



# City of Sunnyvale

## Meeting Minutes - Draft City Council

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Tuesday, February 25, 2025

6:00 PM

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

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**Special Meeting: Study Session - 6 PM | Regular Meeting - 7 PM**

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

#### **Call to Order**

Vice Mayor Sell called the meeting to order at 6:00 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

#### **Study Session**

**A**      [25-0120](#)      Update to Council on the Multi-Family Dwelling (MFD) Bulky Item Program

Solid Waste Programs Division Manager Shikha Gupta provided the staff report and presentation.

Public Comment opened at 6:48 p.m.

No speakers.

Public Comment closed at 6:48 p.m.

#### **Adjourn Special Meeting**

Vice Mayor Sell adjourned the meeting at 6:50 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

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

Councilmember Le announced a Ride and Drive Electric Event, an upcoming Department of Public Safety Community Meeting and the Peery Park Rides program.

Zach Kaufman communicated suggestions on how to improve public participation in City Council meetings.

Rose shared their concerns with the planned abatement of the unhoused encampments around the Sunnyvale Library and support for additional shelter services.

Joshua Fieldson voiced their concerns with the planned abatement of the unhoused encampments around the Sunnyvale Library and support for additional shelter services.

Himanshu Selhi, Helping Hands Sunnyvale, spoke in support of helping the unhoused community.

Jennifer Smith communicated their concerns with the planned abatement of the unhoused encampments around the Sunnyvale Library.

Nicholas Lane voiced their concerns with the planned abatement of the unhoused encampments around the Sunnyvale Library.

Samantha Somers shared their concerns for unhoused seniors who rely on a fixed income.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

Public Comment opened at 7:26 p.m.

Esther Rosenfeld requested agenda Item 1.M. be pulled from the Consent Calendar.

Carmel Johnson requested agenda Item 1.M. be pulled from the Consent Calendar.

Maia Elder Kadar requested agenda Item 1.M. be pulled from the Consent Calendar.

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Public Comment closed at 7:27 p.m.

Vice Mayor Sell pulled agenda Item 1.M. for separate consideration.

MOTION: Vice Mayor Sell moved and Councilmember Cisneros seconded the motion to approve agenda items 1.A through 1.L and 1.N through 1.Q.

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**     [25-0109](#)     Approve City Council Meeting Minutes of January 14, 2025  
Approve the City Council Meeting Minutes of January 14, 2025 as submitted.

**1.B**     [25-0238](#)     Approve City Council Meeting Minutes of January 28, 2025  
Approve the City Council Meeting Minutes of January 28, 2025 as submitted.

- 1.C**      [25-0239](#)      Approve City Council Meeting Minutes of January 30, 2025  
(Council Retreat)

Approve the City Council Meeting Minutes of January 30, 2025 as submitted.

- 1.D**      [25-0240](#)      Approve City Council Meeting Minutes of February 3, 2025  
(Board and Commission Interviews)

Approve the City Council Meeting Minutes of February 3, 2025 as submitted.

- 1.E**      [25-0241](#)      Approve City Council Meeting Minutes of February 4, 2025

Approve the City Council Meeting Minutes of February 4, 2025 as submitted.

- 1.F**      [25-0024](#)      Approve the List(s) of Claims and Bills Approved for Payment  
by the City Manager

Approve the list(s) of claims and bills.

- 1.G**      [25-0258](#)      Approve Budget Modification No. 13 for Payment of Attorney's  
Fee Award in San Francisco Baykeeper v. City of Sunnyvale  
(U.S. District Court Case No. 5:20-CV-00824-EJD)

Approve Budget Modification No. 13 since the payment has been ordered by the  
District Court.

- 1.H**      [25-0312](#)      Approve Budget Modification No. 15 of \$76,642 for November  
5, 2024, Elections Costs

Approve Budget Modification No. 15 in the amount of \$76,742.

- 1.I**      [25-0257](#)      Award of Contract in the Amount of \$2,561,259.29 to Casey  
Construction, Inc. for Replacement/Repair/Rehabilitation of  
Sanitary Sewer System and Finding of California  
Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Categorical Exemption  
Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Sections 15301(b), 15302(c),  
and 15303(d) (PW25-05)

Take the following actions:

- Award a contract in substantially the same form as Attachment 2 to the report in  
the amount of \$2,561,259.29 to Casey Construction, Inc of Emerald Hills;
- Make a finding of a categorical exemption from the California Environmental  
Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Sections 15301(b), 15302(c), and

15303 (d);

- Authorize the City Manager to execute the contract when all necessary conditions have been met; and
- Approve a 10% contingency in the amount of \$256,126.

