



# City of Sunnyvale

## Meeting Minutes - Draft City Council

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Tuesday, January 23, 2024

5:00 PM

1. Online  
2. Council Chambers, City Hall, 456 W.  
Olive Ave., Sunnyvale, CA 94086  
3. Council Chambers, 500 Castro St.,  
Mountain View, CA 94041

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**Special Joint Meeting with City of Mountain View City Council: Closed Session - 5 PM |  
Special Meeting: Special Order of the Day - 6:30 PM | Regular Meeting - 7 PM**

### **5 P.M. SPECIAL JOINT MEETING WITH CITY OF MOUNTAIN VIEW CITY COUNCIL (Closed Session)**

#### **Call to Order**

Vice Mayor Srinivasan called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m.

#### **Roll Call**

**Present:** 7 - Mayor Larry Klein  
Vice Mayor Murali Srinivasan  
Councilmember Russ Melton  
Councilmember Alysa Cisneros  
Councilmember Omar Din  
Councilmember Richard Mehlinger  
Councilmember Linda Sell

Councilmember Mehlinger participated via teleconference.

#### **Public Comment**

Public Comment opened at 5:05 p.m.

No speakers.

Public Comment closed at 5:05 p.m.

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

Council convened to Closed Session in the Council Conference Room at 5:07 p.m.

**A**      [24-0178](#)      Closed Session Held Pursuant to California Government Code  
Section 54956.9:

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING  
LITIGATION

(Paragraph (1) of Subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9)

Name of Case: San Francisco Baykeeper v. City of Sunnyvale

U.S. District Court, Northern Dist. of California Civil Case No.:

5:20-cv-00824-EJD

**Adjourn Special Meeting**

Vice Mayor Srinivasan adjourned the meeting at 6:33 p.m.

**6:30 P.M. SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING (Special Order of the Day)**

**Call to Order**

Mayor Klein called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m.

**Roll Call**

**Present:** 7 - Mayor Larry Klein  
Vice Mayor Murali Srinivasan  
Councilmember Russ Melton  
Councilmember Alysa Cisneros  
Councilmember Omar Din  
Councilmember Richard Mehlinger  
Councilmember Linda Sell

Councilmember Mehlinger participated via teleconference.

**Special Order of the Day**

**B**      [24-0103](#)      Recognition of Santa Clara Valley Science and Engineering  
Fair Association (SCVSEFA) Award Winners

Mayor Klein provided award certificates to the 2023 SCVSEFA award winners.

Forrest Williams and Dr. Aulena Chaudhuri, SCVSEFA Board Members, provided remarks on the SCVSEFA program.

**Adjourn Special Meeting**

Mayor Klein adjourned the meeting at 6:57 p.m.

**7 P.M. COUNCIL MEETING**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Klein called the meeting to order at 7:05 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 Murali Srinivasan  
Councilmember Russ Melton  
Councilmember Alysa Cisneros  
Councilmember Omar Din  
Councilmember Richard Mehlinger  
Councilmember Linda Sell

Councilmember Mehlinger participated via teleconference.

**CLOSED SESSION REPORT**

Vice Mayor Srinivasan reported that Council met in Closed Session Held Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.9: Conference with Legal Counsel Existing Litigation (Paragraph (1) of Subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9) Name of Case: San Francisco Baykeeper v. City of Sunnyvale U.S. District Court, Northern Dist. of California Civil Case No.: 5:20 cv 00824 EJD; Council voted 7-0 to approve the filing of an amicus brief in the matter of City and County of San Francisco Vs. Environmental Protection Agency U.S. Supreme Court Case No. 23-753.

**SPECIAL ORDER OF THE DAY**

**C**      [24-0099](#)      Recognition of Outgoing Vice Mayor

Public Comment opened at 7:11 p.m.

No speakers.

Public Comment closed at 7:13 p.m.

Mayor Klein provided remarks in appreciation of former Vice Mayor Din.

Councilmember Din provided remarks.

**D**      [24-0100](#)      Ceremonial Oath of Office for Vice Mayor

Ganga Srinivasan administered the ceremonial Oath of Office to Vice Mayor Srinivasan

Public Comment opened at 7:22 p.m.

Sheila Mohan, Mayor of Cupertino, spoke in honor of Vice Mayor Srinivasan.

Tina Walis, City of Saratoga Councilmember, made remarks in honor of Vice Mayor Srinivasan.

Richard Santos, Vice Chair, Santa Clara Valley Water District, voiced their congratulations to Vice Mayor Srinivasan.

Member of the public offered their congratulations to Vice Mayor Srinivasan.

Lori Malahy provided congratulatory remarks to Vice Mayor Srinivasan.

Public Comment closed at 7:29 p.m.

Mayor Klein made remarks in honor of Vice Mayor Srinivasan.

Vice Mayor Srinivasan provided remarks.

Councilmember Mehlinger spoke in honor of Vice Mayor Srinivasan.

Councilmember Sell shared their congratulations to Vice Mayor Srinivasan.

**E**      [24-0086](#)      Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month

Mayor Klein spoke in recognition of Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month.

Sharan Dhanoa, Director, South Bay Coalition to End Human Trafficking, made remarks regarding Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month

Councilmember Cisneros provided remarks in regard to Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month.

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

Councilmember Cisneros announced details of the current recruitment for various Boards and Commissions and the Sunnyvale Sustainability Speaker Series webinars.

Margaret Lawson communicated concerns with Fremont Avenue.

Steven Meier shared their concerns with the San Francisco Baykeeper and the City of Sunnyvale lawsuit.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

Public Comment opened at 7:51 p.m.

No speakers.

Public Comment closed at 7:51 p.m.

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

The motion carried with the following vote:

**Yes:** 7 - Mayor Klein  
Vice Mayor Srinivasan  
Councilmember Melton  
Councilmember Cisneros  
Councilmember Din  
Councilmember Mehlinger  
Councilmember Sell

**No:** 0

**1.A**     [24-0013](#)     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**     [24-0158](#)     Award of Contract in the Amount of \$702,859 to W Bradley LLC for Traffic Signal Fiber Optic Communications Project, Finding of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Exemption Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15301(c) (PW24-05)

Take the following actions:

- Award a contract in substantially form as Attachment 2 to the report in the amount

of \$702,859 to W Bradley Electric, LLC;

- Approval of a 10% construction contingency in the amount of \$70,286;
- Authorize the City Manager to execute the contract when all necessary conditions have been met; and
- Make a finding of a categorical exemption from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15301(c).

- 1.C**      [24-0196](#)      Reinstatement and Amend an Existing Contract with Keenan & Associates for Workers' Compensation Claims Administration Services to Extend the Term by One Year and Increase the Not-To-Exceed Contract Amount to \$2,701,606.52 (F24-066)

Authorize the City Manager to reinstate the existing contract with Keenan & Associates, and execute a Fourth Amendment, in substantially the same form as Attachment 1 to the report, extending the contract term by one year and increasing the not-to-exceed amount by \$473,000 for new total not-to-exceed contract amount of \$2,701,606.52.

