



City of Sunnyvale

Meeting Minutes - Draft City Council

Tuesday, February 10, 2026

5:30 PM

Online, Council Chambers and Redwood
Conference Room, City Hall, 456 W. Olive
Ave., Sunnyvale, CA 94086

Special Meeting: Study Session - 5:30 PM | Regular Meeting - 7 PM

5:30 P.M. SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING (Study Session)

Call to Order

Vice Mayor Mehlinger called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: 7 - Mayor Larry Klein
Vice Mayor Richard Mehlinger
Councilmember Alysa Cisneros
Councilmember Murali Srinivasan
Councilmember Linda Sell
Councilmember Charlsie Chang
Councilmember Eileen Le

Study Session

A [26-0112](#) East Channel Trail Study

Transportation & Traffic Manager Angela Obeso, Senior Traffic Engineer Kevin Chen and Jeffrey Knowles, Principal, Alta Planning + Design provided the staff report and presentation.

Public Hearing opened at 6:28 p.m.

Sharlene Liu offered comments on the East Channel Trail Study including paving trails, various crosswalks improvements, and installing no-entry barriers for access points to the trail.

Zachary Kaufman spoke to allowing homeowners adjacent to the trail to build direct access to the trail, trail hours, and funding considerations.

Tim Oey voiced their suggestions to improve bicycle access and safety on the proposed East Channel Trail.

Luka Lipovac shared comments on improving trail safety, bicycle access and proposed trail hours.

Ethen Vital asked a question about High-intensity Activated crossWalk (HAWK) signals at pedestrian crossings.

Eileen McLaughlin, Citizens Committee to Complete the Refuge, discussed Valley Water's impact on the trail, involving environmental groups in the trail planning, and speed limits on the trail.

Afsaneh Jabbar shared comments on the multiple jurisdictions along the East Channel and how that may impact the future sustainability of a trail.

Public Hearing closed at 6:41 p.m.

Adjourn Special Meeting

Vice Mayor Mehlinger adjourned the meeting at 6:59 p.m.

7 P.M. COUNCIL MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Klein called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Mayor Klein led the salute to the United States flag.

ROLL CALL

Present: 7 - Mayor Larry Klein
Vice Mayor Richard Mehlinger
Councilmember Alysa Cisneros
Councilmember Murali Srinivasan
Councilmember Linda Sell
Councilmember Charlsie Chang
Councilmember Eileen Le

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Russ Melton, Chief Executive Officer, Sunnyvale Chamber of Commerce, shared

the Chamber's mission and upcoming events.

Tim Oey shared details of a Free Bike Repair event and Bike month.

Sharon McKnight spoke on the recent Horizon newsletter and asked a question regarding garbage bin curbside enforcement.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Public Comment opened at 7:20 p.m.

Valerie Soares requested agenda item 1.D be pulled from the Consent Calendar.

Public Comment closed at 7:20 p.m.

MOTION: Vice Mayor Mehlinger moved and Councilmember Srinivasan seconded the motion to approve agenda items 1.A through 1.C and 1.E through 1.H.

The motion carried with the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Mayor Klein
Vice Mayor Mehlinger
Councilmember Cisneros
Councilmember Srinivasan
Councilmember Sell
Councilmember Chang
Councilmember Le

No: 0

1.A [26-0139](#) Approve the List(s) of Claims and Bills Approved for Payment by the City Manager

Approve the list(s) of claims and bills.

1.B [26-0003](#) Accept Housing Incentive Pool (HIP) Program Grant Funds, Approve Budget Modification No. 12 to Appropriate \$836,000 of the HIP Program Funds and \$373,507 from the General Fund for the Sunnyvale Avenue at California Avenue Traffic Signal Upgrade Project, Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Grant Agreement and Related Documents, and Find that the Project is Exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Pursuant to Section 15301 of the CEQA Guidelines

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1.C [26-0196](#) Authorize the Issuance of a Consultant Service Agreement With TRC Solutions, Inc. for Professional Services to Upgrade of the Fuel Station at City Hall (F25-437)

Take the following actions:

- Award a Consultant Service Agreement to TRC Solutions, Inc. with a total not-to-exceed amount of \$257,956 for professional services to upgrade the fuel station at City Hall;
- Authorize the City Manager to execute the contract when all necessary conditions have been met; and
- Approve a 10% contingency in the amount not to exceed \$25,796.

