



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

SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA

MONDAY, MAY 24, 2021

Consistent with the California Governor's Executive Order No. N-29-20, Resolution No. 79450 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 was not physically open to the public. Public comments were accepted via eComment, email, by phone/Webinar or online.

The Community and Economic Development Committee of the City of San Jose was teleconferenced from remote locations and convened at 1:30 p.m.

Present: Councilmembers - Foley, Esparza, Mahan, Peralez, Carrasco.

Absent: Councilmembers - All Present.

Staff: Office of the City Manager, Rosalynn Hughey; City Attorney Office, Johnny Phan; City Clerk, Toni Taber; Mayor's Office, Kelly Kline; and City Clerk's Office, Yasmin Johnson.

B. Review of Work Plan

None provided.

C. Consent Calendar

None provided.

D. Reports to Committee

1. Economic Development Activities Verbal Update. (Economic Development)

Public Comments: (1) Caller 'User 1' addressed the economic recovery process and the tracking of COVID-19 vaccination shots. (2) Blair Beekman addressed available loans and funding for small businesses, HVAC Systems, and housing.

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Public Information Manager, Office of Economic Development, Elisabeth Handler offered the verbal update.

Assistant Director of Economic Development, Director of Real Estate, Nanci Klein answered staffs' questions.

Action: Upon motion by Councilmember Matt Mahan, seconded by Councilmember Raul Peralez and carried unanimously, the Committee accepted the brief verbal update on recent announcements, significant accomplishments, and upcoming events related to economic development. (5-0.)

2. Real Estate Services Audit. (City Auditor)

Public Comments: (1) Blair Beekman spoke on real estate purchases and 4G and 5G cell towers. (2) Caller 'User 1' addressed transparency and requested the Audit Report be made available to the public.

City Auditor, Joe Rois offered the presentation.

Assistant Director of Economic Development, Director of Real Estate, Nanci Klein and Senior Manager, Real Estate Services Division, Kevin Ice gave responses to the recommendations and answered staffs' questions.

Councilmember Pam Foley stated the Audit Report is available for the public to view on the San José City website.

Action: Upon motion by Councilmember Magdalena Carrasco, seconded by Councilmember Maya Esparza and carried unanimously, the Committee accepted the audit report and cross-referenced the audit report to be heard by the full City Council for approval at its meeting on June 15, 2021. (5-0.)

3. work2future Annual Report. (Economic Development)

Public Comments: (1) Caller 'User 1' stated that job training in trade and skilled work should be promoted. (2) Blair Beekman stated the list Nanci Klein provided from work2future was really good and should be considered.

Division Manager, work2future, Monique Melchor offered the presentation and answered staffs' questions.

Action: Upon motion by Councilmember Matt Mahan, seconded by Councilmember Raul Peralez and carried unanimously, the Committee accepted the staff's annual report on work2future activities and accomplishments in support of employers and job seekers. (5-0.)

4. Housing Crisis Workplan Status Report. (Economic Development)

Public Comments: (1) Caller ‘User 1’ spoke on code enforcement, transparency, and who qualifies and receives the housing discussed in the presentation. (2) Blair Beekman spoke on the departments great dedication, statistics regarding affordable housing rates, and mixed-income ideas.

Housing Catalyst, Office of Economic Development, Jerad Ferguson; Deputy Director, Housing Department, Rachel VanderVeen; Deputy Director, Department of Planning, Building, and Code Enforcement, Michael Brilliot offered the presentation and answered staffs’ questions.

Action: Upon motion by Councilmember Matt Mahan, seconded by Councilmember Raul Peralez and carried unanimously, the Committee accepted the report and cross-referenced this report to the full City Council for approval to be heard at the June 22, 2021 City Council meeting. (5-0.)

- **Open Forum**

1. Blair Beekman spoke on market rate prices, new housing developments, affordable housing ideas, new perspectives needed, and stated staff should speak with the vendors at the Berryessa Flea Market.
2. Caller ‘User 1’ spoke on gentrification, BART, and the Berryessa Flea Market vendors.

- **Adjournment**

Councilmember Pam Foley adjourned the Committee meeting at 4:09 p.m.

Councilmember Pam Foley, Chair
Community and Economic Development Committee

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