

CITY OF SAN ANTONIO AGENDA ITEM NO. 63 EPARTMENTAL INTERDEPARTMENTAL MEMORANDUM **CITY CLERK'S OFFICE** ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

TO:

Mayor and City Council

FROM:

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SUBJECT:

Appointment of Individuals to the Downtown Advisory Board

DATE:

August 7, 2003

SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

This ordinance appoints or re-appoints eight (8) individuals to the Downtown Advisory Board (DAB) to new terms, or in some cases, to fill unexpired terms. The individuals listed in Exhibit One were nominated for appointment by the City Council DAB Nominating Committee on July 10, 2003.

Staff recommends appointment of the individuals nominated by the City Council DAB Nominating Committee.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The DAB was formally created on January 16, 1997. The purpose of the DAB is: (1) to oversee implementation of the Downtown Strategic Plan, (2) to advise the City and other public entities about policy matters impacting downtown, (3) to provide a forum for public input on downtown issues, and (4) to serve as an advocate for downtown.

The DAB enabling ordinance also called for the creation of a City Council DAB Nominating Committee, consisting of the Mayor and the three Council members whose districts comprise Downtown (Districts 1,2, and 5), to provide appointment recommendations to the entire City Council.

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The composition of the DAB consists of three members each from the North, South, East, and West sectors of downtown, and five members from the Central Sector (see map, attached as Exhibit Two). In total, 17 individuals serve on the DAB.

To be eligible for appointment, an individual must either:

- reside in the downtown area; or
- own property in the downtown area; or
- own, manage, or officially represent an organization primarily located in the downtown area.

During the months of December 2002 and January 2003, the Economic Development Department, which provides staff support to the DAB, issued notices to downtown organizations and community groups, soliciting applications for DAB membership. Through the Public Information Office, Economic Development also utilized local media (including brief stories in the *San Antonio Express-News* and on Texas Public Radio) to notify the community of vacancies on the DAB. The submission deadline was February 14, 2003, and the City Clerk received 27 applications. Three of those applicants were determined to be ineligible for appointment, because they did not meet the aforementioned eligibility criteria.

In response to a request from Councilman Bobby Perez to delay nominations until after the election of new Council leadership, the City Council Nominating Committee convened on July 10, 2003. Following its deliberations, the committee unanimously nominated the individuals listed in Exhibit One.

POLICY ANALYSIS:

These appointments are consistent with City Council policy, and members will be required to comply with previous resolutions concerning regular attendance and participation at the Municipal Leadership Institute (MLI).

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact to the City associated with the appointment or reappointment of these eight (8) individuals to the Downtown Advisory Board.

COORDINATION:

The Boards and Commissions division of the City Clerk's Office, as well as the Economic Development Department, which serves as staff liaison to the DAB, coordinate the appointment of individuals to the Downtown Advisory Board.

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SIGNATURES:

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Christopher J. Brady Assistant City Manager

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EXHIBIT ONE

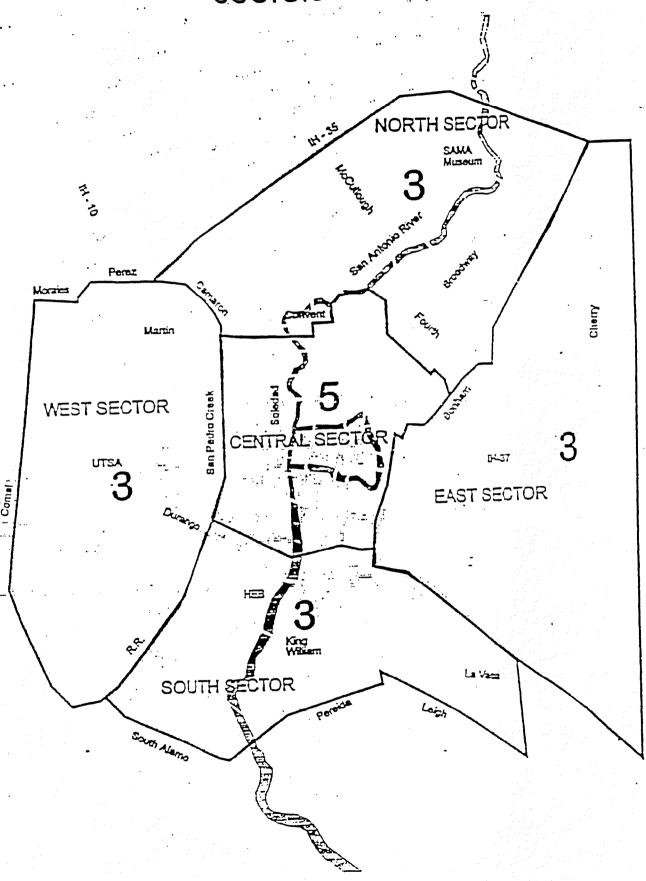
The following individuals were nominated for appointment or re-appointment by the City Council DAB Nominating Committee on July 10, 2003:

