



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

**SAN JOSÉ, CALIFORNIA**

**MONDAY, APRIL 24, 2023**

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

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

**Absent:** Councilmembers - Ortiz.

**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**

Public Comment: Blair Beekman offered public comment.

Action: Upon motion by Vice Mayor Rosemary Kamei, seconded by Councilmember Omar Torres and carried unanimously, the Work Plan was accepted with the follow changes: (2) The status report on the Citywide Residential Anti-Displacement Strategy as part of the approved City Initiatives Roadmap for 2022-2023 was deferred to the May 24, 2023 Community and Economic Development Committee Meeting and (1) the status report on the Parks Development Impact Fee Study, and (3) status report on emergency interim housing and emergency housing financial sustainability were dropped. (4-0-1. Absent: Ortiz.)

**1. Parks Development Impact Fee Study Status Report. (Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services)**

Provide a status report on the Parks Development Impact Fee Study.

**2. City Initiatives Roadmap: Citywide Residential Anti-Displacement Strategy Status Report. (Housing)**

Provide a status report on the Citywide Residential Anti-Displacement Strategy as part of the approved City Initiatives Roadmap for 2022-2023.

3. **City Initiatives Roadmap: Emergency Interim Housing Status Report. (Housing)**  
Provide a status report on emergency interim housing and emergency housing financial sustainability, including the San Francisco Foundation’s analysis of the City’s operational and financial sustainability models as part of the approved City Initiatives Roadmap for 2022-2023.

C. **Consent Calendar**

None provided.

D. **Reports to Committee**

1. **Local/Small Business Contracting Participation Annual Report. (Public Works/Finance)**

Deputy Director of Public Works J. Guevara and Assistant Director of Finance Luz Cofresi-Howe provided the presentation and responded to questions.

Public Comments: None provided.

Action: Upon motion by Councilmember Omar Torres, seconded by Vice Mayor Rosemary Kamei, and carried unanimously, the Committee accepted the annual report on City contracting with local and small businesses for Fiscal Year 2021-22. (4-0-1. Absent: Ortiz.)

2. **Local/Small Business Contracting Participation Annual Report. (Economic Development and Cultural Affairs)**

The Office of Economic Development and Cultural Affairs’ Deputy Director Blage Zelalich, Assistant to the City Manager, Victor Farlie, and Downtown Manager/ Assistant to the City Manager Nathan Donato-Weinstein provided the presentation and responded to questions.

Public Comments: Jesus Flores (Latino Business Foundation Silicon Valley) offered public comments.

Action: Upon motion by Councilmember Omar Torres, seconded by Councilmember Arjun Batra, and carried unanimously, the Committee accepted staff’s status report on the activities of the Office of Economic Development and Cultural Affairs’ Business Development Division, including small business assistance, City Initiatives Roadmap COVID-19 Pandemic Community and Economic Recovery efforts, corporate engagement, and development facilitation. (4-0-1. Absent: Ortiz.)

**3. City Initiatives Roadmap: Re-Employment and Workforce Development Status Report. (Economic Development and Cultural Affairs)**

The Office of Economic Development and Cultural Affairs Division Manager Monique Melchor and Senior Executive Analyst Sangeeta Durrall provided the presentation and responded to questions.

Public Comments: Tim Nguyen (East Side Union High School District), Abigail Hindson (Veggielution, ¡Sí Se Puede!), Dorsey Moore (San Jose Conservation Corps), and Joell Hanson (Metro ED, Silicon Valley Career Technical Education) offered public comments.

Action: Upon motion by Councilmember Arjun Batra, seconded by Councilmember Omar Torres, and carried unanimously, the Committee accepted the status report on the Re-Employment and Workforce Development component of the approved City Roadmap for Fiscal Year 2022-2023. (4-0-1. Absent: Ortiz.)

**4. Rent Stabilization Program Strategic Plan Status Report. (Housing)**

Housing Department Division Manager Emily Hislop and RSH, Inc. Consultant Mark Swacki provided the presentation and responded to questions.

Public Comments: Blair Beekman, Jill Borders, and Martha O'Connell offered public comment.

Motion: Vice Mayor Rosemary Kamei made a motion to accept the status report. Councilmember Omar Torres seconded the motion.

Amendment: Vice Mayor Rosemary Kamei made an amendment to their motion to accept the report and directed staff to bring back a draft recommendation and final report to a later Community and Economic Development meeting after Staff presents to the Housing Development Commission to receive input and prior to taking the Item to the full Council. This amendment was seconded by Councilmember Arjun Batra. After review, the amendment was correctly seconded by Councilmember Omar Torres.

Action: On a call to the question the staff report on the Strategic Plan for the Rent Stabilization Program and the Ordinances they administer: Apartment Rent Ordinance, Mobilehome Rent Ordinance, Tenant Protection Ordinance, and Ellis Act Ordinance was accepted and staff was directed to return to the Community and Economic Development Committee with a draft recommendation and final report after the Housing Department presents to the Housing Development Commission. (4-0-1. Absent: Ortiz.)

**5. City Initiatives Roadmap: Ending Homelessness Annual Report. (Housing)**

Housing Department's Deputy Director Ragan Henninger and Homeless Solutions Division Manager Kelly Hemphill provided the presentation and responded to questions.

Public Comments: Blair Beekman offered public comment.

Action: Upon motion by Councilmember Omar Torres, seconded by Vice Mayor Rosemary Kamei and carried unanimously, the Committee (a) accepted the homelessness annual report for Fiscal Year 2021 – 2022 and (b) cross referenced this item to the May 9, 2023, City Council meeting. (4-0-1. Absent: Ortiz.)

- **Open Forum**

1. Blair Beekman spoke on community policing and the need for oversight, guidelines, and community participation in working towards Re-Imagining ideas.

- **Adjournment**

Councilmember Pam Foley adjourned the Committee meeting at 4:35 p.m.



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Grace Turner  
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