



# City Council Meeting Agenda

**Tuesday, June 9, 2020**

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*The City of San José is committed to open and honest government and strives to consistently meet the community's expectations by providing excellent service, in a positive and timely manner, and in the full view of the public.*

Welcome to the San José City Council meeting!

This Agenda contains both a Consent Calendar section for routine business items that require Council approval, and general business items arranged to correspond with San José's City Service Areas (CSAs). City Service Areas represent the policy-making level for strategic planning, policy setting, and investment decisions in the critical functions the City provides to the community. They are:

- **Strategic Support** - The internal functions that enable the CSAs to provide direct services to the community in an effective and efficient manner.
- **Public Safety** - Commitment to excellence in public safety by investing in neighborhood partnerships as well as prevention, enforcement, and emergency preparedness services.
- **Transportation & Aviation Services** - A safe and efficient transportation system that contributes to the livability and economic health of the City; and provide for the air transportation needs of the community and the region at levels that is acceptable to the community.
- **Environmental and Utility Services** - Manage environmental services and utility systems to ensure a sustainable environment for the community.
- **Neighborhood Services** - Serve, foster, and strengthen community by providing access to lifelong learning and opportunities to enjoy life.
- **Community & Economic Development** - Manage the growth and change of the community in order to create and preserve healthy neighborhoods and ensure a diverse range of employment and housing opportunities.

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- o **Fill out a Yellow Speaker's Card and submit it to the City Clerk seated at the front table. Do this before the meeting or before the item is heard.** This will ensure that your name is called for the item(s) that you wish to address, and it will help ensure the meeting runs smoothly for all participants.
- o When the Council reaches your item on the agenda, the Mayor will open the public hearing and call your name. Please address the Council from the podium, which is located to the left of the City Clerk's table.

- o Each speaker generally has two minutes to speak per item. The amount of time allotted to speakers may vary at the Mayor's discretion, depending on the number of speakers or the length of the agenda.
- o To assist you in tracking your speaking time, there is a display on the podium. The green light turns on when you begin speaking; the yellow light turns on when you have 30 seconds left; and the red light turns on when your speaking time is up.

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On occasion the City Council may consider agenda items out of order.

**\* COVID-19 NOTICE \***

Consistent with the California Governor's Executive Order No. N-29-20, Resolution No. 79485 from the City of San José and the Santa Clara County Health Officer's March 16, 2020 Shelter in Place Order, the City Council meeting will not be physically open to the public and the City Council will be teleconferencing from remote locations.

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- 1) Cable Channel 26,
- 2) <https://www.sanjoseca.gov/news-stories/watch-a-meeting>, or
- 3) <https://www.youtube.com/CityofSanJoseCalifornia>

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- 1) By phone (888) 475-4499. Webinar ID: 915 6205 3469 Click \*9 to raise a hand to speak.
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  - a. Use a current, up-to-date browser: Chrome 30+, Firefox 27+, Microsoft Edge 12+, Safari 7+. Certain functionality may be disabled in older browsers including Internet Explorer. Mute all other audio before speaking. Using multiple devices can cause an audio feedback.
  - b. Enter an email address and name. The name will be visible online and will be used to notify you that it is your turn to speak.
  - c. When the Mayor calls for the item on which you wish to speak, click on "raise hand." Speakers will be notified shortly before they are called to speak.
  - d. When called, please limit your remarks to the time limit allotted.

- **Call to Order and Roll Call**

9:30 a.m.- Closed Session, Call to Order

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**20-029**

Closed Session Agenda

1:30 p.m.- Regular Session, Council Chambers, City Hall

6:00 p.m.- Evening Session, Council Chambers, City Hall

\*Will not begin until 6pm or until after all afternoon items are heard, whichever is later.

