



City Council Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, May 19, 2026

1:30 PM

Council Chambers

Closed Session at 9:30 a.m.

MATT MAHAN, MAYOR
ROSEMARY KAMEI, DISTRICT 1
PAMELA CAMPOS, DISTRICT 2
ANTHONY TORDILLOS, DISTRICT 3
DAVID COHEN, DISTRICT 4
PETER ORTIZ, DISTRICT 5
MICHAEL MULCAHY, DISTRICT 6
BIEN DOAN, DISTRICT 7
DOMINGO CANDELAS, DISTRICT 8
PAM FOLEY, VICE MAYOR, DISTRICT 9
GEORGE CASEY, DISTRICT 10

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- **Call to Order and Roll Call**

9:30 a.m.- Closed Session, Call to Order in Council Chambers
Open Session, Labor Negotiations Update (See Item 3.2)
Adjourn to Closed Session in Council Chambers Conference Room, W133
See Separate Agenda

[26-594](#) Closed Session Agenda

1:30 p.m.- Regular Session, Council Chambers, City Hall

6:00 p.m.- Evening Session, Council Chambers, City Hall - RECOMMEND CANCELLATION

- Pledge of Allegiance
- Invocation (District 5)
- Orders of the Day

Items recommended to be added, dropped, or deferred are usually approved under Orders of the Day unless the Council directs otherwise.

- Adjournment Recognition

This meeting is adjourned in memory of Tony Allan Santos, who passed away on March 30, 2026. Mr. Santos was a steadfast advocate for the Alviso community, contributing to local efforts including Santa Visits Alviso, the District 4 Master Plan Committee, and founding the Santos Family Car Show. Through his volunteerism, civic engagement, and commitment to strengthening neighborhood connections, he leaves a lasting legacy of service to the City of San José.

- Closed Session Report

To be heard after Ceremonial Items

1. CEREMONIAL ITEMS

1.1 Presentation of a proclamation recognizing May 17, 2026, as National Neurofibromatosis (NF) Awareness Day in the City of San José, to raise visibility for neurofibromatosis, a rare genetic disorder that can cause tumors, blindness, deafness, disfigurement, and severe pain. (Casey)

2. CONSENT CALENDAR

Notice to the public: There will be no separate discussion of Consent Calendar items as they are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be adopted by one motion. If a member of the City Council requests discussion on a particular item, that item may be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered separately.

2.1 Approval of City Council Minutes.

2.2 Final Adoption of Ordinances.

2.3 Approval of Council Committee Minutes.

2.4 Mayor and Council Excused Absence Requests.

2.5 City Council Travel Reports.

2.6 Report from the Council Liaison to the Retirement Boards.

2.7 [26-595](#) Boards and Commissions Appointment.

Recommendation:

Approve the following Boards and Commissions appointments:

(a) Youth Commission:

(1) District 4 Seat: Appoint Ethan Effendi for a term of June 1, 2026 to May 31, 2028.

(2) District 5 Seat: Appoint Valentina Bonilla for a term of June 1, 2026 to May 31, 2027.

(3) District 6 Seat: Appoint Fiona Canfield for a term of June 1, 2026 to May 31, 2028.

(4) District 7 Seat: Appoint Veronica Do for a term of June 1, 2026 to May 31, 2027.

(5) District 8 Seat: Appoint Yashas Omprakash for a term of June 1, 2026 to May 31, 2028.

(6) District 9 Seat: Appoint Yichi (Joshua) Zhang for a term of June 1, 2026 to May 31, 2027.

(7) District 10 Seat: Appoint Jinyoung Park for a term of June 1, 2026 to May 31, 2028.

(8) Citywide Seat: Appoint Evelyn Wang for a term of June 1, 2026 to May 31, 2028.

