

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

SAN JOSÉ, CALIFORNIA

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2026

The Committee meeting was held in the Council Chambers and convened at 2:00 p.m.

Present: Councilmembers - Cohen, Kamei, Foley, Doan, Candelas.

Absent: Councilmembers - None.

Staff: Lee Wilcox, Assistant City Manager, City Manager's Office; Kevin Fisher, Assistant City Attorney, City Attorney's Office; Joy Rodriguez, Assistant City Clerk, City Clerk's Office; Rachelle Blattman, Senior Executive Analyst, City Manager's Office; and Daniel Aguilar, Deputy City Clerk, City Clerk's Office.

A. City Council (City Clerk)

1. Review February 24, 2026 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)

Public Comment: None provided.

Action: Upon motion by Councilmember Pam Foley, seconded by Councilmember Bien Doan, and carried unanimously, the Committee approved the final agenda for the City Council meeting on February 24, 2026, including the add sheet. (5-0-0)

2. Review March 3, 2026 Draft Agenda

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

Public Comment: None provided.

Action: Upon motion by Councilmember Bien Doan, seconded by Councilmember Rosemary Kamei, and carried unanimously, the Committee approved the draft agenda for the City Council meeting on March 3, 2026. (5-0-0)

B. Consent Calendar

Public Comment: None provided.

Action: Upon motion by Vice Mayor Foley, seconded by Councilmember Domingo Candelas, and carried unanimously, the Consent Calendar was approved *as a whole*, with the following actions taken as indicated. (5-0-0)

1. The Public Record for February 5, 2026 - February 12, 2026. (City Clerk)

Receive and file the Public Record for February 5, 2026 - February 12, 2026.

Action: The Public Record for February 5, 2026 - February 12, 2026 was received and filed. (5-0-0)

2. Release Date for Study Session. (City Manager)

Recommend the release of the date held for a Study Session on Monday, March 23, 2026.

Action: The Study Session scheduled for March 23, 2026, was released. (5-0-0)

3. Approval of Tower Lighting for American Heart Month Sponsored by Council District 8 as a City Council Sponsored Special Event to Expend City Funds and Accept Donations of Materials and Services for the Event. (Candelas)

1. Approve the American Heart Month Tower Lighting scheduled on February 22-28, 2026 as a City Council sponsored Special Event and approve the expenditure of funds.
2. Approve and accept donations from various individuals, businesses or community groups to support the event.
3. Place the item on the February 24, 2026 City Council Agenda for action.

Action: The Tower Lighting for American Heart Month sponsored by Council District 8 as a City Council sponsored special event, was approved for placement on the February 24, 2026 City Council Agenda for action. (5-0-0)

4. Approval of the Free Use of City Hall Wing Committee Rooms and Waiver of Gross Admission Receipts Percentage Fee for the Sister Cities International Spring Leadership Meeting Sponsored by Council District 9 as a City Council Sponsored Special Event to Expend City Funds and Accept Donations of Materials and Services for the Event. (Foley)

1. Adopt a resolution authorizing “Free Use” and Waiver of Gross Admission Receipts Percentage Fee for the private, ticketed Sister Cities International 2026 Spring Leadership Meeting event held at City Hall Wing Committee Rooms on March 7, 2026, hosted by Vice Mayor Foley’s Office.
2. Approve the Sister Cities International Spring Leadership Meeting on March 7, 2026 as a City Council Sponsored Special Event and approve the expenditure of funds
3. Approve and accept donations from various individuals, businesses or community groups to support the event.
4. Place the item on the February 24, 2026 City Council Agenda for action.

Action: The “Free Use” and Waiver of Gross Admission Receipts Percentage Fee for the private, ticketed Sister Cities International 2026 Spring Leadership Meeting event held at City Hall Wing

Committee Rooms on March 7, 2026, hosted by Vice Mayor Foley's Office, was approved for placement on the February 24, 2026 City Council Agenda for action. (5-0-0)

5. Approval of Cambodian Heritage Month and Remembrance of the Cambodian Genocide Sponsored by Council District 5 as City Council Sponsored Special Events to Expend City Funds and Accept Donations of Materials and Services for the Events. (Ortiz)

1. Approve the Proclamation of Cambodian Heritage Month and Remembrance of the Cambodian Genocide scheduled on April 14, 2026 as a City Council sponsored Special Event and approve the expenditure of funds.
2. Approve the Cambodian Flag Raising scheduled on April 10, 2026 as a City Council sponsored Special Event and approve the expenditure of funds.
3. Approve the Cambodian Heritage Month Tower and Rotunda Lighting scheduled on April 10-16, 2026 as a City Council sponsored Special Event and approve the expenditure of funds.
4. Approve and accept donations from various individuals, businesses or community groups to support the event.
5. Place the item on the February 24, 2026 City Council Agenda for action.

Action: The Proclamation of Cambodian Heritage Month and remembrance of the Cambodian Genocide, and Cambodian flag raising, were approved for placement on the February 24, 2026 City Council Agenda for action. (5-0-0)

C. Rules Committee Reviews, Recommendations and Approvals

1. Coyote Valley Corridor Study. (Mayor, Foley, and Campos)

Direct the City Manager to place the draft Coyote Valley Corridor Study on a future City Council agenda as a consent item.

Councilmember Pamela Campos introduced the item, bringing forward the recommendation as outlined in the joint memorandum co-authored by Mayor Mahan, Vice Mayor Foley, and Councilmember Campos, dated February 9, 2026.

Public Comment: Chris Marchese, Gerry DeYoung, and Norm M. offered public comment.

Lee Wilcox, Assistant City Manager, City Manager's Office, confirmed that a Workload Analysis would have to be conducted before a draft Coyote Valley Corridor Study could be completed.

Action: Upon motion by Vice Mayor Pam Foley, seconded by Councilmember Bien Doan, and carried unanimously, a Workload Analysis regarding the Coyote Valley Corridor Study is to return to the February 25, 2026 Rules and Open Government Committee.

D. Open Forum

No Public Comment provided.

E. Adjournment

Chair David Cohen adjourned the Committee meeting at 2:23 p.m.

Minutes Recorded, Prepared, and Respectfully Submitted by,

DRAFT

Daniel Aguilar
Deputy City Clerk, City of San José

Approved at Council on:

Number of actions: 4

Attest by:

Toni J. Taber, MMC
City Clerk, City of San José