



## MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

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MONDAY, JUNE 26, 2023

The Community and Economic Development Committee of the City of San José convened at 1:30 p.m.

**Present:** Councilmembers - Batra, Ortiz, Kamei, Torres, Foley.

**Absent:** Councilmembers - All present.

**Staff:** Office of the City Manager, Rosalynn Hughey; City Attorney Office, Johnny Phan; Mayor's Office, Michael Lomio; and City Clerk's Office, Grace Turner.

### B. Review of Work Plan

#### 1. Moderate-Income Housing Strategy Status Report. (Housing)

Public Comments: Blair Beekman offered public comment.

Action: Upon motion by Councilmember Omar Torres, and seconded by Vice Mayor Rosemary Kamei, and carried unanimously, Item B.1 was *dropped* per the April 26, 2023 Joint Rules and Open Government Committee Meeting and Meeting of the Whole (ROGC). (5-0)

#### 2. Lease and Asset Management System Status Report. (Economic Development and Cultural Affairs/Information Technology)

Public Comments: Blair Beekman offered public comment.

Action: Upon motion by Councilmember Omar Torres, and seconded by Vice Mayor Rosemary Kamei, and carried unanimously, Item B.2 was *dropped* per the June 7, 2023 Joint Rules and Open Government Committee Meeting and Meeting of the Whole (ROGC). (5-0)

### **C. Consent Calendar**

None provided.

### **D. Reports to Committee**

#### **1. Downtown Annual Progress Report. (Economic Development and Cultural Affairs)**

Office of Economic Development and Cultural Affairs' Director Nanci Klein and Downtown Manager Nathan Donato-Weinstein provided the presentation and responded to questions with Office of Economic Development Deputy Director Blage Zelalich.

Public Comments: Blair Beekman offered public comment.

Action: Upon motion by Councilmember Omar Torres, seconded by Councilmember Peter Ortiz, and carried unanimously, the Committee accepted the informational report highlighting downtown progress from July 2022 to June 2023. (5-0)

#### **2. Foreign Trade Zone 18 and Sister Cities Program Status Report. (Economic Development and Cultural Affairs)**

Office of Economic Development and Cultural Affairs International Affairs Manager Joseph Hedges provided the presentation and responded to questions with Office of Economic Development and Cultural Affairs Director Nanci Klein.

Public Comments: None provided.

Action: Upon motion by Councilmember Peter Ortiz, seconded by Vice Mayor Rosemary Kamei and carried unanimously, the Committee accepted the staff's report on the City's Foreign Trade Zone and Sister Cities program. (5-0)

#### **3. Housing Catalyst Team Work Plan Status Report. (Planning, Building, and Code Enforcement/Housing/Economic Development and Cultural Affairs)**

Planning, Building, and Code Enforcement Principal Planner Jerad Ferguson and Housing Department Acting Deputy Director Kristen Clements provided the presentation and responded to questions.

Public Comments: Paul Soto offered public comment.

Action: Upon motion by Councilmember Arjun Batra, seconded by Vice Mayor Rosemary Kamei and carried unanimously, the Committee accepted the status report on the work to initiate the Housing Catalyst Team Work Plan and cross referenced this item to the August 22, 2023 City Council meeting. (5-0)

- **Open Forum**

1. Blair Beekman spoke on technology accountability in regard to open public policies and accountability and those impacts on democracy and civic participation.

- **Adjournment**

Councilmember Pam Foley adjourned the Committee meeting at 3:06 p.m.

Minutes Recorded, Prepared, and Respectfully Submitted by,

*DRAFT- Grace Turner*

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Grace Turner  
Deputy City Clerk, City of San José

Approved at Council on:

Attest by:

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City Clerk, City of San José