



City of Sunnyvale

Meeting Minutes City Council

Tuesday, December 3, 2024

5:30 PM

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

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

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

Call to Order

Vice Mayor Srinivasan called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: 6 - Mayor Larry Klein
Councilmember Murali Srinivasan
Councilmember Russ Melton
Councilmember Alysa Cisneros
Councilmember Richard Mehlinger
Vice Mayor Linda Sell

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Omar Din

Councilmember Din's absence is excused.

Public Comment

Public Comment opened at 5:33 p.m.

No speakers.

Public Comment closed at 5:33 p.m.

Convene to Closed Session

Council convened to Closed Session in the Council Conference Room at 5:34 p.m.

A [24-0078](#) Closed Session Held Pursuant to California Government Code 54956.8: CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS For 374 Charles Street - APN: 165-13-048
Agency Negotiators: Tim Kirby, City Manager; Chip Taylor, Director of Public Works; Sherine Nafie, City Property

Administrator
Negotiating Parties: Mark Edward Ferrando
Under Negotiation: Price and Terms

- B** [24-0788](#) Closed Session Held Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54957.6:
CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS
Agency Designated Representatives: Tina Murphy, Director of Human Resources
Employee Organization: Public Safety Officers Association (PSOA)

Adjourn Special Meeting

Vice Mayor Srinivasan adjourned the meeting at 6:55 p.m.

7 P.M. COUNCIL MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Klein called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Mayor Klein led the salute to the United States flag.

ROLL CALL

- Present:** 6 - Mayor Larry Klein
Councilmember Murali Srinivasan
Councilmember Russ Melton
Councilmember Alysa Cisneros
Councilmember Richard Mehlinger
Vice Mayor Linda Sell
- Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Omar Din

Councilmember Din’s absence is excused.

CLOSED SESSION REPORT

Vice Mayor Srinivasan reported that Council met in Closed Session Held Pursuant to California Government Code 54956.8: CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS For 374 Charles Street APN: 16513048 Agency Negotiators: Tim

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ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Councilmember Sell announced the 2025 minimum wage increase and invitation to provide community input on AccessSunnyvale, the City's Constituent Relationship Management (CRM) system.

Emily Adorable and Judi Pogue, Sunnyvale Cupertino American Association of University Women, invited Council to attend the Multi-generational Climate Change Forum.

Andy shared their concerns regarding the MidPen housing development at the Wells Fargo lot on Charles Street.

Steve provided a presentation on their concerns with housing projects in the West of Mathilda Avenue District and neighborhood cleanliness.

Siva continued the presentation.

Jay Yamanaga, Vice President, Sunnyvale Sister City Organization, communicated their appreciation for the continued partnership with the Sunnyvale.

Genesis Martinez Diaz shared their experience with the Sunnyvale Sister City Organization and traveling to Iizuka, Japan.

Preston Lee shared their experience with the Sunnyvale Sister City Organization and traveling to Iizuka, Japan.

Denise Casey Gallardo provided comments on the Tasman Pedestrian Improvement Plan.

Tim Kerr voice their concerns with Tasman Pedestrian Improvement Plan.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Public Comment opened at 7:32 p.m.

No speakers.

Public Comment closed at 7:32 p.m.

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

The motion carried with the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Mayor Klein
Councilmember Srinivasan
Councilmember Melton
Councilmember Cisneros
Councilmember Mehlinger
Vice Mayor Sell

No: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Din

1.A [24-0453](#) 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 [24-1112](#) Amend an Existing Consultant Services Agreement and Approve Budget Modification No. 9 to Appropriate \$14,810 of Development Enterprise Funds to Complete the Update to the Single-Family Design Techniques Document (Project No. 835190 / CDD 20-01)

Take the following actions:

- Amend an existing Consultant Services Agreement in essentially the same form as Attachment 1 to the report for update to the single-family home design techniques document in the amount of \$15,000 for a total not-to-exceed of \$114,810; and
- Approve Budget Modification No. 9 to appropriate \$14,810 of Development Enterprise Funds to complete the update to the Single-Family Design Techniques Document.

