



# City of Sunnyvale

## Meeting Minutes City Council

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Tuesday, April 8, 2025

5:00 PM

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

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

### Public Participation and Access

#### **5 P.M. SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING (Closed Session)**

##### **Call to Order**

Vice Mayor Sell called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

##### **Roll Call**

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

##### **Public Comment**

Public Comment opened at 5:01 p.m.

No speakers.

Public Comment closed at 5:01 p.m.

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

Council convened to Closed Session in the Council Conference Room at 5:02 p.m.

- A**      [25-0426](#)      Closed Session Held Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54957:  
PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION  
Title: City Manager
- B**      [25-0273](#)      Closed Session Held Pursuant to Paragraph (1) of Subdivision (d) of California Government Code Section 54956.9:  
CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING

LITIGATION Name of case: Josue Torres v. City of Sunnyvale, et al, United States District Court, Northern District of California, Case No. 5:24-cv-05002-EKL

### **Adjourn Special Meeting**

Vice Mayor Sell adjourned the meeting at 6:40 p.m.

### **7 P.M. COUNCIL MEETING**

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Klein called the meeting to order at 7:00 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 Linda Sell  
Councilmember Alysa Cisneros  
Councilmember Richard Mehlinger  
Councilmember Murali Srinivasan  
Councilmember Charlsie Chang  
Councilmember Eileen Le

#### **CLOSED SESSION REPORT**

Vice Mayor Sell 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.

Vice Mayor Sell reported that Council met in Closed Session Held Pursuant to Paragraph (1) of Subdivision (d) of California Government Code Section 54956.9: CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL EXISTING LITIGATION Name of case: Josue Torres v. City of Sunnyvale, et al, United States District Court, Northern District of California, Case No. 5:24cv05002EKL; nothing to report.

#### **SPECIAL ORDER OF THE DAY**

**C**      [25-0465](#)      Arab-American Heritage Month

Mayor Klein spoke in honor of Arab-American Heritage Month.

**D**      [25-0466](#)      Fair Housing Month

Mayor Klein spoke in honor of Fair Housing Month.

Adrian Solis, Fair Housing Outreach Coordinator, Project Sentinel, spoke in recognition of Fair Housing Month.

**E**      [25-0467](#)      Library Week

Mayor Klein spoke in honor of Library Week.

Superintendent of Libraries Garrett Kuramoto spoke in recognition of Library Week.

### **PRESENTATION**

**F**      [25-0222](#)      Update Regarding Valley Water (VW) Proposed Rate  
Increases by VW Directors Richard Santos and Nai Hsueh

Richard Santos, Vice Chair, Valley Water Board; Aaron Baker, Chief Operating Officer of Water Utility Enterprise, Valley Water; Darin Taylor, Chief Financial Officer, Valley Water; and Bhavani Yerrapotu, Deputy Operating Officer, Valley Water provided the presentation.

City Council took a recess at 8:23 p.m. and returned at 8:30 p.m. with all City Councilmembers present.

**G**      [25-0383](#)      Community Benefits Projects by High School Students in the  
Sunnyvale Youth Advisory

Maddy Chang, Sunnyvale Youth Advisory; Michelle Wu, President, Sunnyvale Teen Advisory and additional members provided the presentation.

### **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

Councilmember Srinivasan announced details of the current recruitment for various Boards and Commissions.

Jay Yamanaga, Vice President-Student Exchange, Sunnyvale Sister City Association spoke to the successful recent student exchange program with Sister City Iizuka, Japan

Syed Babar shared their experience hosting a student in partnership with the Student Exchange program.

Dharani Purushotham shared their experience hosting a student in partnership with the Student Exchange program.

Redmond James Pickett shared their experience hosting a student in partnership with the Student Exchange program.

John Kehoe, Grassroots Ecology, promoted the Youth Stewards program for students at Grassroots Ecology.

Christopher Kao, Fremont High Robotics, communicated their achievements and advancement to the FIRST Championships robotics competition.

Steve Caroompas provided a presentation regarding negative impacts of building multiple housing projects in the Charles Street neighborhood.

Uday Vallamseity continued the presentation.

Shiva Hari continued the presentation.

Valerie shared their concerns that the Village Center Master Plan public hearing item has been delayed.

### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

Public Comment opened at 9:34 p.m.

Zach Kaufman requested agenda item 1.D be pulled from the Consent Calendar.

Public Comment closed at 9:34 p.m.