NAME	ORGANIZATION	TYPE OF APPOINTMENT	TERM EXPIRES
South Sector:			
William McDonald	Architect – Self-Employed	NEW	January 2005
Steven Yndo	Yndo Commercial Real Estate Company	Re-appointment	January 2005
East Sector:			
Eugene Simor	The Goulash Group, Inc.	Re-appointment	January 2005
North Sector:			
Edward Cross	Cross & Company	Re-appointment	January 2005
Glenn Huddleston	Harper/Huddleston Commercial Real Estate	Re-appointment	January 2005
West Sector:			
George Mery	Cattleman Square Association	NEW	January 2005
Robert Dugas	Goodwill Industries of San Antonio	Re-appointment	January 2005
Central Sector:			
Joan Korte	Downtown Residents Association	NEW	January 2005

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EXHIBIT TWO – Map of Downtown Boundaries

Downtown Advisory Board (DAB) Sectors



Downtown Advisory Board (DAB) Physical Boundary Description

Central Sector

It shall be limited to properties with the following boundaries: start at the intersection of Nueva Street and San Pedro Creek; north on San Pedro Creek to its intersection with Martin Street; thence east on Martin to St. Mary's Street; north on St. Mary's to Convent Street; east on Convent to Hagner Arc; north on Hagner Arc to the San Antonio River; northeast following the San Antonio River to Fourth Street; southeast on Fourth to Taylor Street; south on Taylor to Third Street; southeast on Third to Bonham; southwest on Bonham to Crockett; west on Crockett to Alamo; south on Alamo to Nueva; west on Nueva to San Pedro Creek.

North Sector

It shall be limited to properties with the following boundaries: start at the intersection of Bonham and Third Street; northeast on Bonham to its intersection with IH-37; north on IH-37 to its intersection with IH-35; west on IH-35 to Camaron Street; southeast on Camaron to Martin Street; thence east on Martin to St. Mary's Street; north on St. Mary's to Convent Street; east on Convent to Hagner Arc; north on Hagner Arc to the San Antonio River; northeast following the San Antonio River to Fourth Street; southeast on Fourth to Taylor Street; south on Taylor to Third Street; southeast on Third to Bonham.

East Sector

It shall be limited to properties with the following boundaries: start at the intersection of Bonham and Third Street; northeast on Bonham to its intersection with IH-37; north on IH-37 to Sherman Street; east on Sherman to Hackberry Street; south on Hackberry to Durango Street; west on Durango to Alamo Street; north on Alamo to Crockett; east on Crockett to Bonham; north on Bonham to Third Street.

West Sector

It shall be limited to properties with the following boundaries: start at the intersection of Martin and Camaron Street; northwest on Camaron under IH-35/10 to Perez; west on Perez to Morales; west on Morales to Comal; south on Comal to South Pacific Railroad right-of-way; southeast on South Pacific Railroad right-of-way to Missouri Kansas Railroad right-of-way; north on Missouri Kansas Railroad right-of-way to San Pedro Creek; north on San Pedro Creek to Martin Street.

South Sector

It shall be limited to properties with the following boundaries: start at the intersection of San Pedro Creek and Nueva; east on Nueva to Alamo; South on Alamo to Durango; east on Durango to IH-37; south on IH-37 to Leigh; west on Leigh to South Presa; south on South Presa to Pereida; west on Pereida to South Alamo; west on South Alamo to Missouri Kansas Railroad right-of-way; Missouri Kansas Railroad right-of-way to San Pedro Creek.