1.C [24-1051](#) Authorize the Issuance of a Purchase Order to Nixon-Egli Equipment Company, Inc. in the Amount of \$302,548.74 for

One (1) Leeboy Asphalt Paver (F25-095)

Authorize the issuance of a Purchase Order in the amount of \$302,548.74 (including tire, delivery fees, and sales tax) for one (1) Leeboy Asphalt Paver to Nixon-Egli Equipment Company, Inc. of Tracy, CA.

- 1.D** [24-1086](#) Authorize the Issuance of a Purchase Order to Downtown Ford Sales, Inc. in the Amount of \$402,998.90 for Six (6) F150 Crew Cab 4x4 Lightning Pro Service Trucks (F25-115)

Authorize the issuance of a Purchase Order in the amount of \$402,998.90 (including tire, delivery fees, and sales tax) for six (6) F150 Crew Cab 4x4 Lightning Pro Service Trucks to Downtown Ford Sales, Inc. of Sacramento, CA.

- 1.E** [24-1130](#) Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Purchase and Sale Agreement for the Purchase of 295 Commercial Street and Approve Budget Modification No. 8 in the Amount of \$4,650,000

Authorize the City Manager to execute the Purchase and Sale Agreement, in substantially the same form as Attachment 1 to the report, negotiate additional terms, conditions, and timelines as necessary, and sign all documents required to close the transaction for the purchase of real property located at 295 Commercial Street for \$4,500,000; and approve Budget Modification No. 8 in the amount of \$4,650,000.

- 1.F** [24-1144](#) Adopt a Resolution to Comply with State Housing Laws in Order to Submit a Letter of Interest for the Housing Incentive Pool Funds

Adopt a Resolution to Comply with State Housing Laws in Order to Submit a Letter of Interest for the Housing Incentive Pool Funds.

- 1.G** [24-1145](#) Adopt a Resolution of Local Support, Authorize the Filing of the Metropolitan Transportation Commission Housing Incentive Pool Funds Letter of Interest, and Authorize the City Manager to Execute all Grant-Related Documents for the Poplar Avenue Sidewalk Construction Project, the Sunnyvale Avenue/California Avenue Signal Upgrade Project and the Mary Avenue/Maude Avenue Signal Upgrade Project

Adopt a Resolution of Local Support, Authorize the Filing of the Metropolitan Transportation Commission Housing Incentive Pool Funds Letter of Interest, and

Authorize the City Manager to Execute all Grant-Related Documents for the Poplar Avenue Sidewalk Construction Project, the Sunnyvale Avenue/California Avenue Signal Upgrade Project and the Mary Avenue/Maude Avenue Signal Upgrade Project.

1.H [24-1136](#) Approve Council Policy 7.2.20, Reasonable Accommodation for Council and Board/Commission Members

Approve Council Policy 7.2.20, Reasonable Accommodation for Council and Board/Commission Members.

PUBLIC HEARINGS/GENERAL BUSINESS

3 [24-0951](#) Consider and Approve Amendments to Council Policy 1.2.4 (Traffic Calming) to Update Policy Purpose, Thresholds, Measures, and Process (Study Issue DPW 22-06)

At this time, Council heard Public Hearing/General Business Item 3- Consider and Approve Amendments to Council Policy 1.2.4 (Traffic Calming) to Update...

Interim Transportation and Traffic Manager Angela Obeso provided the staff report and presentation.

Public Hearing opened at 9:00 p.m.

Siva H. voiced their suggestions to improving the traffic calming policy.

Cyrus Fakhari spoke to the traffic problems at the intersection at Fremont Avenue and Wolfe Road.

Bryce Beagle shared their thoughts on improving road safety and traffic calming.

Jon Blum, Sunnyvale Safe Streets, provided a presentation on how to improve the traffic calming policy.

Sharlene Liu, Sunnyvale Safe Streets, continued the presentation.

Kevin Jackson, Sunnyvale Safe Streets, continued the presentation.

Stephen Meier, Sunnyvale Safe Streets, continued the presentation.

Daniel Karpeleritch communicated their support for the staff recommendation and

offered further policy suggestions.

Mary Brunkhurst, Sunnyvale Urban Forests Advocates, voiced their support for adding the option of street trees to the traffic calming policy.