- **Invocation (District 6)**

- **Pledge of Allegiance**

- **Orders of the Day**

To be heard after Ceremonial Items

**Items recommended to be added, dropped, or deferred are usually approved under Orders of the Day unless the Council directs otherwise.**

- **Closed Session Report**

To be heard after Ceremonial Items

## **1. CEREMONIAL ITEMS**

## **2. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**Notice to the public: There will be no separate discussion of Consent Calendar items as they are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be adopted by one motion. If a member of the City Council, staff, or public requests discussion on a particular item, that item may be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered separately.**

### **2.1 Approval of City Council Minutes.**

### **2.2 Final Adoption of Ordinances.**

### **2.3 Approval of Council Committee Minutes.**

### **2.4 Mayor and Council Excused Absence Requests.**

**2.5 City Council Travel Reports.****2.6 Report from the Council Liaison to the Retirement Boards.****2.7 20-615 Amendment to the Agreement with David J. Powers & Associates Inc. for Airport Environmental Services.**

**Recommendation:** Approve a Second Amendment to the Master Consultant Services Agreement with David J. Powers & Associates Inc. for Airport environmental analysis services, extending the term from June 30, 2020 to June 30, 2023, and increasing maximum compensation from \$1,250,000 to \$1,850,000.

CEQA: Not a Project, File No. PP17-002, Consultant services for design, study, inspection, or other professional services with no commitment to future action. (Airport)

**2.8 20-616 Set a Public Hearing on the Levy of the Proposed Downtown Business Improvement District Assessments.**

**Recommendation:** Preliminarily approve the report as filed by the Downtown Business Improvement District Advisory Board, or as modified by Council, and adopt a resolution of intention to levy the annual assessment for Fiscal Year 2020-2021, to suspend collection of the Downtown Business Improvement District assessments for businesses that qualify for the business tax financial hardship exemption under the City's general business tax ordinance and set Tuesday, June 23, 2020 at 1:30 p.m. as the date and time for the public hearing on the levy of the proposed assessments.

CEQA: Exempt, File No. PP08-048, CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b), Review for Exemption. (Economic Development)

**2.9 20-617 Set a Public Hearing on the Levy of the Proposed Japantown Business Improvement District Assessments.**

**Recommendation:** Preliminarily approve the report as filed by the Japantown Business Improvement District Advisory Board, or as modified by Council, and adopt a resolution of intention to levy the annual assessment for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 and set Tuesday, June 23, 2020 at 1:30 p.m. as the date and time for the public hearing on the levy of the proposed assessments.

CEQA: Exempt, File No. PP08-048, CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b), Review for Exemption. (Economic Development)

**2.10 20-618 Proposed Extension of Natural Gas Infrastructure Prohibition Ordinance and Amendments to Title 24 of the San José Municipal Code Related to Mixed Fuel Buildings.**

**Recommendation:** (a) Accept the update on staff analysis as to whether or not the City should require electrification for buildings over three stories.  
(b) Direct City Manager to return to Council in September 2020 with a natural gas prohibition ordinance amendment to be implemented on June 1, 2021 and covering all building types:  
(1) Including mid-rise and high-rise multifamily buildings, as supported by cost effectiveness studies, and  
(2) Exempting restaurants, hospitals, industrial, and manufacturing facilities.  
(c) Approve an ordinance amending Section 24.12.300 of Chapter 24.12 of Title 24 of the San José Municipal Code Related to the Reach Code Requirements for Mixed Fuel Buildings to make Clerical Edits.  
(d) Authorize the City Manager to submit an amended reach code submittal package to the California Energy Commission for its approval as required by law.