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

The motion carried with the following vote:

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

**No: 0**

**1.A**     [25-0099](#)     Approve City Council Meeting Minutes of March 13, 2025

## (Council Strategic Priorities Workshop)

Approve the City Council Meeting Minutes of March 13, 2025 as submitted.

**1.B**      [25-0228](#)      Approve City Council Meeting Minutes of March 18, 2025

Approve the City Council Meeting Minutes of March 18, 2025 as submitted.

**1.C**      [25-0322](#)      Approve the List(s) of Claims and Bills Approved for Payment  
by the City Manager

Approve the list(s) of claims and bills.

**1.D**      [25-0355](#)      Approve Budget Modification No. 19 in the Amount of  
\$500,000 for the 2025 Fourth of July Celebration Event

Public Hearing opened at 9:36 p.m.

Zach Kaufman questioned if the budget modification for the 2025 Fourth of July  
Celebration Event is financially responsible.

Public Hearing closed at 9:38 p.m.

MOTION: Councilmember Mehlinger moved and Councilmember Srinivasan  
seconded the motion to approve Budget Modification No. 19 in the amount of  
\$500,000 for the 2025 Fourth of July Celebration Event.

The motion carried with the following vote:

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

**No: 0**

**1.E**      [25-0256](#)      Award Three On-Call Service Contracts for Levee  
Maintenance and Emergency Repair Services to: (1) Brannon  
Corporation, Not-to-Exceed \$800,000; (2) Dirt Market, LLC,  
Not-to-Exceed \$400,000; and (3) McNabb Construction Inc.  
dba DK Environmental, Not-to-Exceed \$600,000 (F25-120)

Take the following actions:

- Award three one-year on-call surveying support services contracts in substantially the same form as Attachments 1, 2 and 3 to the report to: Brannon Corporation of Morgan Hill, CA in a not-to-exceed amount of \$800,000, DirtMarket LLC of San Jose, CA in a not-to-exceed amount of \$400,000, and McNabb Construction dba DK Environmental of Lafayette, CA in a not to exceed amount of \$600,000;
- Authorize the City Manager to execute the contracts when all necessary conditions have been met;
- Authorize the City Manager to execute amendments to any or all the contracts to extend the term for up to three additional one-year periods based upon available funding, need, pricing, and service; to increase the maximum compensation subject to budget availability and authorization; and to modify the compensations schedule subject to negotiated pricing; and
- Find the proposed actions to be exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Sections 15301 (Existing Facilities), 15304 (Minor Alterations to Land) and 15269 (Emergency Projects).

**1.F**      [25-0263](#)      Authorize the Issuance of a 5-year Purchase Agreement to AMS.NET, Inc in the Amount of \$453,925 for Video Archiving Hardware, Project Management and Installation Services in the Amount of \$453,925

Take the following actions:

- Authorize the issuance of a 5-year contract purchase agreement utilizing the terms included as Attachment 1 to the report to AMS.NET, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$453,925;
- Authorize the City Manager to execute the contract when all necessary conditions have been met; and
- Approve a 15% contingency in the amount of \$68,089.

**1.G**      [25-0356](#)      Award of a Five-year Contract to LWP Claims Solutions, Inc. for Third Party Workers' Compensation Claim Administration Services (F25-042)

Take the following actions:

- Award a five-year contract in substantially the same form as Attachment 1 to the report in the amount not-to-exceed \$2,431,620 to LWP Claims Solutions, Inc. of Mill Valley;
- Delegate the authority to the City Manager during the term of the contract to increase the not-to-exceed amount of the contract subject to budget availability to fund investigations and claim case increases beyond the maximums set forth in the agreement;
- Authorize the City Manager to execute the contract when all necessary conditions have been met; and

- Delegate the authority to the City Manager to extend and fund the contract for two additional one-year periods at the rates set forth in the agreement, subject to budget availability and if services and pricing remain acceptable to the City.

- 1.H**      [25-0407](#)      Authorize the Issuance of a Consultant Services Agreement to Brad Cox, Architect, Inc. in the Total Amount of \$275,255 for Design and Construction Support Services for Park Buildings Rehabilitation (Braly & Fairwood Park) (F25-269)

Take the following actions:

- Award a contract to Brad Cox, Architect, Inc. in the amount of \$275,255 in substantially the same form as Attachment 1 to the report;
- Authorize the City Manager to execute the contract when all necessary conditions have been met; and
- Approve a 10% contingency in the amount of \$27,525.

- 1.I**      [25-0352](#)      Approval of the 2025 Sewer System Management Plan

Approve the 2025 Sewer System Management Plan in its entirety to meet State Water Board requirements.

