



City of San José

City of San José
200 East Santa Clara Street
San Jose, CA 95113

Agenda

Joint Meeting for the Rules and Open Government Committee and Committee of the Whole

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Wednesday, January 15, 2025

2:00 PM

Council Chambers

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A. City Council (City Clerk)

1. Review Final Agenda

[ROGC](#) Review January 21, 2025 Final Agenda. - Cancelled
[25-020](#)

2. Review Draft Agenda

[ROGC](#) Review January 28, 2025 Draft Agenda.
[25-021](#)

- 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)

Attachments [Agenda](#)

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B. Consent Calendar

1. [ROGC](#) Approve Monthly Report of Activities for December 2024. (City
[25-023](#) Auditor)

Attachments [Memorandum](#)

END OF CONSENT

C. Rules Committee Reviews, Recommendations and Approvals

1. [ROGC
25-022](#) Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Budget Priority Study Session. (Mayor)

Recommendation:

- a) Amend the 2024-2025/2025-2026 City Budget Calendar to schedule a two-part Study Session following the regular City Council meeting on February 11, 2025, as follows:
- i. 2025-2026 Budget Development: Preliminary General Fund Forecast and Impacts to Budget Priorities; and
 - ii. 2025-2026 Budget Development: Reducing Unsheltered Homelessness City Council Focus Area.
- b) Direct the City Manager to prepare an agenda to engage the City Council in a discussion of the preliminary outlook of the General Fund in 2025-2026, potential strategies to address the anticipated shortfall, and potential impacts to City services and tradeoffs that will be discussed during the 2025-2026 Proposed Budget development process.
- c) Direct the City Manager to prepare an agenda to engage the City Council in a strategic planning discussion with the Administration on the housing and shelter components of the Reducing Unsheltered Homelessness City Council Focus Area.

Attachments [Memorandum from Mayor](#)

2. [ROGC
25-024](#) Request for Informational Memorandum on Actions to Protect San José Residents from Harms Proposed by Incoming U.S. Presidential Administration. (Ortiz, Campos, Cohen, and Candelas)

Recommendation:

1. Direct the Office of Racial and Social Equity and the Office of Administration, Policy, and Intergovernmental Relations to provide the City Council with an informational memorandum detailing:
 - a. Existing efforts and options to preserve and strengthen the Rapid Response Network and possible actions to expand its reach into the most vulnerable communities in the City;
 - b. Initial activity and additional options, as appropriate for public disclosure, that the City Administration is undertaking or could undertake to protect the rights of all San José residents in the face of ongoing threats from the incoming presidential administration.
2. Direct the City Manager to prepare a Manager’s Budget Addendum outlining additional funding needed to provide communities with legal assistance and other support services, along with options to strengthen the City’s response.
3. Return to the City Council with a resolution reaffirming the City’s commitment to preserving the safety and dignity of all its residents, regardless of national origin or legal status:
 - a. Add the draft resolution of the City Council of the City of San José protecting the rights and safety of immigrant communities to the City Council Agenda.
 - b. Authorize the City Attorney’s Office to make such formatting and non-substantive changes and additions as it deems appropriate or necessary.
4. Direct the City Manager to coordinate the above efforts with the on-going efforts of the County of Santa Clara, including the Office of the County Executive, County Counsel and Office of Immigrant Relations, and relevant community stakeholders, including the Rapid Response Network.

- Attachments** [Memorandum from Ortiz, Campos, Cohen and Candelas](#)
[Letters from the Public \(1 of 2\)](#)
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D. Open Forum

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E. Adjournment

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