CEQA: Not a Project, File No. PP19-067, Actions by Regulatory Agencies for Protection of the Environment. (Environmental Services/Planning, Building and Code Enforcement)

**2.11 20-619 Amendment to the Agreement with Turbo Data Systems, Inc. for Parking Citation Processing/Collection System and Customer Service Center.**

**Recommendation:** Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute the Fifth Amendment to the Agreement with Turbo Data Systems, Inc. (Tustin, CA) for Parking Citation Processing/Collection System and Customer Service Center to extend services for up to two (2) additional one-year option terms through June 30, 2022 under the same terms and conditions for a maximum compensation of \$896,465 for July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021, subject to the annual appropriation of funds.  
CEQA: Not a Project, File No. PP17-003, Agreements/Contracts (New or Amended) resulting in no physical changes to the environment.  
(Finance)

**2.12 20-620 Willow Glen Community Benefit and Improvement District Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2020-2021.**

**Recommendation:** Adopt a resolution:

- (a) Approving the Willow Glen Community Benefit and Improvement District Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 as filed or modified by Council;
  - (b) Confirming the individual assessments as proposed, or modified by Council; and
  - (c) Directing the Director of Public Works to deliver the assessment role to the County for collection with the property taxes.
- CEQA: Categorically Exempt, File No. PP18-060, Existing Facilities. (Public Works)

**2.13 20-621 Maintenance District Annual Budget Reports for Fiscal Year 2020-2021.**

**Recommendation:** Adopt resolutions approving and confirming the Annual Budget Reports for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for City of San José Maintenance Districts 1, 2, 5, 8, 9, 11, 13, 15, 18, 19, 20, 21, and 22 and levying the assessments therein.

CEQA: File No. PP18-060, Existing Facilities. Council Districts 2, 3, 4, and 8. (Public Works)

**2.14 20-622 Downtown San José Property-Based Business Improvement District Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2020-2021.**

**Recommendation:** Adopt a resolution:

- (a) Approving the Downtown San José Property-Based Improvement District Annual Report prepared by the Downtown San José Property Owners' Association for Fiscal Year 2020-21, as filed or modified by Council;
  - (b) Confirming the individual assessments as proposed by the Downtown San José Property Owners Association, or as modified by Council; and
  - (c) Directing the Director of Public Works to deliver the assessment roll to the County for collection with the property taxes.
- CEQA: Not a Project, File No. PP17-009, Staff Reports, Assessments, Annual Reports, and Informational Memos that involve no approvals of any City action. (Transportation)



**2.15 20-623 2020 Local Streets Resurfacing #3 Project.**

**Recommendation:** (a) Approve award of a construction contract for the 2020 Local Streets Resurfacing #3 Project, to the low bidder, DeSilva Gates Construction LP, in the amount of \$7,434,000.  
(b) Approve an approximate 10% contingency in the amount of \$743,400.  
CEQA: Categorically Exempt, File No. PP18-029, CEQA Guidelines Section 15301(c), Existing Facilities. (Transportation)

**3. STRATEGIC SUPPORT****3.1 Report of the City Manager, David Sykes (Verbal Report)**

**20-624** (a) City Manager's COVID-19 Update (Verbal Report)  
(b) City Manager's Report on Other City Matters (Verbal Report)  
**TO BE HEARD BEFORE CONSENT**

**3.2 Labor Negotiations Update.**

Accept Labor Negotiations Update.  
TO BE HEARD AT 9:30 A.M.

**3.3 20-625 Preliminary Review of Controls to Document COVID-19 Recovery Costs.**

**Recommendation:** Accept the Preliminary Review of Controls to Document COVID-19 Recovery Costs.  
CEQA: Not a Project, File No. PP17-009, Staff Reports, Assessments, Annual Reports, and Informational Memos that involve no approvals of any City action. (City Auditor)  
**TO BE HEARD WITH ITEM 3.1 BEFORE CONSENT**

**4. PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES**

## **5. TRANSPORTATION & AVIATION SERVICES**

### **5.1 20-626 Actions Related to the Design and Construction of the Charcot Ave Extension from Paragon Drive to Oakland Road and I-880 Overcrossing Project.**

**Recommendation:** (a) Adopt a resolution certifying the Charcot Ave Extension Environmental Impact Report (EIR) (SCH # 2018042084) and making certain findings concerning significant impacts, mitigation measures, and alternatives, adopting a Statement of Overriding Considerations, and adopting the related Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program all in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), and (b) Approve the full Charcot Ave Extension as depicted in the Site Plan and described in the project's EIR to construct a two-lane extension of Charcot Ave from Paragon Drive on the west to Oakland Road on the east, a distance of approximately 0.6 mile. The Project includes construction of an overcrossing across O'Toole Ave and I-880 and improvements to Silk Wood Lane. The Project would also construct bicycle/pedestrian facilities on Charcot Avenue, including sidewalks and separated (Class IV) bikeways, between Paragon Drive and Oakland Road.

