

**CITY COUNCIL GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**Minutes**

**Wednesday, September 16, 2009**

**1:00 PM**

**Media Briefing Room**

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| <b>Council Present:</b> | Mayor Julián Castro, <i>Chair</i><br>Councilmember Mary Alice Cisneros, <i>District 1</i><br>Councilmember Ivy Taylor, <i>District 2</i><br>Councilmember Philip Cortez, <i>District 4</i><br>Councilmember Justin Rodriguez, <i>District 7</i>   |
| <b>Council Absent:</b>  | <i>None</i>   |
| <b>Staff Present:</b>   | Sheryl Sculley, <i>City Manager</i> ; Pat DiGiovanni, <i>Deputy City Manager</i> ; Sharon De La Garza, <i>Assistant City Manager</i> ; Michael Bernard, <i>City Attorney</i> ; Leticia Vacek, <i>City Clerk</i> ; Richard Varn, <i>Chief Information Officer</i> ; Rod Sanchez, <i>Development Services Director</i> ; Charles Pruski, <i>Metro Health Assistant Director</i> ; Fernando De Leon, <i>Metro Health Assistant Director</i> ; Brandon Smith, <i>Office of the City Clerk</i> |

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Castro called the meeting to order.

**I. Approval of minutes from the September 2, 2009 Governance Committee Meeting**

Councilmember Cortez moved to approve the minutes of the September 2, 2009 Governance Committee Meeting as submitted. Councilmember Cisneros seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously by those present.

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

**A. Presentation by staff regarding adoption of the  
"Mission Verde" Sustainability Plan  
Presented by Richard Varn, Chief Information Officer**

Richard Varn presented staff recommendation for consideration and formal adoption of the Mission Verde Sustainability Plan. He noted that the Plan was composed of eleven items of which several had been already implemented. He added that staff would note the completed items and prepare a resolution for endorsement by the full City Council.

Councilmember Cisneros moved to forward said item the full Council for consideration. Councilmember Cortez seconded the motion carried unanimously.

### III. Council Consideration Requests: None scheduled

- A. Consideration of a request by Councilmember John G. Clamp, District 10, requesting City staff to prepare all available alternatives and costs associated with instituting an optional dog-friendly dining area for restaurants in San Antonio**

*Staff recommendation: Refer to Quality of Life Council Committee*

Charles Pruski reported that the current ordinance reflects Texas Food Establishment Rules and prohibits a dog-friendly dining option in San Antonio. He cited options practiced in Austin and Dallas as alternative. He stated that staff would like to complete further analysis and make a recommendation to the Quality of Life Council Committee.

Councilmember Cisneros stated that it would be a good idea to get input from the Downtown Alliance and Restaurant Associations.

Sheryl Sculley recommended piloting the proposed initiative prior to city-wide implementation.

Councilmember Cisneros moved to forward said item to the Quality of Life Council Committee. Councilmember Rodriguez seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

- B. Consideration of a request by Councilmember Jennifer V. Ramos, District 3, requesting to direct Development Services staff to implement a notification process for property owners within a 200 foot radius of Board of Adjustment cases involving the revocation process of a permitted use**

*Staff recommendation: Refer to Infrastructure & Growth Council Committee prior to full Council for consideration*

Rod Sanchez presented an amendment that would require mailed notification to owners of property within 200 feet of the establishment whose certificate of occupancy is recommended for revocation before the Board of Adjustment. He requested further review of the proposed amendment by the Board of Adjustment and the Infrastructure and Growth Council Committee.

Councilmember Cisneros moved to forward said item to the Infrastructure & Growth Council Committee. Councilmember Rodriguez seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

### IV. Consideration of items for future meetings

Item not addressed.

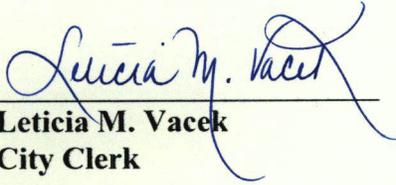
**V. Adjourn**

There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 1:41 p.m.

**ATTEST:**



**Julián Castro**  
**Mayor**



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**Leticia M. Vacek**  
**City Clerk**