CEQA: Not a Project, File No. PP17-010, City Organizational and Administrative activities resulting in no changes to the physical environment. (City Clerk)

2.8 [26-587](#) **Proposed Changes to City Council Policy 1-18, Section 20, Office of the Mayor and City Council District Office Budgets in Transition Years.**

Recommendation: Adopt a resolution revising City Council Policy 1-18, Section 20, Office of the Mayor and City Council District Office Budgets in Transition Years to clarify that the following amounts shall be rebudgeted to the appropriation covering the period from July through December: any fundraised amounts for events scheduled to occur prior to the end of December, and any remaining balance for specific budget actions previously approved by the City Council that have not yet been completed.

CEQA: Not a Project, File No. PP17-008, General Procedure and Policy Making resulting in no changes to the physical environment. (City Manager)

2.9 [26-575](#) **Agreement with The Diane Brandenburg Survivor's Trust UAD September 19, 1993 for the Seeds of Peace Monument, an Artwork by Artist Mario Chiodo, Located at Guadalupe River Park Arena Green West.**

Recommendation: Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager, or her designee, to:

- (a) Negotiate and execute a Monument Donation Agreement by and between the City of San José and The Diane Brandenburg Survivor's Trust UAD September 19, 1993 for a bronze sculpture entitled Seeds of Peace Monument by artist Mario Chiodo for installation at the City's Guadalupe River Park in the Arena Green West location and for a \$300,000 donation to the Gift Trust Fund for the City Manager's Office of Economic Development and Cultural Affairs for the special purpose of approximately twenty years of maintenance of the monument;
- (b) Negotiate and execute the Artist Waiver of Proprietary Rights and Warranties for Artwork, right of entry agreements, and other related documents, all attached in substantial final form to the Monument Donation Agreement; and
- (c) Negotiate and execute any necessary amendments to the Monument Donation Agreement to increase total donation value up to 10% as a contingency, and to related agreements to effectuate the Monument Donation Agreement.

CEQA: Categorically Exempt, File No. ER26-031, CEQA Guidelines Section 15301, Existing Facilities. Council District 6. (Economic Development and Cultural Affairs)

2.10 [26-576](#) **Actions Related to the Tully Road Eastridge Business Improvement District 2026-2027 Budget Report, 2026-2027 Annual Assessments, and Setting a Public Hearing on the Levy of Assessments.**

Recommendation:

(a) Preliminarily approve the 2026-2027 Budget Report as filed by the Tully Road Eastridge Business Improvement District Advisory Board, or as modified by City Council.

(b) Adopt a resolution of intention to levy the annual assessment for Fiscal Year 2026-2027, and set Tuesday, June 2, 2026, at 1:30 p.m. as the date and time for the public hearing on the levy of the proposed assessments.

CEQA: Not a Project, File No PP17-004, Government Funding Mechanism or Fiscal Activity with no commitment to a specific project which may result in a potentially significant impact on the environment. Council District 6. (Economic Development and Cultural Affairs)

2.11 [26-577](#) **Actions Related to the Monterey Corridor Business Improvement District 2026-2027 Budget Report, 2026-2027 Annual Assessments, and Setting a Public Hearing on the Levy of Assessments.**

Recommendation:

(a) Preliminarily approve the 2026-2027 Budget Report as filed by the Monterey Corridor Business Improvement District Advisory Board, or as modified by City Council.

(b) Adopt a resolution of intention to levy the annual assessment for Fiscal Year 2026-2027, and set Tuesday, June 2, 2026, at 1:30 p.m. as the date and time for the public hearing on the levy of the proposed assessments.

CEQA: Not a Project, File No PP17-004, Government Funding Mechanism or Fiscal Activity with no commitment to a specific project which may result in a potentially significant impact on the environment. Council District 7. (Economic Development and Cultural Affairs)

2.12 [26-578](#)**First Amendment to the Master Consultant Agreement with Brown Marketing Strategies, Inc. dba CENTRIC for Marketing and Communications Services.****Recommendation:**

Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager or her designee to execute a First Amendment to the Master Consultant Agreement with Brown Marketing Strategies, Inc. dba CENTRIC to provide marketing, advertising, and public relations services for San José Clean Energy, to increase the maximum compensation by \$350,000, for a revised total agreement amount of \$700,000, through August 1, 2027, and extend the term for up to two one-year options through June 30, 2029, subject to the appropriation of funds.

