FOUR YEARS OF PROGRESS
2005-2009
Thanks
It has been my heartfelt pleasure to have served the City of San Antonio during the past eight years, especially the last four as District 2 City Council Representative.

My goal has always been to serve with the utmost integrity and love. I am very grateful to everyone with whom I have had the pleasure of working with to advance the development of the City of San Antonio, especially the Eastside. Having had the privilege of being in a decision-making position affecting change in the areas from major transportation and infrastructure projects to military activities to economic development to public safety to constituent services have brought me great rewards.

I hope that something we have done has positively impacted and improved the lives of the people of this city. Having the opportunity to be a part of one of the most uniquely diverse city councils in the city’s history, both in gender and ethnicity, has also been something I have appreciated and think will be vital to the future success of this community. All that was accomplished was through collaboration with you. Thank you all for your dedication and support.

Mr. Julian Castro, congratulations on a very decisive win as the next Mayor of this great city, and my very best to you as you are handed the baton to lead this City to a broader greatness during these very challenging economic times. Thanks to San Antonio and the constituents and District 2, your courage and dedication will go down as memorable events in this District’s history. I would also like to especially thank all of you who have volunteered your time to serve on our various boards and commissions. Truly, your service in this capacity has made a difference in the lives of many. Enclosed are the highlights of all our accomplishments. I will see you around town.

McNeil Thanks the Community

My staff members instrumental to our success are as follows

Rosann Sanchez, Executive Secretary
Paul Jimenez, Administrative Aide
Javis Soileau, Constituent Services
Felicia Esparza, Communications
Chanda Ramey, Student Intern
Donna Lee, City Manager’s Office CAT Team

Community-Wide Economic Development

• Base Realignment And Closure (BRAC), resulting in 12,000 jobs at Fort Sam Houston; $6 billion Department of Defense Investment (2005)
• Rackspace relocation, bringing up to 5,000 jobs to Windsor Mall
• Vidorra Luxury Condominiums
• Eastside Entertainment District
• Staybridge Hotel*
• Eastside Branding (Eastside San Antonio)
• Comfort Suites Hotel
• Eastside Union Pacific quiet zone*
• Education on Demand
• BRAC public relations campaign ($270,000)
• $6.5 million city investment for BRAC
• Relocation of Fiesta Carnival to Alamadome
Camelot I: Accomplishments
• Redevelopment of Windsor Park Mall
• Speed humps, Gawain Street between Ray Bon Midcrown (2006)
• Asphalt overlay, Castle Knight Street from Midcrown to cul-de-sac
• Asphalt overlay, Charles WinHam Street from Walzem to Midcrown
• Full-depth reclamation, Fratt Road from Eisenhower to Rittiman
• Created Group Home Taskforce, and initiated legislative bill to regulate
• Ed White Middle School Day & Night summer program
• Fund the Construction of new Northeast YMCA, 5538 Walzem Road

Coliseum Willow Park: Accomplishments
• Roadway improvement design for East Commerce Street, Walters to Coca Cola and Coca Cola from East Commerce to Houston (2005)
• Asphalt overlay, Hub Street Sprigsdale to Defoste
• Full-depth reclamation, Gay Street from Commerce to Arkansas
• Coliseum Oaks Park Playground replacement project ($376,000)
• Cardiff Street- Arkansas to Dead End- $1 Million (CIP)*
• Reconstruction, Honey Street from Commerce to Arkansas ($760,000, CIP)
• Rehabilitation, Brooksdale Street from Martin Luther King to Bunche
• Rehabilitation, Ferris Street from Cotton to Dead End East
• Rehabilitation, Arkansas Street from Martin Luther King to Honey
• Extreme Neighborhood Sweep 2008
• Cardiff Area Drainage Improvements ($650,000, CIP)
• Carver Library Improvements ($1.4 million, CIP)

Dellcrest Neighborhood Association: Accomplishments
• Semlinger Road, Lord to Rigsby ($4.7 million)
• Copernicus Park Improvements ($300,000)
• W.W. White Outfall Phase 1 & 2 ($13.3 million)
• Creation of East Crime Coalition
• NBA Care donation to Copernicus Community Center computer lab
• Kronkosky Foundation New Playscape grant- $300K at Copernicus Park