CEQA: Charcot Avenue Extension Environmental Impact Report. File No. PP18-044. Council District 4. (Transportation/Planning, Building and Code Enforcement)

## **6. ENVIRONMENTAL & UTILITY SERVICES**

### **6.1 20-627 San José Municipal Water System 2020-2021 Water Rates and Charges.**

**Recommendation:** (a) Hold a Public Hearing on proposed San José Municipal Water System 2020-2021 potable and recycled water rates and charges. (b) Adopt resolutions maintaining San José Municipal Water System potable and recycled water rates and charges at current 2019-2020 amounts, effective July 1, 2020.

CEQA: Statutorily Exempt, File No. PP17-005, CEQA Guidelines Section 15273, Rates, Tolls, Fares, and Charges, Adjustment to Fees, Rates and Fares without changes to or expansion of services. (Environmental Services)

**6.2 20-628 Recycle Plus Rates for Single Family and Multi-Family Residential Solid Waste Services.**

**Recommendation:** Adopt a resolution to amend the current Recycle Plus rate resolution effective July 1, 2020, as follows:

- (a) Increase residential solid waste service rates for single-family households by up to fifteen percent; and
- (b) Increase residential solid waste service rates for multi-family households by up to seven percent.

CEQA: Statutorily Exempt, File No. PP17-005 Adjustment to Fees, Rates & Fares without changes to or expansion of services.  
(Environmental Services)

**6.3 20-629 Sewer Service and Use Charges and Storm Sewer Service Charges for 2020-2021.**

**Recommendation:** (a) Adopt a resolution setting the following Sewer Service and Use Charge rates for 2020-2021:

- (1) Single-Family Residential: \$41.64 (Monthly Rate)
- (2) Multi-Family Residential: \$27.90 per unit (Monthly Rate)
- (3) Mobile Home: \$31.43 per unit (Monthly Rate)
- (4) Non-Monitored Commercial and Industrial: See Attachment A to staff memorandum

- (5) Monitored Industrial: See Attachment A to staff memorandum

(b) Adopt a resolution setting the following Storm Sewer Service Charge rates for 2020-2021:

- (1) Single-Family Residential and Duplex: \$7.87 (Monthly Rate)
- (2) Mobile Home: \$3.94 per unit (Monthly Rate)
- (3) Residential Condominium: \$4.30 per unit (Monthly Rate)
- (4) Large Multi-Family Residential (5 or more units): \$4.30 per unit (Monthly Rate)
- (5) Small Multi-Family Residential (3-4 units): \$14.95 (Monthly Rate)

- (6) Commercial, Institutional and Industrial: See Attachment B to staff memorandum

CEQA: Statutorily Exempt, File No. PP17-005 Adjustment to Fees, Rates & Fares without changes to or expansion of services.  
(Environmental Services)

## **7. NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES**

## **8. COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

### **8.1 20-630 Economic Recovery Temporary Cap on New or Increased Infrastructure Fees for Development.**

**Recommendation:** Adopt a resolution approving a temporary cap on (i) any future new fees on new development citywide for public infrastructure (excluding affordable housing); and (ii) future increases to the existing Diridon Basic Infrastructure Impact Fee. The temporary maximum rates in the recommendation would apply to building permits issued before January 1, 2023 as follows:

- (a) Retail/Industrial: \$8.16 per square foot
- (b) Office/R&D: \$12.20 per square foot
- (c) Hotel: \$5,962.00 per room
- (d) Residential: \$5,470.00 per unit

CEQA: Statutorily Exempt, File No. PP17-005, CEQA Guidelines Section 15273, Rates, Tolls, Fares, and Charges, Adjustment to Fees, Rates and Fares without changes to or expansion of services.  
(Economic Development)

## **9. REDEVELOPMENT – SUCCESSOR AGENCY**

- Open Forum

Members of the Public are invited to speak on any item that does not appear on today's Agenda and that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the City Council.