**1.J**      [25-0197](#)      Authorize Reinstating and Amending two On-Call Contracts for Pavement Rehabilitation Services (F25-203 and F25-209)

Take the following actions:

- Authorize the City Manager to execute the Second Amendments to the contracts with Michael Baker International, Inc. and Wood Rodgers, Inc. for Pavement Management in substantially the same form as Attachment 1 and 2 to the report to extend the term of the agreements to May 10, 2025; and
- Authorize the City Manager to execute the Contracts when all necessary conditions have been met.

**1.K**      [25-0064](#)      Amend an Existing Purchase Agreement with Dell Marketing L.P. for Computer Equipment in the Amount of \$2,500,000 and Extend the Term Through June 30, 2028 (F25-186)

Take the following actions:

- Authorize the City Manager to modify an existing purchase agreement with Dell Marketing L.P., increasing the PA amount from \$800,000 to \$2,500,000, for ongoing, scheduled replacements of computers, monitors, servers, and associated equipment; and
- Authorize the City Manager to renew the contract for up to three (3) additional one-year periods and to further modify the PA amount, both subject to available budget and if pricing and service remain acceptable to the City.

**1.L**      [25-0096](#)      Review and Approve 2025 Board and Commission Annual Work Plans

Approve the 2025 Work Plans as submitted.

**1.M**      [25-0094](#)      Annual Review of City's Code of Ethics and Conduct for Elected and Appointed Officials

Public Hearing opened at 7:33 p.m.

Esther Rosenfeld spoke in support of adding new language to the 2025 Code of Ethics and Conduct and provided language examples.

Carmel Johnson voiced their support of adding new language to the 2025 Code of

Ethics and Conduct.

Maia Elder Kadar shared their support of Human Relations Commission recommended changes to the 2025 Code of Ethics and Conduct.

Public Hearing closed at 7:40 p.m.

MOTION: Vice Mayor Sell moved and Councilmember Cisneros seconded the motion to direct staff to develop additional language options for the Code of Ethics and Conduct for Elected and Appointed Officials for Council to consider and return to Council at a date to be determined by the City Manager.

MOTION TO SUBSTITUTE: Councilmember Mehlinger moved and Councilmember Le seconded the motion to substitute the motion to approve the staff recommendation to approve the 2025 Code of Ethics and Conduct for Elected and Appointed Officials with non-substantive changes from the 2024 Code as set forth in Attachment 1 to the report.

The substitute 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**

MOTION AS AMENDED: Councilmember Mehlinger moved and Councilmember Le seconded the motion to approve the 2025 Code of Ethics and Conduct for Elected and Appointed Officials with non-substantive changes from the 2024 Code as set forth in Attachment 1 to the report.

The motion as amended carried with the following vote:

**1.N**      [25-0280](#)      Approve NOVA as Adult and Dislocated Worker Career Services Provider at Sunnyvale Job Center and Operator for NOVA Workforce Development Area

Approve NOVA as the Adult and Dislocated Worker Career Services Provider at the Sunnyvale Job Center and Operator for the NOVA workforce development area.

- 1.O**      [25-0274](#)      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 March 2, 2025

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 March 2, 2025.

- 1.P**      [25-0364](#)      Ratify the Cities Association of Santa Clara County's (CASCC) Appointment of Mayor Larry Klein to the Measure A (2016 Housing Bond) Independent Citizens' Oversight Committee

Ratify the Cities Association of Santa Clara County's (CASCC) appointment of Mayor Larry Klein to the Measure A (2016 Housing Bond) Independent Citizens' Oversight Committee.

- 1.Q**      [25-0347](#)      Adopt Ordinance No. 3238-25 to Amend Section 2.29 of the Sunnyvale Municipal Code Relating to Electronic Filing of Campaign Statements and Statements of Economic Interests

Adopt Ordinance No. 3238-25 to amend Section 2.29 of the Sunnyvale Municipal Code relating to Electronic Filing of Campaign Statements and Statements of Economic Interests.

City Council took a recess at 8:10 p.m. and returned with 8:21 p.m. with all the Councilmembers present.

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

- 2**      [25-0351](#)      Consider Potential Modifications to Relocation Assistance Requirements for Sunnyvale Municipal Code Chapter 19.71 Residential Tenant Protections Programs

Community Development Director Trudi Ryan provided the staff report.

Public Hearing opened at 8:51 p.m.

Marie Bernard, Executive Director, Sunnyvale Community Services, communicated their program's statistics on housing insecurity and advocated for three months of

relocation assistance.

Public Hearing closed at 8:54 p.m.