- 1.D**      [24-0211](#)      Approve Outside Counsel Agreement with Sloan Sakai Yeung & Wong LLP for Litigation Services in the Matter of Michael Laurent v. City of Sunnyvale

Authorize the City Attorney to execute an Agreement, in substantially the same form as Attachment 1 to the report, with the law firm of Sloan Sakai Yeung & Wong LLP in an amount not to exceed \$300,000.

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

- 2**            [24-0101](#)      Annual Public Hearing-Discussion of Potential Council Study Issues and Budget Proposals for Calendar Year 2024

Senior Management Analyst Michelle Zahraie provided the staff report and presentation.

Public Hearing opened at 8:01 p.m.

Jon Blum, Bike Sunnyvale, shared a presentation in support of Budget Proposal 2024-01 Hire an Active Transportation Planner.

David Wessel, Bike Sunnyvale, continued the presentation.

Kevin Jackson, Bike Sunnyvale, shared a presentation in support of Study Issue

DPW 24-02 Complete Streets Redesign of Fair Oaks Avenue.

Hans Bernhardt, Bike Sunnyvale, continued the presentation.

Mark Hlady, Bike Sunnyvale, shared a presentation in support of Study Issue DPW 24-09 Improving Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Near Intersections and Crosswalks at Fremont High School and at Homestead High School and Other Innovative Traffic Improvements.

Alon Golan, Bike Sunnyvale, spoke in support of Study Issue DPW 24-09.

Sharlene Liu communicated their support for Budget Proposal 2024-01.

Andrea Wald spoke in support of Study Issue ESD 24-01 Evaluate the Use of Artificial Turf versus Living Groundcovers.

Susan Hinton, Sierra Club Loma Prieta Chapter Environmental Stewardship Program, shared their support for Study Issue ESD 24-01.

Erick Krock spoke in support of Study Issue DPW 24-08 Explore the Feasibility of Converting the PG&E Lots Facing Ramona Avenue, Lois Avenue, and/or Dona Avenue into an Open Green Space Linear Park for the Community.

Gary Tyrnauer shared a presentation in support of Study Issue DPW 20-11 Evaluate Feasibility of Dog Off-leash Hours in Select Sunnyvale Park(s).

Deeya Muhury voiced their support for Study Issue DPW 20-11.

Tina Ye communicated their support for Study Issue DPW 20-11.

Lori Malahy spoke in support of Study Issue DPW 20-11.

Harold Brown shared their support for Study Issue DPW 20-11.

Clark Hobson voiced their support for Study Issue DPW 20-11.

Pramod Sambaraju spoke in support of Study Issue DPW 24-08.

Rani Fischer, Santa Clara Valley Audubon Society, communicated their support for

study issues CDD 24-02 and ESD 24-01.

Marie Bernard, Executive Director of Sunnyvale Community Services, shared their support for Study Issue CDD 24-03 Establishment of a Sanctioned Encampment for Unhoused Individuals in Sunnyvale.

Shane Jacksteit, Elevation Neighborhood Association, spoke in support of study issues CDD 24-04 Peery Park Specific Plan Amendment (area east of Mathilda Avenue) and CDD 24-03.

Bryce Beagle provided comment on the study issues being recommended to be dropped by City staff.

David K. shared their support for study issues DPW 20-11, DPW 20-04 and DPW 24-05.

Liz Steward spoke in support of study issues CDD 24-03, CDD 22-02, CDD 22-07, CDD 23-05 and CDD 23-01.

Doug Kunz, Sustainability Commission Chair, provided the Sustainability Commission's study issues recommendations.

Mary Brunkhorst, Sunnyvale Urban Forests Advocates, voiced their support for study issues DPW 24-08 and ESD 24-01.

Pamela Bond shared their support for study issues ESD 24-01 and CDD 24-02.

Nicole Lee, Saratoga High School Environmental Action Club, communicated their support for study issues ESD 24-01 and CDD 24-02.

Dashiell Leeds, Conservation Coordinator, Sierra Club Loma Prieta Chapter, spoke in support for study issues ESD 24-01, CDD 24-02, LRS 24-01 and concerns regarding study issues DPW 20-13 and DPW 24-04.

Kimchi Chen, Cherry Chase Neighborhood Association, shared their support for Study Issue DPW 24-08.

Cortney Jansen spoke in support of Study Issue ESD 24-01 and to abandon Study Issue DPW 23-06.

Winnie Lam voiced their support for Study Issue DPW 24-01 Evaluate Feasibility of an Art Crosswalks Program or Policy.

Aiden Chen, Saratoga High School Environmental Action Club, shared their support for study issues ESD 24-01, CDD 24-02 and concerns with study issues DPW 24-04 and DPW 20-13.

Kristal Wickham communicated their support for budget proposals and study issues ESD 24-01, CDD 24-01, CDD 24-02, ESD 24-02, DPW 23-08 and DPW 23-07.

Neha Tadikamalla, Saratoga High School Environmental Action Club, spoke in support for Study Issue CDD 24-02.

Carol Weiss shared their support for Study Issue CDD 24-02.

Wesly Yu spoke in support of Study Issue CDD 23-02 Consider General Plan Land Use Designation Amendments and Rezoning for 26 Legal Non-Conforming Single- and Two-Family Dwellings.

Alex Deboni voiced their support for Study Issue CDD 23-02.

Rose Gregorio shared their support for Study Issue CDD 24-03.

Truth communicated their support for Study Issue CDD 24-03.

Chuck Fraleigh spoke in support Study Issue CDD 24-03.

Carrie Levin voiced their support for Study Issue ESD 24-01.

Kerry Haywood, Moffett Park Business Group, spoke in support for Study Issue DPS 24-01 Evaluate an Ordinance or Resolution Allowing Traffic Enforcement on Private Roadways in the Moffett Park Specific Plan Area.

Public Hearing closed at 9:57 p.m.

Council took a recess at 9:58 p.m. and reconvened at 10:08 p.m. with all Councilmembers present; Councilmember Mehlinger participated via teleconference.

Councilmember Mehlinger sponsored a budget proposal to evaluate a Curb Painting Budget Modification. Mayor Klein, Vice Mayor Srinivasan, and Councilmembers Melton and Cisneros co-sponsored the budget proposal.

Councilmember Melton proposed a study issue to evaluate a Sunnyvale Gateway Program.

Councilmember Mehlinger suggested adding the US Highway 101 intersections to the study issue.

Councilmember Melton accepted the suggestion.

Mayor Klein, Vice Mayor Srinivasan, and Councilmember Cisneros, Din, Mehlinger and Sell co-sponsored the study issue.

Councilmember Din proposed a study issue to create a North Sunnyvale Quality of Life Master Plan. Mayor Klein, Vice Mayor Srinivasan, and Councilmembers Melton, Cisneros, Mehlinger, and Sell co-sponsored the study issue.

