



# City Council Meeting Agenda

**Tuesday, December 8, 2020**

**1:30 PM**

**Virtual Meeting <https://sanjoseca.zoom.us/j/91325378626>**

SAM LICCARDO, MAYOR  
CHAPPIE JONES, VICE MAYOR, DISTRICT 1  
SERGIO JIMENEZ, DISTRICT 2  
RAUL PERALEZ, DISTRICT 3  
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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 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.
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  - 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.
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  - d. When called, please limit your remarks to the time limit allotted.

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- **Call to Order and Roll Call**

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

1:30 p.m. - Regular Session

- **Pledge of Allegiance**
- **Invocation (Mayor)**
- **Orders of the Day**

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

- **Closed Session Report**

## **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 20-1490 Declaration and Recording a Statement of the Results of the November 3, 2020 Run-off Municipal Election and Special Municipal Election.**

**Recommendation:** Adopt a resolution declaring and recording a statement of the results of the November 3, 2020 Run-off Municipal Election and Special Municipal Election per Elections Code Sections 10263, 10264, and 15400.

CEQA: Not a Project, File No. PP17-010, City Organizational and Administrative Activities resulting in no changes to the physical environment. (City Clerk)

**2.8 20-1491 Appoint Members to Charter Review Commission.**

**Recommendation:** (a) Approve the following Charter Review Commission appointments:

- (1) District 1 Seat: Appoint
- (2) District 1 Seat: Appoint
- (3) District 2 Seat: Appoint
- (4) District 2 Seat: Appoint
- (5) District 3 Seat: Appoint
- (6) District 3 Seat: Appoint
- (7) District 4 Seat: Appoint
- (8) District 4 Seat: Appoint
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- (13) District 7 Seat: Appoint
- (14) District 7 Seat: Appoint
- (15) District 8 Seat: Appoint
- (16) District 8 Seat: Appoint
- (17) District 9 Seat: Appoint
- (18) District 9 Seat: Appoint
- (19) District 10 Seat: Appoint
- (20) District 10 Seat: Appoint
- (21) Citywide Seat: Appoint
- (22) Citywide Seat: Appoint

(b) Approve the appointment of the following person to the position of Chair of the Charter Review Commission:

- (1) Chair: Appoint

CEQA: Not a Project, File No. PP17-010, City Administrative Activities, resulting in no changes to the physical environment. (City Clerk)

**2.9 20-1570 Actions Related to City Healthcare Program.****Recommendation:** Adopt a resolution to:

(a) Approve the terms of a Side Letter Agreement related to a \$750 lump sum healthcare program between the City of San José and the bargaining units listed below and authorize the City Manager to execute the Side Letter Agreement:

(1) Association of Building, Mechanical and Electrical Inspectors (ABMEI)

(2) Association of Engineers and Architects, IFPTE Local 21 (AEA)

(3) Association of Legal Professionals (ALP)

(4) Association of Maintenance Supervisory Personnel, IFPTE Local 21 (AMSP)

(5) City Association of Management Personnel, IFPTE Local 21 (CAMP)

(6) San Jose Fire Fighters, IAFF Local 230 (IAFF)

(7) International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local No. 332 (IBEW)

(8) Municipal Employees' Federation, AFSCME Local No. 101 (MEF)

(9) International Union of Operating Engineers, Local No. 3 (OE#3)

(10) San Jose Police Officers' Association (POA)

(11) Park Ranger Peace Officer Association (POPRA)

(b) Approve the \$750 lump sum for executive management and professional employees in Unit 99 and other unrepresented employees consistent with the terms of the Side Letter Agreement with the City's bargaining units.

CEQA: Not a Project, File No. PP17-010, City Organizational and Administrative Activities resulting in no changes to the physical environment. (City Manager)

**2.10 20-1571 Actions Related to the Purchase Order for the Advertising and Publication of Legal Notice Services.****Recommendation:** Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to:

(a) Execute a purchase order with Daily Journal Corporation (Los Angeles, CA) for advertising and the publication of legal notice services starting on or about December 16, 2020 and ending on or about December 15, 2021, for an amount not to exceed \$175,000; and

(b) Exercise up to four additional one-year options to extend the term of the purchase order after the initial term with the last option year ending on or about December 15, 2025, subject to the appropriation of funds.

CEQA: Not a Project, File No. PP17-003, Agreements/Contracts (New or Amended) resulting in no physical changes to the environment Public Project number PP17-003. (Finance)

**2.11 20-1597 City Hall Tower and Rotunda Lighting Events Scheduled from December 7, 2020 through January 23, 2021.**

**Recommendation:** Retroactively approve City Hall Tower and Rotunda Lighting events scheduled from December 7, 2020 through January 23, 2021 as a Ceremonial Item.

CEQA: Not a Project, File No. PP17-011, Temporary Special Events resulting in no changes to the physical environment. (Economic Development/City Manager)

**2.12 20-1572 Willow Glen Community Benefit Improvement District Financial Report FY 2019-2020.**

**Recommendation:** Accept the Willow Glen Community Benefit and Improvement District Financial Report for FY 2019-2020, which provides information to the public and the property owners in the District regarding the use of the assessments and the management and operations of the District.

