

**CITY COUNCIL GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 15, 2012
1:00 PM
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

Council Present:	Mayor Julián Castro, <i>Chair</i> Councilmember Diego Bernal, <i>District 1</i> Councilmember Ivy R. Taylor, <i>District 2</i> Councilmember David Medina Jr., <i>District 5</i> Councilmember Cris Medina, <i>District 7</i>
Staff Present:	Sheryl Sculley, <i>City Manager</i> ; Michael Bernard, <i>City Attorney</i> ; Leticia Vacek, <i>City Clerk</i> ; Jim Mery, <i>Interim Downtown Operations Director</i> ; Mike Frisbie, <i>CIMS Director</i> ; Jed Maebius, <i>Mayor's Office</i> Carri Wiggins, <i>Office of the City Clerk</i> ; Brandon Smith, <i>Office of the City Clerk</i>
Others Present:	Brenda Johnson; Randolph Murdock; Kenneth Thomas; Mario Aguilar; Steve Duran; Alex Gamble; Jerry Gonzales; Jesse Hereford; Burke Marold Angela Menchaca; Frank Quijano; Juan Sanchez

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Castro called the meeting to order.

I. Approval of minutes from the June 20, 2012 Governance Committee Meeting

Councilmember Taylor moved to approve the minutes of the June 20, 2012 Governance Committee Meeting as submitted. Councilmember Bernal seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously by those present.

II. Items requiring individual briefing(s)

a. Consideration of Appointments and Reappointments of Applicants to the Joint City/County Bond Oversight Commission (10 slots)

Leticia M. Vacek, City Clerk

Leticia Vacek reported that there were ten (10) slots available with five slots eligible for reappointment to include: 1) Chris Corso; 2) Brenda Johnson; 3) Randolph Murdock; 4) Kenneth Thomas; and 5) David Villyard. She stated that the five re-appointments were willing to serve another term. She added that several applicants were present.

Mayor Castro called upon the candidates interested in serving on the Commission.

Mario Aguilar stated that he has worked in both the public and private sector, providing him a unique perspective to work with skills from a retail environment and match them with the needs and requirements of the public sector. He cited the growth of San Antonio far beyond his expectation and expressed a desire to serve on the Commission.

Steve Duran provided his professional and educational background and expressed his desire to serve on the Commission.

Alex Gamble provided professional background information and expressed interest in serving on the Commission.

Jerry Gonzales stated that he was born in San Antonio and noted his experience as a former Bexar Met Water Board Member. He stated that he understood the commitment required and noted his desire to be a voice for the city.

Jesse Hereford provided an overview of his professional affiliations and stated that he would be an asset to the solution.

Burke Marold provided professional background and noted his experience on the Transportation Advisory Board. He spoke of the future of the City of San Antonio and noted his desire to serve on the Commission.

Angela Menchaca stated that she was a student and spoke of the importance of serving the City of San Antonio.

Frank Quijano provided an overview of his professional and educational background and noted his interest in serving on the Commission.

Juan Sanchez stated that he has been a resident of San Antonio for 19 years and indicated that he was a professional engineer expressing an interest to serve.

Ms. Vacek stated that staff recommended the reappointment for the purpose of continuity leaving 5 slots open for appointment.

Councilmember Taylor moved to recommend the following applicants to the full Council for consideration: Chris Corso; Brenda Johnson; Randolph Murdock; Kenneth Thomas; and David Villyard for reappointment and Elizabeth Campos; Jerry Gonzales; Angela Menchaca; Osman Orturgut; and Frank Quijano for appointment to the City/County Bond Oversight Commission. Councilmember D. Medina seconded the motion.

Ms. Vacek informed the Committee that the terms would expire in May, 2014 to allow the applicants to become familiar with the upcoming programs. She added that the terms would have normally expired in May 2013. Motion carried unanimously with the terms to expire May, 2014.

III. Council Consideration Request(s):

- a. Briefing and possible action on a request from Councilmember Diego Bernal, District 1, requesting the Office of the City Attorney bring forward an ordinance regulating payday and vehicle title loans**
Michael Bernard, City Attorney

Michael Bernard reported that Councilmember Diego Bernal requested consideration of an ordinance regulating payday and title loan companies. He provided an overview of the proposed ordinance to protect members of the community from becoming trapped in a cycle of debt by:

- ⚡ Limiting payday loans to 20% of the borrower's gross monthly income
- ⚡ Limiting auto title loans to the lesser of 3% of the borrowers gross annual income or 70% of the vehicle value
- ⚡ Requiring the proceeds from each installment or renewal to reduce the loan principal by 25%
- ⚡ Requiring every contract be written in a language the borrower can understand, or be read in its entirety to any borrower who cannot read

Councilmember Bernal spoke in support of the proposed ordinance. He noted the tremendous showing of support in the audience forcing the meeting to be moved into the City Council Chambers. After due consideration, Councilmember Bernal moved to forward said item to the full Council for consideration. Councilmember Taylor seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

b. Briefing and possible action on a request from Councilmember David Medina, Jr., District 5 regarding the Biggest Loser Run Walk San Antonio Event

Jim Mery, Interim Director, Downtown Operations

Jim Mery reported that NBC and the Biggest Loser will be partnering with San Antonio-based Hill Country Bakery and their wellness brand EONI, to promote The Biggest Loser Run/Walk in 10 cities nationwide. He stated that the race series event features a half marathon, 5K run and walk. He noted a preliminary budget of \$190,000 based on an initial route and a six-hour race event. He added that the budget included costs for security, traffic control, park/facility rentals, barricades, electrical/tent/fire permits, and various other necessities. He stated that staff was researching and analyzing the proposal and indicated that the City of San Antonio would not be responsible for any costs associated with this event.

Councilmember D. Medina spoke in support of the proposed event and noted the national and possibly international exposure that said opportunity could bring to San Antonio. After due consideration, Councilmember D. Medina moved that staff continue to research same and return to the Governance Committee with recommendations. Councilmember Bernal seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

IV. Consideration of items for future meetings

a. Next Meeting Scheduled: September 19, 2012

Mayor Castro announced that the next Governance Meeting was scheduled for September 19, 2012

V. Adjourn

There being no further discussion, Mayor Castro adjourned the meeting at 2:00 p.m.

ATTEST:



Leticia M. Vacek, TRMC/MMC
City Clerk



Julián Castro
Mayor