

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, HELD IN
THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MUNICIPAL
PLAZA BUILDING, THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER
14, 1995.

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95-40 The regular meeting was called to order at 1:00 P.M. by the Presiding Officer, Mayor William E. Thornton, with the following members present: FLORES, McCLENDON, BILLA BURKE, AVILA, SOLIS, HERRERA, ROSS, MARBUT, PEAK, WEBSTER, THORNTON; Absent: NONE.

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95-40 Invocation - Reverend Keith Fox, House of Prayer Lutheran Church.

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95-40 Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States.

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95-40 Minutes of the July 6, 1995 and August 10, 1995 Regular City Council Meetings were approved.

95-40 CONSENT AGENDA

Ms. McClendon made a motion to approve Agenda Items 7 through 30, constituting the Consent Agenda, with Item 10 having been pulled earlier by the City Manager. Mr. Avila seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the following Ordinances, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Flores, McClendon, Billa Burke, Avila, Solis, Herrera, Ross, Marbut, Peak, Webster, Thornton; ABSENT: None.

AN ORDINANCE 82,780

ACCEPTING THE LOW, QUALIFIED BID OF WITTIGS OFFICE INTERIORS TO FURNISH THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO PUBLIC LIBRARY WITH STACKING CHAIRS FOR A TOTAL OF \$15,440.00.

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AN ORDINANCE 82,781

ACCEPTING THE LOW QUALIFIED BID OF RCK SALES, INC.,
ALWAYS TOY BOX, INC., BTE IMPROVEMENT/EXPORT AND S&S
ARTS & CRAFTS TO FURNISH THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO
PARKS AND RECREATION WITH GAMES FOR A TOTAL OF
\$47,628.90. (MBE/WBE)

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AN ORDINANCE 82,782

ACCEPTING THE LOW BID OF WAYEST SAFETY, INC. TO
FURNISH THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO FIRE DEPARTMENT WITH
SCOTT SELF CONTAINED BREATHING APPARATUS DISTRESS
ALARMS FOR A TOTAL OF \$85,612.50.

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AN ORDINANCE 82,783

ACCEPTING THE LOW BID OF FRUEHAUF TRAILER
CORPORATION TO FURNISH THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT WITH TRUCK TRACTOR EQUIPMENT
FOR TOTAL OF \$17,023.00.

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AN ORDINANCE 82,784

ACCEPTING THE LOW BID OF H.L. ZUMWALT CONSTRUCTION,
INC. FOR TRANSPORTING OF TOPSOIL FOR THE PUBLIC
WORKS FOR A TOTAL OF \$89,815.00.

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AN ORDINANCE 82,785

ACCEPTING THE BIDS OF VARIOUS COMPANIES TO FURNISH
THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO WITH VARIOUS MATERIALS AND
SERVICES ON AN ANNUAL CONTRACT BASIS FOR THE 1995-96
FISCAL YEAR FOR A TOTAL OF APPROXIMATELY
\$1,793,000.00. (MBE/WBE, COPIES OF ALL BID PACKETS
ARE AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW IN THE PURCHASING
DEPARTMENT.)

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AN ORDINANCE 82,786

AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF \$78,800.00 FROM THE

FACILITY IMPROVEMENT AND MAINTENANCE PROGRAM (FIMP)
AND ESTABLISHING A PROJECT BUDGET FOR MAINTENANCE
AND REPAIR OF THE ZARZAMORA SERVICE CENTER CREW
QUARTERS BUILDING.

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AN ORDINANCE 82,787

AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF \$153,000.00 FROM THE
FACILITY IMPROVEMENT AND MAINTENANCE PROGRAM (FIMP)
FUND AND ESTABLISHING A PROJECT BUDGET FOR THE
MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OF THE NORTHWEST SERVICE
CENTER ADMINISTRATION BUILDING.

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AN ORDINANCE 82,788

RATIFYING FIELD ALTERATION NO. 9 IN THE AMOUNT OF
\$26,098.00 PAYABLE TO L&R BUILDERS, INC., DBA L&R
ENTERPRISES, INC. IN CONNECTION WITH THE DRURY -
COMMERCIAL TO PLEASANTON COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK
GRANT (CDBG) PROJECT; AMENDING THE CONSTRUCTION
CONTINGENCY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$26,000.00; REVISING
THE PROJECT BUDGET; AND PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT.

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AN ORDINANCE 82,789

APPROVING FIELD ALTERATION NO. 1 IN THE AMOUNT OF
\$11,776.24 PAYABLE TO NOBLES ROAD CONSTRUCTION, INC.
IN CONNECTION WITH THE CALAVERAS AND WOODLAWN
DRAINAGE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG)
PROJECT; AMENDING THE CONSTRUCTION CONTINGENCY IN
THE AMOUNT OF \$7,049.54; REVISING THE PROJECT
BUDGET; AND PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT.

