

**RESOLUTION NO. 091520-1104**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BROOKS DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS IN SUPPORT OF THE NOVEMBER 3, 2020 BALLOT ITEM REGARDING A 1/8 CENT SALES TAX THAT PROVIDES FUNDING TO PRE-K 4 SA; AND SETTING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, research shows high quality prekindergarten has a significant impact on improving overall education outcomes for the community and assists in early childhood literacy, which would essentially aid in the general success of a student through high school and positively affect his or her likelihood of attending college; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2011, during former Mayor Julian Castro's tenure, a Brainpower Taskforce was established with the goal of identifying a method to improve the quality of education in San Antonio; and

**WHEREAS**, the Brainpower Taskforce recommended the development of Pre-K 4 SA, which is a comprehensive early childhood initiative aimed at changing the educational and workforce trajectory of San Antonio; and

**WHEREAS**, Pre-K 4 SA offers free or reduced-tuition, full-day prekindergarten for 4-year-olds residing in the City of San Antonio; and

**WHEREAS**, Pre-K 4 SA is currently funded by a 1/8 cent sales tax approved by voters in 2012 for an 8-year term to expire in 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2020, the San Antonio City Council voted in favor of the reauthorization of the 1/8 cent sales tax for another 8-year term by placing this on the November 3, 2020 ballot; and

**WHEREAS**, the project will improve access to and from the campus for visitors to the Brooks campus, Brooks tenants, their employees, and thousands of students who attend one of four education facilities located on the Brooks campus; and

**WHEREAS**, Pre-K 4 SA operates the South Education Center, which is located off of South New Braunfels Avenue, less than half a mile from the Brooks campus; and

**WHEREAS**, the Brooks Vision and Mission for FY2019–2023, adopted by the Brooks Board of Directors are as follows:

- Brooks Vision: A San Antonio community attracting local, national, and international investment to achieve world-class opportunities that transform the campus, surrounding neighborhoods and the region while respecting our rich and vibrant history.
- Brooks Mission: Our mission is to promote and develop a vibrant, sustainable community that serves as a catalyst for progressive economic development and regional prosperity.

**WHEREAS**, one of the Brooks Values is to know it is bigger than us and therefore Brooks understands the quality of the education in the Brooks area is imperative to developing the City's

future workforce, recruiting prospective tenants, and supporting the needs of the surrounding community; and

**WHEREAS**, supporting Pre-K 4 SA, which serves the Brooks campus as well as the surrounding area, falls directly in line with the Brooks Mission, Vision and Values;


**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED BY THE BROOKS DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS:**

**SECTION 1. INCORPORATION OF RECITALS.** The Brooks Development Authority Board hereby finds that the statements set forth in the recitals of this Resolution are true and correct, and the City hereby incorporates such recitals as findings of fact as an integral part of this Resolution.

**SECTION 2.** The Brooks Development Authority Board of Directors expresses its support of a resolution in support of a 1/8 cent sales tax that provides funding to Pre-K 4 SA.

**SECTION 3.** This Resolution shall become effective immediately following its passage.

**PASSED AND APPROVED this 15<sup>th</sup> day of SEPTEMBER 2020.**

  
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JAMES R. CAMPBELL, CHAIRMAN

**ATTEST:**

  
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SONIA VELIZ, SECRETARY