CEQA: Exempt, File No. PP18-060. (Public Works)

**2.13 20-1573 Transportation Fund for Clean Air Grant Funding Agreement 2020-2021.**

**Recommendation:** (a) Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager or designee to negotiate and execute a Transportation Fund for Clean Air (TFCA) grant agreement with the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) in an amount not to exceed \$1,022,000 for reimbursement of work that occurs on or after July 1, 2020.

(b) Adopt the following 2020-2021 Funding Source Resolution and Appropriation Ordinance amendments in the Building and Structure Construction Tax Fund:

(1) Increase the estimate for Revenue from Local Agencies by \$352,000;

(2) Establish the TFCA 2020-2021 Monterey Road Signal Retiming appropriation to the Department of Transportation (DOT) in the amount of \$192,000;

(3) Establish the TFCA 2020-2021 Transit Signal Priority (TSP) appropriation to DOT in the amount of \$80,000; and

(4) Establish the TFCA 2020-2021 Hillsdale Avenue Safety and Bikeway Improvements appropriation to DOT in the amount of \$80,000.

CEQA: Categorically Exempt, File No. PP18-029, CEQA Guideline Section 15301(c) Existing Facilities. Council Districts 2, 3, 4, 7 and 9. (Transportation/City Manager)



**2.14 20-1574 Downtown San José Property-Based Improvement District (PBID) Annual Financial Report.**

**Recommendation:** Approve the downtown San José Property-Based Improvement District Annual Financial Report for FY 2019-2020.

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 20-1596 Approval of the World AIDS Day Tower and Rotunda Lighting Sponsored by Council District 3 and 9 as a City Council Sponsored Special Event to Expend City Funds and Accept Donations of Materials and Services for the Event.**

**Recommendation:** As recommended by the Rules and Open Government Committee on November 18, 2020:

(a) Approve the World AIDS Day Tower and Rotunda Lighting event scheduled on November 30 - December 6, 2020 as a City Council sponsored Special Event and approve the expenditure of funds.

(b) Approve and accept donations from various individuals, businesses, or community groups to support the event.

CEQA: Not a Project, File No. PP17-011, Temporary Special Events resulting in no changes to the physical environment. (Perez & Foley)  
[Rules Committee referral 11/18/2020- Item G.1.b]

### **3. STRATEGIC SUPPORT**

**3.1 Report of the City Manager, David Sykes (Verbal Report)**

- 20-1575** (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 CALENDAR**

**3.2 Labor Negotiations Update.**

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

**3.3 20-1588 Annual Performance Review of Team San Jose and Convention and Visitors Bureau, 2019-2020.**

**Recommendation:** Pending November 23, 2020 Community and Economic Development Committee referral: Accept the report on Team San Jose and Convention and Visitors Bureau's performance.

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)

[Pending Community and Economic Development Committee referral 11/23/20 - Item (d)2]

**3.4 20-1576 Public Member Appointments to the Board of Administration for Federated City Employees' Retirement System and the Board of Administration for the Police & Fire Employees Retirement System.**

**Recommendation:** Placeholder (City Clerk)

**3.5 20-1577 Fiscal Recovery Update and Appropriation Actions to Continue the City's COVID-19 Pandemic Response.**

**Recommendation:** (a) Receive a report on the status of the City's fiscal recovery efforts related to the COVID-19 pandemic.  
(b) Adopt 2020-2021 Appropriation Ordinance and Funding Sources Resolution amendments in the Coronavirus Relief Fund, the Emergency Reserve Fund, and the General Fund as described in Attachment A to the staff memorandum.

CEQA: Not a Project, File No. PP17-008, General Procedure and Policy Making resulting in no changes to the physical environment. (Finance/City Manager)

**3.6 20-1578 Government Accountability Measures.**

**Recommendation:** As recommended by the Rules and Open Government Committee on August 19, 2020:

(a) To assist City Hall save money and eliminate wasteful spending as we brace for difficult financial challenges ahead, as well as to create a more accountable and transparent City Hall to better serve our residents, discuss and consider committing the City to the following, with direction to the Administration to work with the City Attorney's Office to return to Council with the appropriate action, as applicable:

(1) In any year where the City Manager and the Budget Director report a budget surplus in their October budget update, at least 50% of that surplus will be set aside to our Budget Stabilization Fund, until an amount equal to 15% of the General Fund balance has been achieved or be used to pay municipal debt.

(2) A standing commission shall be created consisting of appointed residents of San José to provide oversight of any ballot measures or policy proposals proposed or endorsed by the City that result in tax increases or additional revenue. The commission shall produce a public report annually to certify whether the Council has allocated dollars as promised when the measure or ordinance was proposed.

(3) Prior to the start of the annual budget season and priority setting session, the intergovernmental team shall report to Council about the latest trends and chatter coming from Sacramento and Washington about potential policy changes and funding opportunities relevant to municipalities so that we may strategically align our priorities and resources to maximize benefits for San José residents.