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AN ORDINANCE 82,790

APPROVING FIELD ALTERATION NO. 4 - FINAL IN THE
AMOUNT OF \$76,155.21 PAYABLE TO E-Z BEL CONSTRUCTION
CO., INC. IN CONNECTION WITH THE PENTAGON STREETS -
PHASE IV COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG)
PROJECT; AMENDING THE CONSTRUCTION CONTINGENCY IN
THE AMOUNT OF \$26,000.00; REVISING THE PROJECT
BUDGET; AND PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT.

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AN ORDINANCE 82,791

ACCEPTING THE LOW QUALIFIED BID OF JERDON CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INC., IN THE AMOUNT OF \$81,800.00 TO SURFACE SEAL RUNWAY 12L/30R AT SAN ANTONIO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT; AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT; AUTHORIZING AN ADDITIONAL \$8,180.00 FOR A CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT; AND PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT.

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AN ORDINANCE 82,792

AUTHORIZING A 25-YEAR LICENSE AGREEMENT FROM THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO TO G.E. CAPITAL-RESCOM, L.P. TO MAINTAIN, INSTALL, OPERATE OF REMOVE EXISTING UNDERGROUND COMMUNICATION CABLES AND RELATED WIRING PRESENTLY HOUSED WITHIN TWO ENTRENCHED 4-INCH CONDUITS UNDER AND ACROSS PERENNIAL ROAD.

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AN ORDINANCE 82,793

AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT AMENDING A LEASE WITH BROWN FLYING SERVICE, INC. BY ADJUSTING THE TOTAL SQUARE FOOTAGE OF BUILDING AND GROUND PREMISES TO 23,899 SQUARE FEET AND 78,236 SQUARE FEET RESPECTIVELY, AT THE SAN ANTONIO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, AND ADJUSTING THE TOTAL MONTHLY RENTAL TO \$4,798.62.

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AN ORDINANCE 82,794

AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A LEASE FOR A TERM ENDING ON AUGUST 31, 2000 WITH UNITED PARCEL SERVICE, INC. FOR LEASE OF BAYS 17, 18, AND 20 COMPRISING 6,036 SQUARE FEET OF SPACE IN THE WEST AIR CARGO BUILDING AT THE SAN ANTONIO INTERNATIONAL/

AIRPORT FOR A TOTAL ANNUAL RENTAL OF \$36,517.90

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AN ORDINANCE 82,795

RATIFYING THE ACTION OF CITY STAFF IN OBTAINING THE

SERVICES OF SINCLAIR AND ASSOCIATES, INC.; AND AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO SAID COMPANY FOR WORK PERFORMED IN CONNECTION WITH THE COLISEUM OAKS PROJECT, INCLUDING SURVEYING, ENGINEERING, AND REPLATTING FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$9,748.00.

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AN ORDINANCE 82,796

RATIFYING AND AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO CATERING BY NICK BY THE SAN ANTONIO CONVENTION & VISITORS BUREAU FOR CATERING SERVICES PROVIDED TO THE LUTHERAN YOUTH GATHERING AT THE ALAMODOME IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7,108.05.

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AN ORDINANCE 82,797

RATIFYING THE EXECUTION OF A \$162,000.00 CLINICAL RESEARCH AGREEMENT WITH AMVAX, INC., FOR THE PERIOD SEPTEMBER 1, 1995 THROUGH MAY 31, 1996 FOR FUND A CLINICAL TRIAL OF ACELLULAR PERTUSSIS VACCINE ON CHILDREN ENROLLED IN THE SAN ANTONIO METROPOLITAN HEALTH DISTRICT'S IMMUNIZATION PROGRAM; ESTABLISHING A FUND; APPROVING A BUDGET AND PERSONNEL COMPLEMENT; AND AUTHORIZING CONTRACTUAL SERVICES.

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AN ORDINANCE 82,798

AUTHORIZING ALEXANDER E. BRISENO, CITY MANAGER; J. ROLANDO BONO, ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER; NORA W. CHAVEZ, DIRECTOR OF FINANCE; TRAVIS M. BISHOP, ASSISTANT TO THE CITY MANAGER; REBECCA WALDMAN, ASSISTANT TO THE CITY MANAGER; RICHARD RAMIREZ, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF FINANCE; BEN GORZELL JR., ASSISTANT CONTROLLER; AND LINDA STUBBS COONES, ASSISTANT CONTROLLER TO SIGN CHECKS FOR THE

DISBURSEMENT OF CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS FUNDS.

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AN ORDINANCE 82,799

AUTHORIZING THE TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF CLOWER STREET BETWEEN BRAD AND THE EXCESS ROAD SOUTH BOUND OF I.H.

10 FROM 6:00 A.M. UNTIL 12:00 MIDNIGHT ON SUNDAY,
OCTOBER 1, 1995 IN CONNECTION WITH THE ST. MARY
MAGDALAN CHURCH FESTIVAL.

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AN ORDINANCE 82,800

APPROVING A PARADE PERMIT AND AUTHORIZING THE
TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF CERTAIN STREETS FROM 7:30 A.M.
UNTIL 11:00 A.M., SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3, 1995 IN
CONNECTION WITH THE ARTHRITIS FOUNDATION JINGLE BELL
5K RUN/WALK.

