



City Council Meeting

Minutes

Tuesday, May 19, 2026

1:30 PM

Council Chambers

Closed Session at 9:30 a.m.

MATT MAHAN, MAYOR
ROSEMARY KAMEI, DISTRICT 1
PAMELA CAMPOS, DISTRICT 2
ANTHONY TORDILLOS, DISTRICT 3
DAVID COHEN, DISTRICT 4
PETER ORTIZ, DISTRICT 5
MICHAEL MULCAHY, DISTRICT 6
BIEN DOAN, DISTRICT 7
DOMINGO CANDELAS, DISTRICT 8
PAM FOLEY, VICE MAYOR, DISTRICT 9
GEORGE CASEY, DISTRICT 10

- **Call to Order and Roll Call**

9:30 a.m. – Closed Session. *See Pages 14-17 for the Closed Session Minutes.*

Present Councilmembers: Mahan, Tordillos, Ortiz, Mulcahy,
Doan, Campos, Foley, Casey.

Absent Councilmembers: Candelas, Cohen, Kamei.

1:30 p.m. – Regular Session.

Present Councilmembers: Kamei, Tordillos, Cohen, Ortiz, Mulcahy,
Doan, Candelas, Foley, Casey, Mahan.

Absent Councilmembers: All present.

- **Pledge of Allegiance**

Mayor Matt Mahan led the Pledge of Allegiance.

- **Invocation**

Nguyen Thi Ngoc Bich, Former President of the Association of the Vietnamese Elderly of the Bay Area, offered a speech for this invocation.

- **Orders of the Day**

None provided.

- **Adjournment Recognition**

The meeting was adjourned in memory of Tony Allan Santos, who passed away on March 30, 2026. Mr. Santos was a steadfast advocate for the Alviso community, contributing to local efforts including Santa Visits Alviso, the District 4 Master Plan Committee, and founding the Santos Family Car Show. Through his volunteerism, civic engagement, and commitment to strengthening neighborhood connections, he leaves a lasting legacy of service to the City of San José.

- **Closed Session Report**

None provided.

1. CEREMONIAL ITEMS

1.1 Councilmember George Casey presented a proclamation recognizing May 17, 2026, as National Neurofibromatosis Awareness Day in the City of San José, to raise visibility for neurofibromatosis, a rare genetic disorder that can cause tumors, blindness, deafness, disfigurement, and severe pain.

1.2 Vice Mayor Pam Foley presented a proclamation declaring May 2026 as Older Americans Month in the City of San José and raising awareness of issues affecting aging residents, with a focus on social and physical health and supportive policies.

1.3 Councilmember Pamela Campos presented a proclamation recognizing May 2026 as Affordable Housing Month in the City of San José, raising awareness and driving action around the housing challenges facing our communities.

2. CONSENT CALENDAR

Councilmember Michael Mulcahy pulled Item 2.9 to recuse himself.

Mayor Matt Mahan pulled Item 2.16 for comment.

Public Comment: None provided.

Action: Upon motion by Councilmember Bien Doan, seconded by Vice Mayor Pam Foley, and carried unanimously, the Consent Calendar was approved, *excluding Item 2.9*, which was voted on separately. The following actions were taken as indicated. (11-0-0)

2.1 Approval of City Council Minutes.

None provided.

2.2 Final Adoption of Ordinances.

None provided.

2.3 Approval of Council Committee Minutes.

None provided.

2.4 Mayor and Council Excused Absence Requests.

None provided.

2.5 City Council Travel Reports.

None provided.

2.6 Report from the Council Liaison to the Retirement Boards.

None provided.

2.7 Boards and Commissions Appointment.

Approve the following Boards and Commissions appointments:

(a) Youth Commission:

- (1) District 4 Seat: Appoint Ethan Effendi for a term of June 1, 2026 to May 31, 2028.
- (2) District 5 Seat: Appoint Valentina Bonilla for a term of June 1, 2026 to May 31, 2027.
- (3) District 6 Seat: Appoint Fiona Canfield for a term of June 1, 2026 to May 31, 2028.
- (4) District 7 Seat: Appoint Veronica Do for a term of June 1, 2026 to May 31, 2027.

