

MINUTES
SPECIAL SESSION COUNCIL MEETING
January 28, 2025

A Special Session Meeting was held by the Schertz City Council of the City of Schertz, Texas, on January 28, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. in the Hal Baldwin Municipal Complex Council Chambers, 1400 Schertz Parkway, Building #4, Schertz, Texas. The following members present to-wit:

Present: Mayor Ralph Gutierrez; Mayor Pro-Tem Robert Westbrook; Councilmember Mark Davis; Councilmember Paul Macaluso; Councilmember Allison Heyward; Councilmember Tim Brown

Absent: Councilmember Michelle Watson; Councilmember Place 4-Vacant

Staff present: City Manager Steve Williams; Deputy City Manager Brian James; Assistant City Manager Sarah Gonzalez; City Secretary Sheila Edmondson; Deputy City Secretary Sheree Courney

Call to Order

Mayor Gutierrez called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Opening Prayer and Pledges of Allegiance to the Flags of the United States and State of Texas. (Mayor Gutierrez)

Mayor Gutierrez provided the opening prayer and led the Pledges of Allegiance to the Flags of the United States and State of Texas.

Hearing of Residents

This time is set aside for any person who wishes to address the City Council. Each person should fill out the speaker's register prior to the meeting. Presentations should be limited to no more than 3 minutes.

All remarks shall be addressed to the Council as a body, and not to any individual member thereof. Any person making personal, impertinent, or slanderous remarks while addressing the Council may be requested to leave the meeting.

All handouts and/or USB devices must be submitted to the City Secretary no later than noon on the Monday preceding the meeting. Handouts will be provided to each Councilmember prior to the start of the meeting by the City Secretary. All USB devices will be vetted by City IT staff to ensure City property is protected from malware.

Richard A. Kunz, 2960 Red Tip, Schertz, TX 78108, congratulated Councilmember Ben Guerrero and thanked those who ran for office, giving the City of Schertz a choice. Mr. Kunz also thanked the Guadalupe County Elections Office for their efforts in making the elections happen. He also thanked the voters who voted this election season.

Discussion and Action Items

1. **Resolution 25-R-010**-Approving a Resolution to canvass the returns and declare the results of the January 18, 2025, Runoff Election, and other matters in connection therewith. (Mayor/Council/S.Edmondson)

City Secretary Sheila Edmondson brought forward Resolution 25-R-010 Canvassing the January 18, 2025 Runoff Election. The Runoff Election was held in the City of Schertz, on the January 18, 2025 to elect a Councilmember Place 4 and serve the rest of the three-year term ending November 2026. During the Early Voting there were 518 votes cast, 213 absentee votes and on Election Day 179 votes. The total number of votes cast in this election was 910.

Mr. Tim Dusk received a total of 447 votes for a 49.12 percentage
Mr. Ben Guerrero received a total of 463 votes for 50.88 percentage

With the following vote count, the City Council finds that the results of the special election reflect that Mr. Ben Guerrero is hereby declared elected to the Office of the Councilmember Place 4.

Moved by Councilmember Mark Davis, seconded by Councilmember Allison Heyward

AYE: Mayor Pro-Tem Robert Westbrook, Councilmember Mark Davis,
Councilmember Paul Macaluso, Councilmember Allison Heyward,
Councilmember Tim Brown

Passed

2. **Oath of Office** (S.Edmondson)

- Officer-Oath of Office

City Secretary Sheila Edmondson administered the Oath of Office to newly-elected Councilmember Place 4 Ben Guerrero.

- Comments

Councilmember Ben Guerrero thanked Team Guerrero who supported him throughout the 2024 Election Season. He also thanked several family members who came from out of town to support him.

Adjournment

Mayor Gutierrez adjourned the meeting at 5:44 p.m.

ATTEST:

Ralph Gutierrez, Mayor

Sheila Edmondson, City Secretary