



City of Sunnyvale

Meeting Minutes City Council

Tuesday, November 4, 2025

6:00 PM

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

Special Meeting: 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: 5 - Mayor Larry Klein
Vice Mayor Linda Sell
Councilmember Richard Mehlinger
Councilmember Murali Srinivasan
Councilmember Charlsie Chang

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Alysia Cisneros
Councilmember Eileen Le

Councilmember Cisneros and Le's absences are excused.

Study Session

A [25-0672](#) Orchard Heritage Park and Heritage Park Museum (Study Issue DPW 17-05)

Public Works Director Chip Taylor; and Greg Yanito, Senior Associate, Page & Turnbull; Sophie Carollo-Mandel, Community Outreach Coordinator, CBI; John Leffingwell, Project Orchardist; Teifion Rice-Evans, Managing Principal Economic & Planning Systems, EPS; and Caroline Geyer, Architect, Page & Turnbull, provided the staff report and presentation.

Public Comment opened at 7:04 p.m.

Laura Babcock, Museum Director, Sunnyvale Heritage Park Museum, communicated their support for Option C when considering expansion options for

the Sunnyvale Heritage Park Museum.

Mike Serrone voiced support for the operating changes of Model 2 to the Orchard Heritage Park, Option C when considering expansion options for the Sunnyvale Heritage Park Museum.

Zachary Kaufman spoke to their concerns regarding funding, revenue streams, and orchard configuration at the Orchard Heritage Park and Museum.

Tiffany Anderson, President, Heritage Park Museum, advocated for incorporating children's educational opportunities in the Orchard and for Option C when considering expansion options for the Sunnyvale Heritage Park Museum.

Sue Ellen Johnson, Heritage Park Museum, voice their support for expansion options that best integrate the Orchard Heritage Park and Heritage Park Museum.

Stephen Meier shared their support for Option C when considering expansion options for the Sunnyvale Heritage Park Museum and commented on the high costs of operating the Orchard Heritage Park.

Public Comment closed at 7:23 p.m.

Adjourn Special Meeting

Vice Mayor Sell adjourned the meeting at 7:31 p.m.

7 P.M. COUNCIL MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Klein called the meeting to order at 7:36 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 Linda Sell
Councilmember Richard Mehlinger
Councilmember Murali Srinivasan
Councilmember Charlsie Chang

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Alysa Cisneros
Councilmember Eileen Le

Councilmember Cisneros and Le's absences are excused.

SPECIAL ORDER OF THE DAY

B [25-0493](#) World Town Planning Day

Mayor Klein spoke in honor of World Town Planning Day.

Community Development Director Trudi Ryan spoke in recognition of World Town Planning Day.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Ari Feinsmith, Sunnyvale Safe Streets, provided a presentation in support Option 1 buffered bicycle lanes for the Hollenbeck Bike Lane Study and offered alternatives to concerns regarding Option 1.

Sharlene Liu, Sunnyvale Safe Streets, continued the presentation.

Lauren shared their concerns with the potential of replacing street parking on Hollenbeck Avenue with bicycle lanes.

Stephen Meier communicated their support of Option 1; Hollenbeck buffered bicycle lanes and to the proposed trial phase by Sunnyvale Safe Streets.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Public Comment opened at 7:56 p.m.

No speakers.

Public Comment closed at 7:56p.m.

MOTION: Vice Mayor Sell moved and Councilmember Srinivasan 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 Sell
Councilmember Mehlinger
Councilmember Srinivasan
Councilmember Chang

No: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Cisneros
Councilmember Le

1.A [25-0337](#) 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 [25-0873](#) Authorize the City Manager, or Designee, to (1) Execute the Cost Share Agreement by and between the City of Sunnyvale and the Santa Clara Valley Water District for the Construction of a Joint Wall for the Sunnyvale Cleanwater Program's Perimeter Wall, and (2) Execute the West Channel Joint Wall Project: Operation and Maintenance Agreement Between the City of Sunnyvale and the Santa Clara Valley Water District for the Sunnyvale Cleanwater Program's Perimeter Wall

Approve the City Manager to execute the West Channel Joint Wall Project: Operation and Maintenance Agreement and Cost Sharing Agreement by and between the City of Sunnyvale and the Santa Clara Valley Water District for Construction of a Joint Wall.

1.C [25-0887](#) Award of Contract to Shredding Systems Incorporated in the Amount of \$2,672,831.22 for a Pre-Load Compactor for the Sunnyvale Material Recovery and Transfer (SMaRT) Station NextGen Project and Approve a 7% Contingency in the Amount of \$175,850 (F26-020)

Take the following actions:

- Award a contract to SSI Shredding, Inc. for a pre-load compactor in substantially the same form as Attachment 1 to the report in an amount not-to-exceed \$2,672,831.22;
- Approve a 7% Contingency for the Purchase in the Amount of \$175,850.09; and
- Authorize the City Manager to execute the Contract when all necessary conditions have been met.

PUBLIC HEARINGS/GENERAL BUSINESS

- 2 [25-0737](#) Discussion of Meeting Dates and Adoption of a Resolution
Approving the City Council Regular Meeting Calendar for April
2026 Through March 2027

City Clerk David Carnahan provided the staff report.

Public Hearing opened at 8:25 p.m.

No speakers.

Public Hearing closed at 8:25 p.m.

MOTION: Councilmember Mehlinger moved and Councilmember Chang seconded the motion to approve Alternative 2: Adopt a Resolution (Attachment 4 to the report) approving the City Council Regular Meeting Calendar for April 2026 through March 2027 with meetings on the second and fourth Tuesdays in most months, as submitted.

The motion failed with the following vote:

Yes: 2 - Councilmember Mehlinger
 Councilmember Chang

No: 3 - Mayor Klein
 Vice Mayor Sell
 Councilmember Srinivasan

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Cisneros
 Councilmember Le

MOTION: Councilmember Srinivasan moved and Vice Mayor Sell seconded the motion to approve Alternative 1: Adopt a Resolution (Attachment 3 to the report) approving the City Council Regular Meeting Calendar for April 2026 through March 2027 avoiding scheduling conflicts, as submitted.

The motion carried with the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Klein
Vice Mayor Sell
Councilmember Mehlinger
Councilmember Srinivasan
Councilmember Chang

No: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Cisneros
Councilmember Le

MOTION: Vice Mayor Sell moved and Councilmember Mehlinger seconded the motion to direct staff to return to Council with a report to change the scheduled regular meeting of March 17, 2026, to March 10, 2026.

The motion carried with the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Klein
Vice Mayor Sell
Councilmember Mehlinger
Councilmember Srinivasan
Councilmember Chang

No: 0

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Cisneros
Councilmember Le

COUNCILMEMBERS REPORTS ON ACTIVITIES FROM INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

None.

NON-AGENDA ITEMS AND COMMENTS

-Council

Councilmember Srinivasan announced they will be attending the GovAI Coalition Summit in San Jose.

Vice Mayor Sell spoke to their attendance at a panel discussion in Mountain View regarding bay shore sea level rise protection.

Mayor Klein shared their attendance at the State of the San Francisco Estuary

conference.

-City Manager

None.

INFORMATION ONLY REPORTS/ITEMS

[25-0336](#) Tentative Council Meeting Agenda Calendar

[25-0943](#) Board/Commission Meeting Minutes

[25-0961](#) Potential Council Priority Project Ideas Proposed by Council

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Klein adjourned the meeting at 8:41 p.m.