

**MINUTES OF THE  
TRANSPORTATION AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE**

**SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA**

**MONDAY, APRIL 3, 2023**

The Transportation and Environment Committee of the City of San José was held in a hybrid format, in the Council Chambers and from remote locations. The meeting convened at 1:33 p.m.

**Present:** Councilmembers - Cohen, Davis (Zoom), Foley, Ortiz, Candelas.

**Absent:** Councilmembers - All present.

Action: Upon motion by Councilmember Peter Ortiz, seconded by Councilmember Domingo Candelas and carried unanimously, the Committee accepted Councilmember Davis's just cause exemption pursuant to AB2449 to participate remotely at today's meeting. (4-0-1. Recused: Davis.)

*Pursuant to AB2449, Councilmember Davis provided notice she will participate in the meeting using video teleconference under the just cause exemption of illness. This is her first of two allowed just cause exemptions.*

**Staff:** City Manager's Office, Kip Harkness; City Attorney's Office, Colleen Winchester; Mayor's Office, Faye Garcia; and City Clerk's Office, Yasmin Johnson.

**B. Review of Work Plan**

None provided.

**C. Consent Calendar**

None presented.

**D. Reports to Committee**

**1. Bike Plan 2025 and Trail Network Annual Report.**

Trails Program Manager, Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services, Liz Sewell and Active Transportation Program Manager, Department of Transportation, Ryan Smith offered the presentation and responded to questions.  
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## **D.1 (Cont'd.)**

Public Comment: Blair Beekman provided public testimony regarding the item.

Action: Upon motion by Councilmember Pam Foley, seconded by Councilmember Domingo Candelas and carried unanimously, the Committee accepted the annual report on Bike Plan 2025 and the trail network. (4-0-1. Absent: Ortiz.)

### **2. Residential Garbage Cart Pilot Status Report.**

Director, Environmental Services Department, Kerrie Romanow; Deputy Director, Environmental Services Department, Valerie Osmond; and Senior Environmental Program Manager, Environmental Services Department, Jeff Anderson offered the presentation and responded to questions.

Action: Upon motion by Councilmember Pam Foley, seconded by Councilmember Peter Ortiz and carried unanimously, the Committee accepted the status report on the large garbage cart pilot and its impact on reducing contamination of recycling. (5-0.)

### **3. Residential Garbage and Recycling Rates Status Report.**

Director, Environmental Services Department, Kerrie Romanow; Deputy Director, Environmental Services Department, Valerie Osmond; Senior Environmental Program Manager, Environmental Services Department, Jeff Anderson offered the presentation and responded to questions.

Public Comment: Blair Beekman provided public testimony regarding the item.

Action: Upon motion by Councilmember Domingo Candelas, seconded by Councilmember Peter Ortiz and carried unanimously, the Committee accepted the status report on residential garbage and recycling rates. (4-0-1. Absent: Davis.)

### **4. Climate Smart San José Plan Semi-Annual Report (Environmental Services)**

Director, Environmental Services Department, Kerrie Romanow; Deputy Director, Environmental Services Department, Julie Benabente; Senior Environmental Program Manager, Community Energy Department, Kate Ziemba; and Division Manager, Department of Transportation, Ramses Madou offered the presentation and responded to questions.

Public Comment: Blair Beekman provided public testimony regarding the item.  
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#### **D.4 (Cont'd.)**

Action: Upon motion by Councilmember Pam Foley, seconded by Councilmember Dev Davis and carried unanimously, the Committee accepted the semi-annual report on the Climate Smart San José plan from September 2022 through February 2023 and cross-referenced the report to the May 2, 2023 City Council Meeting. (4-0-1. Absent: Davis.)

#### **• Open Forum**

1. Blair Beekman spoke to the SJPOA executive's arrest regarding the distribution of opioids, spoke to policy making, and police oversight.

#### **• Adjournment**

Councilmember David Cohen adjourned the Transportation and Environment Committee Meeting at 3:29 p.m.

Minutes Recorded, Prepared and Respectfully Submitted by,



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Yasmin Johnson,  
Deputy City Clerk, City of San José

Approved at Council on: **4/25/23**

Attest By:



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Toni J. Taber, CMC  
City Clerk, City of San José