CEQA: Not a Project, File No. PP17-003, Agreements/Contracts (New or Amended) resulting in no physical changes to the environment. (Energy)

2.13 [26-579](#)**California Community Choice Association 2026-2027 Membership.****Recommendation:**

Adopt a resolution authorizing the Director of the Energy Department or her designee to continue the City's annual membership with the California Community Choice Association for Fiscal Year 2026-2027 at a cost not to exceed \$650,000.

CEQA: Not a Project, File No. PP17-004, Government Funding Mechanism or Fiscal Activity with no commitment to a specific project which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment. (Energy)

2.14 [26-580](#)**Extension of the Declaration and Proclamation of a Local Emergency for the Homeless Shelter Crisis in the City of San José.****Recommendation:**

Adopt a resolution, effective June 15, 2026, declaring the continued existence of a homeless shelter crisis in the City of San José pursuant to California Government Code section 8698 et seq., and renewing for a 12-month period the proclamation of a local emergency pursuant to California Government Code sections 8558 and 8630, the San José City Charter, and the San José Municipal Code, due to conditions and threatened conditions of homelessness within the City of San José.

CEQA: Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Emergency Interim Housing Programs project (Resolution No. RES2023-380), File No. ER22-198. (Housing)

2.15 [26-581](#) **First Amendment to the Master Consultant Agreement with Best Bay Apartments Inc., dba ArtHaus Partners for Single Room Occupancy Assessment Services.**

Recommendation: Adopt a resolution authorizing the Housing Director, or his designee, to negotiate and execute a First Amendment to the Master Consultant Agreement with Best Bay Apartments Inc., dba ArtHaus Partners to increase the compensation by \$450,000, for a total maximum compensation not to exceed \$750,000, for property condition assessments and development feasibility evaluations for the City's Single Room Occupancy conversion projects, for the term ending June 30, 2027.

CEQA: Not a Project, File No. PP17-003, Agreements/Contracts (New or Amended) resulting in no physical changes to the environment. Council Districts 3, 4, 6, and 7. (Housing)

2.16 [26-582](#) **Actions Related to the Youth Service Corp Program.**

Recommendation: Adopt a resolution:
(a) Accepting the \$4,581,974 grant from California Volunteers for the Youth Service Corps to continue the Resilience Corps Program in San José; and
(b) Authorizing the City Manager or her designee to negotiate and execute agreements, and all other necessary and/or ancillary documents, with the San José Conservation Corps and San José Public Library Foundation to implement the Resilience Corps program in a combined amount not to exceed \$4,581,974.

CEQA: Not a Project, File No. PP17-004, Government Funding Mechanism or Fiscal Activity with no commitment to a specific project which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment and File No. PP17-003, Agreements/Contracts (New or Amended) resulting in no physical changes to the environment. (Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services)

2.17 [26-583](#) Annexation Area No. 3 to Convention Center Facilities District No. 2008-1.**Recommendation:**

- (a) Accept the landowner approval forms to annex hotel property into Convention Center Facilities District No. 2008-1 as Annexation Area No. 3.
- (b) Adopt a resolution:
- (1) Approving the annexation of territory to Convention Center Facilities District No. 2008-1 and levying a special tax within Annexation Area No. 3; and
 - (2) Directing the City Clerk to record a notice of special tax lien.
- (c) Adopt the following 2025-2026 Funding Sources Resolution and Appropriation Ordinance amendments in the Convention Center Facilities District Revenue Fund:
- (1) Increase the revenue estimate for Convention Center Facilities District Special Tax by \$4,866,140;
 - (2) Establish the Administration Services appropriation to the Public Works Department in the amount of \$30,500; and
 - (3) Increase the Unrestricted Ending Fund Balance by \$4,835,640.
- CEQA: Not a Project, File No PP17-004, Government Funding Mechanism or Fiscal Activity with no commitment to a specific project which may result in a potentially significant impact on the environment. Council Districts 2, 4, 6. (Public Works/Finance/City Manager)

