

**MINUTES OF THE  
JOINT MEETING OF THE RULES AND OPEN GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE AND  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

**SAN JOSÉ, CALIFORNIA**

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11, 2026**

The Committee meeting was held in the Council Chambers and convened at 2:00 p.m.

Present: Councilmembers - Kamei, Foley, Doan, Candelas.

Absent: Councilmembers - Cohen.

Staff: Angel Rios, Deputy City Manager, City Manager's Office; Kevin Fisher, Assistant City Attorney, City Attorney's Office; Joy Rodriguez, Assistant City Clerk, City Clerk's Office; Rachelle Blattman, Senior Executive Analyst, City Manager's Office; and Daniel Aguilar, Deputy City Clerk, City Clerk's Office.

**A. City Council (City Clerk)**

**1. Review March 17, 2026 Final Agenda**

- a) Add New Items to Final Agenda
- b) Assign "Time Certain" to Agenda Items (if needed)
- c) Review of Notice of Waiver Requirements for Agenda Items or Documents (if needed)

Public Comment: None provided.

Action: Upon motion by Vice Mayor Pam Foley, seconded by Councilmember Bien Doan, and carried unanimously, the Committee approved the final agenda for the City Council meeting on March 17, 2026, including the add sheet; and directed that Item 3.3 (Approval of the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Mayor's March Budget Message) be *heard last*. (4-0-1; Absent: Cohen)

**2. Review March 24, 2026 Draft Agenda**

- a) Add New Items to Draft Agenda
- b) Assign "Time Certain" to Agenda Items (if needed)
- c) Review of Notice of Waiver Requirements for Agenda Items or Documents (if needed)

Public Comment: None provided.

Action: Upon motion by Councilmember Bien Doan, seconded by Councilmember Domingo Candelas, and carried unanimously, the Committee approved the draft agenda for the City Council meeting on March 24, 2026. (4-0-1; Absent: Cohen)

## **B. Consent Calendar**

Public Comment: None provided.

Action: Upon motion by Councilmember Bien Doan, seconded by Councilmember Domingo Candelas, and carried unanimously, the Consent Calendar was approved *as a whole*, with the following actions taken as indicated. (4-0-1; Absent: Cohen)

### **1. Monthly Report of Activities for February 2026. (City Auditor)**

Approve the Auditor's Office Monthly Report of Activities for the month of February 2026.

Action: The Auditor's Office Monthly Report of Activities for the month of February 2026, was approved. (4-0-1; Absent: Cohen)

### **2. Approval of Asian American and Pacific Islander Month Festival 2026 Sponsored by Council Districts 1 and 3 as a City Council Sponsored Special Event to Expend City Funds and Accept Donations of Materials and Services for the Event. (Kamei and Tordillos)**

1. Approve the Asian American and Pacific Islander Month Festival scheduled on May 13, 2026 as a City Council sponsored Special Event and approve the expenditure of funds.
2. Approve and accept donations from various individuals, businesses or community groups to support the event.
3. Place the item on the March 17, 2026 City Council Agenda for action.

Action: The Asian American and Pacific Islander Month Festival 2026, sponsored by Council Districts 1 and 3, was approved for placement on the March 17, 2026 City Council Agenda for action. (4-0-1; Absent: Cohen)

### **3. Approval of the WEPA Salsa Festival Sponsored by Council District 1 as a City Council Sponsored Special Event to Expend City Funds and Accept Donations of Materials and Services for the Event. (Kamei)**

1. Approve the WEPA Salsa Festival scheduled on June 12, 2026 as a City Council sponsored Special Event and approve the expenditure of funds.
2. Approve and accept donations from various individuals, businesses or community groups to support the event.
3. Place the item on the March 17, 2026 City Council Agenda for action.

Action: The WEPA Salsa Festival, sponsored by Council District 1, was approved for placement on the March 17, 2026 City Council Agenda for action. (4-0-1; Absent: Cohen)

### **4. Approval of the Greek Flag Raising Sponsored by Council District 9 as a City Council Sponsored Special Event to Expend City Funds and Accept Donations of Materials and Services for the Event. (Foley)**

1. Approve the Greek Flag Raising scheduled on March 25, 2026 as a City Council sponsored Special Event and approve the expenditure of funds.
2. Approve and accept donations from various individuals, businesses or community groups to support the event.