- (5) District 8 Seat: Appoint Yashas Omprakash for a term of June 1, 2026 to May 31, 2028.
 - (6) District 9 Seat: Appoint Yichi (Joshua) Zhang for a term of June 1, 2026 to May 31, 2027.
 - (7) District 10 Seat: Appoint Jinyoung Park for a term of June 1, 2026 to May 31, 2028.
 - (8) Citywide Seat: Appoint Evelyn Wang for a term of June 1, 2026 to May 31, 2028.
- CEQA: Not a Project, File No. PP17-010, City Organizational and Administrative activities resulting in no changes to the physical environment. (City Clerk)

Action: The following Youth Commission seats were appointed:

- (1) District 4 Seat was appointed to Ethan Effendi.
- (2) District 5 Seat was appointed to Valentina Bonilla.
- (3) District 6 Seat was appointed to Fiona Canfield.
- (4) District 7 Seat was appointed to Veronica Do.
- (5) District 8 Seat was appointed to Yashas Omprakash.
- (6) District 9 Seat was appointed to Yichi (Joshua) Zhang.
- (7) District 10 Seat was appointed to Jinyoung Park.
- (8) Citywide Seat was appointed to Evelyn Wang. (11-0-0)

2.8 Proposed Changes to City Council Policy 1-18, Section 20, Office of the Mayor and City Council District Office Budgets in Transition Years.

Adopt a resolution revising City Council Policy 1-18, Section 20, Office of the Mayor and City Council District Office Budgets in Transition Years to clarify that the following amounts shall be rebudgeted to the appropriation covering the period from July through December: any fundraised amounts for events scheduled to occur prior to the end of December, and any remaining balance for specific budget actions previously approved by the City Council that have not yet been completed. CEQA: Not a Project, File No. PP17-008, General Procedure and Policy Making resulting in no changes to the physical environment. (City Manager)

Action: **Resolution No. RES2026-124** was adopted, revising City Council Policy 1-18, Section 20, Office of the Mayor and City Council District Office Budgets in Transition Years to clarify that the following amounts shall be rebudgeted to the appropriation covering the period from July through December. (11-0-0)

2.9 Agreement with The Diane Brandenburg Survivor's Trust UAD September 19, 1993 for the Seeds of Peace Monument, an Artwork by Artist Mario Chiodo, Located at Guadalupe River Park Arena Green West.

Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager, or her designee, to:

- (a) Negotiate and execute a Monument Donation Agreement by and between the City of San José and The Diane Brandenburg Survivor's Trust UAD September 19, 1993 for a bronze sculpture entitled Seeds of Peace Monument by artist Mario Chiodo for installation at the City's Guadalupe River Park in the Arena Green West location and for a \$300,000 donation to the Gift Trust Fund for the City Manager's Office of Economic Development and Cultural Affairs for the special purpose of approximately twenty years of maintenance of the monument;
- (b) Negotiate and execute the Artist Waiver of Proprietary Rights and Warranties for Artwork, right of entry agreements, and other related documents, all attached in substantial final form to the Monument Donation Agreement; and
- (c) Negotiate and execute any necessary amendments to the Monument Donation Agreement to increase total donation value up to 10% as a contingency, and to related agreements to effectuate the Monument Donation Agreement.

CEQA: Categorically Exempt, File No. ER26-031, CEQA Guidelines Section 15301, Existing Facilities. Council District 6. (Economic Development and Cultural Affairs)

Councilmember Michael Mulcahy recused himself from the item due to long standing business relationships

with the Diane Brandenburg Survivor's Trust.

Item 2.9 was voted on separately from the rest of the Consent Calendar.

Vice Mayor Pam Foley commented on the item.

Public Comment: Diane Brandenburg, Kimberly Mulcahy, and Matt Braker offered public testimony regarding the item.

Action: Upon motion by Vice Mayor Pam Foley, seconded by Councilmember Domingo Candelas, and carried unanimously, **Resolution No. RES2026-125** was adopted, regarding the agreement with the Diane Brandenburg Survivor's Trust UAD September 19, 1993 for the Seeds Of Peace Monument, an artwork by artist Mario Chiodo, located at Guadalupe River Park Arena Green West. (10-1-0; Recused: Mulcahy)

2.10 Actions Related to the Tully Road Eastridge Business Improvement District 2026-2027 Budget Report, 2026-2027 Annual Assessments, and Setting a Public Hearing on the Levy of Assessments.

(a) Preliminarily approve the 2026-2027 Budget Report as filed by the Tully Road Eastridge Business Improvement District Advisory Board, or as modified by City Council.

(b) Adopt a resolution of intention to levy the annual assessment for Fiscal Year 2026-2027, and set Tuesday, June 2, 2026, at 1:30 p.m. as the date and time for the public hearing on the levy of the proposed assessments. CEQA: Not a Project, File No. PP17-004, Government Funding Mechanism or Fiscal Activity with no commitment to a specific project which may result in a potentially significant impact on the environment. Council Districts 7, 8. (Economic Development and Cultural Affairs)

Action: (a) The preliminarily approval of the 2026-2027 Budget Report as filed by the Tully Road Eastridge Business Improvement District Advisory Board, or as modified by City Council was granted.