Councilmember Sell proposed a study issue to evaluate improving pedestrian and bicycle safety near intersections and crosswalks at Fremont High School and Homestead High School.

Councilmember Cisneros suggested adding the language of “and other innovative traffic improvements”.

Councilmember Sell accepted the suggestion.

Councilmember Melton requested to add Wilcox High School to the parameters of the study issue.

Councilmember Sell declined to accept the suggestion.

Councilmember Mehlinger suggested adding a scramble intersection at Fremont High School to the study issue.

Councilmember Sell accepted to the suggestion.

Mayor Klein, Vice Mayor Srinivasan, and Councilmembers Cisneros and Mehlinger co-sponsored the study issue.

Mayor Klein proposed a study issue to re-evaluate Sunnyvale’s sign ordinance. Vice

Mayor Srinivasan, and Councilmembers Melton, Cisneros, Mehlinger, Din and Sell co-sponsored the study issue.

Mayor Klein proposed a study issue to explore the costs, benefits, and operational changes of implementing a Special Needs Awareness Program (SNAP). Vice Mayor Srinivasan, and Councilmembers Melton, Cisneros, Din, Mehlinger, and Sell co-sponsored the study issue.

- 3        [24-0184](#)        Receive information on Potential Real Property Transfer Tax Measure, Provide Direction to Staff and Approve Budget Modification No. 11 in the Amount of \$40,000

Assistant Director of Finance Dennis Jaw provided the staff report and presentation.

Public Hearing opened at 11:16 p.m.

Sharlene Liu spoke in support of a Real Property Transfer Tax (RPTT) to assist in funding active transportation projects.

Jon Blum shared their confusion to how the RPTT would be calculated.

Member of the public voiced concerns with the proposed RPTT.

Kerry Haywood, Moffett Park Business Group, communicated their concerns with the proposed RPTT.

Public Hearing closed at 11:26 p.m.

MOTION: Councilmember Mehlinger moved and Mayor Klein seconded the motion to approve Alternative 1: Provide direction to staff on the parameters of a potential Real Property Transfer Tax measure to be publicly polled and approve Budget Modification No. 11 in the Amount of \$40,000 for polling consultant costs. With the following modifications:

- Add a polling question if a 30-year sunset clause is more favorable.
- Add a polling question if having annual adjustments to the cap would be more favorable than 5-year adjustments.
- Set a threshold of \$4 million to the real property tax.

FRIENDLY AMENDMENT: Councilmember Sell proposed a friendly amendment to add an additional follow up question to the polling asking “what if single family

homes and duplexes be exempted from the \$4 million threshold." Mayor Klein and Councilmember Mehlinger accepted the friendly amendment.

The motion as amended carried with the following vote:

- Yes: 6 -** Mayor Klein  
Vice Mayor Srinivasan  
Councilmember Cisneros  
Councilmember Din  
Councilmember Mehlinger  
Councilmember Sell
- No: 1 -** Councilmember Melton

Vice Mayor Srinivasan moved and Mayor Klein seconded the motion to hear agenda item 4.

The motion carried with the following vote:

- Yes: 4 -** Mayor Klein  
Vice Mayor Srinivasan  
Councilmember Cisneros  
Councilmember Sell
- No: 3 -** Councilmember Melton  
Councilmember Din  
Councilmember Mehlinger

- 4**      [24-0018](#)      Discuss and Provide Direction Regarding Process, Scope of Review, and Timeline for Potential Amendments to the City Charter

Councilmember Din moved and Councilmember Melton seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting.

The motion carried with the following vote:

**Yes: 7 -** Mayor Klein  
Councilmember Din  
Councilmember Melton  
Councilmember Cisneros  
Councilmember Mehlinger  
Vice Mayor Srinivasan  
Councilmember Sell

**No: 0**

Agenda item not heard by Council.

**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**

- [24-0080](#) Tentative Council Meeting Agenda Calendar
- [24-0081](#) Board/Commission Meeting Minutes
- [24-0082](#) Information/Action Items
- [24-0153](#) Annual Review of New and Pending Laws (Information Only)
- [24-0140](#) Council Advocacy Letters

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Klein adjourned the meeting at 12:05 a.m.



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Thursday, January 25, 2024

8:30 AM

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

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### Special Meeting: Council Strategic Workshop - 8:30 AM

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Klein called the meeting to order at 8:37 a.m.

#### **ROLL CALL**

**Present:** 7 - Mayor Larry Klein  
Vice Mayor Murali Srinivasan  
Councilmember Russ Melton  
Councilmember Alysia Cisneros  
Councilmember Omar Din  
Councilmember Richard Mehlinger  
Councilmember Linda Sell

Councilmember Mehlinger participated via teleconference.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Public Comment opened at 8:40 a.m.

Tara Martin-Milius communicated their support for climate action related initiatives, Sunnyvale Library modernization, and to continue supporting local non-profits.

David Kesting spoke in support for study issues DPW 20-11 Evaluate Feasibility of Dog Off-leash Hours in Select Sunnyvale Park(s), DPW 24-04 Evaluate Late Night Lights at Public Parks, and DPW 24-05 Explore Making the City-Owned Property at East Evelyn & West Mathilda Place Open and Accessible to the Public with a Rehabilitation of the Existing Bus Terminal Sign Abandoned at that Location.

David Wessel provided comments on how to fund and use funding for active transportation projects.

Rod Sinks voiced support for a citywide micro transit service.

Sharlene Liu communicated their recommendations for how the City can handle climate and transportation initiatives.

Stephen Meier voiced their support for prioritizing active transportation projects and programs.

Jonathan Blum spoke in support for Budget Proposal 2024-01 Hire an Active Transportation Planner and provided comments on how to fund and use funding for active transportation projects.

Peggy Shen Brewster, Sunnyvale for Equity and Education (SEE) voiced their support for a budget modification for the Silicon Valley hopper transportation service.

Dashiell Leeds, Conservation Coordinator, Sierra Club Loma Prieta Chapter, spoke in support for study issues CDD 24-02 Explore the Creation of a Dark Sky Ordinance for Single-Family Dwellings, LRS 24-01 Examine the Permanent Closure of the Interior Levee Trails Surrounding Sunnyvale's Wastewater Treatment Ponds for Public Recreation, and ESD 24-01 Evaluate the Use of Artificial Turf versus Living Groundcover.

Agnes Veith communicated their support for Study Issue CDD 24-03 Establishment of a Sanctioned Encampment for Unhoused Individuals in Sunnyvale.

Public Comment closed at 8:52 a.m.

## **OVERVIEW**

Mayor Klein provided opening remarks.

City Manager Kent Steffens provided opening remarks and welcomed facilitator Shawn Spano.

Finance Director Tim Kirby provided the fiscal report and presentation.

Human Resources Director Tina Murphy provided the staffing review report and presentation.