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AN ORDINANCE 82,801

APPROVING A PARADE PERMIT AND AUTHORIZING THE
TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF CERTAIN STREETS FROM 8:30 A.M.
UNTIL 10:00 A.M., SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 1995 IN
CONNECTION WITH MAKE A WISH FOUNDATION'S MOUNTAIN
DEW 5K RUN; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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AN ORDINANCE 82,802

APPROVING A PARADE PERMIT AND AUTHORIZING THE
TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF CERTAIN STREETS FROM 12:00 P.M.
UNTIL 2:45 P.M., FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27, 1995 IN
CONNECTION WITH THE MARY HULL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SAY
NO TO DRUGS PARADE.

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95-40 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 82,803

ACCEPTING THE LOW BID OF FLIR SYSTEMS, INC. TO
FURNISH THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO POLICE DEPARTMENT
WITH A THERMAL IMAGING SYSTEM FOR A TOTAL OF
\$110,000.00.

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Mr. Peak made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Mr.
Avila seconded the motion.

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Chief of Police, Al Philippus, spoke to the usage of the Thermal Imaging System in fighting crime with Police Helicopters. He spoke of the national recognition given to the City of San Antonio by President Clinton at the Washington D.C. presentation.

In response to a question by Mr. Peak, Chief Philippus spoke to the \$1 million grant for continuing the fight against youth violence and gun activities.

Mr. Avila spoke of the crime fighting activities taking place in his District.

Mayor Thornton spoke to the police work accomplished with the helicopter as being another resource, and the fact that this is money well spent.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Flores, McClendon, Billa Burke, Avila, Solis, Herrera, Ross, Marbut, Peak, Webster, Thornton; NAYS: None; ABSENT: None.

95-40 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 82,804

ACCEPTING A GRANT FROM THE TEXAS AUTOMOBILE THEFT PREVENTION AUTHORITY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,120,000.00 TO AUGMENT THE SAN ANTONIO POLICE DEPARTMENT'S EFFORTS AT REDUCING AUTOMOBILE THEFT.

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Ms. Billa Burke made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Mr. Solis seconded the motion.

Deputy Chief, Albert Ortiz, San Antonio Police Department, expounded on their program, stating this is their 3rd year of operation, and that there has been a 43 percent reduction in auto theft. He stated the City is taking a pro-active approach, and has been hailed as a model for the entire State of Texas.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Flores, McClendon, Billa Burke, Avila, Solis, Ross, Marbut, Peak, Webster, Thornton; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Herrera.

95-40 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 82,805

AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FROM THE EQUIPMENT RENEWAL AND REPLACEMENT FUND AND THE POLICE ASSET SEIZURE FUND TO PURCHASE THE AUTOMATED FINGERPRINT IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM (AFIS) TO BE OBTAINED FROM NORTH AMERICAN MORPHO SYSTEMS FOR A PURCHASE PRICE OF \$2,486,054.00 PLUS INTEREST COSTS OF \$231,409.62 FOR A TOTAL COST OF \$2,717,463.62.

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Ms. Billa Burke made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Mr. Avila seconded the motion.

Ms. Nora Chavez, Director of Finance Department, explained details of the Ordinance.

City Manager Alexander E. Briseno called the Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS) an excellent innovation.

In response to questions by the Council, Chief Philippus explained the latest state of the art operational aspects of the AFIS system.

Mayor Thornton stated that the program will be fully operational in four to six months.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Flores, McClendon, Billa Burke, Avila, Solis, Ross, Marbut, Peak, Webster, Thornton; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Herrera.

95-40 TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION - Granted:

Mayor William E. Thornton to travel to Mexico City from September 24, 1995 to September 26, 1995, to attend the opening of Casa San Antonio in Mexico City.

Councilman Solis spoke to the Earthquake in Mexico today that measured 6.2 to 7.5, but had no major injuries. He spoke to the efforts always provided to the citizens of Mexico anytime there is a crisis by the citizens of San Antonio.

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The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 82,806

AUTHORIZING THE TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF THE NORTH SIDE OF NUEVA STREET BETWEEN SOUTH ALAMO AND SOUTH PRESA FROM 12:00 NOON UNTIL 11:00 P.M. ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 1995 AS REQUESTED BY COUNCILMAN ROGER FLORES IN ORDER FOR THE SAN ANTONIO PROFESSIONAL FIRE FIGHTERS ASSOCIATION TO HOLD A BENEFIT CONCERT AT LA VILLITA FOR LOUIS SOBREVILLA, A SEVEN YEAR OLD CHILD SUFFERING FROM WERDIC-HOFFMAN DISEASE.

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Mr. Solis made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Ms. McClendon seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Flores, McClendon, Billa Burke, Avila, Solis, Marbut, Peak, Webster, Thornton; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Herrera, Ross.

Mr. Solis spoke to the many Deiz Y Seis activities planned during this period.

95-40

PUBLIC HEARING ON
DOWNTOWN IMPROVEMENT SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT RATES.

Mayor Thornton opened the Public Hearing.