Kathy Meagher, Sunnyvale Urban Forests Advocates, spoke to their support for adding the option of street trees to the traffic calming policy and to further address cyclist's safety concerns.

Steve Burke communicated their concerns with the traffic calming policy and urged Council to prioritize safety.

Shawn Ellis spoke in support of improving the traffic calming policy and to prioritize safety.

Jill Borges shared their traffic safety concerns around Washington Park.

Patricia Nishan spoke to the traffic safety concerns around Washington Park.

David Kesting spoke to the traffic calming needs on Washington Avenue and to improving the traffic calming policy.

Galen Kim Davis spoke to the speed limit +7 Miles Per Hour (MPH) speed limit threshold in the traffic calming policy.

Tim Kerr asked if there are plans for the commercial industrial collectors.

Leia Mehlman spoke to how streets are classified and how that can limit the traffic calming utility.

Agnes Veith shared their support for improving the traffic calming policy.

Sinosh communicated their concerns with the traffic on their residential street and the need to improve traffic calming.

Public Hearing closed at 9:52 p.m.

City Council took a recess at 9:52 p.m. returned at 9:59 p.m. with Mayor Klein, Vice Mayor Srinivasan, and Councilmembers Melton, Cisneros, Mehlinger and Sell

present.

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

- 1) Approve Amendments to Council Policy 1.2.4 Traffic Calming as defined in Attachment 3 to the report; and
- 3) Direct Staff to include a Budget Supplement to fund the recommended changes with the FY2025/26 Recommended Budget and:
 - Change the speed limit threshold to +5 Miles Per Hour (MPH);
 - Exclude high density housing from the signature requirement for a Tier 1 petition, but still conduct outreach;
 - Reduce the Tier 2 traffic calming threshold from 60% to 50%;
 - Include permanent radar signs as an option in Tier 1 traffic calming;
 - Schedule a 2025 study session on residential speed limits, Assembly Bill (AB) 43-Traffic Safety, and other relevant state legislation;
 - Schedule a Council and Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission (BPAC) check-in in first half of 2027; and
 - Update the Mission Statement to read:

Traffic calming employs a combination of physical, visual, and social measures to reduce cut-through traffic and speeding in residential neighborhoods, promote quality of life for residents, improve comfort for non-vehicular road users, and enhance safety for all.

The motion carried with the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Mayor Klein
 Councilmember Srinivasan
 Councilmember Melton
 Councilmember Cisneros
 Councilmember Mehlinger
 Vice Mayor Sell

No: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Din

2 [24-1203](#) CONTINUED FROM NOVEMBER 19, 2024
 Appoint Applicants to the Charter Review Committee

City Clerk David Carnahan provided the staff report.

Public Hearing opened at 11:32 p.m.

No speakers.

Public Hearing closed at 11:32 p.m.

City Clerk David Carnahan distributed the paper voting ballots.

City Council took a recess at 11:39 p.m. returned at 11:50 p.m. with Mayor Klein, Vice Mayor Srinivasan, and Councilmembers Melton, Cisneros, Mehlinger and Sell present.

City Clerk David Carnahan tallied the votes and reported the results as follows:

Charter Review Committee (11 vacancies)

Ballot One

Council District No. 1

Charles Fraleigh

Vote: 2-0-4 (Abstentions by Councilmember Melton, Cisneros, Mehlinger and Sell)

David Newswanger

Vote: 4-0-2 (Abstentions by Mayor Klein and Councilmember Melton)

Kathryn Filley

Vote: 3-0-3 (Abstentions by Mayor Klein, Vice Mayor Srinivasan and Councilmember Sell)

Pamela Elliot

Vote: 2-0-4 (Abstentions by Abstentions by Mayor Klein, Vice Mayor Srinivasan and Councilmembers Melton and Sell)

Sharlene Liu

Vote: 0-0-6 (Abstentions by all Councilmembers)

Timothy Oey

Vote: 5-0-1 (Abstention by Councilmember Melton)

Timothy Oey was appointed to the Charter Review Committee.