1.D [26-0211](#) Award Contract to FBD Vanguard Construction, Inc. in the Amount of \$665,620 for Pedestrian and Safe Routes to School Improvements in Sunnyvale Neighbors of Arbor Including La Linda (SNAIL) and Braly Corner Neighborhoods Project and Find that the Project is Exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Categorical Exemption Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15301(c) (PW26-01)

Public Comment opened at 7:23 p.m.

Valerie Soares, Chair, Sunnyvale Neighbors of Arbor Including LaLinda (SNAIL) Neighborhood Association, spoke to the need for the proposed pedestrian and Safe Routes to School improvements.

Public Comment closed at 7:26 p.m.

MOTION: Vice Mayor Mehlinger moved and Councilmember Chang seconded the motion to take the following actions:

- Award a contract in substantially the same form as Attachment 2 to the report in the amount of \$665,620 to FBD Vanguard Construction, Inc. of Livermore, CA;
- Find that the Project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15301(c);

- Authorize the City Manager to execute the contract when all necessary conditions have been met; and
- Approve a 10% contingency in the amount of \$66,562.

The motion carried with the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Mayor Klein
Vice Mayor Mehlinger
Councilmember Cisneros
Councilmember Srinivasan
Councilmember Sell
Councilmember Chang
Councilmember Le

No: 0

- 1.E** [26-0215](#) Award a Contract to Ray's Electric in the Amount of \$1,572,546.78 for Traffic Signal Hardware and Wiring at Fair Oaks/Olive and Maude/Pastoria Project and Finding of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Categorical Exemption Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15301(c) (PW26-06)

Take the following actions:

- Award a contract in substantially the same form as Attachment 2 to the report in the amount of \$1,572,546.78 to Ray's Electric of Oakland, CA;
- Make a finding of categorical exemption from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15301(c);
- Authorize the City Manager to execute the contract when all necessary conditions have been met: and
- Approve a 10% contingency in the amount of \$157,255.

- 1.F** [26-0213](#) Approve Second Amendment to Temporary Personnel Services Agreement with CSG Consultants, Inc., Increasing Contract Amount to \$263,517 and Extending the Term Through January 10, 2027 (F26-234)

Take the following actions:

- Approve a Second Amendment to the Temporary Personnel Services Agreement with CSG Consultants, Inc., in substantially the same form as Attachment 1 to the report, increasing the contract by \$109,617 for a new not-to-exceed total of \$263,517 and exercising Year Two of three contract extensions through January 10,

2027;

- Authorize the City Manager to execute the amendment when all necessary conditions have been met; and
- Authorize the City Manager to approve compensation adjustments and exercise the remaining contract extension, subject to budget availability and satisfactory performance.

1.G [26-0306](#) Adopt a Resolution Amending the City's Salary Resolution and Schedule of Pay to Increase Salaries for Pay Plan Category A (Communication Officers Association) Effective February 15, 2026

Adopt a Resolution amending the City's Salary Resolution and Schedule of Pay to increase Salaries for Pay Plan Category A (Communication Officers Association) effective February 15, 2026.

1.H [26-0316](#) Ratify the National League of Cities' (NLC) Appointment of Councilmember Linda Sell to the NLC Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Committee

Ratify the National League of Cities' (NLC) appointment of Councilmember Linda Sell to the NLC Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Committee.

PUBLIC HEARINGS/GENERAL BUSINESS

2 [26-0098](#) Annual Review of New Legislation Including Discussion and Potential Action to Identify 2026 Priority Advocacy Issues and Long-Term Legislative Advocacy Positions (LAPs)

Senior Management Analyst Michelle Zahraie; Niccolo De Luca Vice President, Townsend Public Affairs; and Kerri West, Senior Associate, Townsend Public Affairs provided the staff report and presentation.

Public Hearing opened at 8:37 p.m.

