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**TO:** Debbie Racca-Sittre, City Clerk

**FROM:** Councilmember Ivalis Meza Gonzalez, District 8

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**SUBJECT:** *Consideration of a Review and Possible Amendments to the City's Annexation & Growth Management Policy*

**DATE:** Thursday April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2026

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## **Issue for Proposed Consideration**

After coordinating this Council Consideration Request (CCR) with the City Manager's Office, I respectfully request support for the inclusion of the following item on the agenda of the earliest available meeting of the Governance Committee:

*Consideration of a Review and Possible Amendments to the City's Annexation & Growth Management Policy*

## **Brief Background**

San Antonio's metropolitan area continues to grow, particularly within the extraterritorial jurisdiction (ETJ), including environmentally sensitive areas. While development is a necessary component of a thriving community, if not planned appropriately, it can carry long-term implications for service delivery, environmental sustainability, and neighborhood resilience.

As Special Districts become an increasingly utilized tool to facilitate growth, we have a unique opportunity to proactively establish standards that ensure these projects align with the City's long-range planning, community expectations and values.

## **Request**

I ask for your support for the inclusion of the following item on the agenda of the earliest meeting of the Governance Committee:

I propose that the city staff review the current policy for special district applications and propose to the Council a set of minimum standards for consideration of consent. It is understood that the City currently has a set of minimum standards for consideration of special districts; however, it



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may be an appropriate time for the Council to consider and adopt an updated set of standards that may include elements, such as;

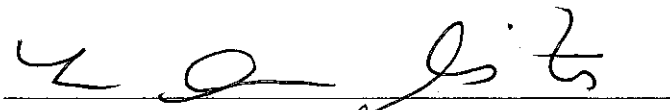
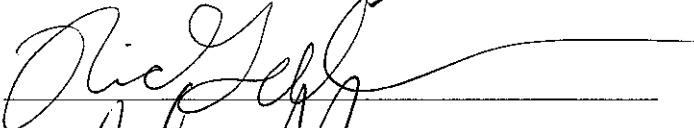
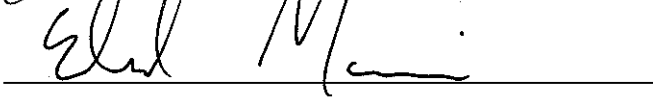
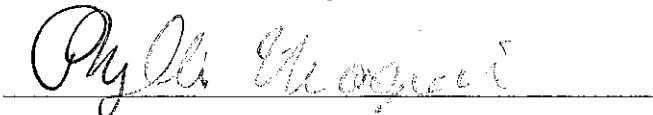
1. Enhanced natural resource protection, which may include required impervious cover limitations and the use of low impact development standards, and/or a fee based impervious cover if located over an aquifer recharge or contributing zone.
2. Cost analysis of submittal and processing petition.
3. Inspection to ensure compliance with building codes.
4. Consent to annexation.
5. Comprehensive fiscal prudence of request.
6. Annual reports to Council.

Submitted for Council consideration by:

  
Councilmember Ivalis Meza Gonzalez

Supporting Councilmembers' Signatures (exactly 4)

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