

RESPONSE TO COUNCIL QUESTIONS RE: 3/16/2021 CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

Agenda Item #: 2

Title: Authorize the City Manager to Execute three Site Agreements with EVgo Services LLC allowing the installation of four Electric Vehicle (EV) Fast-Charging Stations at each of the following sites: the Community Center, Downtown Parking Lot at the southwest corner of W. Evelyn Avenue and S. Sunnyvale Avenue and Downtown Parking Lot at the southeast corner of S. Frances Street and W. Evelyn Avenue, in Sunnyvale and find that the Project is Exempt from CEQA

Council Question: Can staff clarify the statement “EVgo will use between six to seven (6-7) existing parking stalls at each site” on a per site basis? The downtown parking lots are often full, so the addition of EV chargers is great, but the removal of parking is not beneficial. