

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO HELD IN
THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, ON
MONDAY, APRIL 18, 1983.

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The meeting was called to order at 1:30 P.M. by the presiding officer, Mayor Henry Cisneros, with the following members present: BERRIOZABAL, WEBB, DUTMER, WING, EURESTE, ALDERETE, ARCHER, CISNEROS; Absent: THOMPSON, HARRINGTON, HASSLOCHER.

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OFFICIAL CANVASS OF VOTES
IN THE APRIL 16, 1983 RUN-OFF ELECTION

Mayor Cisneros noted the purpose of this special meeting was to canvass the votes in the District 5 runoff election on April 16, 1983.

City Clerk Norma S. Rodriguez and Mayor Henry Cisneros compared the results of the votes cast in District 5 as recorded on the Tabulation Sheets and Election Return Sheets.

Following completion of the comparison of votes recorded and tabulated and finding no errors, the City Clerk then read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 56,855

DECLARING THE RESULTS OF THE CANVASS OF MUNICIPAL
RUNOFF ELECTION HELD ON THE 16TH DAY OF APRIL, 1983.

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SECTION 1. The City Council convened on this 18th day of April, 1983, to canvass the returns of the runoff municipal election held on the 16th day of April, 1983, to determine the member of the Council, Place No. 5 of the City of San Antonio for the ensuing term of office of two years.

SECTION 2. The City Council has met to canvass the returns and to declare the results of said election in the manner provided by law, and after considering, determining and canvassing all matters of fact appertaining, we, the City Council of the City of San Antonio, do hereby find and declare the results of the said election to be tabulated as follows:

FOR MEMBERS OF COUNCIL, PLACE NO. 5:

"FOR"	BERNARDO EURESTE	5,178 votes
"FOR"	JESSE T. VALDEZ	4,268 votes

SECTION 3. The names of the candidates were submitted and the election was held and conducted and the returns thereof were made, all as required by the City Charter, the laws of the State of Texas and the proclamation of the Mayor, and at said runoff election there were cast respectively for each of said candidates the number of votes shown above.

SECTION 4. The City Council having canvassed said returns and having found the same in all things correct, the canvass was thereupon adopted by a majority vote of the members of the Council of the City of San Antonio; and it is declared that as the result of said runoff election, the elected officer of the City of San Antonio, for Council Place No. 5, for the two years commencing on the 1st day of May, 1983, is as follows:

Member of Council, Place No. 5:

BERNARDO EURESTE

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Mrs. Dutmer moved that the Ordinance be approved. Mr. Wing seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Berriozabal, Webb, Dutmer, Wing, Eureste, Cisneros; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Thompson, Alderete, Harrington, Archer, Hasslocher.

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CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION

Mayor Cisneros and City Clerk Norma S. Rodriguez then signed the official Certificate of Election and presented it to Mr. Eureste.

Mayor Cisneros offered Mr. Eureste his congratulations on his reelection and noted that for the first time since redistricting all eleven incumbents won reelection for a second term. He added that this spoke to the satisfaction of the people of San Antonio with the present Council.

Mr. Eureste thanked Mayor Cisneros for his comments and noted that he had met with Judge Albert Bustamante and resolved any differences that existed between them. He added that he was ready to work with Mayor Cisneros for a better tomorrow, a better San Antonio and a better District 5.

Mr. Eureste then stated that security guards had been placed at various polling sites at the runoff election. He was told that they had the authority to detain people. He requested that the City Clerk look into the legality of this procedure.

Mayor Cisneros stated that the City Clerk should look into this practice as it might intimidate voters.

In response to a question by Mr. Archer, Mr. Eureste noted that these guards were outside the 50 foot limit specified by the law.

Mrs. Dutmer, Mr. Webb, Ms. Berriozabal, Mr. Archer, and Mr. Wing then individually congratulated Mr. Eureste on his reelection.

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VALERO CORPORATION

In reply to a question by Mr. Archer, Mayor Cisneros noted that he was not aware of any move to override the Council decision of April 14, 1983 on the gas supplier, Valero Corporation.

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VOTER TURNOUT

Mrs. Dutmer pointed out that the low voter turnout for the regular and runoff elections could hardly be construed as an overwhelming mandate on any member of the Council. She added that reasons for the low voter turnout should be sought.

Mr. Eureste noted that 28.9% of the voters in District 5 had exercised their right to vote, pointing out that this had been the highest percentage of all the districts in San Antonio.

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SWEARING IN OF COUNCILMAN BERNARDO EURESTE

City Clerk Norma S. Rodriguez administered the oath of office to Councilman Bernardo Eureste.

Mrs. Dutmer requested that the City Manager take action against the blocking of the City Hall parking entrance by tourist buses and trolleys.

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AGENDA ITEMS

Mr. Louis J. Fox, City Manager, briefly reviewed the agenda items for consideration at the Thursday, April 21, 1983 meeting.

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 2:30 P.M.

A P P R O V E D

Henry Casimiro
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ATTEST: *Norma S. Rodriguez*
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