Arisa Cao voiced their support for Senate Bill (SB)-84: Disability access: construction-related accessibility claims: notice of violation and opportunity to correct.

Tim Oey communicated their support for SB 79: Housing development: transit-oriented development and the National Transit Renewal

Gail Rubino shared their support for SB 722: Transit-oriented housing development: excluded parcels and sites.

Public Hearing closed at 8:43 p.m.

MOTION: Vice Mayor Mehlinger moved and Councilmember Cisneros seconded the motion to approve Alternatives 1 and 2:

(1) Receive a Legislative Update, including the Annual Review of New Laws Report (Attachment 1 to the report); and

(2) Approve the Proposed 2026 Priority Advocacy Issues - Clean Version (Attachment 2 to the report) and Council Policy Long-term Advocacy Positions as proposed to be amended (Attachment 4 to the report) with the following modifications:

- Support small business and walkable neighborhood retail, including advocating for reforms that allow for mix-used zoning;
- Support legislation to prevent the formation of food deserts and address existing food deserts;
- Support for Americans with Disabilities Act reform that supports small businesses and prevent vexatious litigation; and
- Return with a draft statement of support of the intersex community.

FRIENDLY AMENDMENT: Councilmember Chang offered a friendly amendment to strike the language “prevent vexatious litigation” and replace with “Support reforms to allow small businesses to cure ADA violations within a reasonable time frame.” Vice Mayor Mehlinger and Councilmember Cisneros accepted the friendly amendment.

FRIENDLY AMENDMENT: Councilmember Le offered a friendly amendment to support legalizing public comment call-in for State legislative committee sessions with appropriate safeguards.

Vice Mayor Mehlinger and Councilmember Cisneros accepted the friendly amendment.

MOTION AS AMENDED RESTATED: Vice Mayor Mehlinger moved and Councilmember Cisneros seconded the motion to approve Alternatives 1 and 2:

(1) Receive a Legislative Update, including the Annual Review of New Laws Report (Attachment 1 to the report); and

(2) Approve the Proposed 2026 Priority Advocacy Issues - Clean Version (Attachment 2 to the report) and Council Policy Long-term Advocacy Positions as

proposed to be amended (Attachment 4 to the report) with the following modifications:

- Support small business and walkable neighborhood retail, including advocating for reforms that allow for mix-used zoning;
- Support legislation to prevent the formation of food deserts and address existing food deserts;
- Support for Americans with Disabilities Act reform that supports small businesses and support reforms to allow small businesses to cure ADA violations within a reasonable time frame;
- Return with a draft statement of support of the intersex community; and
- support legalizing public comment call-in for State legislative committee sessions with appropriate safeguards.

The motion as amended carried with the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Mayor Klein
Vice Mayor Mehlinger
Councilmember Cisneros
Councilmember Srinivasan
Councilmember Sell
Councilmember Chang
Councilmember Le

No: 0

Council took a recess at 8:53 p.m. and reconvened at 8:58 p.m. with all Councilmembers present

- 3** [26-0074](#) Approve an Extension of the Exclusive Negotiating Agreement and Short-Term Lease with MidPen Housing Corporation for 295 S. Mathilda Ave. and Provide Direction on Project Parameters

Housing Specialist Ryan Dyson provided the staff report and presentation.

Matt Franklin, President, MidPen Housing and Mollie Naber, Director of Housing Development, MidPen Housing provided the applicant presentation.

Council took a recess at 10:25 p.m. and reconvened at 10:35 p.m. with Mayor Klein, Vice Mayor Mehlinger and Councilmembers Cisneros, Srinivasan, Sell and Chang present.

Councilmember Le rejoined the meeting at 11:07 p.m.

Public Hearing opened at 10:35 p.m.

Tim Oey, Bike Sunnyvale, voiced their advocacy for minimizing motor vehicle parking and maximizing bicycle parking options and support for Proposal A or Proposal C.

Mohammad Roo shared their parking concerns on Charles Street and spoke in support of Proposal D.

Leeann Bent offered their support for approving the MidPen housing project.

Shiva Hari provided a presentation in support of modifying Proposal C to include a 1:1 parking-to-unit ratio.

