



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

**SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA**

**MONDAY, JANUARY 28, 2019**

The Community and Economic Development Committee of the City of San José convened in regular session at 1:33 p.m. in Committee Rooms 118-120, Council Wing, City Hall.

**PRESENT:** Councilmember Johnny Khamis, Chair; Councilmember Raul Peralez, Vice Chair; Councilmember Maya Esparza, and Councilmember Lan Diep, (1:38 p.m.)

**ABSENT:** Councilmember Pam Foley, Vice Chair, (Excused)

**STAFF:** Kim Welsh, City Manager's Office; Ed Moran, City Attorney's Office; Kelly Kline, Mayor's Office; and Louis Ósémwegie, City Clerk's Office.

**(b) REVIEW OF WORK PLAN**

None.

**(c) CONSENT CALENDAR**

None.

**REPORTS TO COMMITTEE**

**(1) Verbal Report on Economic Development Activities. (Economic Development).**

Documents Filed: Provide a brief summary of recent announcements, significant accomplishments, and upcoming events related to economic development.

Economic Development Director Kim Welsh presented highlights of the latest edition of the SJ Economy E newsletter including: data explaining drop in unemployment rates in San José to a historic low of 2.5% for 2018, well below the national average; update on San José's Business Development Plan including key business trends to watch in national economic expansion; the planned Foreign Trade Zone Business Forum hosted March 5, 2019 by the City's Office of Economic Development at City Hall from 8:30 to 11:00 a.m.; the downtown San Jose Ruckus Networks upgrades – in time for national sports events, which gives a more robust Wi-Fi network support to people hanging in outdoor public space; nominations for the first annual Climate Smart Championship awards to recognize San José organizations and

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**(1) Verbal Report on Economic Development Activities. (Economic Dev't). (Cont'd)**

individuals who help achieve our sustainability goals in such areas like energy efficiency, water conservation and transportation sharing; and finally, small business resources, outreach and workshop for entrepreneur startups and ambitious people with ideas to have real-life guidance on how to get their business initiatives off the ground in San Jose, among other features.

Action: No motion was required. The Committee accepted the Verbal Report.

**(2) City Council Policy Priority #5: Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program Update**

Documents Filed: (1) Memorandum from Public Works Director Matt Cano, dated January 14, 2019. (2) Staff presentation entitled, "Citywide Contracting Program Update", dated January 28, 2019. (3) Supplemental Memorandum from Public Works Director Matt Cano, dated January 25, 2019.

Public Works Director Matt Cano, Division Manager, Chris Hickey. Program Manager David French, and Sylva Group's Consultant Bob Silva, offered the Update and responded to questions.

Public comments: Blair Beekman offered comments on good communications. Dennis Burch commented on Small Businesses, Contracting, and building our City together.

Action: Upon motion by Councilmember Raul Peralez, seconded by Councilmember Maya Esparza, and carried unanimously, the Committee accepted the Update. (4-0-1. Absent: Foley)

**(3) City Council Policy Priority #2: Local Hire Construction Industry Study.**

Documents Filed: (1) Memorandum from Public Works Director Matt Cano, dated January 15, 2019. (2) Staff presentation entitled, "Local Hire Construction Industry Study", dated January 28, 2019. (3) Letters from the Public.

Public Works Director Matt Cano, Division Manager, Chris Hickey, and Craft Builders Construction's Gary Craft and Jim Stricter gave a presentation and responded to questions.

Public comments: Louise Anohahn commented on the placement rate for the top 80-85% candidates who completed the program.

Action: Upon motion by Councilmember Raul Peralez, seconded by Councilmember Lan Diep, and carried unanimously, the Committee accepted the Study. (4-0-1. Absent: Foley)

**(4) Business Development and Small Business Update.**

Documents Filed: (1) Memorandum from Economic Development Deputy Director Christopher Burton, dated January 14, 2019. (2) Staff presentation entitled, “Business Development Update”, dated January 28, 2019.

Economic Development Deputy Director Christopher Burton, and Office of Economic Development Analyst Nathan Weinstein offered the Update and responded to questions.

Public comments: Offering comments were Ken Pyle, Emily Schwing, and Blair Beekman.

Action: Upon motion by Councilmember Lan Diep, seconded by Councilmember Maya Esparza, and carried unanimously, the Committee accepted the Update. (4-0-1. Absent: Foley)

**(5) One Engine Inoperative Airport**

Documents Filed: (1) Memorandum from Economic Development Director Kim Walesh, Aviation Director, John Aitken and Planning, Building and Code Enforcement Director Rosalynn Hughey, dated January 14, 2019. (2) Staff presentation entitled, “Downtown Airspace and Development Capacity Study”, dated January 28, 2019. (3) Supplemental Memorandum from Aviation Director John Aitken, dated January 28, 2019. (4) Letters from the Public.

Economic Development Director Kim Walesh, Aviation Director John Aitken, Aviation Deputy Director Judy Ross, and Economic Development Office Downtown Manager Blage Zolalich offered a presentation and responded to questions.

Public comments: Offering comments were Jeffrey Buchanan, Jennifer, (representing the Sunnyvale Cupertino Air Flight Noise Group); Dan Connolly (Chair, San José Airport Commission); Raymond Greenlee, (Airport Commission and former Airline Pilot for Delta Air Lines); Julie Matsushima, (Airport Commission); Teresa Alvarado, (SPUR); Ken Pyle, (Airport Commission). Blair Beekman, Kathy Hendricks, (Airport Commission): and Scott Knies.

Action: Upon motion by Councilmember Raul Peralez, seconded by Councilmember Lan Diep, and carried unanimously, the Committee approved staff recommendation and cross-referenced to the full City Council for action. Staff is directed to get feedback from Airliners by February 13 2019 and come the full City Council of February 26, 2019 for action. (4-0. Absent: Foley)

**OPEN FORUM**

Blair Beekman offered comments on sub-contractors, human rights issues and good programs from working partnership.

## ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Johnny Khamis adjourned the meeting at 4:37 p.m.

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*for* Councilmember Johnny Khamis, Chair  
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