Council took a recess at 9:40 a.m. and reconvened at 9:50 a.m. with all Councilmembers present; Councilmember Mehlinger participated via teleconference.

**FOCUS AREAS: COUNCIL PRIORITIES UPDATE**

Council met with the Executive Leadership Team in a facilitated workshop format and received information on strategic focus areas.

**STRONG, DIVERSE COMMUNITY**

Community Development Director Trudi Ryan, Public Works Director Chip Taylor and Deputy City Manager Jaqui Guzmán provided the Strong, Diverse Community report and presentation.

**VIBRANT AND INNOVATIVE LOCAL ECONOMY**

Ms. Ryan and NOVA Workforce Services Director Marléna Sessions provided the Vibrant and Innovative Local Economy report and presentation.

**REGIONAL LEADER IN ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY**

Environmental Services Director Ramana Chinnakotla and Mr. Taylor provided the Regional Leader in Environmental Sustainability report and presentation.

**SAFE, SECURE, AND HEALTHY PLACE FOR ALL**

Mr. Taylor and Public Safety Chief Phan Ngo provided the Safe, Secure, and Healthy Place for All report and presentation.

**RESPONSIBLE AND RESPONSIVE GOVERNMENT**

Chief Information Officer/Information Technology Director Kathleen Boutté Foster-Gee and Mr. Kirby provided the Responsible and Responsive Government report and presentation.

**COMMUNITY WITH A DISTINCTIVE IDENTITY**

Mr. Taylor, Ms. Ryan, and Library and Recreation Services Director Michelle Perera

provided the Community with a Distinctive Identity report and presentation.

Council took a recess at 12:08 p.m. and reconvened at 12:45 p.m. with all Councilmembers present; Councilmember Mehlinger participated via teleconference.

### **STRATEGIC TOPICS DISCUSSION**

#### **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIC PLAN**

Deputy City Manager Connie Verceles and Economic Development Manager Christine Velasquez provided the Economic Development Strategic Plan report and presentation.

Councilmembers posed questions for staff and provided comments regarding the Economic Development Strategic Plan.

#### **STAFFING AND SERVICE LEVELS**

Finance Director Tim Kirby provided the Staffing and Service Levels report and presentation.

Councilmembers posed questions for staff and provided comments regarding the Staffing and Service Levels.

#### **ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION AND VISION ZERO**

Public Works Director Chip Taylor provided the Active Transportation and Vision Zero report and presentation.

Councilmembers posed questions for staff and provided comments regarding the Active Transportation and Vision Zero.

Council took a recess at 3:08 p.m. and reconvened at 3:25 p.m. with all Councilmembers present; Councilmember Mehlinger participated via teleconference.

### **DISCUSSION ON COUNCIL PRIORITIES**

MOTION: Councilmember Melton moved and Vice Mayor Srinivasan seconded the motion to approve the following 2024 Council Policy Priorities:

1. Civic Center Campus Modernization;
2. Ability of Infrastructure to Support Development and Traffic;
3. Accelerating Climate Action, the Active Transportation Plan and Vision Zero Plan;
4. Support the Unhoused Community;
5. Downtown Sunnyvale; and
6. Equity, Access and Inclusion.

The motion carried with the following vote:

**Yes: 7 -** Mayor Klein  
Vice Mayor Srinivasan  
Councilmember Melton  
Councilmember Cisneros  
Councilmember Din  
Councilmember Mehlinger  
Councilmember Sell

**No: 0**

Councilmember Mehlinger sponsored a study issue to examine improving innovation and agility in the study issue process. Mayor Klein, Vice Mayor Srinivasan, and Councilmembers Melton, Cisneros, Din, and Sell co-sponsored the study issue.

Mayor Klein sponsored a study issue to evaluate a program to receive requests from residents for painting curbs red. Mayor Klein, Vice Mayor Srinivasan, and Councilmembers Melton, Cisneros, Din, and Sell co-sponsored the study issue.

City Manager Kent Steffens and Mayor Klein provided closing remarks.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Klein adjourned the meeting at 5:37 p.m.



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Tuesday, January 30, 2024

7:00 PM

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

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

Councilmember Din participated via teleconference.

#### **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

Eric Knock provided a presentation in support of study issue DPW 24-08.

Weifei shared their support for Study Issue DPW 24-08 Explore the Feasibility of Converting the PG&E Lots Facing Ramona Avenue, Lois Avenue, and/or Dona Avenue into an Open Green Space Linear Park for the Community.

Kimchi, Cherry Chase Neighborhood Association, voiced their support for Study Issue DPW 24-08.

Al Suzano communicated their support for the Study Issue DPW 24-08.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

Public Comment opened at 7:20 p.m.

No speakers.

Public Comment closed at 7:20 p.m.

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

The motion carried with the following vote:

**Yes: 7 -** Mayor Klein  
Vice Mayor Srinivasan  
Councilmember Melton  
Councilmember Cisneros  
Councilmember Din  
Councilmember Mehlinger  
Councilmember Sell

**No: 0**

**1.A**      [24-0239](#)      Adopt a Resolution Amending the City’s Salary Resolution to Increase Salaries for the Classifications of Housing Officer and Public Safety Records Manager

Adopt a Resolution amending the City’s Salary Resolution to increase salaries for the Classifications of Housing Officer and Public Safety Records Manager.

**1.B**      [24-0215](#)      Ratify National League of Cities’ Appointment of Vice Mayor Murali Srinivasan to the 2024 Information Technology and Communications Committee

Council ratifies National League of Cities’ appointment of Vice Mayor Murali Srinivasan to the 2024 Information and Technology Committee.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS/GENERAL BUSINESS**

**2**            [24-0272](#)      Discuss and Provide Direction Regarding Process, Scope of Review, and Timeline for Potential Amendments to the City Charter

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

Public Hearing opened at 8:24 p.m.

Steve Chessin, President, Californians for Electoral Reform, provided comments on the potential amendment for ranked choice voting and details to how it may impact City of Sunnyvale elections.

David Newswanger, California Ranked Choice Voting Coalition, spoke in support of a ranked choice voting charter amendment and to start the process of empanelling a charter review committee.

Lois Smallwood shared their support for starting a charter review committee and for the consideration of a ranked choice voting charter amendment.

Public Hearing closed at 8:33 p.m.

MOTION: Councilmember Mehlinger moved and Vice Mayor Srinivasan seconded the motion to approve Alternatives 1, 2 and 5:

1. Direct Staff to return with analysis of items from the Colleagues' Memo that may be able to be modified without a Charter Amendment:

- Return within two years with a Council Policy noting that Councilmembers represent the entire City, not individual districts and that "district prerogative" does not exist in Sunnyvale;

2. Pursue Council-Directed Charter Amendments for 2024 by directing Staff to return with proposed ballot measure language for priority items identified by Council:

- A Charter Amendment to use gender neutral language throughout the Charter;
- A Charter Amendment to require 24 regular Council meetings per year rather than two (2) per month;

- A Charter Amendment to remove the registered voter requirement from all boards and commissions, with the exception of the Planning Commission; and

5. Direct Staff to return to Council in the fourth quarter of 2024 with options for a more thorough charter review process similar to the one undertaken in 2007, allowing for more opportunity for public participation and adequate time to prepare several potential changes for voter consideration in November 2026.

