

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

## SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA

WEDNESDAY, October 26, 2022

## **COVID-19 NOTICE**

Consistent with AB 361 and City of San Jose Resolution Nos. 80628, 80659, 80685 and 80724 Committee Members may have teleconferenced from remote locations.

The Committee meeting was held in a hybrid format, both in person in the Council Chambers and teleconferenced from remote locations. The meeting convened at 2:01 p.m.

Present: Councilmembers- Arenas (2:08 p.m.), Cohen, Davis, Peralez (2:05 p.m.), Jones

Absent: Councilmembers- None

Staff: Assistant City Manager, Lee Wilcox; City Attorney, Nora Frimann; City Clerk, Toni Taber; City Manager's Office, Rachelle Blattman; and Deputy City Clerk, Megan Roche.

## A. City Council (City Clerk)

- 1. Review November 1, 2022 Final Agenda
  - a) Add new items to Final Agenda
  - b) Assign "Time Certain" to Agenda Items (if needed)
  - c) Review of Notice of Waiver Requests for Agenda Items or Documents (if needed)

<u>Public Comments</u>: The following member of the public provided comments: Blair Beekman.

Action: Upon motion by Councilmember Dev Davis, seconded by Councilmember David Cohen, and carried unanimously, the Committee approved the final agenda for the City Council meeting on November 1, 2022 with the Add Sheet and Study Session Agenda, and with a restart of the regular City Council meeting scheduled for 6:00 p.m. (5-0-0)

- 2. Review November 8, 2022 Draft Agenda
  - a) Add new items to Draft Agenda
  - b) Assign "Time Certain" to Agenda Items (if needed)
  - c) Review of Notice of Waiver Requests for Agenda Items or Documents (if needed)

<u>Public Comments</u>: The following members of the public provided comments: Paul Soto and Blair Beekman.

<u>Action</u>: Upon motion by Councilmember David Cohen, seconded by Councilmember Dev Davis, and carried unanimously, the Committee approved the final agenda for the City Council meeting on November 8, 2022. (5-0-0)

#### B. Consent Calendar

<u>Public Comments</u>: The following members of the public provided comments: Blair Beekman and Paul Soto.

<u>Action</u>: Upon motion by Councilmember Raul Peralez, seconded by Councilmember David Cohen, and carried unanimously, the Consent Calendar was approved. (5-0-0)

1. Approval of the San José State University Homecoming Football Game Tower and Rotunda Lighting 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. (Peralez)

The San José State University Homecoming Football Game Tower and Rotunda Lighting event scheduled on October 29 - November 4, 2022, sponsored by Council District 3, was approved for placement on the November 1, 2022 City Council agenda.

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

1. Actions Related to RVs in the City of San José. (Jones, Foley, Jimenez, and Mahan)

<u>Public Comments</u>: The following members of the public provided comments: Gail Osmer, Patricia, Pauline Torres, Francesca, Maria Fierro Soreque, George Villanueva, Paul Soto, and Blair Beekman

<u>Action</u>: Councilmember Raul Peralez made a motion, which was seconded by Councilmember Dev Davis, to approve the memorandum from Councilmembers Jones, Foley, Jimenez, and Mahan with the Early Consideration Response Form.

<u>Action</u>: Councilmember David Cohen proposed a friendly amendment to Councilmember Raul Peralez' motion, to accept Councilmember Cohen's memorandum as well. Councilmembers Raul Peralez and Dev Davis accepted the friendly amendment.

<u>Final Action</u>: Upon motion by Councilmember Raul Peralez, seconded by Councilmember Dev Davis, and carried unanimously, the memorandum from Councilmembers Jones, Foley, Jimenez, and Mahan, the memorandum from Councilmember Cohen, and the Early Consideration Response Form were approved. (5-0-0)

Memorandum from Jones, Foley, Jimenez, and Mahan: (1) Direct administration to explore cost and strategy required to conduct a comprehensive count and inquiry of RVs throughout the City

of San José to gain a deeper understanding of factors such as location, demographic information, whether the RVs are operable versus inoperable, and the goals of individuals dwelling in RVs. (2) Based on findings, identify level and type of services and funding needed to assist individuals living in RVs to establish their desired stability in a location safe and appropriate for their RV or other appropriate housing option. (3) Leverage existing efforts to identify locations for emergency interim housing or other uses to support unhoused people by considering these locations as potential RV safe parking sites and explore other options for RV safe parking including expansion of faith-based organization property usage, city-owned land, and affordable housing lots that have yet to receive entitlements. (4) Direct administration to prioritize siting of RV facilities first in districts that have both (a) need as evidenced by existing RVs parked on streets, and (b) specific identified sites that have been approved by the Council office in which the site is located as suitable for an RV safe parking facility. Further priority will go to sites that meet this criteria and sites where the City has or can directly acquire site control. (5) Ensure sufficient community outreach is conducted, consistent with the council outreach policy, to inform neighbors and incorporate community feedback prior to approval of sites.

Memorandum from Cohen: (1) Accept the recommendations from the memorandum from Vice Mayor Jones and Councilmembers Foley, Jimenez and Mahan with the following additions: (a) Direct the City Manager to explore ordinance options that standardize acceptable parking rules to ensure safety where RVs remain parked on city streets. (b) Direct the City Manager to explore RV program options such as a vehicle repair and/or buyout program for non-operational vehicles including recommendations for staffing and budget necessary to assist vehicle owners make the small repairs that are impeding them from being able to participate in a safe RV parking program.

## **Open Forum**

- 1. Blair Beekman discussed the importance of San José continuing to work with the community to create better civil protections, more technological accountability, and a clearer, comprehensive understanding of how data collection can be bought, sold, and used by both commercial and law enforcement entities at the national level.
- 2. Paul Soto discussed a developer purchasing units for \$130,000 and noted the statement that a tax break would be included in the purchase.

## E. Adjournment

Vice Mayor Chappie Jones adjourned the Committee meeting at 2:51 p.m.

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Vice Mayor Chappie Jones, Chair Rules and Open Government Committee