



# City of Sunnyvale

## Meeting Minutes - Draft City Council

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Tuesday, November 12, 2024

4:30 PM

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

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**Special Meeting: Closed Session - 4:30 PM | Special Meeting: Charter Review  
Committee Interviews - 6 PM | Regular Meeting - 7 PM**

### **4:30 P.M. SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING (Closed Session)**

#### **Call to Order**

Mayor Klein called the meeting to order at 4:49 p.m.

#### **Roll Call**

**Present:** 5 - Mayor Larry Klein  
Vice Mayor Murali Srinivasan  
Councilmember Russ Melton  
Councilmember Richard Mehlinger  
Councilmember Linda Sell  
**Absent:** 2 - Councilmember Alysa Cisneros  
Councilmember Omar Din

Councilmember Cisneros and Din's absences are excused.

Vice Mayor Srinivasan participated via teleconference from Courtyard by Marriott Tampa Downtown, Courtyard Ballroom, 102 East Cass Street, Tampa, FL 33602.

#### **Public Comment**

Public Comment opened at 4:52 p.m.

No speakers.

Public Comment closed at 4:52 p.m.

#### **Convene to Closed Session**

Council convened to Closed Session in the Council Conference Room at 4:52 p.m.

**A**      [24-0786](#)      Closed Session Held Pursuant to California Government Code

54956.8: CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY  
NEGOTIATORS For 916 E. California Avenue - APN:  
205-34-010 Agency Negotiators: Tim Kirby, City Manager;  
Chip Taylor, Director of Public Works; Sherine Nafie, City  
Property Administrator Negotiating Parties: IGS Inc. Under  
Negotiation: Price and Terms

- B**      [24-1132](#)      Closed Session Held Pursuant to California Government Code  
Section 54957:  
PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION  
Title: City Manager

### **Adjourn Special Meeting**

Mayor Klein adjourned the meeting at 5:57 p.m.

### **6 P.M. SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING (Study Session)**

#### **Call to Order**

Mayor Klein called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

#### **Roll Call**

**Present:** 5 - Mayor Larry Klein  
Vice Mayor Murali Srinivasan  
Councilmember Russ Melton  
Councilmember Richard Mehlinger  
Councilmember Linda Sell  
**Absent:** 2 - Councilmember Alysa Cisneros  
Councilmember Omar Din

Councilmember Cisneros and Din's absences are excused.

Vice Mayor Srinivasan participated via teleconference from Courtyard by Marriott  
Tampa Downtown, Courtyard Ballroom, 102 East Cass Street, Tampa, FL 33602.

#### **Study Session**

- C**      [24-0916](#)      Charter Review Committee Interviews

City Clerk David Carnahan provided the staff report.

Public Comment opened at 6:07 p.m.

No speakers

Public Comment closed at 6:07 p.m.

Council interviewed the following applicants the Charter Review Committee:

Martin Pyne

Kristel Wickham

Stan Hendryx

Ravi Narayana

**Adjourn Special Meeting**

Mayor Klein 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:** 5 - Mayor Larry Klein  
Vice Mayor Murali Srinivasan  
Councilmember Russ Melton  
Councilmember Richard Mehlinger  
Councilmember Linda Sell  
**Absent:** 2 - Councilmember Alysa Cisneros  
Councilmember Omar Din

Councilmember Cisneros and Din's absences are excused.

Vice Mayor Srinivasan participated via teleconference from Courtyard by Marriott Tampa Downtown, Courtyard Ballroom, 102 East Cass Street, Tampa, FL 33602.

### **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 916 E. California Avenue - APN: 205-34-010 Agency Negotiators: Tim Kirby, City Manager; Chip Taylor, Director of Public Works; Sherine Nafie, City Property Administrator Negotiating Parties: IGS Inc. Under Negotiation: Price and Terms; nothing to report.

Vice Mayor Srinivasan reported that Council met in Closed Session Held Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54957: PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION Title: City Manager; nothing to report.

### **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

Councilmember Melton announced the upcoming Drive Electric Event and an invitation to provide community input on AccessSunnyvale, the City's Constituent Relationship Management (CRM) system.