Steve C., Washington Park Neighborhood Association, spoke to their parking concerns on Charles Street and support of modifying Proposal C to include a 1:1 parking-to-unit ratio.

Alison Cingolani, Policy Director, Silicon Valley at Home, communicated their support for Proposal C.

Luka Lipovac voiced their support for approving the MidPen housing project and Proposal C.

Jehily, Community Leader, Sunnyvale Community Services, spoke in support of Proposal C.

Betsey, Community Leader, Sunnyvale Community Services, communicated their support for the MidPen housing project, specifically Proposal C.

Isabel, Community Leader, Sunnyvale Community Services, shared support for the MidPen housing project.

Juan Alvarez, Community Leader, Sunnyvale Community Services, spoke about the lack of housing options and voiced support for the MidPen housing project.

Rafael Ibarra, Community Leader, Sunnyvale Community Services, voiced concern with the lack of affordable housing and support for Proposal C.

Saday Osorio, Social Affairs Advisor, Colombian Consulate, offered their support for the MidPen housing project.

Yuriana Valencia, Community Leader, Sunnyvale Community Services, shared support for funding housing projects and Proposal C.

Alexandra, Community Leader, Sunnyvale Community Services, advocated for the approval of Proposal C.

Jonathan Valencia, Paraeducator, Homestead High School, communicated their support for Proposal C.

Andy Yang shared their concerns with increasing the parking to unit-ratio-to 1:1.

Angela Rausch, Chair, Livable Sunnyvale, shared Livable Sunnyvale's support of the MidPen housing project.

Chuck Fraleigh advocated for the MidPen housing project and prioritizing additional onsite parking options at the project.

Mike Serrone discussed vehicle parking limitations in modern housing projects and offered potential solutions.

Marie Bernard, Executive Director, Sunnyvale Community Services, spoke in support of Proposal C.

Sharlene Liu voiced their support for the MidPen housing project and efforts to prioritize bike lane planning with housing developments.

Jordan Grimes, Legislative Director, Greenbelt Alliance, communicated their support for the MidPen housing project.

Bryce Beagle shared their support for Proposal A.

Pratima Gupta, Helping Hands Silicon Valley, spoke in support of the MidPen housing project and questioned how residents will apply for the affordable housing units.

Rose Gregorio discussed the needs of unhoused residents and how this housing project can best address them.

Doug Kunz voiced support for the MidPen housing project and encouraged the project to provide mobility options and minimize parking impacts on the surrounding neighborhood.

Mark Leyfman shared support for modifying Proposal C to include a 1:1 parking-to-unit ratio in order to limit parking impacts on the surrounding neighborhood.

Himanshi Sethi expressed support for the MidPen housing project but emphasized the need for additional single-bedroom and studio units, as well as more onsite parking options.

Coleen Hausler spoke in support for limiting the parking ratio but acknowledged the existing parking challenges in the neighborhood and commented on the slow pace of the development process.

Jimmy communicated their support for modifying Proposal C to include a 1:1 parking-to-unit ratio in order to limit parking impacts on the surrounding neighborhood.

Public Hearing closed at 11:36 p.m.

MOTION: Councilmember Srinivasan moved and Mayor Klein seconded the motion to approve Alternatives 1 and 3:

- (1) Authorize the City Manager to negotiate and execute the Extension to the Exclusive Negotiating Agreement and the Extension to the Short-Term Lease between the City of Sunnyvale and MidPen Housing Corporation for the real property located at 295 S. Mathilda Ave.; and
- (3) Direct Staff to negotiate with MidPen on Proposal C.

With the following modifications:

- Preference to Sunnyvale residents or individuals who work in Sunnyvale;
- Clear and transparent intake process including the application process for lottery;
- Additional engagement with the surrounding community during project planning;
- Explore additional parking options, including elevated parking;
- Preference to residents without a vehicle; and

- Explore rent subsidy

MOTION TO SUBSTITUTE: Vice Mayor Mehlinger moved and Councilmember Cisneros seconded the motion to substitute the motion with:

Approve Alternatives 1 and 3:

(1) Authorize the City Manager to negotiate and execute the Extension to the Exclusive Negotiating Agreement and the Extension to the Short-Term Lease between the City of Sunnyvale and MidPen Housing Corporation for the real property located at 295 S. Mathilda Ave.; and

(3) Direct Staff to negotiate with MidPen on Proposal C.