(b) **Resolution No. RES2026-126**, a resolution of intention, was adopted. (11-0-0)

2.11 Actions Related to the Monterey Corridor Business Improvement District 2026-2027 Budget Report, 2026-2027 Annual Assessments, and Setting a Public Hearing on the Levy of Assessments.

(a) Preliminarily approve the 2026-2027 Budget Report as filed by the Monterey Corridor Business Improvement District Advisory Board, or as modified by City Council.

(b) Adopt a resolution of intention to levy the annual assessment for Fiscal Year 2026-2027, and set Tuesday, June 2, 2026, at 1:30 p.m. as the date and time for the public hearing on the levy of the proposed assessments. CEQA: Not a Project, File No. PP17-004, Government Funding Mechanism or Fiscal Activity with no commitment to a specific project which may result in a potentially significant impact on the environment. Council District 7. (Economic Development and Cultural Affairs)

Action: (a) The preliminary 2026-2027 Budget Report as filed by the Monterey Corridor Business Improvement District Advisory Board, or as modified by City Council was approved; and (b) **Resolution No. RES2026-127**, a resolution of intention, was adopted to levy the annual assessment for Fiscal Year 2026-2027, and set Tuesday, June 2, 2026, at 1:30 p.m. as the date and time for the public hearing on the levy of the proposed assessments. (11-0-0)

2.12 First Amendment to the Master Consultant Agreement with Brown Marketing Strategies, Inc. dba CENTRIC for Marketing and Communications Services.

Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager or her designee to execute a First Amendment to the Master Consultant Agreement with Brown Marketing Strategies, Inc. dba CENTRIC to provide marketing, advertising, and public relations services for San José Clean Energy, to increase the maximum compensation by \$350,000, for a revised total agreement amount of \$700,000, through August 1, 2027, and extend the term

for up to two one-year options through June 30, 2029, subject to the appropriation of funds.

CEQA: Not a Project, File No. PP17-003, Agreements/Contracts (New or Amended) resulting in no physical changes to the environment. (Energy)

Action: **Resolution No. RES2026-128** was adopted, authorizing the City Manager or her designee to execute a First Amendment to the Master Consultant Agreement with Brown Marketing Strategies, Inc. dba CENTRIC to provide various services. (11-0-0)

2.13 California Community Choice Association 2026-2027 Membership.

Adopt a resolution authorizing the Director of the Energy Department or her designee to continue the City's annual membership with the California Community Choice Association for Fiscal Year 2026-2027 at a cost not to exceed \$650,000. CEQA: Not a Project, File No. PP17-004, Government Funding Mechanism or Fiscal Activity with no commitment to a specific project which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment. (Energy)

Action: **Resolution No. RES2026-129** was adopted, approving the City's annual membership with the California Community Choice Association for Fiscal Year 2026-2027. (11-0-0)

2.14 Extension of the Declaration and Proclamation of a Local Emergency for the Homeless Shelter Crisis in the City of San José.

Adopt a resolution, effective June 15, 2026, declaring the continued existence of a homeless shelter crisis in the City of San José pursuant to California Government Code section 8698 et seq., and renewing for a 12-month period the proclamation of a local emergency pursuant to California Government Code sections 8558 and 8630, the San José City Charter, and the San José Municipal Code, due to conditions and threatened conditions of homelessness within the City of San José. CEQA: Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Emergency Interim Housing Programs project (Resolution No. RES2023-380), File No. ER22-198. (Housing)

Action: **Resolution No. RES2026-130** was adopted, regarding the extension of the declaration and proclamation of a Local Emergency for the homeless shelter crisis in the City of San José. (11-0-0)

2.15 First Amendment to the Master Consultant Agreement with Best Bay Apartments Inc., dba ArtHaus Partners for Single Room Occupancy Assessment Services.

Adopt a resolution authorizing the Housing Director, or his designee, to negotiate and execute a First Amendment to the Master Consultant Agreement with Best Bay Apartments Inc., dba ArtHaus Partners to increase the compensation by \$450,000, for a total maximum compensation not to exceed \$750,000, for property condition assessments and development feasibility evaluations for the City's Single Room Occupancy conversion projects, for the term ending June 30, 2027. CEQA: Not a Project, File No. PP17-003, Agreements/Contracts (New or Amended) resulting in no physical changes to the environment. Council Districts 3, 4, 6, and 7. (Housing)

Action: **Resolution No. RES2026-131** was adopted, regarding the First Amendment to the Master Consultant Agreement with Best Bay Apartments Inc., dba ArtHaus Partners. (11-0-0)

2.16 Actions Related to the Youth Service Corp Program.

Adopt a resolution:

- (a) Accepting the \$4,581,974 grant from California Volunteers for the Youth Service Corps to continue the Resilience Corps Program in San José; and
- (b) Authorizing the City Manager or her designee to negotiate and execute agreements, and all other necessary

and/or ancillary documents, with the San José Conservation Corps and San José Public Library Foundation to implement the Resilience Corps program in a combined amount not to exceed \$4,581,974.

