



City of San José

City of San José
200 East Santa Clara Street
San Jose, CA 95113

Agenda

Joint Meeting for the Rules and Open Government Committee and Committee of the Whole

Committee Members

David Cohen, Chair

Rosemary Kamei, Vice Chair

Pam Foley, Member

Bien Doan, Member

Domingo Candelas, Member

Committee Staff

Lee Wilcox, Assistant City Manager

Joy Rodriguez, Assistant City Clerk

Kevin Fisher, Assistant City Attorney

Rachelle Blattman, City Manager's Office

Wednesday, November 12, 2025

2:00 PM

Council Chambers

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A. City Council (City Clerk)

1. Review Final Agenda

[ROGC
25-356](#)

Review November 18, 2025 Final Agenda.

- a. Add New Items to Final Agenda
- b. Assign "Time Certain" to Agenda Items (if needed)
- c. Review of Notice of Waiver Requirements for Agenda Items or Documents (if needed)

Attachments [Agenda for November 18, 2025 \(to be updated 11/12/25\)](#)

2. Review Draft Agenda

[ROGC
25-357](#)

Review November 25, 2025 Draft Agenda - Canceled.

Notice to the public: There will be no separate discussion of individual Consent Calendar items as they are considered to be routine and will be adopted by one motion. If a member of the Committee requests debate, separate vote or recusal on a particular item, that item may be removed from the Consent Calendar by the Chair and considered separately. The public may comment on the entire Consent Calendar and any items removed from the Consent Calendar by the Chair.

B. Consent Calendar

- 1. [ROGC
25-358](#) Request to Travel for Mayor's Staff. (Mayor)

Recommendation: Authorize travel, accept travel payments to the City of San José, and designate Mayor's Staff, Stephen Caines, as the City representative to attend the Project on Municipal Innovation Fall Convening in Cambridge, MA from November 20-21, 2025.

Attachments [Memorandum from Mayor](#)

2. [ROGC](#) Approval of the National Women's Soccer League (NWSL)
[25-359](#) Championship Flag Raising and Rotunda Lighting Sponsored by the
Office of Mayor Matt Mahan as a City Council Sponsored Special
Event to Expend City Funds and Accept Donations of Materials and
Services for the Event. (Mayor)

Recommendation:

1. Approve the National Women's Soccer League Flag Raising and Rotunda Lighting to be held on November 20, 2025, as a City Council sponsored Special Event and approve the expenditure of funds.
2. Accept donations from various individuals, businesses, or community groups to support the event.
3. Place the item on the November 18, 2025 City Council Agenda for action.

Attachments [Memorandum from Mayor](#)

3. [ROGC](#) Retroactive Approval of the San José State University Homecoming
[25-360](#) Tower Lighting Sponsored by the Office of Mayor Matt Mahan as a
City Council Sponsored Special Event to Expend City Funds, Light City
Hall, and Accept Donations of Materials and Services for the Event.
(Mayor)

Recommendation:

1. Retroactively Approve the San José State University Homecoming Tower Lighting in San José on November 8, 2025, as a City Council sponsored Special Event and approve the expenditure of funds.
2. Retroactively Approve the San José State University Tower Lighting on November 8-11, 2025, as a City Council sponsored Special Event and approve the expenditure of funds.
3. Retroactively Approve and accept donations from various individuals, businesses, or community groups to support the event.
4. Place the item on the November 18, 2025 City Council Agenda for action.