2.18 [26-585](#) Second Amendment to the Master Agreement with RRM Design Group for Landscape Architectural Services.**Recommendation:**

- Approve the Second Amendment to the Master Agreement between the City of San José and RRM Design Group to:
- (a) Extend the agreement term from June 30, 2026, to December 31, 2028; and
 - (b) Adopt the new Schedule of Rates and Charges for the sole purpose of completing the 9091-PARK: Columbus Park Project.
- CEQA: Not a Project, File No. PP17-003, Agreements/Contracts (New or Amended) resulting in no physical changes to the environment. (Public Works)

2.19 [26-584](#) **Report on Bids and Award of Contract for the 10625 - 2026 Major Streets Sealing Project.**

Recommendation: (a) Report on bids and award of contract for the construction of the 10625 - 2026 Major Streets Sealing Project to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, Pavement Coatings Co., in the amount of \$4,136,795.65; and
(b) Approve a 10% contingency in the amount of \$413,680.
CEQA: Categorically Exempt, File No. ER24-313, CEQA Guidelines Section 15301(c), Existing Facilities. (Transportation/Public Works)

3. STRATEGIC SUPPORT

3.1 Report of the City Manager, Jennifer Maguire (Verbal Report).

3.2 Labor Negotiations Update.

Accept Labor Negotiations Update.
TO BE HEARD AT 9:30 A.M.

3.3 [26-586](#) **Citywide Customer Experience Transformation Status Report.**

Recommendation: Accept the status report on the Citywide Customer Experience Transformation as part of the multi-year effort of implementing the City Council approved Customer Service Vision and Standards to transition existing San José 311 services to a new technology platform, improve service delivery, and establish the foundation for a scalable, citywide digital front door for City services.
CEQA: Not a Project, File No. PP17-009, Staff Reports, Assessments, Annual Reports, and Informational Memos that involve no approvals of any City action. (City Manager)

4. PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES

5. TRANSPORTATION & AVIATION SERVICES

5.1 [26-588](#) **Actions Related to the Round 9 Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Grant Funding. - RECOMMEND DEFERRAL TO 6/2/2026 PER ADMINISTRATION**

Recommendation:

(a) Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager, or her designee, to:

(1) Implement transportation improvements along Capitol Expressway Auto Mall and Narvaez Avenue as identified in the Round 9 Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities grant awarded to MidPen Housing Corporation; and

(2) Negotiate and execute required funding agreements with MidPen Housing Corporation and related documents and agreements with Strategic Growth Council, and the California Department of Housing and Community Development to accept up to \$14,339,431 in Round 9 Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities grant funding.

(b) Adopt a Public Entity Resolution which indicates the City is authorized to accept and incur an obligation of the Affordable Housing and Sustainable Grant funds and enter into and execute the Standard Agreement 213 with the California Department of Housing and Sustainable Communities.

CEQA: Categorically Exempt, File No. ER24-313, CEQA Guideline Section 15301(c) Existing Facilities. Council Districts 2, 7, 9.
(Transportation)

6. ENVIRONMENTAL & UTILITY SERVICES

6.1 [26-592](#) **San José Clean Energy Programs Roadmap Status Report.**

Recommendation: As recommended by the Transportation and Environment Committee on April 13, 2026:

