



**MINUTES OF THE
JOINT MEETING OF THE RULES AND OPEN GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE AND
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2021

Consistent with the California Governor’s Executive Order No. N-29-20, Resolution No. 79450 from the City of San José and the Santa Clara County Health Officer’s March 16, 2020 Shelter in Place Order, the City Council meeting was not physically open to the public. Public comments were accepted via eComment, email, by phone/Webinar or online.

The Council meeting was teleconferenced from remote locations and convened at 2:02 p.m.

Present: Councilmembers - Jones, Peralez, Davis, Arenas, Cohen.

Absent: Councilmembers - All present.

Staff: Assistant City Manager, Lee Wilcox; City Attorney, Nora Frimann; City Clerk, Toni Taber; City Manager’s Office, Gloria Schmanek; Henry Smith, Mayor’s Office; and Deputy City Clerk Ruth Krantz.

A. City Council (City Clerk)

- 1. Review October 12, 2021 Final Agenda - Cancelled**
- 2. Review October 19, 2021 Draft Agenda**
 - a) Add new items to Final Agenda**
 - b) Assign “Time Certain” to Agenda Items (if needed)**
 - c) Review of Notice Waiver Requests for Agenda Items or Documents (if needed)**

Public Comments: Blair Beekman spoke to the Guadalupe fence issue and building height restrictions. He spoke on the proclamation of Indigenous People’s Day, issues of equity and the customs of the Ohlone tribe.

Action: Upon motion by Councilmember Dev Davis, seconded by Councilmember Raul Peralez and carried unanimously, the Committee accepted the October 5, 2021 Draft Agenda. (5-0.)

B. Review of Upcoming Meeting Agenda(s)

None provided.

C. Legislative Update

1. State

2. Federal

There were none presented.

D. Meeting Schedules

There were none presented.

E. The Public Record for September 23 – September 30, 2021. (City Clerk)

Public Comments: (1) Blair Beekman spoke to yesterday’s Housing item and developing ‘next steps’. He offered appreciation to Rosalynn Hughey, Director, Planning, Building and Code Enforcement’s letter regarding Vista Montana and development of a notification process.

Action: Upon motion by Councilmember Dev Davis, seconded by Councilmember Sylvia Arenas, and carried unanimously, the Public Record for September 23 - 30, 2021 was noted and filed.

F. Boards, Commissions and Committees

None provided.

G. Rules Committee Reviews, Recommendations and Approvals

1. Consent Calendar

(a) Approval of Flickinger Dumpster Day Sponsored by Council District 4 as City Council Sponsored Special Events to Expend City Funds and Accept Donations of Materials and Services for the Event. (Cohen)

City Clerk Toni J. Taber, CMC clarified an agenda correction, that this item will be cross-referenced to October 19, not October 12.

Public Comments: Blair Beekman spoke to neighborhood cooperation.

Action: Upon motion Councilmember Sylvia Arenas, seconded by Councilmember David Cohen and carried unanimously, the City Council Sponsored Special Events were approved and cross-referenced to the October 19, 2021 Council Agenda for action. (5-0.)

G. 2. Monthly Report of Activities for September 2021. (City Auditor)

City Auditor Joe Rois provided the report.

Public Comments: Blair Beekman discussed clean energy ideas and local procurement in light of a natural disaster event.

Action: Upon motion by Councilmember Sylvia Arenas, seconded by Councilmember Dev Davis and carried unanimously, the Auditor's Office Monthly Report of Activities for the month of September 2021 were accepted. (5-0.)

H. Review of Additions to Council Committee Agendas/Workplans

1. Community and Economic Development Committee

None provided.

2. Neighborhood Services and Education Committee Work Plan Update to the August 2021 - June 2022 Neighborhood Services and Education Committee Work Plan. (Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services)

Public Comments: Blair Beekman spoke on the idea of local government-sponsored encampments and getting local feedback.

Action: Upon motion by Councilmember Sylvia Arenas, seconded by Councilmember Dev Davis and carried unanimously, an amendment to the August 2021 - June 2022 Neighborhood Services and Education Committee Work Plan to drop the Family Friendly Initiative Work Plan Status Report from the October 14, 2021 meeting agenda was accepted. (5-0.)

3. Transportation and Environment Committee

4. Public Safety, Finance and Strategic Support Committee

5. Joint Meeting of the Rules and Open Government Committee

None provided.

OPEN FORUM

1. Robin Roemer spoke on highway projects and the need for it to be agendized for a future Council agenda.
2. Blair Beekman suggested educating the public on vaccines and positive democracy practices and plans for community preparation for a natural disaster.
3. Scott Largent spoke to the Spring Street encampment, noting that help promised never materialized, and the need for a safe parking program.

G. Adjournment

Vice Mayor Chappie Jones adjourned the Committee meeting at 5:43 p.m.

Vice Mayor Chappie Jones, Chair
Rules and Open Government Committee

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