Mr. Ben Brewer, representing owners of downtown properties, spoke on their behalf on this issue.

Mayor Thornton declared the Public Hearing closed.

Mayor Thornton announced there was no Council action necessary at this time.

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City Council recessed its regular meeting to convene in Executive Session at 2:01 p.m., for the purpose of considering the following:

a) Staff briefing and discussion regarding pending administrative appeal between the Texas Department of Commerce and the United States Department of Labor; and related issues.

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95-40 City Council reconvened its regular session at 3:00 P.M., at which time Mayor Thornton announced that staff had discussed the above stated items, but had taken no action.

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95-40 PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDERATION OF THE ANNUAL CAPITAL AND OPERATING BUDGETS FOR FISCAL YEAR 1995-96.

Mayor Thornton opened the Public Hearing.

The following citizens appeared to speak:

Mr. Glenn Stehle, 701 N. St. Mary's St., expressed concern about monies given to the Guadalupe Cultural Arts Center and of what they consider "art".

Ms. Nancy West, 2315 Briarwood, a member of the Arts & Cultural Committee, expressed concern about funding process used for this year. She spoke to problems she sees, in particular, to the funding of the Esperanza Center.

Mr. Neils Christensen, 130 W. Wildwood, asked the Council to "defund" all the arts Agencies in San Antonio.

Ms. Doris Miller, Arts and Cultural Board, expressed a concern with the process. She would not recommend defunding the arts, but does recommend changing the current process, which she described for the Council.

Mr. Wilford Lee Stapp, President of the San Antonio Opera Company, asked for a review and creation of a Task Force to study why the City doesn't have an Opera Theatre and Ballet Company on a regional level and seasonal basis.

Mr. Dennis Poplam, Media Project, Lesbian/Gay member, took exception to comments made by Mr. Stehle earlier in the meeting. He stated that the City Council and others should not judge "art" on a political basis.

Ms. Penny Boyer, Arts Activist, also spoke to her concerns with persons trying to censor art.

Mr. Michael Marinez, Curator, Esparanza Center, stated this discussion today is about one man's vendetta against local arts agencies.

Mr. Michael Munroe Kettring, Independent Artist, read an excerpt from the newspaper regarding arts here in San Antonio. He stated that he would not ask for art funding for any reason except for

talent.

Ms. Mary Jessie Garza, 102 Haverhill Drive, working artist, stated that she had been asked to do a proposal for the Esperanza Center to start a Woman's Project on the Westside. She spoke to her own problem with the Esperanza Center and the lack of cooperation for her to fulfil her project. She has already been through mediation but nothing has been resolved.

Mr. Solis spoke to the process of funding the arts here in San Antonio and the controversy surrounding arts funding here in the past. He spoke to the need for more tolerance and the City should provide an opportunity for all at the table.

Mayor Thornton spoke to the need to have the Arts Board and the Director of the Arts & Cultural Department to evaluate and renew this process to see if any changes could be made to improve the process.

Mr. Felix P. Gonzales, 488 Wildwood, spoke in opposition to providing City monies for "arts" which he perceives as pornographic.

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The following citizens from the Bexar County Women's Center expressed concern about the defunding of their Displaced Homemaker Program on the services they have provided for the citizens of San Antonio:

Randi Carter
Donna Hendricks
Fannie Richards

Mary A. Montez
Yvonne Merrifield

Mr. Tristan Castaneda, The Greater San Antonio Chamber of Commerce, congratulated management of the City fiscal year and spoke to the Budget and the support of the Greater San Antonio Chamber.

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COPS/METRO ALLIANCE

Ms. Mary Paccione, COPS, spoke in support of the City's proposed budget. She commended the Council for their commitment towards neighborhood revitalization and community redevelopment.

Ms. Marcia Welch, Co-Chair of Metro Alliance, stated that they are united and represent their members in trying to secure a better area in which to live. She also commended the Council and City staff for the many programs included in this year's budget.

Father Marty Elsner, Pastor of Our Lady of Guadalupe Church, spoke to the work of their individual members in working with Councilmembers to serve more meals at the Seniors nutrition sites.

Reverend David Simrad spoke to the funding of the Education Partnership.

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GREAT NORTHWEST

Ms. Judy Stubbs, Treasurer of the Great Northwest Association, spoke to the newest library in their area.

Ms. Camille Fiorillo, a library patron, commended the Council on a job well done, but stated there was room for improvement.

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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES

Ms. Rosa Rosales, National Representative of the National Association of Government Employees, spoke in favor of 3 per cent Cost of Living increase and expressed approval of implementation of the Third Phase of the Ralph Anderson Study. She supported the Tuition Reimbursement Program and the Language Skills Pay. She stated she would like to see seniority pay in the future, as well as raising the clothing allowance. She also stated a dire need of fully staffing 3-man crews in the Solid Waste Department.

Ms. Angie Garcia also spoke in support of employees and commended the Council for their actions this year. She also stated they hope for a 5 per cent cost of living increase next year.

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RESPIRE CARE

Mr. Bill Crow, Respite Care of San Antonio, spoke in support and explained the type of care given by Respite.