- (a) Accept a status report on the San José Clean Energy Programs Roadmap.
 - (b) Adopt a resolution:
 - (1) Approving the proposed programs presented in the San José Clean Energy Programs Roadmap update;
 - (2) Authorizing the City Manager or her designee to negotiate and execute contract(s) with consultant(s) to implement the Commercial Technical Assistance services for up to four years starting in Fiscal Year 2026-2027 and up to \$650,000 from the San José Clean Energy Operating Fund (funding for subsequent years will be subject to the appropriation of funds); and
 - (3) Authorizing the City Manager or her designee to negotiate and execute contract(s) with consultant(s) to implement the Direct-to-Renter Portable Heat Pump Pilot services for up to two years starting in Fiscal Year 2026-2027 and up to \$300,000 from the San José Clean Energy Operating Fund (funding for subsequent years will be subject to the appropriation of funds).
- CEQA: Not a Project, File No. PP17-009, Staff Reports, Assessments, Annual Reports, and Informational Memos that involve no approvals of any City action. (Energy)
[Transportation and Environment Committee 4/13/2026 - Item (d)3]

7. NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES**8. COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT****9. REDEVELOPMENT – SUCCESSOR AGENCY****10. LAND USE**

Notice to the public: There will be no separate discussion of Land Use Consent Calendar (Item 10.1) as they are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be adopted by one motion. If a member of the City Council requests discussion on a particular item, that item will be removed from the Land Use Consent Calendar (Item 10.1) and considered separately.

10.1 Land Use on Consent Calendar

No Land Use items on Consent Calendar.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

10 Land Use - Regular Agenda

10.2 [26-593](#) ER26-045 - Environmental Review Policy.

Recommendation:

(a) Adopt a resolution approving the new City Council Policy of the City of San José adopting the Environmental Review Handbook and Environmental Standard Permit Conditions to establish standardized environmental review procedures and requirements for development projects, and to satisfy audit recommendations by improving consistency, transparency, and efficiency in the City's environmental review process.

(b) Approve an ordinance amending Section 21.07.050 Hearing Notice - Appeal of Chapter 21.17 of Title 21 (Environmental Clearance) of the San José Municipal Code to remove the physical mailing requirements for hearing notices prepared for appealed projects from Chapter 21.07. CEQA: Determination of Consistency with the Environmental Impact Report for the Envision San José 2040 General Plan (Resolution No. 76041), the Supplemental Environmental Impact Report for the Envision San José 2040 General Plan (Resolution No. 77617), and the Environmental Impact Report for the Downtown Strategy 2040 (Resolution No. 78942), File No. ER26-045. Planning Commission recommends approval (9-0-2; Nguyen and Young absent) (Item 5.b on the April 22, 2026, Planning Commission agenda). (Planning, Building, and Code Enforcement)

- Open Forum

Members of the Public are invited to speak on any item that does not appear on today's Agenda and that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the City Council. Members of the public may only speak at Open Forum once.

- Adjournment

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ABOUT THE AGENDA

The City of San José is committed to open and honest government and strives to consistently meet the community's expectations by providing excellent service, in a positive and timely manner, and in the full view of the public.

Welcome to the San José City Council meeting!

This Agenda contains both a Consent Calendar section for routine business items that require Council approval, and general business items arranged to correspond with San José's City Service Areas (CSAs). City Service Areas represent the policy-making level for strategic planning, policy setting, and investment decisions in the critical functions the City provides to the community. They are:

- **Strategic Support** - The internal functions that enable the CSAs to provide direct services to the community in an effective and efficient manner.
- **Public Safety** - Commitment to excellence in public safety by investing in neighborhood partnerships as well as prevention, enforcement, and emergency preparedness services.
- **Transportation & Aviation Services** - A safe and efficient transportation system that contributes to the livability and economic health of the City; and provide for the air transportation needs of the community and the region at levels that is acceptable to the community.
- **Environmental and Utility Services** - Manage environmental services and utility systems to ensure a sustainable environment for the community.
- **Neighborhood Services** - Serve, foster, and strengthen community by providing access to lifelong learning and opportunities to enjoy life.
- **Community & Economic Development** - Manage the growth and change of the community in order to create and preserve healthy neighborhoods and ensure a diverse range of employment and housing opportunities.