Ori S. shared their concerns with proposed 100% affordable housing developments replacing mixed use and retail businesses along El Camino Real.

Andrea W. provide a video presentation advocating for natural turf fields.

Shailaja D. continued the presentation.

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

Steve C. continued the presentation.

Uda continued the presentation.

Ryan Essenberg advocated for the ability to be able to work as a private tennis coach at City tennis courts.

### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

Public Comment opened at 7:37 p.m.

No speakers.

Public Comment closed at 7:37 p.m.

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

The motion carried with the following vote:

**Yes:** 5 - Mayor Klein  
Vice Mayor Srinivasan  
Councilmember Melton  
Councilmember Mehlinger  
Councilmember Sell

**No:** 0

**Absent:** 2 - Councilmember Cisneros  
Councilmember Din

**1.A**     [24-0060](#)     Approve City Council Meeting Minutes of October 29, 2024

Approve the City Council Meeting Minutes of October 29, 2024 as submitted.

**1.B**     [24-0451](#)     Approve the List(s) of Claims and Bills Approved for Payment  
by the City Manager

Approve the list(s) of claims and bills.

**1.C**     [24-0743](#)     Adopt a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Sunnyvale  
Authorizing Submittal of Applications and Related  
Authorizations for all CalRecycle Grants for Which the City of  
Sunnyvale is Eligible

Adopt a Resolution authorizing submittal of applications and related authorizations for all CalRecycle Grants for which the City of Sunnyvale is eligible.

City Council took a recess at 7:38 p.m. and returned at 7:43 p.m. with Mayor Klein and Councilmembers Melton, Mehlinger and Sell present in the Council Chambers and Vice Mayor Srinivasan present via teleconference.

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS/GENERAL BUSINESS**

**2**        [24-1133](#)        Biennial Review of Priority Needs for Human Services and  
Supplemental Human Services Funding Recommendations

Housing Officer Jenny Carloni provided the staff report.

Public Hearing opened at 7:56 p.m.

Marie Bernard, Director, Sunnyvale Community Services, communicated their support for raising the monetary allocation for Human Services and Supplemental Human Services Funding.

Pilar Furlong, Bill Wilson Center, voiced their support for raising the monetary allocation for Human Services and Supplemental Human Services Funding.

Georgia Bacil, Directing Attorney, Senior Adults Legal Assistance, spoke in support of raising the monetary allocation for Human Services and Supplemental Human Services Funding.

Public Hearing closed at 8:07 p.m.

MOTION: Councilmember Mehlinger moved and Councilmember Sell seconded the motion to approve Alternatives 1 and 5: 1) Approve the list of priority needs as stated in the staff report, excerpted from the City's 2020-2025 Consolidated Plan submitted to the Department of Housing and Urban Development; and 5) Direct staff to adjust the General Fund appropriation for human services grants to an amount determined by the Commission for FY 2025/26 and FY 2026/27 to be included in the FY 2025/26 Recommended Budget.

The motion carried with the following vote:

**Yes:** 5 - Mayor Klein  
Vice Mayor Srinivasan  
Councilmember Melton  
Councilmember Mehlinger  
Councilmember Sell

**No:** 0

**Absent:** 2 - Councilmember Cisneros  
Councilmember Din

3      [24-1131](#)      Proposed Project:  
Introduce an Ordinance to:  
Amend Article 5 (Special Housing Issues) of Title 19 (Zoning)

of the Sunnyvale Municipal Code to Allow Safe Parking as a Primary or Ancillary Use at Specified Sites, other related Zoning Code Amendments, and related Amendments to the Peery Park Specific Plan Land Use Table and Direct Staff to Pursue Implementing a Safe Parking Pilot Program on Public Land.

Location: Citywide

File #: PLNG-2024-0645

Zoning: C-4, MP-02, M-S, M-3, PPSP-IE, and PPSP-MIC and Place of Assembly - Community Serving us sites

Environmental Review: Class 1 (California Environmental Quality Act [CEQA] Guidelines Section 15301), Class 4 (Section 15304), and Class 11 (Section 15311) Categorical Exemptions and Section 15061(b)(3)

Project Manager: Amanda Sztoltz, (408) 730-7451, [asztoltz@sunnyvale.ca.gov](mailto:asztoltz@sunnyvale.ca.gov)

Homeless Services Manager Amanda Sztoltz provided the staff report and presentation.

