

**CITY COUNCIL GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE MEETING  
Minutes**

**Wednesday, March 17, 2010**

**1:00 p.m.**

**Media Briefing Room**

Council Present:	Mayor Julián Castro, <i>Chair</i> Councilmember Ivy Taylor, <i>District 2</i> Councilmember Ray Lopez, <i>District 6</i>
Council Absent:	Councilmember Mary Alice Cisneros, <i>District 1</i> Councilmember Justin Rodriguez, <i>District 7</i>
Staff Present:	Pat DiGiovanni, <i>Deputy City Manager</i> ; Peter Zanoni, <i>Assistant City Manager</i> ; Leticia Vacek, <i>City Clerk</i> ; William McManus, <i>Police Chief</i> ; Richard Varn, <i>Chief Information Officer</i> ; Lawrence Doxsey, <i>Office of Environmental Protection Director</i> ; Martha Sepeda, <i>1<sup>st</sup> Assistant City Attorney</i> ; Troy Elliot, <i>Finance Assistant Director</i> ; Fred Garcia, <i>Municipal Court Clerk</i> ; Chris Hebner, <i>Assistant City Attorney</i> ; Jed Maebius, <i>Mayor's Office</i> ; Brandon Smith, <i>Office of the City Clerk</i>
Others Present:	Chip Haass, <i>Municipal Court Advisory Committee</i>

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Castro called the meeting to order.

**I. Approval of minutes from the February 17, 2010 Governance Committee Meeting**

Councilmember Lopez moved to approve the minutes of the February 17, 2010 Governance Council Committee Meeting as submitted. Councilmember Taylor seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

At this time, the Committee addressed Item III.a.

**III. Council Consideration Requests:**

- a. Consideration of a request by Councilmember John Clamp, District 10 requesting that staff review the alarm permits fee management and fiscal requirements.

Chief McManus reported that staff recommended proceeding with research on the possibility of having alarm companies manage and enforce the requirement for an alarm permit. Additionally alarm companies would collect the required fee as part of a monthly bill. He stated that staff would also review the possibility of having the alarm companies serve as agents to manage annual

renewal of permits. He noted that staff would research the topic and explore all options and report to the Public Safety Council Committee upon completion.

Councilmember Lopez moved to forward said item to the Public Safety Council Committee as recommended by staff. Councilmember Taylor seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

## **II. Items requiring individual briefing(s):**

### **a. Re-appointments of Full-Time Judges**

Presented by John W. Bull, Presiding Judge

Former Councilmember Chip Haass reported that the Municipal Court Advisory Committee conducted interviews with the 8 sitting Municipal Court Judges and recommended reappointment. He stated that Presiding Judge John Bull was serving a staggered term and would be up for re-appointment in 2011.

Councilmember Lopez asked of the case load for each Judge. Fred Garcia replied that 90% were traffic cases. He stated that there was a case rotation of the following: Traffic; Assault; Environmental; Juvenile; and Quality of Life.

Sheryl Sculley reported that through implementation of consultant recommendations four years ago, the Municipal Court was restructured. It was a City Department with adjudication duties and now is a separate branch of government. She stated that there had been significant improvement in the Municipal Court structure and suggested that Judge Bull address the Council in a B Session for additional recommendations for the Court.

Councilmember Lopez moved to forward Judges: Linda Conley, Daniel Guerrero, James Daniel Kassalin, Christine Dauphin Lacy, Robert F. Lipo, Jr., Carla Obledo, Alfredo Tavera, and Peter Andrew Zamora to the full Council. Councilmember Taylor seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

### **b. Presentation of the Fleet Environmental Policy**

Presented by Laurence W. Doxsey, Director, Office of Environmental Policy and Maria Villagomez, Interim Director, Office Management & Budget

Peter Zanoni reported that the City does not have a Fleet Environmental Acquisition Policy and the proposed policy would provide the framework for the purchase of City Vehicles and the type of fuel to be purchased.

Lawrence Doxsey provided an overview of the proposed policy goals and implementation options. He noted that provided the following recommendations:

#### **Vehicle Choice**

- Replace 90 6-Cylinder vehicles with 91 Hybrid Sedans
- Eliminate 12 Light Duty vehicles

- Upgrade 33 Gasoline/Diesel Trucks to Propane Trucks
- Seek/Utilize Stimulus Grant Funding

**Fuel Choice**

- Upgrade to Ethanol "E10" for all gasoline vehicles
- Pilot Ethanol for Flexfuel Vehicles
- Seek/Utilize Stimulus Grant Funding

Mr. Doxsey indicated that the proposed recommendations would be presented to the full Council at an April B Session for further discussion.

Councilmember Lopez requested the total value of the Police Department Fleet and period of time a vehicle was maintained before replacement. Mr. Zaroni stated that the requested information would be provided at a later date. Councilmember Lopez requested that staff explore the feasibility of an additional sales tax as an alternate funding source for the purchase of Police Vehicles.

Councilmember Lopez moved to forward said item to a B Session for discussion. Councilmember Taylor seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

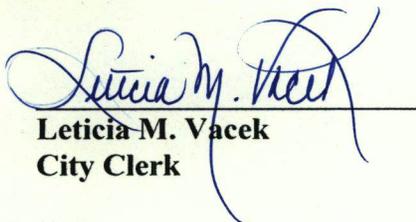
**III. Consideration of items for future meetings**

- a. Next Meeting Scheduled: April 21, 2010

**IV. Adjourn**

There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 1:50 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

  
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**Leticia M. Vacek**  
City Clerk

  
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**Julián Castro**  
Mayor