CEQA: Not a Project, File No. PP17-004, Government Funding Mechanism or Fiscal Activity with no commitment to a specific project which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment and File No. PP17-003, Agreements/Contracts (New or Amended) resulting in no physical changes to the environment. (Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services/Library)

Mayor Matt Mahan offered gratitude to the various groups that have supported San José through grants.

Action: **Resolution No. RES2026-132** was adopted,

- (a) accepting the \$4,581,974 grant from California Volunteers for the Youth Service Corps to continue the Resilience Corps Program in San José; and
- (b) Authorizing the City Manager or her designee to negotiate and execute agreements, and all other necessary and/or ancillary documents, with the San José Conservation Corps and San José Public Library Foundation to implement the Resilience Corps program in a combined amount not to exceed \$4,581,974. (11-0-0)

2.17 Annexation Area No. 3 to Convention Center Facilities District No. 2008-1.

(a) Accept the landowner approval forms to annex hotel property into Convention Center Facilities District No. 2008-1 as Annexation Area No. 3.

(b) Adopt a resolution:

(1) Approving the annexation of territory to Convention Center Facilities District No. 2008-1 and levying a special tax within Annexation Area No. 3; and

(2) Directing the City Clerk to record a notice of special tax lien.

(c) Adopt the following 2025-2026 Funding Sources Resolution and Appropriation Ordinance amendments in the Convention Center Facilities District Revenue Fund:

(1) Increase the revenue estimate for Convention Center Facilities District Special Tax by \$4,866,140;

(2) Establish the Administration Services appropriation to the Public Works Department in the amount of \$30,500; and

(3) Increase the Unrestricted Ending Fund Balance by \$4,835,640.

CEQA: Not a Project, File No. PP17-004, Government Funding Mechanism or Fiscal Activity with no commitment to a specific project which may result in a potentially significant impact on the environment.

Council Districts 2, 4, and 6. (Public Works/Finance/City Manager)

Action: (a) The landowner approval forms to annex hotel property into Convention Center Facilities District No. 2008-1 as Annexation Area No. 3 was accepted;

(b) **Resolution No. RES2026-133** was adopted,

(1) Approving the annexation of territory to Convention Center Facilities District No. 2008-1 and levying a special tax within Annexation Area No. 3; and

(2) directing the City Clerk to record a notice of special tax lien; and

(c) **Resolution No. RES2026-134** was adopted, and **Ordinance No. 31325** was adopted, regarding the 2025-2026 Funding Sources Resolution and Appropriation Ordinance amendments in the Convention Center Facilities District Revenue Fund.. (11-0-0)

2.18 Second Amendment to the Master Agreement with RRM Design Group for Landscape Architectural Services.

Approve the Second Amendment to the Master Agreement between the City of San José and RRM Design Group to: (a) Extend the agreement term from June 30, 2026, to December 31, 2028; and (b) Adopt the new Schedule of Rates and Charges for the sole purpose of completing the 9091-PARK: Columbus Park Project. CEQA: Not a Project, File No. PP17-003, Agreements/Contracts (New or Amended) resulting in no physical changes to the environment. (Public Works)

Action: The Second Amendment to the Master Agreement between the City of San José and RRM Design Group to: (a) Extend the agreement term from June 30, 2026, to December 31, 2028; and (b) Adopt the new Schedule of Rates and Charges for the sole purpose of completing the 9091-PARK: Columbus Park Project was approved. (11-0-0)

2.19 Report on Bids and Award of Contract for the 10625 - 2026 Major Streets Sealing Project.

(a) Report on bids and award of contract for the construction of the 10625 - 2026 Major Streets Sealing Project to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, Pavement Coatings Co., in the amount of \$4,136,795.65; and (b) Approve a 10% contingency in the amount of \$413,680.
CEQA: Categorically Exempt, File No. ER24-313, CEQA Guidelines Section 15301(c), Existing Facilities. (Transportation/Public Works)

Action: (a)The Report on bids and award of contract for the 10625 – 2026 Major Streets Sealing Project was accepted; and (b) the 10% contingency in the amount of \$413,680 was approved. (11-0-0)

2.20 City Council Appointments to Committees, Boards, and Commissions.

As recommended by the Rules and Open Government Committee on May 13, 2026, appoint Councilmember Anthony Tordillos to the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority Policy Advisory Committee as an alternate.