- 1.J**      [25-0275](#)      Approve the Downtown Sunnyvale Business Improvement District (BID) Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2024/25 and Adopt Resolution of Intention to Levy and Collect and Annual Assessment to Reauthorize BID for Fiscal Year 2025/26

Approve the Fiscal Year 2024/25 BID Annual Report, adopt a Resolution of Intention to Levy and Collect an Assessment and reauthorize the Business Improvement District for Fiscal Year 2025/26, and schedule the public hearing for May 6, 2025.

- 1.K**      [25-0454](#)      Adopt a Resolution Amending the Classification Plan to add the Classifications of Librarian I/II and Vehicle Abatement Officer, and the City's Salary Resolution to Make Corresponding Changes to the Schedule of Pay and Correct the Public Safety Dispatcher - Lateral Pay Rate

Adopt a Resolution amending the Classification Plan to add the Classifications of Librarian I/II and Vehicle Abatement Officer, and the City's Salary Resolution to make corresponding changes to the Schedule of Pay and correct the Public Safety Dispatcher - Lateral Pay Rate, effective April 13, 2025.

- 1.L**      [25-0521](#)      Adopt Ordinance No. 3240-25 Repealing and Re-Adopting Chapter 19.79 (Accessory Dwelling Units), Amending Related Definitions in Chapter 19.12 (Definitions) and Other Sections

of Title 19 (Zoning) of the Sunnyvale Municipal Code  
Pertaining to Accessory Dwelling Unit Regulations

Adopt Ordinance No. 3240-25 repealing and re-adopting Chapter 19.79 (Accessory Dwelling Units), amending related definitions in Chapter 19.12 (Definitions) and other sections of Title 19 (Zoning) of the Sunnyvale Municipal Code pertaining to Accessory Dwelling Unit Regulations.

- 1.M**      [25-0522](#)      Ratify the Valley Transportation Authority's (VTA) Appointment of Vice Mayor Linda Sell to the Capitol Corridor Joint Powers Agency (CCJPA) Board of Directors

Ratify Valley Transportation Authority's (VTA) appointment of Vice Mayor Linda Sell to the Capitol Corridor Joint Powers Agency (CCJPA) Board of Directors.

City Council took a recess at 9:39 p.m. and returned at 9:45 p.m. with all City Councilmembers present.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS/GENERAL BUSINESS**

- 2**            [25-0499](#)      Public Hearing Pursuant to Government Code Section 3502.3 to Receive a Report on City of Sunnyvale Vacancies, and Recruitment and Retention Efforts

Human Resources Director Tina Murphy provided the staff report and presentation.

Public Hearing opened at 10:11 p.m.

No speakers.

Public Hearing closed at 10:11 p.m.

MOTION: Councilmember Mehlinger moved and Vice Mayor Sell seconded the motion to approve Alternative 1: Receive the informational report on City of Sunnyvale Vacancies, and Recruitment and Retention Efforts Pursuant to Government Code Section 3502.3.

The motion carried with the following vote:



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

**No: 0**

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

Councilmember Mehlinger reported on a recent meeting of the Airport Land Use Commission.

Councilmember Le reported on a recent Caltrain Local Policy Makers Group meeting.

Vice Mayor Sell reported on a recent Valley Transportation Authority Board meeting.

**NON-AGENDA ITEMS AND COMMENTS**

**-Council**

Councilmember Srinivasan shared their experience visiting the Fremont High Robotics team.

Councilmember Mehlinger shared their experience visiting the Fremont High Robotics team.

MOTION: Councilmember Mehlinger moved and Councilmember Le seconded the motion to agendize a public hearing item on the Village Center Master Plan no later than July 1, 2025.

The motion carried with the following vote:

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

**No: 0**

Councilmember Le shared their experience attending the Sunnyvale Earth Day event.

Mayor Klein shared their experience attending the Sunnyvale Earth Day event.

**-City Manager**

City Manager Tim Kirby offered appreciation to City staff for organizing the Sunnyvale Earth Day event.

**INFORMATION ONLY REPORTS/ITEMS**

<a href="#">25-0114</a>	Tentative Council Meeting Agenda Calendar
<a href="#">25-0230</a>	Board/Commission Meeting Minutes
<a href="#">25-0306</a>	Information/Action Items
<a href="#">25-0092</a>	Board/Commission Resignation (Information Only)
<a href="#">25-0468</a>	Council Advocacy Letters

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Klein adjourned the meeting at 10:22 p.m.