

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

**SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA**

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 15, 2024**

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

Present: Councilmembers - Jimenez, Davis, Kamei, Foley, Cohen.

Absent: Councilmembers - None.

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

**A. City Council (City Clerk)**

**1. Review Final Agenda**

Review May 21, 2024 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 Vice Mayor Rosemary Kamei, and carried unanimously, the May 21, 2024 Final Agenda and Add Sheet were approved. (5-0-0)

**2. Review Draft Agenda**

Review May 28, 2024 Draft Agenda – **CANCELLED.**

**B. Consent Calendar**

Public Comment: None provided.

Action: Upon motion by Councilmember Dev Davis, seconded by Councilmember Pam Foley, and carried unanimously, the Consent Calendar was approved with the below actions taken as indicated. (5-0-0)

### **1. Updates to the January - June 2024 Community and Economic Development Committee Work Plan. (City Manager)**

Approve amendments to the January - June 2024 Community and Economic Development (CED) Committee Work Plan to:

- (a) Drop the following item from the April 22, 2024, CED Committee meeting agenda: Rent Stabilization Program Strategic Plan Status Report. Purpose: Provide a status report on the draft Rent Stabilization Program Strategic Plan including Apartment Rent Ordinance, Mobilehome Rent Ordinance, Tenant Protection Ordinance, Ellis Act Ordinance, and goals and objectives for the program over the coming years. (Housing)
- (b) Drop the following item from the May 20, 2024, CED Committee meeting agenda: Lease and Asset Management System Status Report. Purpose: Provide a status report on the Lease and Asset Management System project for effective management of leases, property ownership, maintenance, and comprehensive tracking of real estate assets. (Economic Development and Cultural Affairs/Information Technology)
- (c) Drop the following item from the June 24, 2024, CED Committee meeting agenda: Measure E Real Property Transfer Tax Refund for Qualifying Nonprofit Real Property Transfers Pilot Program Status Report. Purpose: Provide a status report on the Measure E Real Estate Transfer Tax Refund for Qualifying Nonprofit Real Property Transfer Pilot Program, including any recommendations to end the pilot or establish a formal program. (Housing)

Action: Amendments to the January – June 2024 Community and Economic Development Committee Work Plan were approved.

### **2. Monthly Report of Activities for April 2024. (City Auditor)**

Approve the Auditors Office Monthly Report for the month of April 2024.

Action: The Monthly Report of Activities for April 2024 was approved.

### **3. Approval of Pride and Transgender Flag Raisings and Lighting for Pride Month Sponsored by Council District 3, Council District 6, and Council District 9 as a City Council Sponsored Special Event to Expend City Funds and Accept Donations of Materials and Services for the Event. (Torres, Foley, and Davis)**

- 1. Approve the Progressive Pride and Transgender Flag Raisings for Pride Month to be recognized by the City Council scheduled on June 4, 2024, as a City Council sponsored Special Event and approve the expenditure of funds.
- 2. Approve the 2024 Pride Month Lighting scheduled on June 1-7, 2024, 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 May 21, 2024, Council Agenda for action.

Action: The Pride and Transgender Flag Raisings and Lighting for Pride Month sponsored by Council District 3, Council District 6, and Council District 9 was approved for placement on the May 21, 2024 City Council Agenda.

#### **4. Retroactive Approval of Special Events Sponsored by Council District 3 as City Council Sponsored Special Events to Expend City Funds and Accept Donations of Materials and Services for the Events. (Torres)**

1. Retroactively approve San José Day scheduled on April 6, 2024, as a City Council sponsored Special Event and approve the expenditure of funds.
2. Retroactively approve the Cinco de Mayo Car Show scheduled on May 4, 2024, as a City Council sponsored Special Event and approve the expenditure of funds.
3. Retroactively approve the Cinco de Mayo Parade and Festival scheduled on May 5, 2024, as a City Council sponsored Special Event and approve the expenditure of funds.
4. Retroactively approve and accept donations from various individuals, businesses or community groups to support the events.
5. Place the item on the May 21, 2024, Council Agenda for action.