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Mr. Don Barnes, Voice For Animals, expressed appreciation for the efforts of Mr. Peak and city staff for putting together the funding of the Metropolitan Health District.

Ms. Gladys Harborth, Animal Goodwill, spoke in favor of the package as presented by City staff.

Ms. Rachel Zepeda, President, Voice For Animals, stated they were looking for preventive measures and spoke to the need to hire an Animal Cruelty Investigator.

Mr. Sam Smith, 212 E. Mulberry Street, spoke against the licensing of cats, stating that \$15.00 is too high a fee.

Ms. Sallie Scott, Animal Defense League, presented a check to the City for \$1,000.00 to fund the spay/neuter program. She spoke in favor of break-away cat collars.

Mr. Peak thanked Ms. Scott for the donation and for their hard work. He invited others to become involved in this matter.

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Mr. James Isaman, P. O. Box 12715, spoke of concern over the higher rates for the new user fees at the library. He suggested a two-tier fee schedule, one being for non-commercial users.

Ms. Cassandra Dickson, Animal Control Advisory Board, supported passage of the cat licensing package in its entirety. She spoke of cat colonies in parks and the need for a comprehensive plan of control.

Mr. Herman Schwartz, Voice For Animals, spoke of his concern with animal cruelty and the need for an investigator to be hired.

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Ms. Ina Gustafson, independent art organizer, spoke of her concerns.

Mayor Thornton closed the Public Hearing.

The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 82,807

ADOPTING THE ANNUAL CAPITAL AND OPERATING BUDGETS FOR THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 1995-96 BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 1995 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1996; APPROPRIATING FUNDS AND AUTHORIZING PERSONNEL POSITIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH SAID BUDGET; APPROVING THE 1995-96 HOLIDAY SCHEDULE AND PAY PLAN FOR CITY EMPLOYEES; AUTHORIZING CONTRACTS WITH OUTSIDE AGENCIES; SETTING DISTRICT CONTINGENCY FUNDS; AND APPROVING THE 1995/96-2000/2001 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM FOR THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO.

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Ms. Terry Brechtal, Budget Manager, spoke to details and explained the Ordinance.

City Manager Alexander Briseno spoke to the budget process and identified the level of service.

Mr. Ross spoke to his earlier memorandum, from the Social Services Review Committee, a copy of which is on file with the papers of this meeting. He especially spoke to items in the Budget with regard to services to the elderly, such as the nutrition sites. Mr. Ross stated that thirty-three sites are now receiving City funding and spoke to the number of monies being received by these agencies.

Mr. Ross then made a motion to amend the Ordinance, adding five (5) items in the amount of \$548,000.00 for Services on Aging. (A copy of this proposed Amendment is attached to the papers of this meeting.) Ms. Billa Burke seconded the motion.

Mr. Ross made a second motion to amend the Ordinance, to include the following agencies: City Year, Respite Care, Inc., Healy-Murphy, Bexar County Women's Center, and Project F.R.E.E. to be included in the Ordinance for an additional \$171,400.00. This motion died for lack of a Second.

Mr. Ross then made another motion to amend the Ordinance in the amount of \$626,340.00 (A copy of this proposed Amendment is attached to the papers of this meeting.)

Mr. Solis concurred with Mr. Ross, stating he read the report and spoke to the source of additional funds.

Ms. McClendon seconded the pending amended motion.

Mr. Alexander Briseno stated that the September 13th memo submitted by Mr. Ross did not include this information.

Mr. Ross stated that he had prepared a memo earlier in August and expressed concern that this memo was not included in the budget process. He stated that the Social Services Committee worked very hard and was concerned that the Committee recommendations were not given due consideration.

Mayor Thornton stated that they were not at a point to move at that time to make special changes to the budget, but that no one's voice is being excluded. He stated that the fruit of their labors is seen in the budget, so the process is working.

City Manager Briseno stated that in the future he would prefer to meet with the Council to establish guidelines for amendments by the City Councilmembers.

Mr. Webster stated that he has concerns about heavy property increases in his District 10 part of town. He also stated he was pleased to see Public Safety and infrastructure improvements. All outside agencies must be held to a new level of accountability with the limited amount of monies. He stated he hopes to see that some improvements to his District, such as nutrition sites forthcoming.

Mayor Thornton expressed concern about property appraisals.

Mr. Marbut also reiterated concerns about appraisal re-evaluations. He was happy to see the many enhancements to the Police Department Budget and the result which will decrease crime.

Mayor Thornton spoke to the need to take a close look at what the City is doing with the hotel/ motel tax funds, stating the funds should be used to enhance the tourism industry. He wants to see how the funding for the arts is helping the tourism industry.

Ms. Billa Burke expressed concern about the licensing of cats and feels that it will cause more strays. She stated she wants to work with Mr. Peak on this issue for the future.

Mr. Peak thanked the staff for the work on the budget, as well as the Council, for the spirit of cooperation. He also spoke in favor of equitable site disbursement of nutrition centers in northside districts, and wants to work with Ms. Billa Burke on the cat-licensing issue.

