



City of Sunnyvale

Meeting Minutes City Council

Tuesday, May 23, 2023

7:00 PM

Online and Bay Conference Room
(Room 145), City Hall,
456 W. Olive Ave.,
Sunnyvale, CA 94086

Regular Meeting - 7 PM

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: 5 - Mayor Larry Klein
Councilmember Alysa Cisneros
Councilmember Richard Mehlinger
Councilmember Murali Srinivasan
Councilmember Linda Sell

Absent: 2 - Vice Mayor Omar Din
Councilmember Russ Melton

SPECIAL ORDER OF THE DAY

A [23-0074](#) Ceremonial Oath of Office for Board and Commission
Members

City Clerk David Carnahan administered the Oath of Office to appointed Board and Commission Members.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Councilmember Cisneros announced a Sustainability Speaker Series webinar event, LGBTQ+ Pride Month events, and details of the Sunnyvale Community Awards nominations process.

Tara Martin-Milius provided comments regarding City Council's work during the Budget Workshop and the creation of the Human Relations Commission.

Matthew Tinsley, Director of Strong Start, Santa Clara Office of Education, spoke to the importance of early learning programs for children and how cities can best facilitate such programs.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Public Comment opened at 7:13 p.m.

Sharlene Liu requested to speak on item 1.C.

Public Comment closed at 7:13 p.m.

MOTION: Councilmember Cisneros moved and Councilmember Mehlinger seconded the motion to approve agenda items 1.A, 1.B and 1.D.

FRIENDLY AMENDMENT: Councilmember Mehlinger offered a friendly amendment to correct the spelling of Martin Pyne and John Kehoe in the April 25, 2023 City Council Meeting Minutes (agenda item 1.A). Councilmember Cisneros accepted the friendly amendment.

The motion as amended carried with the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Klein
Councilmember Cisneros
Councilmember Mehlinger
Councilmember Srinivasan
Councilmember Sell

No: 0

Absent: 2 - Vice Mayor Din
Councilmember Melton

1.A [23-0245](#) Approve City Council Meeting Minutes of April 25, 2023
Approve the City Council Meeting Minutes of April 25, 2023 as amended.

1.B [23-0578](#) Authorize the Purchase of Four Engines from Golden State
Fire Apparatus (F23-155)

Take the following actions:

- Authorize the City Manager to issue a Purchase Agreement in the amount of \$4,010,233.32, including an estimated amount of \$334,618.24 in sales tax to Golden State Fire Apparatus, in substantially the same form as Attachment 1, Option B; and
- Approve a 4% contingency in the amount of \$160,409.33.

1.C [23-0625](#) Adopt Ordinance No. 3214-23 to Add Chapter 10.66 (PEDESTRIAN MALL ON SOUTH MURPHY AVENUE) to Title 10 (VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC) of the Sunnyvale Municipal Code Establishing a Pedestrian Mall on South Murphy Avenue and to Amend Various Sections of Chapter 10.56 (BICYCLES) of the Sunnyvale Municipal Code Related to Bicycles on Pedestrian Malls

Public Comment opened at 7:16 p.m.

Sharlene Liu communicated their opposition to adopting an ordinance restricting bicycles on pedestrian malls.

Public Comment closed at 7:19 p.m.

MOTION: Councilmember Mehlinger moved and Councilmember Cisneros seconded the motion to adopt Ordinance No. 3214-23 23 to add Chapter 10.66 (PEDESTRIAN MALL ON SOUTH MURPHY AVENUE) to Title 10 (VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC) of the Sunnyvale Municipal Code establishing a pedestrian mall on South Murphy Avenue and to amend various Sections of Chapter 10.56 (BICYCLES) of the Sunnyvale Municipal Code related to bicycles on Pedestrian Malls.

The motion carried with the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Klein
Councilmember Cisneros
Councilmember Mehlinger
Councilmember Srinivasan
Councilmember Sell

No: 0

Absent: 2 - Vice Mayor Din
Councilmember Melton

1.D [23-0626](#) Adopt Ordinance No. 3215-23 to Add Chapter 19.71

(RESIDENTIAL TENANT PROTECTIONS PROGRAMS) to
Title 19 (ZONING) of the Sunnyvale Municipal Code Relating
to Tenant Protections and Right to Lease

Adopt Ordinance No. 3215-23 to add Chapter 19.71 (Residential Tenant Protections Programs) to Title 19 (Zoning) of the Sunnyvale Municipal Code relating to tenant protections and right to lease.