Action: Special Events sponsored by Council District 3 were approved and retroactively approved for placement on the May 21, 2024 City Council Agenda.

### **C. Rules Committee Reviews, Recommendations and Approvals**

#### **1. Bringing Equity to San José. (Kamei, Jimenez, Ortiz, and Candelas)**

Direct the City Manager to prepare Manager's Budget Addenda on the following items for consideration in the June Budget Message:

1. As directed by Councilmember Candelas and approved by the City Council on October 24, 2023, establish needed resources to engage health care providers such as Santa Clara County Health and Hospital System, Kaiser Permanente, Stanford Health Care, or other public and private partners to create onsite preventive care solutions at our Emergency Interim Housing (EIH) locations to reduce emergency service calls.
2. Analyze the cost of adding Joseph George Elementary school as a pilot location to the recently approved Encampment Management Program's school setback policy.
3. Analyze adding Thompson Creek to the Encampment Management Abatement and instituting "no return zone" in an effort to maintain waterways clean and free of pollutants, biohazards, and protect riparian habitat.
4. Analyze the eligibility of using CDBG Funds to support, enhance, and expand the work of Project Hope in the Cadillac-Winchester area by:
  - a. Creating a clear Asset Map of resources-including facilities and programs-available for residents and businesses;

- b. Funding a new Needs Assessment; and
  - c. Completing a Gap Analysis to determine what needs remain unmet.
- 5. Analyze the eligibility of using CDBG Funds for the Mexican American Community Services Agency (MACSA) as a possible Community Development Investment (CDI) Project for FY 2025/2026.

Vice Mayor Rosemary Kamei and City Manager Lee Wilcox spoke to the item.

Public Comment: None provided.

No action was taken on the item.

## **2. Improve the Quality of Life of Walnut Mobile Home Park Residents. (Jimenez)**

Direct the City Manager to prepare Manager's Budget Addenda on the following items for consideration in the June Budget Message:

1. To protect the health and safety and improve the quality of life of Walnut Mobile Home Park residents, direct the City Manager to cease the storage of all trash, illegal dumping, debris, and refuse at the DOT South Yard located at 4420 Monterey Rd, San Jose, CA 95111, no later than December 2024.
2. Direct the City Manager to find funding for operational changes needed to cease the storage of all trash, illegal dumping, debris, and refuse at the DOT South Yard in the 2024-2025 fiscal year budget.

Councilmember Sergio Jimenez spoke to the item.

Public Comment: Philip and Eric offered public testimony regarding the item.

Action: Upon motion by Councilmember Sergio Jimenez, seconded by Councilmember Pam Foley, and carried unanimously, improvements to the quality of life of Walnut Mobile Home Park Residents were approved, *including staff direction to return to the Rules and Open Government Committee in 2 weeks with an analysis on how to address the issues stated.* Also including acceptance of the memorandum authored by Councilmember Sergio Jimenez dated May 9, 2024, recommending the following:

1. To protect the health and safety and improve the quality of life of Walnut Mobile Home Park residents, direct the City Manager to cease the storage of all trash, illegal dumping, debris, and refuse at the DOT South Yard located at 4420 Monterey Rd, San Jose, CA 95111, no later than December 2024.
2. Direct the City Manager to find funding for operational changes needed to cease the storage of all trash, illegal dumping, debris, and refuse at the DOT South Yard in the 2024-2025 fiscal year budget.

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## **D. Open Forum**

1. Amos discussed the harassment he faces within the community and the legal troubles it has caused as a result.

## E. Adjournment

This meeting was adjourned by Chair David Cohen at 2:25 pm.

Minutes Recorded, Prepared, and Respectfully Submitted by,

*Daniel Aguilar*

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Daniel Aguilar,  
Deputy City Clerk, City of San José

Approved at Council on: 8/12/2025  
Number of actions: 4

Attest By:



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

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