



MINUTES OF THE AD HOC COMMITTEE ON DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA

THURSDAY, MAY 25, 2017

The Ad Hoc Committee for Development Services of the City of San José convened at 9:04 a.m. in the Committee Rooms 118-120, Council Wing, City Hall.

PRESENT: Councilmember Johnny Khamis, Chair; Mayor Sam Liccardo, Vice Chair; Councilmember Raul Perez; Councilmember Dev Davis (9:05 a.m.) and Councilmember Sylvia Arenas (9:07 a.m.), Members.

ABSENT: All Present.

STAFF: Director of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement Harry Freitas; Assistant City Attorney Ed Moran and Legislative Secretary Mykel Jeffrey.

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

REVIEW OF WORK PLAN

1. Key Process Improvements

Documents Filed: Presentation: Inspection Volume and Timeliness.

Director of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement Harry Freitas presented the report on the Near Term Process Improvements and the Development Services Dashboard and answered questions from the Committee.

2. Update on Development Services Staffing

Director of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement Harry Freitas offered the Update on Development Services Staffing.

3. Status Report on Major Development Projects

Director of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement Harry Freitas present the Status Report on the Major Development Projects.

Documents Filed: Attachment: Development Services Major Projects List.

4. Customer/Public Feedback

Councilmember Johnny Khamis opened the floor for Public Comment.

Public Comment:

1. Erik Schoennauer asked that the Committee streamline and improve the timeframe on the CEQA process, encouraged the City to use discretion on implementing and enforcing the law, and recommended laying out standardized mitigation requirements for specific types of projects.
2. Dennis Randall updated the Committee on the labor agreements on a project approved by the Council. He also addressed the Committee regarding the permit and inspection process and stated there were 128 separate building permits in the City, all of which take up to 2 days to approve. He gave the example of San Francisco having outsourced the function to high-level construction companies and encouraged a pilot project in the City of San José.

Mayor Sam Liccardo left the meeting at 10:14 a.m.

3. Adjournment

Councilmember Johnny Khamis adjourned the meeting at 10:20 a.m.

Councilmember Johnny Khamis, Chair
Ad Hoc Committee on Development Services

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