MEDIA ADVISORY

Oct. 13: Public Citizen, GEAA, Council Member Galvan Host Data Center Town Hall

San Antonio has one of the largest concentrations of data centers in Texas, with many more in the works

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SAN ANTONIO – As data center developers rush to build in Texas, Public Citizen and the Greater Edwards Aquifer Alliance will host a town hall alongside San Antonio District 6 Council Member Rick Galvan on Tuesday, Oct. 13.

Citizen Town Hall: The Future of Data Center Development in San Antonio will be held at the Northwest Vista College Cypress Campus Center and is open to the public, though registration is encouraged. The event will also be open to the press.

Data centers have become one of the state's most urgent issues, as their construction has touched every region. San Antonio is already home to one of Texas's largest concentrations of these resource-hungry facilities. San Antonio already has close to three dozen data centers in operation, and the city-owned electric utility expects another 59 to be planned.

Statewide, an estimated 248 data centers are at different stages of development across Texas.

Galvan has proposed a moratorium on new data centers and other regulations. Any such ordinances still need approval from the San Antonio City Council.

Tuesday's town hall allows residents to engage and ask questions of advocates and local leaders. Representatives of Public Citizen and GEAA will be in attendance and available to provide comment to members of the press.

Data centers have alarmed small rural communities and large, fast-growing cities like San Antonio. The industry, which requires heavy use of water and electricity, has rushed to build facilities to accommodate the boom in artificial intelligence. But Texas has few community protections specific to data centers, often leaving local governments at a disadvantage against an industry financed by the seemingly unlimited money of Big Tech.

WHAT: Citizen Town Hall: The Future of Data Center Development in San Antonio
WHERE: Northwest Vista College Cypress Campus Center | 3535 N Ellison Dr, San Antonio,

TX 78251
WHEN: 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 13.
WHO: Public Citizen, Greater Edwards Aquifer Alliance, Council Member Ric Galvan, and more
REGISTRATION: Participants are encouraged to register here.
PARKING AND OTHER INFORMATION: A map of the Northwest Vista College campus with the specific location of the town hall is available here.

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