City Council took a recess at 9:32 p.m. and returned at 9:38 p.m. with Mayor Klein and Councilmembers Melton, Mehlinger and Sell present in the Council Chambers and Vice Mayor Srinivasan present via teleconference.

Public Hearing opened at 9:38 p.m.

Agnes Veith, Livable Sunnyvale, spoke in support of implementing a safe parking program.

Coleen Hausler, Livable Sunnyvale, communicated their support for implementing a safe parking program.

Alpana Agarwal, Co-founder, Helping Hands Silicon Valley, shared their support for implementing a safe parking program.

Pratima Gupta, Co-founder, Helping Hands Silicon Valley, voiced their support for implementing a safe parking program.

Mike Serrone, Livable Sunnyvale, spoke in support of implementing a safe parking program.

Kat Filley communicated their support for implementing a safe parking program.

Marie Bernard, Director, Sunnyvale Community Services, shared their support for implementing a safe parking program.

Chuck Fraleigh, Livable Sunnyvale, voiced their support for implementing a safe parking program.

Brian Leona, Move Mountain View, spoke in support of implementing a safe parking program.

Rose, Helping Hands Silicon Valley, shared their support for implementing a safe parking program.

Angela Rausch, Livable Sunnyvale, communicated their support for implementing a safe parking program.

Public Hearing closed at 10:03 p.m.

MOTION: Councilmember Mehlinger moved and Councilmember Sell seconded the motion to approve Alternatives 1, 2 and 3: 1) Introduce an Ordinance to amend Article 5 (Special Housing Issues) of Title 19 (Zoning) of the Sunnyvale Municipal Code to allow Safe Parking as a Primary or Ancillary Use at Specified Sites, other related Zoning Code amendments, and related amendments to the Peery Park Specific Plan Land Use Table (Attachment 2 to the report) and find that the Action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to the Class 1, Class 4, and Class 11 categorical exemptions and Section 15061(b)(3); 2) Direct Staff to pursue implementing a Safe Parking Pilot Program on public land and return to Council with program details; and 3) Direct staff to prepare a Budget Issue for consideration with the FY 2025-2026 Recommended Budget for a General Fund grant for a nonprofit or faith-based organization to provide a Safe Parking Program on private land.

City Clerk David Carnahan read the Ordinance title for the record.

The motion carried with the following vote:



**Yes:** 5 - Mayor Klein  
Vice Mayor Srinivasan  
Councilmember Melton  
Councilmember Mehlinger  
Councilmember Sell

**No:** 0

**Absent:** 2 - Councilmember Cisneros  
Councilmember Din

**4**      [24-0738](#)      Approval of Murphy Avenue Pedestrian Mall Concept

MOTION: Councilmember Mehlinger moved and Mayor Klein seconded the motion to continue this agenda item to the November 19, 2024 City Council meeting.

The motion carried with the following vote:

**Yes:** 5 - Mayor Klein  
Vice Mayor Srinivasan  
Councilmember Melton  
Councilmember Mehlinger  
Councilmember Sell

**No:** 0

**Absent:** 2 - Councilmember Cisneros  
Councilmember Din

**COUNCILMEMBERS REPORTS ON ACTIVITIES FROM INTERGOVERNMENTAL  
COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS**

Agenda item not heard by Council.

**NON-AGENDA ITEMS & COMMENTS**

**-Council**

Agenda item not heard by Council.

**-City Manager**

Agenda item not heard by Council.

**INFORMATION ONLY REPORTS/ITEMS**

[24-1006](#)      Tentative Council Meeting Agenda Calendar

[24-1047](#) Board/Commission Meeting Minutes

[24-1050](#) Information/Action Items

[24-1128](#) Boards and Commissions Semi-Annual Attendance Report,  
January to June 2024 (Information Only)

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Klein adjourned the meeting at 10:15 p.m.