FRIENDLY AMENDMENT: Mayor Klein offered a friendly amendment to direct staff to research which boards and commissions should have a citizenship requirements. Councilmember Mehlinger and Vice Mayor Srinivasan accepted the friendly amendment.

The motion as amended carried with the following vote:

**Yes:** 7 - Mayor Klein  
 Vice Mayor Srinivasan  
 Councilmember Melton  
 Councilmember Cisneros  
 Councilmember Din  
 Councilmember Mehlinger  
 Councilmember Sell

**No:** 0

City Council took a recess at 9:04 p.m. and returned at 9:12 with all Councilmember present; Councilmember Omar participated remotely.

- 3**      [24-0266](#)      Proposed Project:      Consider actions related to implementation of the 2023-2031 Housing Element to create a By-Right Approval process for certain parcels within the City:
- A. Adopt Urgency Ordinance to:
    - a. Add By-Right Approvals (Chapter 19.73) to the Sunnyvale Municipal Code, Designate Parcels Subject to By-Right Approval, and Make Related Amendments to Chapters 19.12 (Definitions), Zoning Districts and Specific Plan Districts - Residential (19.18), Commercial (19.20), Office and Public Facilities (19.24), Downtown Specific Plan (19.28), Moffett Park Specific Plan (19.29), Lawrence Station Area Plan (19.35), El Camino Real Specific Plan (19.36), Inclusionary Below Market Rate Ownership Housing Program (19.67), Miscellaneous Plan Permit (19.82); and
    - B. Introduce an Ordinance to:
      - a. Add By-Right Approvals (Chapter 19.73) to the Sunnyvale Municipal Code, Designate Parcels Subject to By-Right Approval, and Make Related Amendments to Chapters 19.12 (Definitions), Zoning Districts and Specific Plan Districts - Residential (19.18), Commercial (19.20), Office and Public Facilities (19.24), Downtown Specific Plan (19.28), Moffett Park Specific Plan (19.29), Lawrence Station Area Plan (19.35), El Camino Real Specific Plan (19.36), Inclusionary Below Market Rate Ownership Housing Program (19.67), and

Miscellaneous Plan Permit (19.82)  
File #: PLNG-2023-0881  
Location: Citywide  
Applicant: City of Sunnyvale  
Environmental Review: Non-discretionary project (Public Resources Code Section 21080(b)(1), CEQA Guidelines Sections 15268, 15357)  
Project Planner: Julia Klein, (408) 730-7463, jklein@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Community Development Director Trudi Ryan and Principal Planner Julia Klein provided the staff report and presentation.

Public Hearing opened at 9:25 p.m.

Martin Pyne, Planning Commission Chair, reported the Commission's reasons for approving this item.

Public Hearing closed at 9:28 p.m.

MOTION: Councilmember Mehlinger moved and Councilmember Cisneros seconded the motion to approve Alternative 1: Take the following actions:

- a. Find that the Action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21080(b)(1) and CEQA Guidelines Section 15268 and 15357;
- b. Adopt an Urgency Ordinance (Attachment 2 to the report) to add By-Right Approvals (Chapter 19.73) to the Sunnyvale Municipal Code, designate parcels subject to By-Right Approval, and make related amendments to Chapters 19.12 (Definitions), Zoning Districts and Specific Plan Districts - Residential (19.18), Commercial (19.20), Office and Public Facilities (19.24), Downtown Specific Plan (19.28), Moffett Park Specific Plan (19.29), Lawrence Station Area Plan (19.35), El Camino Real Specific Plan (19.36), Inclusionary Below Market Rate Ownership Housing Program (19.67), and Miscellaneous Plan Permit (19.82); and
- c. Introduce an Ordinance (Attachment 3 to the report) to add By-Right Approvals (Chapter 19.73) to the Sunnyvale Municipal Code, designate parcels subject to By-Right Approval, and make related amendments to Chapters 19.12 (Definitions), Zoning Districts and Specific Plan Districts - Areas, Residential (19.18), Commercial (19.20), Office and Public Facilities (19.24), Downtown Specific Plan (19.28), Moffett Park Specific Plan (19.29), Lawrence Station Area Plan (19.35), El Camino Real Specific Plan (19.36), Inclusionary Below Market Rate Ownership Housing

Program (19.67), and Miscellaneous Plan Permit (19.82).

The motion carried with the following vote:

**Yes:** 7 - Mayor Klein  
Vice Mayor Srinivasan  
Councilmember Melton  
Councilmember Cisneros  
Councilmember Din  
Councilmember Mehlinger  
Councilmember Sell

**No:** 0

- 4      [24-0102](#)      Approve the Proposed 2024 Priority Advocacy Issues and Review Long-term Legislative Advocacy Positions (LAPs)

Senior Management Analyst Michelle Zahraie provided the staff report and presentation.

Public Hearing opened at 10:12 p.m.

No speakers.

Public Hearing closed at 10:12 p.m.

MOTION: Councilmember Mehlinger moved and Councilmember Melton seconded the motion to approve Alternative 1: Approve the Proposed 2024 Priority Advocacy Issues - Clean Version (Attachment 1 to the report) and Council Policy Long-term Advocacy Positions as proposed to be amended (Attachment 3 in the report). With the following modifications:

1. Return to Council with a long-term position of ensuring a secure and reliable postal service for residents; and
2. Return to Council with an opportunity to adopt an advocacy position on Fremont Union High School District Trustee areas at an appropriate time.

FRIENDLY AMENDMENT: Councilmember Melton offered a friendly amendment to replace the language of “broadcast” spectrum to “broadband” spectrum. Councilmember Mehlinger accepted the friendly amendment.

FRIENDLY AMENDMENT: Councilmember Sell offered a friendly amendment to direct staff to add new policy language to propose a 2024 priority advocacy issue to engage with the Federal Aviation Agency (FAA) regarding airplane noise and engage with federal representatives and local officials. Councilmember Mehlinger

declined to accept the friendly amendment.

FRIENDLY AMENDMENT: Mayor Klein offered a friendly amendment to advocate with the FAA to improve NextGen operability for noise reduction for Sunnyvale residents. Following discussion Mayor Klein withdrew the friendly amendment.

FRIENDLY AMENDMENT: Mayor Klein offered a friendly amendment to add an advocacy position to explore new public safety technologies to improve process efficiencies in the Public Safety Department. Councilmembers Mehlinger and Melton accepted the friendly amendment.

