

**MINUTES OF THE  
TRANSPORTATION AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE**

**SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA**

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2024**

The Transportation and Environment Committee of the City of San José was held in the Council Chambers. The meeting convened at 1:30 p.m.

**Present:** Councilmembers - Cohen, Davis, Foley, Ortiz, Candelas.

**Absent:** Councilmembers - All present.

**Staff:** Deputy City Manager, Kip Harkness; Senior Deputy City Attorney, Colleen Winchester; Council Aide, Mayor's Office, Faye Garcia; and Deputy City Clerk, Vanessa Velez.

**B. Review of Work Plan**

**1. Municipal Regional Stormwater National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit Annual Report.**

DROPPED PER OCTOBER 23, 2024 RULES AND OPEN GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE.

**C. Consent Calendar**

None provided.

**D. Reports to Committee**

**1. City Infrastructure Strategy Quarterly Status Report.**

Accept a status report on the City Infrastructure Strategy, including progress on quarterly Key Results, project highlights, and any updates on key workstreams. (City Manager)

Kip Harkness, Deputy City Manager, City Manager's Office and Erica Garaffo, Lead Resilience Strategist, Office of Economic Development and Cultural Affairs offered the presentation and responded to questions.

Public Comment: None provided.

Action: Upon motion by Councilmember Domingo Candelas, seconded by Councilmember Dev Davis, and carried unanimously, the City Infrastructure Strategy Quarterly Status Report

was accepted. (5-0-0)

**2. Wastewater Nutrient Regulations and Impacts for San Jose- Santa Clara Regional Wastewater Facility Status Report.**

Accept a status report on new wastewater nutrient regulations and the impact on future reductions in nutrient discharges to San Francisco Bay from the Regional Wastewater Facility. (Environmental Services)

Eric Dunlavey, Deputy Director, Environmental Services Department and Kapil Verma, Deputy Director, Environmental Services Department offered the presentation and responded to questions.

Public Comment: None provided.

Action: Upon motion by Councilmember Dev Davis, seconded by Councilmember Peter Ortiz, and carried unanimously, the Wastewater Nutrient Regulations and Impacts for San Jose – Santa Clara Regional Wastewater Facility status report was accepted. (5-0-0)

**3. Electric Leaf Blower Outreach Results Status Report.**

Accept a status report on new wastewater nutrient regulations and the impact on future reductions in nutrient discharges to San Francisco Bay from the Regional Wastewater Facility. (Environmental Services)

Zach Struyk, Acting Director, Community Energy Department; Kate Ziemba, Senior Environmental Program Manager, Community Energy Department; and Sarai Rojas, Power Resources Specialist II, Community Energy Department offered the presentation and responded to questions.

Public Comment: None provided.

Action: Upon motion by Councilmember Domingo Candelas, seconded by Councilmember Peter Ortiz, and carried unanimously, the Electric Leaf Blower Outreach Results status report was accepted. (5-0-0)

**4. Vision Zero Action Plan Status Report.**

Accept a status report on the 2025 Vision Zero Action Plan, including projects, outreach efforts, key partnerships, and measurable goals that meaningfully reduce San Jose’s traffic crashes and fatalities over the next three years. (Transportation/Police)

John Ristow, Director, Department of Transportation (DOT); Jesse Mintz-Roth, Vision Zero Manager, DOT; Lam Cruz, Division Manager, DOT; and Lt. Nqui Scherry, Traffic Enforcement Unit, San Jose Police Department offered the presentation and responded to questions.

Public Comment: Diane Solomon offered public testimony regarding the item.

Action: Upon motion by Councilmember Pam Foley, seconded by Councilmember Dev Davis, and carried unanimously, the Vision Zero Action Plan status report was accepted. (4-0-1; Absent: Candelas)

• **Open Forum**

None provided.

• **Adjournment**

Chair David Cohen adjourned the Transportation and Environment Committee Meeting at 3:08 p.m.

Minutes Recorded, Prepared, and Respectfully Submitted by,



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Vanessa Velez,  
Deputy City Clerk, City of San José

Approved at Council on:

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City Clerk, City of San Jose