(4) Direct the City Auditor to commence regular performance audits of three key departments that are constituent-facing - such as Police, Fire, Planning, Housing, Transportation, Public Works, Environmental Services, and Parks - every year henceforth, to identify cost savings and process efficiencies, with results put on the Council agenda for public hearing and review:

(i) Audits should reoccur every four years;

(ii) Amend the City Auditor's 2020-2021 workplan to include an audit of our Police Department, focusing specifically on identifying cost savings and process efficiencies.

(b) Accept the response from the Administration on the Government Accountability Measures discussed in the memorandum from Councilmember Diep referred to the City Council from the Rules and Open Government Committee on August 19, 2020.

(c) As an alternative to recommendations (a)(1) and (a)(2) above, adopt a resolution amending City Council Policy 1-18, Operating Budget and Capital Improvement Program Policy, to modify Section 4 (Fund Balance) and Section 15 (Public Involvement).

CEQA: Not a Project, File No. PP17-004, Government Funding Mechanism or Fiscal Activity with no commitment to a specific project which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment. (Diep)

[Rules Committee referral 8/19/2020 - Item G.3]

[Deferred from 9/22/2020 - Item 3.5 (20-1089), 10/20/2020 - Item 3.7 (20-1239)]

**3.7 20-1580 Amendment to Declaration Suspending Enforcement of Certain Provisions in Land Use Permits and Approvals and the San José Municipal Code Issued June 4, 2020.**

**Recommendation:** Adopt a resolution of the City Council amending the Declaration issued June 4, 2020 by the Director of Emergency Services of the City of San José, as amended, to authorize the Chief of Police to immediately suspend outdoor business operations on private property when there is an imminent threat to the public health, safety or welfare.

CEQA: Categorically Exempt, File No. ER20-159, CEQA Guidelines Section 15304(e) Minor Alterations to Land. (City Manager)

**3.8 20-1585 Privacy Policy Update.**

**Recommendation:** As recommended by the Smart Cities and Service Improvements Committee on November 5, 2020, accept the update on the completion of the City's Privacy Policy and roadmap to implementation and approve the Digital Privacy Policy.

CEQA: Not a Project, File No. PP17-009, Staff Reports, Assessments, Annual Reports, and Informational Memos that involve no approvals of any City action. (Information Technology/City Manager)

[Smart Cities and Service Improvements referral 11/5/2020 - Item (d)2]

**3.9 20-1581 Status Report on the November 2018 Ballot Measure T - Disaster Preparedness, Public Safety and Infrastructure General Obligation Bond.**

**Recommendation:** Accept the status report on the workplan and implementation updates for projects included in the approved 2018 Measure T Bond measure.

CEQA: Not a Project, File No. PP17 009, Staff Reports, Assessments, Annual Reports, and Informational Memos that involve no approvals of any City action. (Public Works)

## **4. PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES**

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

- 5.1 20-1586 Increase Authority of the Director of Public Works for the Mineta San José International Airport Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting Facility (ARFF) / Fire Station 20 Project.**

**Recommendation:** Adopt a resolution:

(a) Authorizing the Director of Public Works to negotiate and execute a First Amendment to the Design-Build Contract with Overaa Construction Company to increase the Contract Price of \$15,560,000 by \$8,256,906 for a total amount not to exceed \$23,816,906 for the Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting Facility (ARFF) / Fire Station 20 Project, and design and construction costs for utilities, intersection and traffic signal upgrades for Facilities and PD Hangar;

(b) Authorizing an increase in the amount of the City-controlled contingency of \$1,923,000 by \$1,062,028 for a total contingency amount of \$2,985,028 for the Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting Facility (ARFF) / Fire Station 20 Project, and PD Hangar; and

(c) Authorizing the Director of Public Works to approve contract changes, project delivery, additions, and contingencies up to the full budget appropriation of \$30,088,669 for the Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting Facility (ARFF) / Fire Station 20 Project.

CEQA: Determination of Consistency with the Final Environmental Impact Report for the San José International Airport (Resolution Nos. 79497), File No. PP18-103. (Airport/Public Works)

- 5.2 20-1587 Potential Amendment to Parking Agreement with Almaden Corner Hotel, LLC.**

**Recommendation:** (a) Consideration of developer's request to "toll" or pause the executed parking agreement for up to two years or until pending CEQA litigation is settled (trial court and all appeals).

(b) If the tolling request is approved, adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager or designee to negotiate and execute an amendment to the parking agreement with Almaden Corner Hotel, LLC (Hotel).

CEQA: Determination of Consistency to the Supplemental Environmental Impact Report for the Almaden Corner Hotel Project, File No. H18-038. Council District 3. (Transportation)

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

## **7. NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES**

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

### **8.1 20-1589 General Plan Annual Performance Review Report.**

**Recommendation:** Accept the Envision San José 2040 General Plan Annual Performance review report.  
CEQA: Not a Project, File No. PP17-009. Staff Reports, Assessments, Annual Reports, and Informational Memos that involve no approvals of any City action. (Planning, Building and Code Enforcement)

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

## **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**

No Land Use items on Consent Calendar.

**END OF CONSENT CALENDAR**

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

- **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.**

- **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.