



**MINUTES OF THE
COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

SAN JOSÉ, CALIFORNIA

MONDAY, AUGUST 28, 2023

The Community and Economic Development Committee of the City of San José convened at 1:30 p.m.

Present: Councilmembers - Batra, Ortiz, Kamei, Torres, Foley.

Absent: Councilmembers - All present.

Staff: Office of the City Manager, Rosalynn Hughey; City Attorney Office, Johnny Phan; Mayor’s Office, Michael Lomio; and City Clerk’s Office, Grace Turner.

B. Review of Work Plan

None provided.

C. Consent Calendar

None provided.

D. Reports to Committee

1. Economic Development Activities Quarterly Status Report. (Economic Development and Cultural Affairs)

Office of Economic Development and Cultural Affairs, Public Information Manager, Carlos Velazquez; Director, Nanci Klein; and Deputy Director, Blage Zelalich offered the presentation and responded to questions.

Public Comments: Blair Beekman offered public comment.

Action: Upon motion by Vice Mayor Rosemary Kamei, seconded by Councilmember Omar Torres, and carried unanimously, the Committee accepted the verbal quarterly status report on recent announcements, significant accomplishments, and upcoming events related to economic development. (5-0-0)

2. Development Services Process Improvements and Dashboard Semi-Annual Status Report. (Planning, Building and Code Enforcement/Public Works/Fire)

Planning, Building, and Code Enforcement, Director, Chris Burton; Deputy Director, Lisa Joiner; Deputy Director, Rachel Roberts; Division Manager, Sylvia Do; and Division Manager, John Tu provided the presentation and responded to questions.

Public Comments: Paul Soto and Blair Beekman offered public comments.

Action: Upon motion by Councilmember Arjun Batra, seconded by Vice Mayor Rosemary Kamei and carried unanimously, the Committee accepted the status report on the data dashboard including updates on the development process and recommendations for short and long-term improvements. (4-0-1; Absent: Torres)

3. Citywide Planning Activities Semi-Annual Status Report. (Planning, Building and Code Enforcement/Housing/City Manager - Office of Emergency Management)

Planning, Building, and Code Enforcement, Director, Chris Burton; Deputy Director, Michael Brilliot; Division Manager, Martina Davis; and Principal Planner, Ruth Cueto provided the presentation and responded to questions.

Public Comments: Paul Soto and Blair Beekman offered public comment.

Action: Upon motion by Vice Mayor Rosemary Kamei, seconded by Councilmember Peter Ortiz and carried unanimously, the Committee accepted the status report on Citywide Planning Activities. (4-0-1. Absent: Torres.)

4. Market Ready Urban Village Status Report. (Planning, Building and Code Enforcement)

Planning, Building, and Code Enforcement, Supervising Planner, Jose Ruano; Planner II Eugene Lau; and Deputy Director, Michael Brilliot provided the presentation and responded to questions.

Public Comments: Paul Soto and Blair Beekman offered public comment.

Action: Upon motion by Vice Mayor Rosemary Kamei, seconded by Councilmember Arjun Batra and carried unanimously, the Committee accepted the staff analysis on real estate market-ready urban villages and discussed staff's recommendation to initiate an urban village planning process for the Saratoga Urban Village (Paseo De Saratoga and Saratoga Avenue Urban Villages consolidated). (4-0-1; Absent: Torres)

Open Forum

1. Blair Beekman spoke on the community engagement process and public comment time during public meetings.
2. Paul spoke on their experience with the San José Police Department while attending a county meeting in a county government building.

Adjournment

Councilmember Pam Foley adjourned the Committee meeting at 3:49 p.m.

Minutes Recorded, Prepared, and Respectfully Submitted by,

DRAFT- Grace Turner

Grace Turner
Deputy City Clerk, City of San José

Approved at Council on:

Attest by:

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