CEQA: Not a Project, File No. PP17-010, City Organizational and Administrative Activities resulting in no changes to the physical environment. (Mayor) [Rules Committee referral 5/13/2026 - Item B.2]

Action: Councilmember Anthony Tordillos was appointed to the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority Policy Advisory Committee, as an alternate. (11-0-0)

2.21 Request for Travel Authorization for Vice Mayor Foley.

As recommended by the Rules and Open Government Committee on May 13, 2026, authorize travel for Vice Mayor Foley to Washington, D.C. from July 21-26, 2026, for the Sister Cities International 70th Anniversary Homecoming event and Annual Business Meeting. Source of Funds: District 9 Council Office Budget and personal funds.

CEQA: Not a Project, File No. PP17-010, City Organizational and Administrative Activities resulting in no changes to the physical environment. (Foley) [Rules Committee referral 5/13/2025 - Item B.3]

Action: Vice Mayor Pam Foleys request for travel to Washington, D.C. from July 21-26, 2026 was approved. (11-0-0)

2.22 Request for Travel Authorization for Councilmember Campos.

As recommended by the Rules and Open Government Committee on May 13, 2026, authorize travel for Councilmember Campos to Baltimore, Maryland, on July 8-12, 2026, for the Local Progress Policy Institute, Impact Lab event. Source of Funds: District 2 Office Budget.

CEQA: Not a Project, File No. PP17-010, City Organizational and Administrative Activities resulting in no changes to the physical environment. (Campos) [Rules Committee referral 5/13/2025 - Item B.4]

Action: Councilmember Pamela Campos' request for travel to Baltimore, Maryland, on July 8-12 was approved. (11-0-0)

2.23 Approval of Philippine Independence Day Flag Raising Sponsored by Council District 3 as a City

Council Sponsored Special Event to Expend City Funds and Accept Donations of Materials and Services for the Event.

As recommended by the Rules and Open Government Committee on May 13, 2026: (a) Approve the Philippine Independence Day Flag Raising scheduled on June 12, 2026, as a City Council sponsored Special Event and approve the expenditure of funds; and (b) Approve and accept donations from various individuals, businesses or community groups to support the event.

CEQA: Not a Project, File No. PP17-011, Temporary Special Events resulting in no changes to the physical environment. (Tordillos) [Rules Committee referral 5/13/2026 - Item B.5]

Action: The Philippine Independence Day Flag Raising event, sponsored by Council District 3, was approved. (11-0-0)

2.24 Approval of Pride and Transgender Flag Raisings and Lighting for Pride Month and Silicon Valley Pride Week Sponsored by Council District 9, Council District 3, and Council District 4 as City Council Sponsored Special Events to Expend City Funds and Accept Donations of Materials and Services for the Events.

As recommended by the Rules and Open Government Committee on May 13, 2026: (a) Approve the Progress Pride and Transgender Flag Raisings scheduled on June 3, 2026, for Pride Month and on August 24, 2026, for Silicon Valley Pride Week as City Council sponsored Special Events and approve the expenditure of funds; (b) Approve the 2026 Pride Month Lighting Programming on June 1-7, 2026, and the Silicon Valley Pride Week Lighting Programming on August 24-30, 2026, in the Tower and Rotunda as City Council sponsored Special Events and approve the expenditure of funds; and (c) Approve and accept donations from various individuals, businesses, or community groups to support the event.

CEQA: Not a Project, File No. PP17-011, Temporary Special Events resulting in no changes to the physical environment. (Foley, Tordillos, and Cohen) [Rules Committee referral 5/13/2026 - Item B.6]

Action: The Pride and Transgender Flag Raisings and Lighting for Pride Month and Silicon Valley Pride Week, sponsored by Council Districts 9, 3, and 4, were approved. (11-0-0)

3. STRATEGIC SUPPORT

3.1 Report of the City Manager, Jennifer Maguire (Verbal Report).

Jennifer Maguire, City Manager, City Manager's Office, offered a report on National Wildfire Awareness Month through preparation, prevention, and proactiveness. She specifically spoke on the FEMA Grant and the Genesis Protect Act.

3.2 Labor Negotiations Update

None provided.

3.3 Citywide Customer Experience Transformation.

Accept the status report on the Citywide Customer Experience Transformation as part of the multi-year effort of implementing the City Council approved Customer Service Vision and Standards to transition existing San José 311 services to a new technology platform, improve service delivery, and establish the foundation for a scalable, citywide digital front door for City services.

CEQA: Not a Project, File No. PP17-009, Staff Reports, Assessments, Annual Reports, and Informational Memos that involve no approvals of any City action. (City Manager)

Jennifer Maguire, City Manager, City Manager's Office, introduced the item.

Lee Wilcox, Assistant City Manager, City Manager's Office; Khaled Tawfik, Chief Information Officer, Information Technology Department; Jeffrey Provenzano, Director, Environmental Services Department; Nichole Ederer, Deputy Director, City Manager's Office; and Kriti Garg, Product and Project Manager, Information Technology Department, offered the presentation and responded to questions.

