 3		x		
RICHARD PEREZ	DISTRICT 4		x		
PATTI RADLE	DISTRICT 5		x		
ENRIQUE M. BARRERA	DISTRICT 6		x		
JULIAN CASTRO	DISTRICT 7		x		
ART A. HALL	DISTRICT 8		x		
CARROLL SCHUBERT	DISTRICT 9		x		
CHRISTOPHER "CHIP" HAAS	DISTRICT_10		x		
MAYOR ED GARZA	MAYOR		x		

**CITY OF SAN ANTONIO  
OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER  
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Mayor and City Council

**FROM:** Christopher J. Brady, Assistant City Manager

**SUBJECT:** Ordinance calling election on May 7, 2005 for the Parks Development and Expansion Venue Project

**DATE:** January 20, 2005

**SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

An ordinance amending Ordinance No. 99608, passed and approved by the City Council on August 19, 2004. This ordinance will revise the language from the previous action by Council to call a special election to be held on May 7, 2005 for the "Edwards Aquifer Protection Venue Project" proposition ballot to add the "Parks Development and Expansion Venue Project" proposition to the ballot. The amended language will allow both projects to appear on the same May 7, 2005 ballot as separate propositions. Both venue projects are provided for under Chapter 334, Texas Local Government Code. The successful passage of both venues would result in the sharing of the 1/8<sup>th</sup> cent sales tax over a period of approximately nine years for an amount not to exceed \$135,000,000.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

On August 19, 2004, acting in response to a Council Consideration Request relating to the purchase of land over the Edwards Aquifer, submitted by Council members Hall and Flores, the City Council approved an ordinance calling a special election to be held on May 7, 2005 in accordance with Chapter 334 of the Texas Local Government Code on the question of implementing and approving the Resolution adopted by City Council which provides for the Edwards Aquifer Protection Venue Project. The Venue Project involves the acquisition of property for a conservation easement or open-space preservation program intended to protect water in the Edwards Aquifer, and is intended to be financed through the imposition of a sales and use tax at the rate on one-eighth of one percent (.00125).

City Council also approved Resolution No. 2004-29-25 on August 19, 2004, designating the "Parks Development and Expansion Venue Project" the method of financing, and directing staff to seek a written determination from the State Comptroller as to whether the implementation of the "Parks Development and Expansion Venue Project" would have a significant negative impact on state revenues.

The approval of this Resolution was necessary before the City Council could amend the ordinance calling a special election on the "Edwards Aquifer Venue Project" to include the "Parks Development and Expansion Venue Project". The Resolution was submitted to the State Comptroller on August 19, 2004 for her consideration. On September 1, 2004 the State Comptroller determined that the approval of this Resolution would have no significant negative impact on state revenue.

Chapter 334 of the Texas Local Government Code allows a municipality to call an election on a venue project which provides for the planning, acquisition, establishment, development, construction or renovation of, and the designated method of financing for, the Parks Development and Expansion Venue Project. The Venue Project is generally described to include the acquisition of open space and linear parks along the Leon and Salado Creeks and the Medina and San Antonio Rivers, and to include improvements and additions to the Municipal Parks and Recreation System.

If approved, the ballot will permit voting for or against each Venue Project and authorize the City to impose a sales and use tax at the maximum rate not to exceed one-eighth of one percent for the purpose of financing both Venue Projects, in an amount not to exceed \$45,000,000 including costs of issuance and interest on bonds, if any, for the "Parks Development and Expansion Venue Project", and in an amount not to exceed \$90,000,000 including costs of issuance and interest on bonds, if any, for the "Edwards Aquifer Protection Venue Project."

This ordinance, if approved by Council will call the election for May 7, 2005 with the following dates for early voting and effective date of sales tax collections.

#### May 7, 2005 Election

Election Called	August 19, 2004
Early Voting Begins	April 20, 2005
Early Voting Ends	May 3, 2005
Election Day	May 7, 2005
Effective Date of Sales Tax	October 1, 2005

On October 14, 2004, City Council requested staff to provide a briefing regarding the status of the "Parks Development and Venue Project" approved in May 2000. A briefing was given to Council on December 9, 2004.

If should be noted that the election could be called by the City Council anytime between now and February 17, 2005 for a May election.

Currently, the sales tax structure for the City of San Antonio is as follows:

Sales Tax Maximum	8 ¼%	0.08250
State	6 ¼%	0.06250
City	1%	0.01000
VIA	½%	0.00500
VIA – ADT	¼%	<u>0.00250</u>
<b>Current Total</b>		<b>0.08000</b>
Aquifer Protection/ Linear Creeks	1/8%	<u>0.00125</u>
<b>If approved, Total</b>	<b>8.125%</b>	<b>0.08125</b>
<b>Amount Remaining</b>	<b>1/8%</b>	<b>0.00125</b>

If the propositions pass, 1/8<sup>th</sup> cent or 0.00125 capacity remains to reach the maximum sales tax allowed by law or 8.25%.

If the City Council decides to add the “Parks Development and Expansion Venue Project” to the ballot under the Local Government Code, Chapter 334, the one-eighth of one percent (.00125) designated for this venue would be shared by both propositions until no more than \$135,000,000 is collected, as designated above.