PUBLIC HEARINGS/GENERAL BUSINESS

- 2 [23-0031](#) Selection of the Preferred Alignment of the Bernardo Avenue Undercrossing Project to be Defined as the Proposed Project for the Project for Environmental Review

Transportation & Traffic Manager Dennis Ng provided the staff report and presentation.

Public Hearing opened at 8:08 p.m.

Sharlene Liu, Bike Sunnyvale, spoke on behalf of Bike Sunnyvale regarding their recommendations and comments on the undercrossing project.

Public Hearing closed at 8:10 p.m.

MOTION: Councilmember Mehlinger moved and Councilmember Sell seconded the motion to approve Alternative 1: Selection of the Eastern Alignment as the Preferred Alignment of the Bernardo Avenue Undercrossing Project.

The motion carried with the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Klein
Councilmember Cisneros
Councilmember Mehlinger
Councilmember Srinivasan
Councilmember Sell

No: 0

Absent: 2 - Vice Mayor Din
Councilmember Melton

- 3 [23-0067](#) Accept the Findings of the Poplar Avenue Sidewalk Study (DPW 21-04), Approval of Installation of a 6-foot Wide

Sidewalk and 4-foot Wide Park Strip Along the East Side of Poplar Avenue Between El Camino Real and Peterson Middle School, and Approval of Installation of a Minimum 6-foot Wide Sidewalk on the North and South Sides of Bryant Way East of Poplar Avenue

Assistant Director of Public Works Jennifer Ng provided the staff report and presentation.

Public Hearing opened at 8:51 p.m.

Mark Schiel, Deputy Superintendent of Operations/Chief Business Official, Santa Clara Unified School District, communicated support for Alternative 1 and to how these new sidewalks will improve student safety.

Vickie Fairchild spoke to the importance of building a sidewalk at Poplar Avenue for student safety and how this should be City Council's only consideration for this agenda item.

Bryce Beagle provided a presentation supporting the approval of Alternative 1 and offered further options to consider for future similar projects.

Angela Quizon spoke in support of approving Alternative 1 to build a sidewalk on Poplar Avenue and for further bicycle safety measures to be taken.

Sharlene Liu communicated their support for approving Alternative 1 and noted additional bicycle and pedestrian projects to be considered in the area.

Sandra Mason spoke in support for approving any of the outlined sidewalk installation projects on Poplar Avenue.

Aida Sued shared their support for approving Alternative 1.

Public Hearing closed at 9:19 p.m.

MOTION: Councilmember Mehlinger moved and Councilmember Cisneros seconded the motion to approve Alternative 1: Accept the findings of the Poplar Avenue Sidewalk Study (DPW 21-04), approval of installation a 6-foot wide sidewalk and 4-foot wide park strip along the east side of Poplar Avenue, between El Camino Real and Peterson Middle School, and approval of installation of a

minimum 6-foot wide sidewalk on the north and south sides of Bryant Way east of Poplar Avenue.

The motion carried with the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Klein
Councilmember Cisneros
Councilmember Mehlinger
Councilmember Srinivasan
Councilmember Sell

No: 0

Absent: 2 - Vice Mayor Din
Councilmember Melton

COUNCILMEMBERS REPORTS ON ACTIVITIES FROM INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Mayor Klein announced he was appointed to the executive board at Silicon Valley Clean Energy and that Councilmembers were sent invitations to attend the June City Association of Santa Clara County membership meeting.

NON-AGENDA ITEMS & COMMENTS

-Council

Councilmember Mehlinger sponsored a study issue to examine improving Fair Oaks from Java Drive to El Camino Real through a Complete Streets Redesign of Fair Oaks. Mayor Klein and Councilmembers Cisneros, Srinivasan and Sell co-sponsored the study issue.

Councilmember Mehlinger sponsored a study issue to examine amending the portion of the Peery Park Specific Plan located East of Mathilda to target mixed-use housing and retail. Mayor Klein and Councilmembers Cisneros, Srinivasan and Sell co-sponsored the study issue.

Mayor Klein reported Vice President Kamala Harris' visit to Sunnyvale.

-City Manager

None.

INFORMATION ONLY REPORTS/ITEMS

[23-0416](#) Board/Commission Meeting Minutes

[23-0417](#) Information/Action Items

[23-0160](#) Council Advocacy Letters

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Klein adjourned the meeting at 9:50 p.m.