Mr. Ross stated that when the memo went to the City Manager's office, the Committee should have been told that revenues were needed to augment the budget for the new expenditures. He also expressed dismay about many elderly citizens will not be served through the Committee's recommendation.

Mr. Ross stated that the current mechanism does not allow a means to shift priorities. The issue of elderly services must be addressed because of the growth factor.

Mayor Thornton stated that the work was done and expressed thanks for the work put in by all.

Mr. Solis stated that senior citizen services have been increased by 22 per cent and took exception to remarks made by Mr. Ross.

Mr. Solis, Chairman of the Personnel Committee, spoke regarding the recommendation to the City Council of a merit and cost-of-living for their appointed employees; including the Presiding Judge of Municipal Court; Municipal Court Judges; City Clerk and City Manager.

Mr. Avila again spoke to the Police Department's great effort and took exception to the newspaper article which appeared last Sunday regarding crime in the Indian Creek area. He stated that citizens worked hard against crime, and that this is not the highest crime area in the city.

Mr. Marbut spoke to different memos and stated that the current process is unfair for the staff and would have preferred to hold a "B" session on the memo proposed by the Council member.

Mr. Ross stated he is not amending the budget.

City Manager Briseno stated some items are overlapping.

Mr. Solis suggested that Mr. Ross should withdraw his motion and resubmit the correct amount.

Mayor Thornton stated that communication is the key. He spoke of many groups with different interests, but that the citizens are in agreement on adoption. He stated that there is no tax increase, but an increase in services and a decrease in the tax rate. He further stated that every Councilmember had a voice, and that the City Manager and Mayor are reflective of these as a group. He applauded the exemption for homeowners, stating this will be brought forward prior to May 1, 1996 to be introduced in next year's budget.

Mr. Ross spoke to monies in budget positions not filled. He withdrew his motion to amend the ordinance in the amount of \$626,340.00.

After consideration, the motion on the amendment to add five (5) items for \$548,000.00 failed by the following vote: AYES: Billa Burke, Ross; NAYS: Flores, Avila, Solis, Herrera, Marbut, Peak, Webster, Thornton; ABSENT: McClendon.

After consideration, the main motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Flores, Billa Burke, Avila, Solis, Herrera, Ross, Marbut, Peak, Webster, Thornton; NAYS: None; ABSENT: McClendon.

95-40 PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCE
LEVYING AN AD VALOREM TAX (MAINTENANCE & OPERATING RATE)

Mayor Thornton opened the Public Hearing.

City Manager Alexander Briseno spoke to the details of the Ordinance.

No citizens were registered to speak on the matter.

Mayor Thornton declared the Public Hearing closed.

The City Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 82,808

LEVYING AN AD VALOREM TAX FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE CITY GOVERNMENT OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO; FIXING THE RATE OF 34.979 CENTS PER \$100.00 OF VALUATION, SAID TAXES BEING LEVIED FOR THE TAX YEAR BEGINNING

JANUARY 1, 1995 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1995.

95-40 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 82,809

LEVYING AN AD VALOREM TAX TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST ON THE FUNDED DEBT OF THE CITY AND TO CREATE A SINKIN FUND THEREFORE; FIXING THE RATE OF 23.000 CENTS PER \$100.00 OF VALUATION; SAID TAXES BEING LEVIED FOR THE TAX YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 1995 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1995.

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Mr. Avila made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Mr. Solis seconded the motion.

In response to a question by Mr. Ross, Ms. Terry Brechtel, Budget Manager, explained the rate of sale.

Ms. Nora Chavez, Director of Finance, explained that this rate is concurrent with debt already issued.

Mayor Thornton again stated that the City is increasing services for Senior Citizens by 22 per cent. The City has given tax breaks for over 60,000 Homestead Exemptions. He stated that 76 per cent of all Senior Citizens do not pay City taxes, and that the other 24 per cent will get tax breaks.

City Manager Briseno explained what the Tax Roll is based on.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Flores, Billa Burke, Avila, Solis, Herrera, Marbut, Peak, Webster, Thornton; NAYS: Ross; ABSENT: McClendon.

95-40 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 82,810

CHANGING THE FEE FOR THE JOURNEYMAN ELECTRICIAN LICENSE FROM \$75.00 TO \$80.00 FOR THE INITIAL LICENSE AND THE RENEWAL FEE FROM \$37.50 TO \$42.50 AND AMENDING SECTION 10-173(b) OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO TO REFLECT SAID INCREASES.

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Ms. Billa Burke made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Mr. Flores seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Flores, Billa Burke, Avila, Solis, Herrera, Ross, Marbut, Webster, Thornton; NAYS: None; ABSENT: McClendon, Peak.

95-40 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 82,811

ESTABLISHING ELECTRICAL LICENSE TESTING FEES IN AN AMOUNT OF \$30.00 PER EXAMINATION CONTINGENT UPON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW ELECTRICAL LICENSING REQUIREMENTS EXPECTED TO BE ESTABLISHED BY APPROVAL OF AMENDMENTS TO THE ELECTRICAL CODE DURING FY 1995-1996.