Public Comment: None provided.

Action: Upon motion by Councilmember Rosemary Kamei, seconded by Vice Mayor Pam Foley, and carried unanimously, the Citywide Customer Experience Transformation status report was accepted. (11-0-0)

4. PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES

No item provided.

5. TRANSPORTATION & AVIATION SERVICES

5.1 Actions Related to the Round 9 Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Grant Funding.

(a) Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager, or her designee, to:

(1) Implement transportation improvements along Capitol Expressway Auto Mall and Narvaez Avenue as identified in the Round 9 Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities grant awarded to MidPen Housing Corporation; and

(2) Negotiate and execute required funding agreements with MidPen Housing Corporation and related documents and agreements with Strategic Growth Council, and the California Department of Housing and Community Development to accept up to \$14,339,431 in Round 9 Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities grant funding.

(b) Adopt a Public Entity Resolution which indicates the City is authorized to accept and incur an obligation of the Affordable Housing and Sustainable Grant funds and enter into and execute the Standard Agreement 213 with the California Department of Housing and Sustainable Communities.

CEQA: Categorically Exempt, File No. ER24-313, CEQA Guideline Section 15301(c) Existing Facilities. Council Districts 2, 7, and 9. (Transportation)

DEFERRED TO 6/2/2026 PER ADMINISTRATION.

6. ENVIRONMENTAL & UTILITY SERVICES

6.1 San José Clean Energy Programs Roadmap Status Report.

(a) As recommended by the Transportation and Environment Committee on April 13, 2026, accept the status report on the San José Clean Energy Programs Roadmap.

(b) Adopt a resolution:

(1) Approving the proposed programs presented in the San José Clean Energy Programs Roadmap update;

(2) Authorizing the City Manager or her designee to negotiate and execute contract(s) with consultant(s) to implement the Commercial Technical Assistance services for up to four years starting in Fiscal Year 2026-2027 and up to \$650,000 from the San José Clean Energy Operating Fund, subject to the appropriation of

funds; and

(3) Authorizing the City Manager or her designee to negotiate and execute contract(s) with consultant(s) to implement the Direct-to-Renter Portable Heat Pump Pilot services for up to two years starting in Fiscal Year 2026-2027 and up to \$300,000 from the San José Clean Energy Operating Fund, subject to the appropriation of funds.

CEQA: Not a Project, File No. PP17-009, Staff Reports, Assessments, Annual Reports, and Informational Memos that involve no approvals of any City action. (Energy) [Transportation and Environment Committee 4/13/2026 - Item (d)3 for (a)]

Lori Mitchell, Director, Community Energy Department; and Kate Ziemba, Deputy Director, Community Energy Department, offered the presentation and responded to questions.

Public Comment: None provided.

Action: Upon motion by Councilmember David Cohen, seconded by Councilmember Rosemary Kamei, and carried unanimously, (a) the San José Clean Energy Programs Roadmap status report was accepted; (b) **Resolution No. RES2026-135** was adopted, (1) approving the proposed programs presented in the San José Clean Energy Programs Roadmap update; and (2) authorizing the negotiation and execution of contract(s) with consultant(s) to implement the Commercial Technical Assistance services. (11-0-0)

7. NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES

No item provided.

8. COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

No item provided.

9. REVELOPMENT – SUCCESSOR AGENCY

No item provided.

10. LAND USE

10.1 Land Use on Consent Calendar

No Land Use items on Consent Calendar.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

10 Land Use – Regular Agenda

10.2 ER26-045 - Environmental Review Policy.

(a) Adopt a resolution approving a new City Council Policy, Environmental Review Policy, adopting the Environmental Review Handbook and Environmental Standard Permit Conditions to establish standardized environmental review procedures and requirements for development projects, and to satisfy audit recommendations by improving consistency, transparency, and efficiency in the City's environmental review process.

(b) Approve an ordinance amending Section 21.04.140, Appeals - General, of Chapter 21.04 of Title 21

(Environmental Clearance) of the San José Municipal Code to remove the physical mailing requirements for staff reports for appealed projects from Chapter 21.04.

CEQA: Determination of Consistency with the Environmental Impact Report for the Envision San José 2040 General Plan (Resolution No. 76041), the Supplemental Environmental Impact Report for the Envision San José 2040 General Plan (Resolution No. 77617), and the Environmental Impact Report for the Downtown Strategy 2040 (Resolution No. 78942), File No. ER26-045. Planning Commission recommends approval (9-0-2; Nguyen and Young absent) (Item 5.b on the April 22, 2026, Planning Commission agenda). (Planning, Building, and Code Enforcement)

David Keyon, Principal Planner, Planning, Building, and Code Enforcement Department, offered the presentation and responded to questions.