The San José City Council meets every Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. and Tuesday at 6 p.m. as needed, unless otherwise noted. The City Council, or less than a quorum, may adjourn any regular, special or adjourned meeting to a later date, time and place specified in the order of adjournment. If all members are absent, the City Clerk may declare the meeting adjourned to a stated date, time and place. If you have any questions, please direct them to the City Clerk's staff seated at the tables just below the dais. Thank you for taking the time to attend today's meeting. We look forward to seeing you at future meetings.

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1. Public Meeting Decorum:
 - (a) Persons in the audience will refrain from behavior which will disrupt the public meeting. This will include making loud noises, clapping, shouting, booing, hissing or engaging in any other activity in a manner that disturbs, disrupts or impedes the orderly conduct of the meeting.
 - (b) Persons in the audience will refrain from creating, provoking or participating in any type of disturbance involving unwelcome physical contact.
 - (c) Persons in the audience will refrain from using cellular phones and/or pagers while the meeting is in session.
 - (d) Appropriate attire, including shoes and shirts are required in the Council Chambers and Committee Rooms at all times.
 - (e) Persons in the audience will not place their feet on the seats in front of them.
 - (f) No food, drink (other than bottled water with a cap), or chewing gum will be allowed in the Council Chambers and Committee Rooms, except as otherwise pre-approved by City staff.
 - (g) All persons entering the Council Chambers and Committee Rooms, including their bags, purses, briefcases and similar belongings, may be subject to search for weapons and other dangerous materials.

2. Signs, Objects or Symbolic Material:
 - (a) Objects and symbolic materials, such as signs or banners, will be allowed in the Council Chambers and Committee Rooms, with the following restrictions: § No objects will be larger than 2 feet by 3 feet.
 - No sticks, posts, poles or other such items will be attached to the signs or other symbolic materials.
 - The items cannot create a building maintenance problem or a fire or safety hazard.
 - (b) Persons with objects and symbolic materials such as signs must remain seated when displaying them and must not raise the items above shoulder level, obstruct the view or passage of other attendees, or otherwise disturb the business of the meeting.
 - (c) Objects that are deemed a threat to persons at the meeting or the facility infrastructure are not allowed. City staff is authorized to remove items and/or individuals from the Council Chambers and Committee Rooms if a threat exists or is perceived to exist. Prohibited items include, but are not limited to: firearms (including replicas and antiques), toy guns, explosive material, and ammunition; knives and other edged weapons; illegal drugs and drug paraphernalia; laser pointers, scissors, razors, scalpels, box cutting knives, and other cutting tools; letter openers, corkscrews, can openers with points, knitting needles, and hooks; hairspray, pepper spray, and aerosol containers; tools; glass containers; and large backpacks and suitcases that contain

items unrelated to the meeting.

3. Addressing the Council, Committee, Board or Commission:
 - (a) Persons wishing to speak on an agenda item or during open forum are requested to complete a speaker card and submit the card to the City Clerk or other administrative staff at the meeting.
 - (b) Meeting attendees are usually given two (2) minutes to speak on any discussion item and/or during open forum; the total amount of time allocated for public testimony for each public speaker or for an agenda item is in the discretion of the Chair of the meeting and may be limited when appropriate. (California Government Code Section 54954.3; Council Policy 0-37) Applicants and appellants in land use matters are usually given more time to speak. Speakers using a translator will be given twice the time allotted to ensure non-English speakers receive the same opportunity to directly address the Council, Committee, Board or Commission.
 - (c) Speakers should discuss only the agenda item when called to speak for that item, and only topics related to City business when called to speak during open forum on the agenda.
 - (d) Speakers' comments should be addressed to the full body. Requests to engage the Mayor, Council Members, Board Members, Commissioners or Staff in conversation will not be honored. Abusive language is inappropriate.
 - (e) Speakers will not bring to the podium any items other than a prepared written statement, writing materials, or objects that have been inspected by security staff.'
 - (f) If an individual wishes to submit written information, he or she may give it to the City Clerk or other administrative staff at the meeting.
 - (g) Speakers and any other members of the public will not approach the dais at any time without prior consent from the Chair of the meeting.

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