The motion as amended carried with the following vote:

**Yes: 7 -** Mayor Klein  
Vice Mayor Srinivasan  
Councilmember Melton  
Councilmember Cisneros  
Councilmember Din  
Councilmember Mehlinger  
Councilmember Sell

**No: 0**

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

Councilmember Mehlinger reported on Bay Area Water Supply & Conservation Agency (BAWSCA) meeting and a Caltrain Local Policy Makers Group memorandum that was shared Council.

Councilmember Cisneros reported on Cities Association of Santa Clara County Legislative Action Committee and Valley Water Policy Maker Committee meetings.

Vice Mayor Srinivasan reported on the National League of Cities 2024 Information Technology and Communications Committee meeting.

Mayor Klein reported he was named chair of the Silicon Valley Clean Energy Executive Board.

**NON-AGENDA ITEMS & COMMENTS**

**-Council**

MOTION TO AGENDIZE: Councilmember Melton made a motion to agendize adding a policy to the Council Policy Manual stating that:

- Matters of United States (U.S.) foreign policy (“international affairs”) are under the subject matter jurisdiction of the U.S. Federal Government and not under the subject matter jurisdiction of the Sunnyvale City Council; and
- The Sunnyvale City Council, as a policy, does not take action (proclamations, declarations, resolutions and so forth) on international affairs and/or matters of U.S. foreign policy.

Motion failed due to the lack of a second.

Mayor Klein shared their experience attending the National Conference of the Mayors in Washington D.C. and announced the creation of the Ad Hoc committee on City Attorney recruitment.

Mayor Klein encourages residents and Council to review the California League of Cities 2023 legislative update.

**-City Manager**

None.

**INFORMATION ONLY REPORTS/ITEMS**

- [24-0017](#) Tentative Council Meeting Agenda Calendar
- [24-0142](#) Board/Commission Meeting Minutes
- [24-0154](#) Information/Action Items
- [24-0231](#) Council Advocacy Letters
- [24-0268](#) Mayoral Announcement of Mayor-Appointed Ad Hoc Advisory Committee on City Attorney Recruitment (Information Only)

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Klein adjourned the meeting at 10:44 p.m.



# City of Sunnyvale

## Meeting Minutes - Draft City Council

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Tuesday, February 6, 2024

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

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

#### **Call to Order**

Vice Mayor Srinivasan called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m.

#### **Roll Call**

**Present:** 6 - Mayor Larry Klein  
Vice Mayor Murali Srinivasan  
Councilmember Russ Melton  
Councilmember Alysa Cisneros  
Councilmember Richard Mehlinger  
Councilmember Linda Sell

**Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Omar Din

#### **Public Comment**

Public Comment opened at 5:06 p.m.

No speakers.

Public Comment closed at 5:06 p.m.

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

Council convened to Closed Session in the Council Conference Room at 5:07 p.m.

**A**      [24-0227](#)      Closed Session held pursuant to California Government Code  
Section 54957:  
PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT  
Title: City Attorney

#### **Adjourn Special Meeting**

Vice Mayor Srinivasan adjourned the meeting at 6:00 p.m.

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

**Call to Order**

Vice Mayor Srinivasan called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m.

**Roll Call**

- Present:** 6 - Mayor Larry Klein  
Vice Mayor Murali Srinivasan  
Councilmember Russ Melton  
Councilmember Alysa Cisneros  
Councilmember Richard Mehlinger  
Councilmember Linda Sell
- Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Omar Din

**Study Session**

- B**      [24-0226](#)      Update Regarding the Levine Act (California Government Code 84308)

Interim City Attorney Rebecca Moon provided the staff report and presentation.

Public Comment opened at 7:00 p.m.

No speakers.

Public Comment closed at 7:00 p.m.

**Adjourn Special Meeting**

Vice Mayor Srinivasan adjourned the meeting at 7:01 p.m.

**7 P.M. COUNCIL MEETING**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Klein called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

**SALUTE TO THE FLAG**

Mayor Klein led the salute to the United States flag.

**ROLL CALL**

- Present:** 6 - Mayor Larry Klein  
Vice Mayor Murali Srinivasan  
Councilmember Russ Melton  
Councilmember Alysa Cisneros  
Councilmember Richard Mehlinger  
Councilmember Linda Sell
- Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Omar Din

### **CLOSED SESSION REPORT**

Vice Mayor Srinivasan reported that Council met in Closed Session held pursuant to California Government Code Section 54957: Public Employee Appointment Title: City Attorney; nothing to report.

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

**C**      [24-0087](#)      SPECIAL ORDER OF THE DAY - Black History Month

Mayor Klein spoke in honor of Black History Month.

Jeremiah Lineberger, Development Associate, African American Community Service Agency (AACSA), provided words in honor of Black History Month.

Leesa Riviere, Housing and Human Services Commissioner, spoke in honor of Black History Month.

### **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

Vice Mayor Srinivasan announced an upcoming Drive Electric Event and Sustainability Speaker Series webinar.

Alison De Geus spoke in support of Study Issue DPW 24-08 Explore the Feasibility of Converting the PG&E Lots Facing Ramona Avenue, Lois Avenue, and/or Dona Avenue into an Open Green Space Linear Park for the Community.

Andrea Wald shared their support for prioritizing Study Issue ESD 24-01 Evaluate the Use of Artificial Turf versus Living Groundcover.

Cortney Jansen communicated their concerns with the ongoing litigation between San Francisco Bay Keeper and the City of Sunnyvale and spoke in support for study issues ESD 24-01 and DPW 24-08.

### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

Mayor Klein pulled agenda item 1.G for separate consideration.

Councilmember Mehlinger pulled agenda item 1.F for separate consideration.

Public Comment opened at 7:30 p.m.

No speakers.

Public Comment closed at 7:30 p.m.

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

The motion carried with the following vote:

**Yes:** 6 - Mayor Klein  
Vice Mayor Srinivasan  
Councilmember Melton  
Councilmember Cisneros  
Councilmember Mehlinger  
Councilmember Sell

**No:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Din

**1.A**     [24-0071](#)     Approve City Council Meeting Minutes of December 12, 2023  
Approve the City Council Meeting Minutes of December 12, 2023 as submitted.

**1.B**     [24-0079](#)     Approve City Council Meeting Minutes of January 9, 2024  
Approve the City Council Meeting Minutes of January 9, 2024 as submitted.

**1.C**     [24-0014](#)     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**     [24-0016](#)     Accept Fiscal Year 2023/24 Transportation Development Act  
Article 3 Funding in the Amount of \$160,000, and Approve  
Budget Modification No. 12 to Appropriate the Grant Funding  
to Fund a New Project - Install Sidewalk on Poplar Avenue

Accept Fiscal Year 2023/24 Transportation Development Act Article 3 Funding in  
the amount of \$160,000 from the Metropolitan Transportation Commission and

approve Budget Modification No. 12 to appropriate \$160,000 to fund a new project, Install Sidewalk on Poplar Avenue.