Denver Heights Neighborhood Association: Accomplishments
• Neighborhood Signage (2006, $4,000)
• Asphalt overlay, Porter Street at New Braunfels
• Rehabilitation, Delmar Street from New Braunfels to Arkansas
• Rehabilitation, So. Olive Street from Westfall to IH-10
• Rehabilitation, So. Olive Street from Arkansas to Iowa St $1M
• Olive Street Extreme Makeover
• Commerce Street Improvement Project ($8.6 million, CIP)
• Historic African American City Cemeteries Fencing (2008, $56,000) and Mawker (TIRZ)
• School flashers, Hackberry Street from Iowa to Martin Luther King (2008, $26,000)
• School flashers, Hackberry Street from Indiana to Durango (2008, $26,000)
• Speed humps, Drexel Street Yorkshire to Hackberry (2008)
• Carver Community Cultural Center, Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) ramps
• Denver Heights Community Center playground equipment ($60,000)
• Reconstruction, Florida Street from Hackberry to Olive ($236,00, CIP)
• Rehabilitation, Houston Street and Commerce Underpass lighting ($197,000, CIP)
• Reconstruction, Houston Street from Bowie to Pine ($3.1M, CIP)

Vidorra ground breaking
Dignowity Hill Neighborhood Association: Accomplishments

- SAPD Tactical Response Unit deployed (Summer 2006 to Winter 2007)
- Extreme Neighborhood Sweep (2007)
- Funded Dignowity Hill Park Improvements
- Contemporary Art Month (Dignowity Hill Push Cart Derby 2005-2007)
- Hay Street Bridge Rehabilitation ($4.7 million, CIP)
- Asphalt overlay, Mesquite Street from Nolan to Burnet
- Asphalt overlay, Burnet Street from Cherry to Olive
- Asphalt overlay, Mesquite Street from Center to Houston
- Asphalt overlay, St. Martin Street from Dawson to Sherman
- Asphalt overlay, Sherman Street from New Braunfels N. to Edgar
- Asphalt overlay, Lockhart Street from Dawson to Sherman
- Ella Austin Community Center rehabilitation ($500,000)
- Funded Lockwood Park demolition and replacement with covered basketball court ($100,000)
- Reconstruction, Hays Street, New Braunfels to Walters

East Village Neighborhood Association: Accomplishments

- Midcrown bridge modification 4 additional 10ft. drainage openings (2005)
- Construction of Midcrown center median
- Sidewalks, 4800 block of Castle Kent Street to Castle View
- Installation of 11 streetlights along Eisenhower & Midcrown
- Midcrown bridge drainage culverts
- Full depth reclamation, Castle Cross Street from Midcrown to Rittiman

East Terrell Hills Neighborhood Association: Accomplishments

- Drainage project, Spanish Main Apartments ($100,000)
- Rehabilitation, Bradshaw Street from Rittiman to dead end
- Sidewalks, Kingston Street from Moana to Jodivan ($275,000)
- Rehabilitation, Tropical Street from Molokai to Glendora
- James Park Development & Holbrook ($2.3 million, CIP)
- Rittiman Bridge Rehabilitation ($133,000, CIP)

Government Hill Neighborhood Association: Issues

- Comprehensive Re-Zoning
- Walters Street and Bridge Street reconstruction $20 million (BRAC)

Accomplishments

- Initiated comprehensive re-zoning to conform to neighborhood plan
- Restructed So. Fort Sam Advisory Board (BRAC focused)
- Created Group Home Taskforce – legislative bill to regulate
- Reconstruction, Pierce Street from Grayson to IH-35
- Pershing Park, basic improvements and new playscape ($100,000)

Grandview Neighborhood Association: Accomplishments

- Hammond Street, Amanda to Roland ($168,000, CIP)
Hein Orchard Neighborhood Association: Accomplishments

- Bond Drainage Project N. Hein, WW White & W. Hein (approved in 2007, City Bond Program $6 million)

Highland Farms Neighborhood Association: Accomplishments

- Removal and relocation of speed humps and signs on Lakeview between Foster and Highland Farm (2005)

Huntleigh Park Neighborhood Association: Accomplishments

- Speed humps, Kay Ann Street between WW White and Carol Crest (2007)
- Speed bumps Susan Wood Street and Kay Ann

Lakeside Neighborhood Association: Accomplishments

- Sinclair Road bridge at Rosillo Creek ($1.8 million)
- Lakeside Park improvements ($400,000)

Jefferson Heights Neighborhood Association: Accomplishments

- Reconstruction, Houston Street: Pine to Walters ($4.2 million, CIP)
- Reconstruction, Paso Hondo Street: Geers to Walters ($1.1 million, CIP)
- Reconstruction, Walters Street: East Houston to Paso Hondo ($2.4 million, CIP)
Northeast Coalition: Accomplishments