- Council will recess until 6:00 p.m.

## **10. LAND USE**

**Notice to the public:** There will be no separate discussion of Land Use Consent Calendar (Item 10.1) as they are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be adopted by one motion. If a member of the City Council, staff, or public requests discussion on a particular item, that item will be removed from the Land Use Consent Calendar (Item 10.1) and considered separately.

### **10.1 Land Use on Consent Calendar**

- (a) **20-631** HLA86-031-01 and MA19-004 - Historic Landmark Designation and Historical Property Contract for the “Smith House” Located at 3556 San Felipe Road.

**Recommendation:** Adopt a resolution:

(1) Amending the designation of the City Landmark (Smith House) with a reduced legal boundary for the “Smith House” on a 0.44-gross acre site located at 3556 San Felipe Road (APN: 659-04-056).

(2) Approving the Historical Property Contract (California Mills Act Contract) between the City of San José and property owner, Oakmont of Evergreen, LLC.

CEQA: Exempt pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15331 for Historical Resource Restoration/Rehabilitation. Historic Landmarks Commission recommends approval. Council District 8. (Planning, Building and Code Enforcement)

**END OF CONSENT CALENDAR**

### **10 Land Use - Regular Agenda**

**10.2 20-632 PDC18-025 - Planned Development Rezoning for Real Property Located at 1197 Lick Avenue.**

**Recommendation:** (a) Adopt a resolution adopting the Tamien Station Transit-Oriented Development Mitigated Negative Declaration, for which an Initial Study was prepared, and adopting an associated Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan, all in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), as amended.  
(b) Approve an ordinance rezoning an approximately 6.96- gross acre site on certain real property located on the westerly side of Lick Avenue approximately 470 feet northerly of West Alma Avenue (1197 Lick Avenue) from the A(PD) Planned Development Zoning District to the R-M(PD) Planned Development Zoning District.  
CEQA: Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Tamien Station Transit-Oriented Development. Planning Commission recommends approval (5-0-1; Bonilla absent). File No. PDC18-025. Council District 3. (Planning, Building and Code Enforcement)

**10.3 20-633 H19-016 - Site Development Permit for Certain Real Property Located at the Northeast Corner of South Almaden Boulevard and Park Avenue (150 S. Almaden Boulevard).**

**Recommendation:** (a) Adopt a resolution certifying the City View Plaza Project Tower Supplemental Environmental Impact Report (SCH#2018022032) and making certain findings concerning significant impacts, mitigation measures, and alternatives, adopting a Statement of Overriding Considerations, and adopting the related Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program, all in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA); and  
(b) Adopt a resolution approving, subject to conditions, a Site Development Permit to allow the demolition of nine existing on-site buildings (including candidate City Landmarks), the removal of 14 ordinance size trees, and the construction of an approximately 3.79 million square foot development comprised of 24,000 square feet of ground floor retail and 3,640,033 square feet of office space and including a request for 24-hour construction and Downtown Design Guidelines exceptions on an approximately 8.1-gross acre site on certain real property located at the northeast corner of South Almaden Boulevard and Park Avenue.  
CEQA: City View Plaza Project Tower Supplemental Environmental Impact Report to the Downtown Strategy 2040 Environmental Impact Report (Resolution No. 78942). Planning Commission recommends \_\_\_\_\_ (X-X-X). File No. H19-016. Council District 3. (Planning, Building and Code Enforcement)

[Deferred from 6/2/2020 - Item 10.2 (20-608)]

- Open Forum

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- Adjournment

## **CITY OF SAN JOSE CODE OF CONDUCT FOR PUBLIC MEETINGS IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS AND COMMITTEE ROOMS**

The Code of Conduct is intended to promote open meetings that welcome debate of public policy issues being discussed by the City Council, their Committees, and City Boards and Commissions in an atmosphere of fairness, courtesy, and respect for differing points of view.

