

**MINUTES OF THE  
NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE**

**SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA**

**THURSDAY, MARCH 14, 2019**

The Neighborhood Services and Education Committee of the City of San José convened in regular session at 1:40 p.m. in the Committee Rooms 118-120, Council Wing, City Hall.

**PRESENT:** Councilmember Sylvia Arenas, Chair; Councilmember Magdalena Carrasco, Vice-Chair; Councilmember Maya Esparza; Councilmember Pam Foley (1:41), Councilmember Sergio Jimenez (1:42), Members.

**ABSENT:** All Present.

**STAFF:** Director of Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services Angel Rios, Jr.; Senior Deputy City Attorney Karin Murabito, Chief of Staff, Office of the City Manager, Lee Wilcox, and Deputy City Clerk Ruth Krantz.

**(B) REVIEW OF WORK PLAN**

None provided.

**(C) CONSENT CALENDAR**

**(D) REPORTS TO COMMITTEE**

**(1) Report on the Pilot Safe Parking Program. (Housing)**

Documents Filed: (1) Memorandum from Director of Housing Jacky Morales-Ferrand, dated February 25, 2019, recommending acceptance of the report. (2) “Safe Parking Pilot Program for Families Program Operational Guidelines, 2018-2019”. (3) Presentation: Update on Safe Parking Pilot Program.

Deputy Director of Policy & Budget, Ragan Heninger, provided a presentation and responded to questions.

Councilmember Sylvia Arenas opened the floor for public testimony.

**(D) (1) Report on the Pilot Safe Parking Program. (Cont'd.)**

Public Comment:

1. Ingrid, with Amigos Guadalupe, had questions about the program expansion. *At the Committee's request Deputy Director of Policy & Budget, Ragan Heninger responded, indicating it will be expanded to two additional City sites per an amendment to the LiveMoves contract.*
2. Karen Gillette discussed her involvement in safe parks on church properties and stressed coordination and monitoring to benefit programs as recommended by the City Auditor.
3. Kathy Mattingly, representing the interfaith community, offered comments the safe car park her organization is currently running.
4. Dominique, Supervisor at Seven Trees Community Center expressed appreciation for services offered by LifeMoves
5. Phil Mastercola offered that the weak link is outreach, and his hopes that this may act as navigation center and a community model.

Chelsea Tercero, LifeMoves Program Director, Safe Parking for Families, provided data on the number of individuals served and offered additional information on First 5 Family Resource Centers efforts.

Action: Upon motion by Councilmember Magdalena Carrasco, seconded by Councilmember Pam Foley, and carried unanimously, accepted the report on the progress and status of the Safe Parking Pilot Program. (5-0.)

*Councilmember Maya Esparza left the meeting at approximately 3:00 p.m.*

**(2) Verbal Update of Police Activities League (Police Department / PRNS)**

Deputy Director of Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services, Justin Long offered a presentation, and he and Director of Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services Angel Rios, Jr. responded to questions from the Committee.

Action: Upon motion by Councilmember Magdalena Carrasco, seconded by Councilmember Pam Foley, and carried unanimously, the Committee accepted the verbal update on the Police Activities League. (4-0-1. Absent: Esparza.)

**(3) Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services Community Impact Report (PRNS)**

Documents Filed: (1) Memorandum from Director of Public Works John Cicerelli, dated February 25, 2019, recommending acceptance of the report. (2) Presentation: "2018 Community Impact Report".

Director of Public Works John Cicerelli offered an introduction and introduced the new newspaper-style Community Impact Report. Carolina Camarena, Public Information Manager, continued with 2018 community impact report.

Director of Public Works John Cicirelli continued with “moving Forward in 2019” and roll-out of ActivateSJ, formerly known as Greenprint.

Division Manager, Andrea Shelton, responded to questions regarding senior outreach.

Action: Upon motion by Councilmember Pam Foley, seconded by Councilmember Sergio Jimenez and carried unanimously, the Committee accepted the Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services 2018 Community Impact Report. (4-0-1. Absent: Esparza)

*Councilmember Pam Foley left the meeting at approximately 4:10 p.m.*

**(4) Project Hope Update. (PRNS)**

Documents Filed: (1) Memorandum from Director of Public Works John Cicerelli, dated February 25, 2019, recommending acceptance of the report. (2) Presentation: “Project Hope Update” with Attachments A-E.

Director of Public Works John Cicerelli provided an introduction, and Mario Maciel, Youth Intervention Services, introduced the Project Hope Structure. Communication Services Supervisor Olympia Williams gave updates for specific sites; staff provided a presentation and discussed strategic outcomes. Director of Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services Angel Rios, Jr. and staff responded to questions.

Action: Upon motion by Councilmember Magdalena Carrasco, seconded by Councilmember Sergio Jimenez and carried unanimously, the Committee accepted the Project Hope Program Annual Report and recommended this item for full Council consideration at the April 23, 2019 City Council meeting. (3-0-2. Absent: Esparza, Foley.)

**(5) Report on Sustainable Park Maintenance. (PRNS)**

Documents Filed: (1) Memorandum from Director of Public Works John Cicerelli, dated February 25, 2019, recommending acceptance of the report. (2) 2018 Parks Assessment Rating Sheet. (3) 2018 Park Condition Assessment Results. (4) Presentation: “Sustainable Parks Maintenance”.

Division Manager, Mike Will and members of staff provided a presentation, covering staffing vacancies, challenges of park maintenance and ‘where we’re at’ and responded to questions from the Committee.

Councilmember Sylvia Arenas requested that this report be cross referenced to Council at a later date.

Action: Upon motion by Councilmember Sergio Jimenez, seconded by Councilmember Magdalena Carrasco and carried unanimously, the Committee accepted the Department of Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services’ report on Sustainable Park Maintenance. (3-0-2. Absent: Esparza, Foley.)

## **OPEN FORUM**

There was no public testimony from the floor.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Councilmember Sylvia Arenas adjourned the meeting at 4:52 p.m.

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Councilmember Sylvia Arenas  
Neighborhood Services and Education Committee

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