### **POLICY ANALYSIS**

Approval of this ordinance continues the past practice to provide a mechanism for acquisition and development of land along the City’s significant creeks and waterways.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

The proposed election in May 2005 coincides with a regularly scheduled City of San Antonio election. The May 2005 election is anticipated to cost \$390,000 and is included in the FY 04-05 budget.

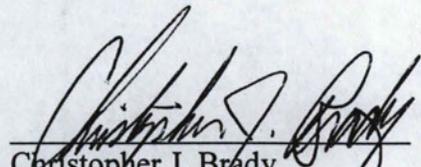
It is estimated that it would take approximately 3+ years to collect the proposed \$45,000,000 for the “Parks Development and Expansion Venue Project”, at which time the 1/8<sup>th</sup> cent for this purpose would be terminated. If approved at a May election, collections would begin October 1, 2005. If both the Aquifer and Park Development venues are successful, a total of \$135,000,000 would be collected for an estimated period of nine years.

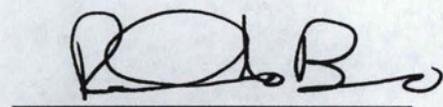
If approved, the property acquired through this tax will need to be monitored and maintained in the future. The original Proposition Three Program recognized the need to provide operation and

maintenance funds for care of the acquired property at a level of 10%. While nothing has been determined, it is anticipated that a similar percentage will be made available for this purpose from the proceeds.

**COORDINATION**

This item has been coordinated with the City Clerk's Office, City Attorney's Office, Finance Department, Public Works Department, Office of Management and Budget, and the Parks and Recreation Department.

  
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Christopher J. Brady  
Assistant City Manager

  
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J. Rolando Bono  
Interim City Manager

**CITY OF SAN ANTONIO  
OFFICE OF THE CITY COUNCIL**

**COUNCIL CONSIDERATION REQUEST**

**TO:** Mayor and Council Members  
**FROM:** Councilman Art A. Hall, District 8; Councilman Roger O. Flores, District 1  
**COPIES:** Terry Brechtel, City Manager; Melissa Byrne Vossmer, Assistant City Manager; Christopher Brady, Assistant City Manager; Malcolm Matthews, Director Parks Department; Edna Ortega, Creekways Coordinator; Andrew Martin, City Attorney; Leticia Vacek, City Clerk; Gayle McDaniel, Assistant to Council, Assistants to the Mayor; File  
**SUBJECT:** Extension of Proposition 3, The Purchase of Land Over the Edwards Aquifer Recharge Zone

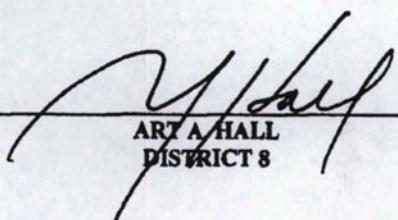
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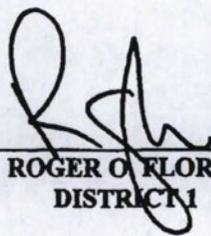
In May 2000, voters of the City of San Antonio united together to pass "Proposition 3," which was a dedication of \$65 million through a sales tax of 1/8 cent for the purchase of land over the Edwards Aquifer and the purchase of land on Leon and Salado Creek. The amount of \$65 million has been reached and this 1/8 cent sales tax is again available for dedication, along with another 3/8 cent sales tax that was available prior, for a total of 1/2 cent.

In June 2004, VIA called its election for a sales tax of 1/4 cent for transportation and infrastructure needs, leaving the remaining 1/4 cent sales tax available for dedication.

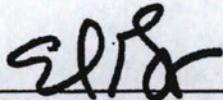
With the strong showing of support we have seen, not only from our districts but in the entire city, we are requesting Council concurrence, to direct staff, to place on the City Council "A" Session agenda no later than August 5<sup>th</sup> a resolution, as required by Texas Government Code Chapter 334, asking the State Comptroller for a determination as to whether the proposed Aquifer Protection Initiative, a dedication of \$90 million through a sales tax of 1/8 cent for the purchase of land and conservation easements over the Edwards Aquifer, will have a negative impact on any state sales taxes. We also direct staff to place on the City Council "A" Session agenda for August 12, 2004 an ordinance calling for a February election for the Aquifer Protection Initiative.

Your favorable consideration of this request is most appreciated.

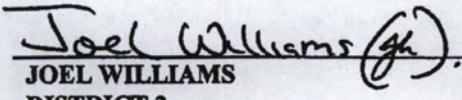
  
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DISTRICT 1

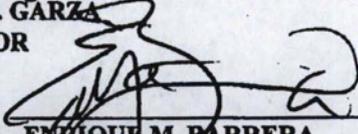
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MAYOR

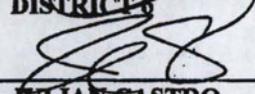


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DISTRICT 2



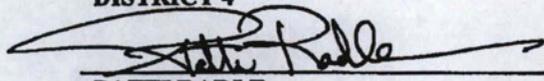
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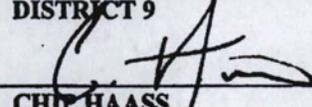
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