CITY OF SAN ANTONIO OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK CITY COUNCIL AGENDA MEMORANDUM

AGENDA ITEM NO. 18

TO:

Mayor and City Council

FROM:

Leticia M. Vacek, City Clerk

SUBJECT: An Ordinance to amend Ordinance 93921 approved in May, 2001 regarding the

rules to address the City Council

DATE:

January 13, 2005

SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATION

This ordinance shall amend Section 2 (A) of Ordinance 93921, approved on May 10, 2001 regarding addressing the City Council.

Staff recommends approval of this ordinance.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

On May 10, 2001, the City Council approved Ordinance No. 93921 which established new rules and time limits for citizens to address the City Council. This ordinance established general rules and outlined the process to be followed in the conduct of the City Council meetings. It specified the time limits of speakers during the respective sections of the agenda, which includes the Consent Agenda, Individual Consideration Agenda, Citizens to be Heard, and the Public Hearings, further delineating the maximum time limit for individuals for any one meeting and per organization.

As directed by the City Council at its meeting on January 6, 2004, additional changes shall be made to Section 2.A.1. by adding the following items:

- e. Organizations shall have a total of nine (9) minutes to address the City Council. An organization shall be represented by three (3) individuals in order to be allotted the nine (9) minutes to speak.
- f. Citizens that sign up to address the City Council as part of an organization will have this segment constitute as part of the nine (9) minute maximum time limitation.
- g. Individuals/organizations must sign in person by the specified deadline in order to be recognized to speak.
- h. Citizens that have registered to speak must be present in order to give up their time to another speaker.

These rules shall apply to all segments of the City Council agenda.

POLICY ANALYSIS

This action is in accordance with policies as set forth by City Council.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no financial impact with passage of this Ordinance.

COORDINATION

This proposed ordinance has been coordinated with the Mayor and City Council Office, City Manager's Office and the City Attorney's Office.

Leticia M. Vacek, City Clerk, TRMC, CMC