The motion to substitute carried with the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Mayor Klein
Vice Mayor Mehlinger
Councilmember Cisneros
Councilmember Srinivasan
Councilmember Sell
Councilmember Chang
Councilmember Le

No: 0

MOTION: Vice Mayor Mehlinger moved and Councilmember Cisneros seconded the motion to approve Alternatives 1 and 3:

(1) Authorize the City Manager to negotiate and execute the Extension to the Exclusive Negotiating Agreement and the Extension to the Short-Term Lease between the City of Sunnyvale and MidPen Housing Corporation for the real property located at 295 S. Mathilda Ave.; and

(3) Direct Staff to negotiate with MidPen on Proposal C.

The motion carried with the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Mayor Klein
Vice Mayor Mehlinger
Councilmember Cisneros
Councilmember Srinivasan
Councilmember Sell
Councilmember Chang
Councilmember Le

No: 0

MOTION: Vice Mayor Mehlinger moved and Mayor Klein seconded the motion to hear agenda item 5.

The motion carried with the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Mayor Klein
Vice Mayor Mehlinger
Councilmember Cisneros
Councilmember Srinivasan
Councilmember Sell
Councilmember Chang
Councilmember Le

No: 0

- 5** [26-0301](#) Adopt a Resolution Amending the City's Salary Resolution and the Schedule of Pay to Increase the Salary Range for the Director of NOVA Workforce Services

Assistant City Manager and Interim Human Resources Director Sarah Johnson-Rios provided the staff report.

Public Hearing opened at 12:24 a.m.

No speakers.

Public Hearing closed at 12:24 a.m.

MOTION: Vice Mayor Mehlinger moved and Councilmember Srinivasan seconded the motion to approve Alternative 1: Adopt a Resolution amending the City's Salary Resolution and Schedule of Pay to increase the Salary Range for the Director of NOVA Workforce Services.

The motion carried with the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Mayor Klein
Vice Mayor Mehlinger
Councilmember Cisneros
Councilmember Srinivasan
Councilmember Sell
Councilmember Chang
Councilmember Le

No: 0

MOTION: Vice Mayor Mehlinger moved and Mayor Klein seconded the motion to hear the continuance of agenda item 4 that would be scheduled to February 24, 2026 and to open public comment on the continuance.

The motion carried with the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Mayor Klein
Vice Mayor Mehlinger
Councilmember Cisneros
Councilmember Srinivasan
Councilmember Sell
Councilmember Chang
Councilmember Le

No: 0

- 4** [26-0001](#) Authorize the Issuance of the Service Order for the Sunnyvale Microtransit Service with Via Transportation, Inc. Doing Business as Nomad Transit LLC for the Sunnyvale Microtransit Service for \$8,358,000, Authorize City Manager to Execute all Agreements Related to the Operations of the Sunnyvale Microtransit Service, and Approve Budget Modification No. 14 in the Amount of \$5,096,000

Public Hearing opened at 12:30 a.m.

Zachary Kaufman asked for clarification to when and how the continued meeting will take place.

Public Hearing closed at 12:30 a.m.

MOTION: Vice Mayor Mehlinger moved and Councilmember Srinivasan seconded the motion to continue agenda item 4 to February 24, 2026.

The motion carried with the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Mayor Klein
Vice Mayor Mehlinger
Councilmember Cisneros
Councilmember Srinivasan
Councilmember Sell
Councilmember Chang
Councilmember Le

No: 0

COUNCILMEMBERS REPORTS ON ACTIVITIES FROM INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Agenda item not heard by Council.

NON-AGENDA ITEMS AND COMMENTS

-Council

Agenda item not heard by Council.

-City Manager

Agenda item not heard by Council.

INFORMATION ONLY REPORTS/ITEMS

[26-0086](#) Tentative Council Meeting Agenda Calendar

[26-0087](#) Board/Commission Meeting Minutes

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Klein adjourned the meeting at 12:33 a.m.