Attachments [Memorandum from Mayor](#)

4. [ROGC](#)
[25-355](#) Retroactive Approval and Approval of Various Events Sponsored by Council District 8 as City Council Sponsored Special Events to Expend City Funds and Accept Donations of Materials and Services for the Events. (Candelas)

Recommendation:

1. Retroactively approve the Mt. Pleasant Neighborhood Association Emergency Resource Fair scheduled on April 5, 2025 as a City Council sponsored Special Event and approve the expenditure of funds.
2. Retroactively approve the Great American Litter Pickup scheduled on April 19, 2025 as a City Council sponsored Special Event and approve the expenditure of funds.
3. Retroactively approve the Evergreen Estates Dumpster Day scheduled on May 31, 2025 as a City Council sponsored Special Event and approve the expenditure of funds.
4. Retroactively approve the Senior Scam Stopper scheduled on June 13, 2025 as a City Council sponsored Special Event and approve the expenditure of funds.
5. Retroactively approve the Philippine Independence Flag Raising scheduled on June 13, 2025 as a City Council sponsored Special Event and approve the expenditure of funds.
6. Retroactively approve the Evergreen Leadership Neighborhood Association Dumpster Day scheduled on June 14, 2025 as a City Council sponsored Special Event and approve the expenditure of funds.
7. Retroactively approve the 4th of July Celebration scheduled on July 4, 2025 as a City Council sponsored Special Event and approve the expenditure of funds.
8. Retroactively approve the Community Soccer Clinic scheduled on July 10, 2025 as a City Council sponsored Special Event and approve the expenditure of funds.
9. Retroactively approve ELNA Social scheduled on July 19, 2025 as a City Council sponsored Special Event and approve the expenditure of funds.
10. Retroactively approve the Interfaith Lunch scheduled on July 30, 2025 as a City Council sponsored Special Event and approve the expenditure of funds.
11. Retroactively approve the Tom Matsumoto Back to School Meet and Greet scheduled on April 5, 2025 as a City Council sponsored Special Event and approve the expenditure of funds.
12. Retroactively approve the Music in the Square scheduled on August 15, 2025 as a City Council sponsored Special Event and approve the expenditure of funds.
13. Retroactively approve the Coffee at the Crosswalk scheduled on August 20, 2025 as a City Council sponsored Special Event and approve the expenditure of funds.
14. Retroactively approve the Movie in the Square scheduled on

- August 29, 2025 as a City Council sponsored Special Event and approve the expenditure of funds.
15. Retroactively approve the Community Coffee scheduled on September 12, 2025 as a City Council sponsored Special Event and approve the expenditure of funds.
16. Retroactively approve the Music in the Villages scheduled on September 26, 2025 as a City Council sponsored Special Event and approve the expenditure of funds.
17. Retroactively approve the Diwali Celebration scheduled on October 17, 2025 as a City Council sponsored Special Event and approve the expenditure of funds.
18. Retroactively approve the Fall Family Festival scheduled on October 25, 2025 as a City Council sponsored Special Event and approve the expenditure of funds.
19. Retroactively approve the Pleasant Hills Community Meeting scheduled on October 29, 2025 as a City Council sponsored Special Event and approve the expenditure of funds.
20. Retroactively approve the Fire Station 31 Treat or Treating scheduled on October 31, 2025 as a City Council sponsored Special Event and approve the expenditure of funds.
21. Retroactively approve the Welch Tree Planting scheduled on November 8, 2025 as a City Council sponsored Special Event and approve the expenditure of funds.
22. Retroactively approve the Falls Creek Dumpster Day scheduled on November 8, 2025 as a City Council sponsored Special Event and approve the expenditure of funds.
23. Approve the Coat Drive Kickoff scheduled on November 17, 2025 as a City Council sponsored Special Event and approve the expenditure of funds.
24. Approve the Gun Buyback scheduled on December 5, 2025 as a City Council sponsored Special Event and approve the expenditure of funds.
25. Approve the Santa in the Square scheduled on December 12, 2025 as a City Council sponsored Special Event and approve the expenditure of funds.
26. Approve and accept donations from various individuals, businesses or community groups to support the events.
27. Place the item on the November 18, 2025 City Council Agenda for action.

Attachments [Memorandum from Candelas](#)

C. Rules Committee Reviews, Recommendations and Approvals

D. Open Forum

Members of the Public are invited to speak on any item that does not appear on today's Agenda and that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Committee.

E. Adjournment

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