- 1.E**      [24-0150](#)      Award of Six (6) Temporary Personnel Service Agreements  
Totaling \$2,200,000 for On-Call Temporary Staffing Services  
for Plan Check, Inspections and Permitting Support Staff  
Services for Community Development (F23-168)

Take the following actions:

- Award six (6) three-year Temporary Personnel Service Agreements to the following firms:
  - 4Leaf, Inc. with a contract amount not to exceed \$400,000;
  - BPR Consulting Group, Inc. with a contract amount not to exceed \$400,000;
  - CSG Consultants, Inc. with a contract amount not to exceed \$400,000;
  - Shums Coda Associates, Inc. (SCA) with a contract amount not to exceed \$400,000;
  - TRB & Associates Inc. with a contract amount not to exceed \$400,000; and
  - Interwest, Inc. with a contract amount not to exceed \$200,000 in substantially the formats shown in Attachments 1 to 6 to the report;
- Authorize the City Manager to execute the agreements when all conditions have been met; and
- Authorize the City Manager to amend the not-to-exceed amounts and to renew the contracts for up to two (2) additional one-year periods, subject to available budget, need and if pricing and services remain acceptable to the City.

- 1.F**      [24-0186](#)      Amend an Existing Contract in the Amount to \$419,916 with  
Solitude Lake Management LLC, DBA Aquatic Environments  
for On-Call Maintenance of Vegetation for the Water Pollution  
Control Plant Ponds (F23-09) for a New Not-to-Exceed amount  
of \$839,832

Public Hearing opened at 7:36 p.m.

No speakers.

Public Hearing closed at 7:36 p.m.

MOTION: Councilmember Mehlinger moved and Councilmember Melton seconded the motion to take the following actions:

- Authorize the City Manager to execute the first Amendment in substantially the same form as Attachment 2 to the report, to an existing Service Agreement with Solitude Lake Management LLC, DBA: Aquatic Environments; and
- Authorize the City Manager to amend the not-to-exceed amount and to extend the

contract for three (3) additional one-year periods, subject to available budget and if pricing and services remain acceptable to the City.

The motion carried with the following vote:

**Yes:** 6 - Mayor Klein  
Councilmember Melton  
Councilmember Cisneros  
Councilmember Mehlinger  
Vice Mayor Srinivasan  
Councilmember Sell

**No:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Din

**1.G**     [24-0284](#)     Review the City's 2024 Code of Ethics and Conduct for Elected and Appointed Officials

Public Hearing opened at 7:43p.m.

No speakers.

Public Hearing closed at 7:43 p.m.

MOTION: Vice Mayor Srinivasan moved and Councilmember Melton seconded the motion to reaffirm the 2024 Code of Ethics and Conduct for Elected and Appointed Officials with no changes from the January 9, 2024 Code as set forth in Attachment 1 to the report and direct staff to return with additional language relating to the Public Disruptions section at a future date.

The motion carried with the following vote:

**Yes:** 6 - Mayor Klein  
Vice Mayor Srinivasan  
Councilmember Melton  
Councilmember Cisneros  
Councilmember Mehlinger  
Councilmember Sell

**No:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Din

**1.H**     [24-0285](#)     Approve 2024 Board and Commission Annual Work Plans

Approve the 2024 Work Plans as submitted.

- 1.1 [24-0301](#) Adopt Ordinance No. 3223-24 to add By-Right Approvals (Chapter 19.73) to the Sunnyvale Municipal Code, Designate Parcels Subject to By-Right Approval, and Make Related Amendments to Chapters 19.12 (Definitions), Zoning Districts and Specific Plan Districts - Areas, Residential (19.18), Commercial (19.20), Office and Public Facilities (19.24), Downtown Specific Plan (19.28), Moffett Park Specific Plan (19.29), Lawrence Station Area Plan (19.35), El Camino Real Specific Plan (19.36), Inclusionary Below Market Rate Ownership Housing Program (19.67), and Miscellaneous Plan Permit (19.82)

Adopt Ordinance No. 3223-24 to add By-Right Approvals (Chapter 19.73) to the Sunnyvale Municipal Code, designate parcels subject to By-Right Approval, and make related amendments to Chapters 19.12 (Definitions), Zoning Districts and Specific Plan Districts - Areas, Residential (19.18), Commercial (19.20), Office and Public Facilities (19.24), Downtown Specific Plan (19.28), Moffett Park Specific Plan (19.29), Lawrence Station Area Plan (19.35), El Camino Real Specific Plan (19.36), Inclusionary Below Market Rate Ownership Housing Program (19.67), and Miscellaneous Plan Permit (19.82).

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

- 2 [24-0069](#) Introduce an Ordinance to Amend Section 16.62.330 (Installation of Manufactured Homes section within the Floodplain Management Chapter) of Chapter 16.62 (Floodplain Management) of Title 16 (Buildings and Construction) of the Sunnyvale Municipal Code and Find that the Action is Exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Sections 15268 and 15308 and Public Resources Code Section 21080(b)(1)

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

Public Hearing opened at 7:48 p.m.

No speakers.

Public Hearing closed at 7:48 p.m.

MOTION: Councilmember Melton moved and Councilmember Mehlinger seconded the motion to approve Alternative 1: Find that the action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Sections

15268 and 15308 and Public Resources Code Section 21080(b)(1); and introduce an Ordinance to amend Section 16.62.330 (Installation of Manufactured Homes section within the Floodplain Management Chapter) of Chapter 16.62 (Floodplain Management) of Title 16 (Buildings and Construction) of the Sunnyvale Municipal Code (Attachment 1 to the report).

The motion carried with the following vote:

**Yes:** 6 - Mayor Klein  
Vice Mayor Srinivasan  
Councilmember Melton  
Councilmember Cisneros  
Councilmember Mehlinger  
Councilmember Sell

**No:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Din

**3**      [24-0255](#)      Adopt Positions on State and Local Ballot Measures for the March 5, 2024 Election

Senior Management Analyst Michelle Zahraie provided the staff report.

Public Hearing opened at 7:54 p.m.

Peggy Shen Brewster advocated for City Council to take a position of support for Measure C Sunnyvale School District School Bonds.

Michael Gallagher, Superintendent, Sunnyvale School District, voiced their advocacy for City Council taking a position of support for Measure C.

Public Hearing closed at 7:58 p.m.

MOTION: Councilmember Mehlinger moved and Councilmember Melton seconded the motion to adopt a position of SUPPORT - Measure C - Sunnyvale School District School Bonds.

The motion carried with the following vote:

**Yes: 6 -** Mayor Klein  
Vice Mayor Srinivasan  
Councilmember Melton  
Councilmember Cisneros  
Councilmember Mehlinger  
Councilmember Sell

**No: 0**

**Absent: 1 -** Councilmember Din

MOTION: Councilmember Mehlinger moved and Councilmember Cisneros seconded the motion to TAKE NO POSITION - Proposition 1 - Authorizes \$6.38 Billion in Bonds to Build Mental Health Treatment Facilities for Those With Mental Health and Substance Use Challenges; Provides Housing for the Homeless. Legislative Statute.