### **1. Public Meeting Decorum:**

- a) Persons in the audience will refrain from behavior which will disrupt the public meeting.  
This will include making loud noises, clapping, shouting, booing, hissing or engaging in any other activity in a manner that disturbs, disrupts or impedes the orderly conduct of the meeting.
- b) Persons in the audience will refrain from creating, provoking or participating in any type of disturbance involving unwelcome physical contact.
- c) Persons in the audience will refrain from using cellular phones and/or pagers while the meeting is in session.
- d) Appropriate attire, including shoes and shirts are required in the Council Chambers and Committee Rooms at all times.
- e) Persons in the audience will not place their feet on the seats in front of them.
- f) No food, drink (other than bottled water with a cap), or chewing gum will be allowed in the Council Chambers and Committee Rooms, except as otherwise pre-approved by City staff.
- g) All persons entering the Council Chambers and Committee Rooms, including their bags, purses, briefcases and similar belongings, may be subject to search for weapons and other dangerous materials.

### **2. Signs, Objects or Symbolic Material:**

- a) Objects and symbolic materials, such as signs or banners, will be allowed in the Council Chambers and Committee Rooms, with the following restrictions: § No objects will be larger than 2 feet by 3 feet.
  - No sticks, posts, poles or other such items will be attached to the signs or other symbolic materials.
  - The items cannot create a building maintenance problem or a fire or safety hazard.
- b) Persons with objects and symbolic materials such as signs must remain seated when displaying them and must not raise the items above shoulder level, obstruct the view or passage of other attendees, or otherwise disturb the business of the meeting.
- c) Objects that are deemed a threat to persons at the meeting or the facility infrastructure are not allowed. City staff is authorized to remove items and/or individuals from the Council Chambers and Committee Rooms if a threat exists or is perceived to exist. Prohibited items include, but are not limited to: firearms (including replicas and antiques), toy guns, explosive material, and ammunition; knives and other edged weapons; illegal drugs and drug paraphernalia; laser pointers, scissors, razors, scalpels, box cutting knives, and other cutting tools; letter openers, corkscrews, can openers with points, knitting needles, and hooks; hairspray, pepper spray, and aerosol containers; tools; glass containers; and large backpacks and suitcases that contain items unrelated to the meeting.



**CITY OF SAN JOSE CODE OF CONDUCT FOR PUBLIC MEETINGS IN  
THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS AND COMMITTEE ROOMS (CONT'D.)**

3. Addressing the Council, Committee, Board or Commission:

- a) Persons wishing to speak on an agenda item or during open forum are requested to complete a speaker card and submit the card to the City Clerk or other administrative staff at the meeting.
- b) Meeting attendees are usually given two (2) minutes to speak on any discussion item and/or during open forum; the time limit is in the discretion of the Chair of the meeting and may be limited when appropriate. Applicants and appellants in land use matters are usually given more time to speak. Speakers using a translator will be given twice the time allotted to ensure non-English speakers receive the same opportunity to directly address the Council, Committee, Board or Commission.
- c) Speakers should discuss topics related to City business on the agenda.
- d) Speakers' comments should be addressed to the full body. Requests to engage the Mayor, Council Members, Board Members, Commissioners or Staff in conversation will not be honored. Abusive language is inappropriate.
- e) Speakers will not bring to the podium any items other than a prepared written statement, writing materials, or objects that have been inspected by security staff.
- f) If an individual wishes to submit written information, he or she may give it to the City Clerk or other administrative staff at the meeting.
- g) Speakers and any other members of the public will not approach the dais at any time without prior consent from the Chair of the meeting.

Failure to comply with this Code of Conduct which will disturb, disrupt or impede the orderly conduct of the meeting may result in removal from the meeting and/or possible arrest.