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Mr. Avila made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Mr. Solis seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Flores, Billa Burke, Avila, Solis, Herrera, Ross, Marbut, Webster, Thornton; NAYS: None; ABSENT: McClendon, Peak.

95-40 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 82,812

ESTABLISHING A CLEAN-UP FEE FOR USERS OF THE NORTH AND SOUTH EXHIBIT HALLS IN THE CONVENTION CENTER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$700.00 FOR FULL HALL AND \$500.00 FOR HALF HALL; AND ESTABLISHING A \$100.00 CONCESSIONS FEE FOR BEETHOVEN HALL, EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 1995.

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Mr. Avila made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Ms. Billa Burke seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage

of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Flores, Billa Burke, Avila, Solis, Herrera, Ross, Marbut, Webster, Thornton; NAYS: None; ABSENT: McClendon, Peak.

95-40 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 82,813

ESTABLISHING AN EMS INCIDENT REPORT SEARCH FEE OF \$4.00 FOR ON-SITE SEARCHES AND \$10.00 FOR OFF-SITE SEARCHES. (AMENDS ARTICLE 5 OF CHAPTER 11 OF CITY CODE)

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Ms. Billa Burke made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Mr. Peak seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Flores, Billa Burke, Avila, Solis, Herrera, Ross, Marbut, Peak, Webster, Thornton; NAYS: None; ABSENT: McClendon.

95-40 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 82,814

AMENDING ANIMAL ORDINANCE NO. 49692, 56272, 74294, 78208, AND 79180 RELATED TO DOG LICENSE REQUIREMENTS; REQUIRING LICENSES FOR CATS; MAKING IT A MISDEMEANOR CRIME TO FAIL TO OBTAIN CAT OR DOG LICENSE, PUNISHABLE BY A FINE OF NOT MORE THAN \$500; INCREASING THE UNALTERED DOG/CAT LICENSE FEE FROM \$10 TO \$15; AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF DOG/CAT LICENSES BY ANY HEALTH DEPARTMENT APPROVED SAN ANTONIO PET RELATED BUSINESS; AMENDING THE CITY CODE TO REFLECT SAID CHANGES; AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (CHAPTER 5 OF CITY CODE)

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Mr. Peak made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Mr. Herrera seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Flores, Avila, Solis, Herrera, Ross, Marbut, Peak, Webster, Thornton; NAYS:

Billa Burke; ABSENT: McClendon.

95-40 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 82,815

ESTABLISHING RENTAL FEES FOR CENTRAL LIBRARY MEETING ROOMS; TERRACES, THE BUILDING IN ITS ENTIRETY, AND FOR SUPPLEMENTAL AND/OR AFTER-HOURS SECURITY SERVICE.

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Mr. Avila made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Ms. Billa Burke seconded the motion.

Mr. Webster made a motion to amend the Ordinance to give direction to staff to review a 2-tier level of charges and report back to staff. Mr. Solis seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion to amend the Ordinance to direct staff to review a 2-tier level of charges and report back to staff prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Flores, Billa Burke, Avila, Solis, Herrera, Ross, Marbut, Peak, Webster, Thornton; NAYS: None; ABSENT: McClendon.

After consideration, the main motion, as amended, and carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Flores, Billa Burke, Avila, Solis, Herrera, Ross, Marbut, Peak, Webster, Thornton; NAYS: None; ABSENT: McClendon.

95-40 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 82,816

ESTABLISHING A MUNICIPAL COURT BUILDING SECURITY FUND AND AUTHORIZING THE IMPOSITION OF A \$3.00 SECURITY FEE TO BE CHARGED TO ALL DEFENDANTS CONVICTED OF A MISDEMEANOR OFFENSE IN A TRIAL IN MUNICIPAL COURT. (SECTION 2 OF CITY CODE)

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Ms. Billa Burke made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Mr. Herrera seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage

of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Flores, Billa Burke, Avila, Solis, Herrera, Ross, Marbut, Peak, Webster, Thornton; NAYS: None; ABSENT: McClendon

95-40 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 82,817

AMENDING THE FEE SCHEDULE IN EXHIBIT C OF THE UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT CODE BY REVISING CERTAIN PROVISIONS IN SECTIONS 35-C101 AND 35-C201 AND ADDING NEW FEES TO THE FEE SCHEDULE FOR SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT.

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Mr. Avila made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Ms. Billa Burke seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Flores, Billa Burke, Avila, Solis, Herrera, Ross, Marbut, Peak, Webster, Thornton; NAYS: None; ABSENT: McClendon.

95-40 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 82,818

ADDING CEMETERY SERVICE OVERTIME FEES AND AMENDING SECTION 7-32 (F) OF THE CITY CODE TO REFLECT THESE ADDITIONS AND REVISING TOWER OF THE AMERICAS ADMISSION FEES AND AMENDING SECTION 22-29(A), (B) AND (C) OF THE CITY CODE TO REFLECT THESE REVISIONS.