Council District No. 2

Gustav Larsson

Vote: 6-0-0

Kristel Wickham

Vote: 4-0-2 (Abstentions by Councilmembers Melton and Sell)

Michael Buchanan

Vote: 0-0-6 (Abstentions by all Councilmembers)

Stan Hendryx

Vote: 0-0-6 (Abstentions by all Councilmembers)

Gustav Larsson was appointed to the Charter Review Committee.

Council District No. 3

Barry Vickrey

Vote: 6-0-0

Galen Davis

Vote: 3-0-3 (Abstentions by Vice Mayor Srinivasan and Councilmembers Melton and Sell)

Ken Olevson

Vote: 5-0-1 (Abstention by Councilmember Sell)

Ravi Narayana

Vote: 0-0-6 (Abstentions by all Councilmembers)

Stephen Scandalis

Vote: 2-0-4 (Abstentions by Mayor Klein and Councilmembers Cisneros, Mehlinger and Sell)

Barry Vickrey was appointed to the Charter Review Committee.

Council District No. 4

Paulette Saldanha

Vote: 6-0-0

Paulette Saldanha was appointed to the Charter Review Committee.

Council District No. 5

Martin Pyne

Vote: 6-0-0

Martin Pyne was appointed to the Charter Review Committee.

Council District No. 6

Gail Rubino

Vote: 6-0-0

Gail Rubino was appointed to the Charter Review Committee.

Ballot Two

Charles Fraleigh (District 1)

Vote: 1-0-5 (Abstentions by Vice Mayor Srinivasan and Councilmembers Melton, Cisneros, Mehlinger and Sell)

David Newswanger (District 1)

Vote: 6-0-0

Galen Davis (District 3)

Vote: 4-0-2 (Abstentions by Vice Mayor Srinivasan and Councilmember Melton)

Kathryn Filley (District 1)

Vote: 6-0-0

Ken Olevson (District 3)

Vote: 6-0-0

Kristel Wickham (District 2)

Vote: 6-0-0

Michael Buchanan (District 2)

Vote: 0-0-6 (Abstentions by all Councilmembers)

Pamela Elliott (District 1)

Vote: 1-0-5 (Abstentions by Mayor Klein, Vice Mayor Srinivasan and Councilmembers Melton, Mehlinger and Sell)

Ravi Narayana (District 3)

Vote: 0-0-6 (Abstentions by all Councilmembers)

Sharlene Liu (District 1)

Vote: 0-0-6 (Abstentions by all Councilmembers)

Stan Hendryx (District 2)

Vote: 1-0-5 (Abstentions by Vice Mayor Srinivasan and Councilmembers Melton, Cisneros, Mehlinger and Sell)

Stephen Scandalis (District 3)

Vote: 2-0-4 (Abstentions by Mayor Klein and Councilmembers Cisneros, Mehlinger and Sell)

David Newswanger, Galen Davis, Kathryn Filley, Ken Olevson and Kristel Wickham were appointed to the Charter Review Committee.

MOTION: Vice Mayor Srinivasan moved and Councilmember Mehlinger seconded the motion to hear the rest of the agenda.

The motion carried with the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Mayor Klein
Councilmember Srinivasan
Councilmember Mehlinger
Vice Mayor Sell

No: 2 - Councilmember Melton
Councilmember Cisneros

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Din

COUNCILMEMBERS REPORTS ON ACTIVITIES FROM INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Councilmember Mehlinger reported on the Bay Area Water Supply and Conservation Agency (BAWSCA) Board of Directors and Caltrain Local Policy Maker Group meetings.

Vice Mayor Srinivasan reported on their attendance of the National League of Cities Summit.

Mayor Klein reported on their attendance of the Silicon Valley Clean Energy board meeting and the Cities Association of Santa Clara County meeting.

NON-AGENDA ITEMS & COMMENTS

-Council

Councilmember Mehlinger proposed a study issue to study developing a cigarette butt abatement program. Co-sponsored by Mayor Klein, Vice Mayor Srinivasan and Councilmembers Melton, Cisneros and Sell.

-City Manager

None.

INFORMATION ONLY REPORTS/ITEMS

[24-1134](#) Tentative Council Meeting Agenda Calendar

[24-1137](#) Board/Commission Meeting Minutes

[24-1167](#) Information/Action Items

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Klein adjourned the meeting at 12:10 a.m.