



**MINUTES OF THE  
NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE**

**SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA**

**THURSDAY, MARCH 8, 2018**

The Neighborhood Services and Education Committee of the City of San José convened in regular session at 1:30 p.m. in the Committee Rooms 118-120, Council Wing, City Hall.

**PRESENT:** Councilmember Donald Rocha, Chair; Councilmember Sylvia Arenas, Vice Chair, Councilmember Tam Nguyen, Councilmember Raul Perez and Councilmember Sergio Jimenez (1:33 p.m.).

**ABSENT:** All Present.

**STAFF:** Leland Wilcox, City Manager's Office; Karin Murabito, City Attorney's Office, Paul Pereira, Mayor's Office, and Louis Osemwegie, City Clerk's Office.

**REVIEW OF WORK PLAN**

Upon motion by Councilmember Tam Nguyen, seconded by Councilmember Sylvia Arenas and carried unanimously, the Work Plan was approved and the below listed actions were taken as indicated. (3-0-2. Absent: Jimenez, Perez.)

**(1) Report on Out of School Time Programming. (Library).**

Action: Dropped per [Rules and Open Government Committee Referral from 02-21-18, Item H2].

**(2) Report on Education and Access Initiatives. (Library).**

Action: Dropped per [Rules and Open Government Committee Referral from 02-21-18, Item H2].

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

There were none presented.

## REPORTS TO COMMITTEE

### (1) Report on Technology and Innovation Initiatives. (Library).

Documents Filed: (1) Memorandum from Library Department Director, Jill Bourne, dated February 20, 2018. (2) Staff presentation entitled, "SJPL Innovation and Technology Update", (Report to the Neighborhood Services and Education Committee), dated March 8 2018.

Councilmember Sergio Jimenez joined the meeting at approximately 1:33 p.m.

San José Public Library Acting Division Manager Chaunacey Dunklee, and Youth Services Librarian at Teenage Q Leizel Jackson-Case offered a presentation, (which included virtual reality or VR), and responded to questions.

Councilmember Sergio Jimenez performed a demonstration test case with the new technology using the VR headset.

Councilmember Sylvia Arenas recommended the coopting of young teen volunteers in the coding 5k challenge around the bridge libraries.

Acting Division Manager Chaunacey Dunklee provided update that the coding 5k challenge was available at five locations: Hillview, Tully, Village Square, East Carnegie branch and Teenage Q.

Public Comments: Blair Beekman offered comments on the tested new technology in relation to the RFID program.

Action: Upon motion by Councilmember Sergio Jimenez, seconded by Councilmember Tam Nguyen, and carried unanimously, the Committee accepted the report. (5-0.)

### (2) PRNS 2017 Community Impact Report and Summer Highlights. (Parks, Recreation, and Neighborhood Services).

Documents Filed: (1) Memorandum from Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services Director Angel Rios Jr., dated February 19, 2018. (2) Staff presentation entitled, "2017 Community Impact Report & Summer Highlights", (Neighborhood Services and Education Committee), dated March 8 2018.

Parks, Recreation, and Neighborhood Services Director Angel Rios Jr.; PRNS Division Manager Avi Yotam, PRNS Public Information Manager Carolina Camarena; and PRNS Community Services Deputy Director Neil Rufino presented the Report and Summer Highlights and responded to questions.

Councilmember Donald Rocha, (Chair) left the meeting at approximately 2:05 p.m.

Public Comments: Blair Beekman offered comments on issues around technology and how to communicate better with the community.

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**(2) PRNS 2017 Community Impact Report and Summer Highlights. (Cont'd).**

Action: Upon motion by Councilmember Tam Nguyen, seconded by Councilmember Raul Peralez, and carried unanimously, the Committee accepted the report. (4-0-1. Absent: Rocha.)

**(3) Bi-Monthly Update on Parks Maintenance Staff Hiring. (Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services).**

Documents Filed: Memorandum from Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services Director Angel Rios Jr., dated February 20, 2018.

Parks, Recreation, and Neighborhood Services Director Angel Rios Jr.; and PRNS Division Manager Avi Yotam, presented the Update and responded to questions.

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

**(4) Report on Sustainable Parks Maintenance. (Parks, Recreation, and Neighborhood Services).**

Documents Filed: (1) Memorandum from Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services Director Angel Rios Jr, dated February 20, 2018. (2) Staff presentation entitled, "Sustainable Park Maintenance." (Neighborhood Services and Education Committee Meeting), dated March 8 2018.

Senior Maintenance Worker Adriel Castro, Business Intelligence Program Manager Cheryl Smallman, and Parks Division Manager Mike Will presented the report and responded to Committee questions.

Council Member Raul Peralez left the meeting at approximately 3:25 p.m.

Action: Upon motion by Councilmember Tam Nguyen, seconded by Councilmember Sergio Jimenez and carried unanimously, the Committee accepted the Report. (3-0-2. Absent: Peralez, Rocha.)

**OPEN FORUM**

Blair Beekman offered comments on issues about homelessness, drugs, and petty theft in the downtown area.

## ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Sylvia Arenas, Chair Pro Tem adjourned the meeting at 3:33 p.m.



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Councilmember Sylvia Arenas, Chair Pro Tem  
Neighborhood Services and Education Committee

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