Chris Burton, Director, Planning, Building, & Code Enforcement Department, responded to questions regarding the item.

Vice Mayor Pam Foley requested staff to bring an updated report to the Community and Economic Development Committee in the fall.

Public Comment: None provided.

Action: Upon motion by Councilmember Pamela Campos, seconded by Vice Mayor Pam Foley, and carried unanimously, (a) **Resolution No. RES2026-136** was adopted approving a new City Council Policy, Environmental Review Policy, adopting the Environmental Review Handbook and Environmental Standard Permit Conditions.

(b) **Ordinance No. 31326** was *passed for publication*, amending Section 21.04.140, Appeals - General, of Chapter 21.04 of Title 21 (Environmental Clearance) of the San José Municipal Code to remove the physical mailing requirements for staff reports for appealed projects from Chapter 21.04.

AND

Including approval of the joint memorandum dated May 15, 2026, co-authored by Mayor Matt Mahan, Vice Mayor Pam Foley, Councilmember Pamela Campos, Councilmember Anthony Tordillos, and Councilmember George Casey, recommending the following:

1. Approve the staff recommendations.
2. Direct the City Manager and the City Attorney to work with the Department of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement to explore additional mitigations for the City's Standard Permit Conditions (SPCs), with a goal of standardizing project environmental impacts and further reducing the need for technical studies.
 - a. The analysis should identify whether streamlined environmental impact determinations and standardized mitigations are appropriate to include in updates to the Envision San José 2040 General Plan as part of the City's current General Plan Four-Year Review.
 - b. Consider specific uses or classes of categorical exemptions to target for standardized impacts and adequate mitigations.
 - c. Explore options for amending the General Plan and Title 20 of the Municipal Code to further support standardized permit conditions, specifically performance standards related to noise and vibrations, in order to further streamline and expedite the environmental review process. (11-0-0)

• **Open Forum**

1. Nykel read a Bible passage and discussed authority through Jesus.
2. Elaina Churchill spoke regarding difficulties with the San José Police Department and care providing for a Vietnam Veteran.
3. Ray Carrillo discussed many issues regarding the abandoned gas station near his rental property and difficulty with finding tenants.
4. Ha Trieu addressed issues he has pertaining to Council and the City Attorney's office.

5. Speaker whose name was not stated at the podium (*Assisted by Wordly*), advocated taxpayer money to go towards City needs.
6. Van Le requested transparency and clarification regarding the recent banner change in Little Saigon.
7. Speaker whose name was not stated at the podium discussed the banners in Little Saigon being replaced.
8. Song Nguyen Tran (*Assisted by Wordly*), spoke regarding the banners in Little Saigon and the symbols they hold.

- **Adjournment**

The Council of the City of San José adjourned the meeting at 4:32 p.m., in memory of Tony Allan Santos, who passed away on March 30, 2026. Mr. Santos was a steadfast advocate for the Alviso community, contributing to local efforts including Santa Visits Alviso, the District 4 Master Plan Committee, and founding the Santos Family Car Show. Through his volunteerism, civic engagement, and commitment to strengthening neighborhood connections, he leaves a lasting legacy of service to the City of San José.

Minutes Recorded, Prepared, and Respectfully Submitted by,

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Vanessa Velez, Deputy City Clerk
City of San José

Approved at Council

on:

of Actions: 5

Attest By:

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



Office of the City Attorney

SAN JOSÉ CITY COUNCIL CLOSED SESSION AGENDA

May 19, 2026

Present Councilmembers: Mahan, Tordillos, Ortiz, Mulcahy,
Doan, Campos, Foley, Casey.

Absent Councilmembers: Candelas, Cohen, Kamei.

Place: City Hall Conference Room W-133

Time: 9:30 a.m.

Item(s) discussed:

A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9(d)(1):

1. Case Name: Operating Engineers Local Union 3 v. City of San Jose

Name(s) of Party(ies) OPERATING ENGINEERS LOCAL UNION 3;
CITY OF SAN JOSE

Administrative Agency: Public Employment Relations Board

Case No: SF-CE-2295-M

Amount of Money or Administrative Relief
Other Relief Sought:

2. Case Name: International Federation of Professional & Technical Engineers Local 21 v. City of San Jose

Name(s) of Party(ies) INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF
PROFESSIONAL & TECHNICAL ENGINEERS
LOCAL 21 V. CITY OF SAN JOSE

Administrative Agency: Public Employment Relations Board

Case No: SF-CE-2329-M

Amount of Money or Administrative Relief

Other Relief Sought:

- 3. Case Name: American Federation of State, County & Municipal Employees Local 101 v. City of San Jose
- Name(s) of Party(ies) AMERICAN FEDERATION OF STATE, COUNTY & MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES LOCAL 101; CITY OF SAN JOSE
- Administrative Agency: Public Employment Relations Board
- Case No: SF-CE-2339-M
- Amount of Money or Other Relief Sought: Administrative Relief

B.