3. Place the item on the March 17, 2026 City Council Agenda for action.

Action: The Greek Flag Raising, sponsored by Council District 9, was approved for placement on the March 17, 2026 City Council Agenda for action. (4-0-1; Absent: Cohen)

**5. Approval of Dumpster Days Sponsored by Council District 9 as City Council Sponsored Special Events to Expend City Funds and Accept Donations of Materials and Services for the Events. (Foley)**

1. Approve the Dumpster Days scheduled on March 28, June 13, August 8, and September 26, 2026 as City Council sponsored Special Events and approve the expenditure of funds.
2. Approve and accept donations from various individuals, businesses or community groups to support the events.
3. Place the item on the March 17, 2026 City Council Agenda for action.

Action: Various Dumpster Days sponsored by Council District 9 were approved for placement on the March 17, 2026 City Council Agenda for action. (4-0-1; Absent: Cohen)

**6. Approval of Autism Awareness Month Flag Raising Sponsored by Council District 6 as a City Council Sponsored Special Event to Expend City Funds and Accept Donations of Materials and Services for the Event. (Mulcahy)**

1. Approve the Autism Awareness Month Flag Raising scheduled on April 17, 2026 as a City Council sponsored Special Event and approve the expenditure of funds.
2. Approve and accept donations from various individuals, businesses or community groups to support the event.
3. Place the item on the March 17, 2026 City Council Agenda for action.

Action: The Autism Awareness Month Flag Raising, sponsored by Council District 6, was approved for placement on the March 17, 2026 City Council Agenda for action. (4-0-1; Absent: Cohen)

**C. Rules Committee Reviews, Recommendations and Approvals**

**1. Emergency Interim Housing Siting Policy. (Foley, Campos, Tordillos, Cohen, and Casey)**

Direct the City Manager to prepare and return to the City Council with an Emergency Interim Housing Siting Policy.

Angel Rios, Deputy City Manager, City Manager's Office, requested that the City Manager's Office be allocated two weeks to complete a Workload Analysis regarding the Emergency Interim Housing Siting Policy.

Councilmember Pamela Campos introduced the item, bringing forward the recommendation as outlined in the March 2, 2026 joint memorandum co-authored by Vice Mayor Foley, Councilmember Campos, Councilmember Tordillos, Councilmember Cohen, and Councilmember Casey.

Public Comment: Alan Mowad and Lori offered public comment.

Action: Upon motion by Vice Mayor Pam Foley, seconded by Councilmember Bien Doan, and carried unanimously, the City Manager's Office was directed to return to the Rules and Open Government

Committee in two weeks with a Workload Analysis regarding the Emergency Interim Housing Siting Policy. (4-0-1; Absent: Cohen)

## **2. The Cost of Residential Development in San José. (Mayor, Kamei, Campos, Tordillos, and Cohen)**

Direct the City Manager to amend the scope of work for the next Cost of Residential Development Study to include:

- a. A feasibility analysis based on an expanded list of housing typologies including single-stairwell multifamily buildings and other small multifamily buildings.
- b. An analysis of the impact of off-site improvements on the cost and supply of housing, based on past improvements conditioned on various housing development projects.
- c. An analysis of the financial impact of various reach codes and local amendments adopted or under consideration for adoption by the City Council.
- d. An analysis that identifies the parking ratio as one factor in the cost of development and compares like for like, especially in larger multifamily products.
- e. A sensitivity analysis testing the impact of development review timelines, with specific quantification of holding costs over the course of the project.

[Referred from 3/4/26 - Item C.1 (ROGC 26-085)]

Angel Rios, Deputy City Manager, City Manager's Office, stated that the staff recommendation on the Workload Analysis was green lit for approval.

Public Comment: None provided.

Action: Upon motion by Vice Mayor Foley, seconded by Councilmember Domingo Candelas, and carried unanimously, the item regarding the cost of residential development in San José was approved for placement on a City Council agenda for action. (4-0-1; Absent: Cohen)

## **D. Open Forum**

No public comment provided.

## **E. Adjournment**

Vice Chair Rosemary Kamei adjourned the Committee meeting at 2:14 p.m.

Minutes Recorded, Prepared, and Respectfully Submitted by,

*Daniel Aguilar*

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Daniel Aguilar  
Deputy City Clerk, City of San José

Approved at Council on:

Number of actions: 5

Attest by:



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