- **Salado Creek** Hike & Bike Trail
- Rehabilitation, Lost from Quail Creek to Dead End
- **James Park** Development and **Holbrook road** improvements ($2.3 M)
- **Beitel Creek** Restoration
- Drainage project, **Spanish Main** Apartments ($100,000)
- Asphalt Overlay, **Holbrook Street** from Windover to dead end
- Full-depth reclamation, **Fratt Street** from Eisenhower to Rittiman
- Asphalt Overlay, **Castle Knight Street** from Midcrown to cul-de-sac
- Asphalt Overlay, **Charles Windham Street** from Walzem to Midcrown
- Rehabilitation, **Brashaw Street** from Rittiman to Dead End
- Rehabilitation, **Tropical Street** from Molokai to Glendora
- Installation of 11 streetlights along Eisenhower & Midcrown
- Midcrown bridge drainage culverts

Salado Creek Maintenance: Accomplishments

- Stormwater debris removal from Salado Creek by City Force and contractor, NE Loop 410 to the confluence of the San Antonio River and Salado Creek (November 2006)
- NE Loop 410 to IH-35 at SplashTown completed using contract forces
- Fort Sam to be completed by City Force within 2 weeks
- To date, approximately 6.5 miles of the total 18 miles have been completed
- From Loop 410/Ira Lee to Eisenhower December 2006 Eisenhower to Holbrook at Aina
- May 2007 at Petroleum (Fort Sam) to SplashTown IH-35
- June 2007 IH-35 at SplashTown from WW Roland Trucking, Co. to Gembler Road
- August 2008 from Gembler thru KOA Campgrounds and onto Willow Spring Gold Course.
- Large debris material is currently being removed at the golf course bridge.

Skyline Park Neighborhood Association: Accomplishments

- Skyline Park improvements (2007, $176,000)
- Kronkosky Foundation grant for Playscape ($300,000)

Sunrise Neighborhood Association: Accomplishments

- Speed humps, **Sun Canyon Street** between Spring Sun and Sun Fall (2006, $10,000)
- Speed humps, **Mystic Sunrise** to Summerfest (2008, $35,000)
- Neighborhood Sweep (2006)

UHIA Neighborhood Association: Accomplishments

- Asphalt Overlay, **Fontaine Street** from Belgium to Willowwood
- Reconstruction, **Kono Street** from Belgium to Gembler
- Rehabilitation, **Tuscany Street** from Rossolis to Picardie (2008)
- **Belgium lane** dead-end, wire fencing to Pletz Park ($10,000)
- Various Salado Creek maintenance projects
Village North, Neighborhood Association: 
Accomplishments

• Full-depth reclamation, Castle Cross Street from Midcrown to Rittiman
• Rehabilitation, Hunters Glen Street from Windover to dead end
• Rehabilitation, Lost Street from Quail Creek to dead end

Wheatley Height, Neighborhood Association: 
Accomplishments

• Asphalt Overlay, Lincolnshire Street from Amanda to Dead End
• Salado Creek clean-up from North IH-410 to South IH-35; Salado Creek from South IH-35 to Rigsby
• Rehabilitation, Lincolnshire Street from Pecan Valley to Brooksdale
• Rehabilitation, Dorie Street from IH-10 to Dead End East
• Rehabilitation, Pecan Valley to Brooksdale
• Rehabilitation, Bundy Street from Arkansas to Dead End
• Sidewalk and overlay, 700 Block of Yucca ($90,000)
• Martin Luther King Park general improvements ($250,000)
• Wheatley Heights Amateur Sports Field/MLK Park maintenance agreement

Councilwoman McNeil’s Leadership Roles:

• Metropolitan Planning Organization, Chair 2007-2009
• City Council Intergovernmental Relations Committee, Chair 2007-2009
• Military Transformation Task Force, Tri-Chair 2007-2009
• Inner-City Tax Increment Investment Zone #11, Chair 2005-2009
• City Council Economic Development Committee, Member 2007-2009
• Disparity Study Oversight, Co-Chair 2007-2009
• Police and Fire Healthcare Fund, Board Member 2007-2009
• City Council Infrastructure and Growth Committee, Chair 2005-2007
• City Council Quality of Life Committee, Member 2005-2007
• National Black Caucus of Local Elected Officials, Board Member 2008-2009
• Texas Municipal League, Transportation Infrastructure Committee, 2007-2009
• National League Cities, Community and Economic Development Committee, Member 2006-2009
• Martin Luther King Commission, Honorary Chair 2005-2009