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957.6:

City Negotiator: Aram Kouyoumdjian, Director of Employee Relations

Employee Organizations:

- 1. Organization or Name and Title of Unrepresented Employees: **Association of Building, Mechanical and Electrical Inspectors (ABMEI)**
- Nature of negotiations: wages/salaries, hours, working conditions, etc.
- Name of Existing Contract or MOA: Memorandum of Agreement – City of San José and Association of Building, Mechanical and Electrical Inspectors (ABMEI)
- How to Obtain a copy of Existing Contract or MOA: Web: <https://www.sanjoseca.gov/your-government/departments-offices/office-of-the-city-manager/employee-relations/labor-relations-information/bargaining-units-labor-contract-info/abmei>
- Telephone – Employee Relations: (408) 535-8150
- 2. Organization or Name and Title of Unrepresented Employees: **Association of Engineers & Architects (AEA)**
- Nature of negotiations: wages/salaries, hours, working conditions, etc.
- Name of Existing Contract or MOA: Memorandum of Agreement — City of San José and Association of Engineers & Architects (AEA)

- How to Obtain a copy of Existing Contract or MOA: Web: <https://www.sanjoseca.gov/your-government/departments-offices/office-of-the-city-manager/employee-relations/labor-relations-information/bargaining-units-labor-contract-info/aea>
Telephone – Employee Relations: (408) 535-8150
3. Organization or Name and Title of Unrepresented Employees: **Association of Legal Professionals of San José (ALP)**
Nature of negotiations: wages/salaries, hours, working conditions, etc.
Name of Existing Contract or MOA: Memorandum of Agreement – City of San José and Association of Legal Professionals of San José
How to Obtain a copy of Existing Contract or MOA: Web: <https://www.sanjoseca.gov/your-government/departments-offices/office-of-the-city-manager/employee-relations/labor-relations-information/bargaining-units-labor-contract-info/alp>
Telephone – Employee Relations: (408) 535-8150
4. Organization or Name and Title of Unrepresented Employees: **Association of Maintenance Supervisory Personnel (AMSP)**
Nature of negotiations: wages/salaries, hours, working conditions, etc.
Name of Existing Contract or MOA: City of San José - Association of Maintenance Supervisory Personnel (AMSP) Benefit & Compensation Summary
How to Obtain a copy of Existing Contract or MOA: Web: <https://www.sanjoseca.gov/your-government/departments-offices/office-of-the-city-manager/employee-relations/labor-relations-information/bargaining-units-labor-contract-info/amsp>
Telephone – Employee Relations: (408) 535-8150
5. Organization or Name and Title of Unrepresented Employees: **City Association of Management Personnel Agreement (CAMP)**
Nature of negotiations: wages/salaries, hours, working conditions, etc.
Name of Existing Contract or MOA: Benefit & Compensation Summary — City of San José and City Association of Management Personnel Agreement

How to Obtain a copy of Existing Contract or MOA: Web: <https://www.sanjoseca.gov/your-government/departments-offices/office-of-the-city-manager/employee-relations/labor-relations-information/bargaining-units-labor-contract-info/camp>
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6. Organization or Name and Title of Unrepresented Employees: **Municipal Employees’ Federation, AFSCME Local 101, AFL-CIO (MEF)**
- Nature of negotiations: wages/salaries, hours, working conditions, etc.
- Name of Existing Contract or MOA: Memorandum of Agreement — City of San José and Municipal Employees’ Federation, AFSCME Local 101, AFL-CIO
- How to Obtain a copy of Existing Contract or MOA: Web: <https://www.sanjoseca.gov/your-government/departments-offices/office-of-the-city-manager/employee-relations/labor-relations-information/bargaining-units-labor-contract-info/mef>
Telephone – Employee Relations: (408) 535-8150

7. Organization or Name and Title of Unrepresented Employees: **San José Police Dispatchers’ Association (SJPDA)**
- Nature of negotiations: wages/salaries, hours, working conditions, etc.
- Name of Existing Contract or MOA: Memorandum of Agreement – City of San Jose and Municipal Employees’ Federation (MEF), AFSCME, Local 101
- How to Obtain a copy of Existing Contract or MOA: Web: <https://www.sanjoseca.gov/your-government/departments-offices/office-of-the-city-manager/employee-relations/labor-relations-information/bargaining-units-labor-contract-info/sjpda>
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