The motion carried with the following vote:

**Yes: 6 -** Mayor Klein  
Vice Mayor Srinivasan  
Councilmember Melton  
Councilmember Cisneros  
Councilmember Mehlinger  
Councilmember Sell

**No: 0**

**Absent: 1 -** Councilmember Din

4      [24-0230](#)      Adopt a Resolution Amending the City's Salary Resolution and the Schedule of Pay to Increase the Salary Range for the Director of NOVA Workforce Services

Director of Human Resources Tina Murphy provided the staff report.

Public Hearing opened at 8:17 p.m.

No speakers.

Public Hearing closed at 8:17 p.m.

MOTION: Councilmember Cisneros moved and Councilmember Mehlinger seconded the motion to approve Alternative 1: Adopt a Resolution amending the

City's Salary Resolution and Schedule of Pay to increase the Salary Range for the Director of NOVA Workforce Services.

The motion carried with the following vote:

**Yes:** 6 - Mayor Klein  
Vice Mayor Srinivasan  
Councilmember Melton  
Councilmember Cisneros  
Councilmember Mehlinger  
Councilmember Sell

**No:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Din

- 5      [24-0282](#)      Adopt a Resolution and Approve an Amendment to Housing Assistance Agreement for City Manager Kent Steffens Extending the Home Loan Repayment Term

City Manager Kent Steffens recused themselves due to a conflict of interest – employment compensation.

Director of Human Resources Tina Murphy provided the staff report.

Public Hearing opened at 8:31 p.m.

No speakers.

Public Hearing closed at 8:31 p.m.

MOTION: Councilmember Sell moved and Councilmember Mehlinger seconded the motion to approve Alternative 1: Adopt a Resolution and approve an Amendment to the Housing Assistance Agreement for City Manager Kent Steffens extending the home loan repayment term from six (6) months to the number of months equal to the number of his full years of service.

The motion carried with the following vote:

**Yes:** 6 - Mayor Klein  
Vice Mayor Srinivasan  
Councilmember Melton  
Councilmember Cisneros  
Councilmember Mehlinger  
Councilmember Sell

**No:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Din

City Manager Kent Steffens returned to the meeting at 8:35 p.m.

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

Vice Mayor Srinivasan reported on the National League of Cities IT & Communication Committee meeting.

**NON-AGENDA ITEMS & COMMENTS**

**-Council**

Councilmember Mehlinger proposed the idea of agendizing a study issue on ambulance response times to emergency calls.

Councilmember Melton shared their support for agendizing a study issue to examine paramedic services in Sunnyvale.

MOTION TO AGENDIZE: Councilmember Melton moved and Councilmember Sell seconded the motion to agendize adding a statement to the Council Policy Manual that no new artificial turf fields be installed on City property.

The motion carried with the following vote:

**Yes:** 0

**No:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Din

Councilmember Sell shared their experience attending the Lunar New Year celebrations at the Sunnyvale Library.

Mayor Klein shared their experience attending the Lunar New Year celebrations at the Sunnyvale Library.

Vice Mayor Srinivasan shared their experience at the Lunar New Year celebrations and Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) week program event at

the Sunnyvale Library.

**-City Manager**

City Manager Kent Steffens provided an update on the City's response to the recent storm.

**INFORMATION ONLY REPORTS/ITEMS**

- [24-0165](#) Tentative Council Meeting Agenda Calendar
- [24-0187](#) Board/Commission Meeting Minutes
- [24-0188](#) Information/Action Items
- [24-0278](#) Mayoral Announcement of Mayoral Appointment of Councilmembers to Intergovernmental Assignments (Information Only)

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Klein adjourned the meeting at 8:54 p.m.

**RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SUNNYVALE AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 1151-22, THE CITY'S SALARY RESOLUTION, BY AMENDING THE PAY SCHEDULE FOR PAY PLAN CATEGORY A (COMMUNICATION OFFICERS ASSOCIATION) TO INCREASE SALARIES**

WHEREAS, the current Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Communication Officers Association (COA), which represents Public Safety Dispatchers-in-Training and Senior Public Safety Dispatchers, provides for an annual salary survey and adjustment; and

WHEREAS, the adjustment is based on market survey data of total compensation for comparable positions in 12 Bay Area cities at the rate of five percent (5%) above the survey average; and

WHEREAS, consistent with the terms of the MOU and based on the results of this year's survey, Human Resources staff recommends amending the City's Salary Resolution to reflect a pay rate increase of 7.7% for COA employees, effective March 3, 2024.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SUNNYVALE THAT:

1. Resolution No. 1151-22 (the City's Salary Resolution) is hereby amended by amending the pay rates for Pay Plan Category A (Communication Officers Association) positions as set forth in Exhibit A, in the schedule of pay (salary table), attached and incorporated by reference, to implement the changes described in this resolution on the effective dates noted in Exhibit A.
2. All other provisions of Resolution No. 1151-22 as amended, shall remain in full force and effect.

Adopted by the City Council of the City of Sunnyvale at a regular meeting held on February 27, 2024, by the following vote:

AYES:  
NOES:  
ABSTAIN:  
ABSENT:  
RECUSAL:

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

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DAVID CARNAHAN  
City Clerk

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LARRY KLEIN  
Mayor

(SEAL)

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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REBECCA L. MOON  
Interim City Attorney

EXHIBIT A

City of Sunnyvale  
Salary Table - COA

| Regular  |      |          | Casual/Temporary |      |          | Job Title                            | Range / Scale | Hourly Pay Rates |         |         |         |         |         | Annual Range |         | Effective Date |
|----------|------|----------|------------------|------|----------|--------------------------------------|---------------|------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|--------------|---------|----------------|
| Job Code | Unit | Pay Cat. | Job Code         | Unit | Pay Cat. |                                      |               | Step 1           | Step 2  | Step 3  | Step 4  | Step 5  | Step 6  | Minimum      | Maximum |                |
| 4500     | COA  | A        | 9210             | TEMP | n/a      | Public Safety Dispatcher             | 200           | 55.5215          | 58.2976 | 61.2125 | 64.2731 | 67.4868 | 115,485 | N/A          | 3/3/24  |                |
| 4525     | COA  | A        | n/a              | n/a  | n/a      | Public Safety Dispatcher-in-Training | 205           | 47.9615          | 50.3596 | 52.8776 |         |         | 99,760  | N/A          | 3/3/24  |                |
| 4550     | COA  | A        | 9260             | TEMP | n/a      | Senior Public Safety Dispatcher      | 201           | 63.8498          | 67.0423 | 70.3944 | 73.9141 | 77.6098 | 132,808 | N/A          | 3/3/24  |                |

**Notes**

**Assignments of Grade and Pay Ranges to Pay Plan as Referenced in the Salary Resolution**

**Category A** applies to Public Safety Dispatcher-in-Training, Public Safety Dispatchers, and Senior Public Safety Dispatchers (**COA**)