MOTION: Councilmember Cisneros moved and Councilmember Mehlinger seconded the motion to approve Alternative 2: Direct staff return to Council with an Ordinance to amend SMC Chapter 19.71: Residential Tenant Protections Programs to increase relocation assistance for no fault, just cause evictions to three months of rent.

The motion carried with the following vote:

- Yes: 5 -** Mayor Klein  
Vice Mayor Sell  
Councilmember Cisneros  
Councilmember Mehlinger  
Councilmember Le
- No: 2 -** Councilmember Srinivasan  
Councilmember Chang

**3**      [25-0093](#)      Appoint Applicant to the Board of Library Trustees

City Clerk David Carnahan provided the staff report.

Public Hearing opened at 9:15 p.m.

No speakers.

Public Hearing closed at 9:15 p.m.

City Council took a recess at 9:29 p.m. and returned at 9:40 p.m. with all Councilmembers present.

Board of Library Trustees (one term to 6/30/2026)

Jenny Bratton

Vote: 3-0-4 (Abstentions by Vice Mayor Sell and Councilmembers Cisneros, Mehlinger and Le)

Trong Du

Vote: 0-0-7 (Abstentions by all Councilmembers)

Nili Helman – Caspi



Vote: 0-0-7 (Abstentions by all Councilmembers)

Mar Junge

Vote: 3-0-4 (Abstentions by Mayor Klein and Councilmembers Cisneros, Mehlinger and Chang)

Dana Katzenelson

Vote: 0-0-7 (Abstentions by all Councilmembers)

Winnie Lam

Vote: 3-0-4 (Abstentions by Vice Mayor Sell and Councilmembers Cisneros, Mehlinger and Le)

David Liu

Vote: 6-0-1 (Abstention by Councilmember Srinivasan)

Stephen Williams

Vote: 0-0-7 (Abstentions by all Councilmembers)

David Liu was appointed to the Board of Library Trustees to serve a term expiring 6/30/2026.

- 4**      [25-0308](#)      Appoint Councilmembers as the City's Alternate Representative to the Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) Policy Advisory Committee (PAC) and as the Alternate Director for the Central Cities Grouping to the Silicon Valley Regional Interoperability Authority (SVRIA)

Assistant City Manager Sarah Johnson-Rios provided the staff report.

Public Hearing opened at 9:44 p.m.

No speakers.

Public Hearing closed at 9:44 p.m.

MOTION: Councilmember Mehlinger moved and Councilmember Srinivasan seconded the motion to approve Alternatives 1 and 2:

- 1: Appoint Councilmember Mehlinger to serve as the City's alternate representative on the Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) Policy Advisory Committee (PAC); and
- 2: Appoint Councilmember Srinivasan to serve as the City's representative for the Central Cities Grouping Alternate Director on the Silicon Valley Regional

Interoperability Authority (SVRIA).

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**

Mayor Klein reported on recent meetings of Silicon Valley Clean Energy and the City Association of Santa Clara County.

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

**NON-AGENDA ITEMS AND COMMENTS**

**-Council**

Councilmember Srinivasan shared how they organized an impromptu student outing at the Department of Public Safety.

Councilmember Mehlinger posed questions to City Staff regarding Sunnyvale social media outreach efforts.

Councilmember Srinivasan shared agreement with Councilmember Mehlinger regarding Sunnyvale social media outreach efforts.

**B**      [25-0311](#)      Colleagues Memorandum: Consider Removing Policy Requiring Street Parking on Fair Oaks Avenue be Preserved

MOTION TO AGENDIZE: Councilmember Mehlinger moved and Mayor Klein seconded the motion to agendize the Colleagues Memorandum: Consider Removing Policy Requiring Street Parking on Fair Oaks Avenue be Preserved.

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**

**-City Manager**

City Manager Tim Kirby shared that additional hotel rooms for sheltering unhoused residents were opened to the public in light of the pending abatement of the unhoused encampments at the Sunnyvale Library.

**INFORMATION ONLY REPORTS/ITEMS**

- [25-0069](#) Tentative Council Meeting Agenda Calendar
- [25-0070](#) Board/Commission Meeting Minutes
- [25-0071](#) Information/Action Items
- [25-0061](#) Boards and Commissions Semi-Annual Attendance Report, July to December 2024 (Information Only)
- [25-0319](#) Mayoral Announcement of Mayor-Appointed Ad Hoc Advisory Committee on City Attorney Compensation (Information Only)
- [25-0388](#) Announcement of Mayoral Appointments of Councilmembers to the Cities Association of Santa Clara County Legislative Action Committee (Information Only)
- [25-0353](#) Council Advocacy Letters

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Klein adjourned the meeting at 10:13 p.m.