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Mr. Herrera made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance. Mr. Flores seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Flores, Billa Burke, Avila, Solis, Herrera, Ross, Marbut, Peak, Webster, Thornton; NAYS: None; ABSENT: McClendon.

95-40 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 82,819

ESTABLISHING RATES FOR PARKING AT CITY OWNED PARKING
LOTS DESIGNATED COMMERCE/SOLEDAD, DOLOROSA, ALAMEDA
AND BASILA.

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Mr. Herrera made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance.
Mr. Flores seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion, carrying with it the passage
of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Flores, Billa
Burke, Avila, Solis, Herrera, Ross, Marbut, Peak, Webster, Thornton;
NAYS: None; ABSENT: McClendon.

95-40

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

EDDIE AISAR

Mr. Martin Rodriguez was able to assist Mr. Aisar with his
concern, and Mr. Aisar did not address the Council.

MS. PATSY CHEYNEY

Ms. Patsy Cheyney spoke to keeping families together, Medicaid
for children, and concern that stray cats were being considered over
welfare concerns.

MR. KARL WURZ

Mr. Karl Wurz, 820 Florida spoke to the topic, "Natural Habitat?
Comal Springs Home of "Endangered Species Severely Altered and
Destroyed before 1950's". (A copy of an article written by Mr.
Wurz entitled, "Natural Habitat", is on file with the papers of
this meeting.)

MRS. MARIA DOMINGUEZ

Mrs. Maria Dominguez expressed concern about the library user fee
charges being imposed for the use of the library facilities. She

also spoke with regard to the manner in which some of the Senior Citizen Nutrition sites are being managed. She asked the City Council to do something about the raising of bus fares.

TAXICAB ISSUE

MR. TOM MORGAN

Mr. Tom Morgan, 1037 Austin Highway, presented a petition to the City Council regarding the taxicab dispatching service managed and directed by Jay Khadim, which he feels is a violation of the current taxicab ordinance. He asked the City Council to direct staff to enforce the ordinance. (A copy of Mr. Morgan's petition is on file with the papers of this meeting.)

MR. CRUZ CHAVIRA

Mr. Cruz Chavira, San Antonio Taxi Drivers Alliance, spoke to the City Council reiterating statements made by Mr. Morgan. He also urged the City Council to do something about the violations set out in the above stated petition.

Mayor Thornton made mention of the new Council Committee on Transportation under the Chairmanship of Mr. Robert Marbut and urged Mr. Morgan and Mr. Chavira to meet with the Committee to try to resolve this issue. Mr. Marbut stated that they have already met with the Taxicab representatives and are attempting to quickly resolve this issue.

MR. DON WILKINS CASTILLO

Mr. Don Wilkins Castillo invited Councilman Solis to review the problems facing the tenants of the Parksite Apartment Complex.

MR. DAVID LOGAN

Mr. David Logan, 1616 Kampmann Blvd., spoke to the City Council regarding the Alamo Auto Auction lawsuit and stated that he was concerned about the manner in which this lawsuit was being handled by the City's Legal Department. He then asked the City Council to release the City Attorney from his duties.

In response to Mayor Thornton's questions, Mr. Lloyd Garza, City Attorney, stated that they are pursuing this case diligently and spoke to the manner in which they must proceed. He has kept Mr. Bob Ross, the councilmember from this area, completely apprised of the steps they have taken in this case.

Mr. Ross also spoke to this case and what the City has been doing in this regard as well as the owners of the subject property. He urged Mr. Logan to appear before the City Council when the zoning of this area is brought up for consideration.

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MR. J. R. CAREY

Mr. J. R. Carey, HC4 - 155 Canyon Lake, spoke to the City Council about his experience with his attendance at the IBASC meeting held here last week-end. He spoke to his concern with what he perceives to be a lack of planning and organization at this juncture. He feels that the process is moving to slow.

Mr. Juan Solis, Tri-Chair of the IBASC, took exception to remarks made by Mr. Carey and asked Gen. Paul Roberson, Director of the Office of Defense Transition, to speak to this issue.

Gen. Roberson spoke to the goals and objectives of the Committee and stated that they are proceeding expeditiously and at a proper pace.

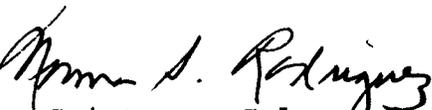
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95-40 There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:12 P.M.

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Attest:


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95-00 PETITIONS

September 14, 1995

Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council of the City of San Antonio:

The following petitions were received in my office and forwarded to the appropriate departments for investigation and report to the City Council:

August 11, 1995 Petition submitted by Mr. Pedro Gonzalez Gonzalez, 4154 Charles Avenue, Culver City, CA 90230, requesting that the City of San Antonio name a park in his honor.

August 29, 1995 Petition submitted by Mr. Frank I. Goral, President, Marine Corps Coordinating Council of San Antonio, 3837 Binz-Englemann Road, San Antonio, Texas 78219, requesting that the City of San Antonio approve the renaming of Auditorium Circle in honor of William J. Bordelon, Congressional Medal of Honor recipient.

/s/ Norma S. Rodriguez
City Clerk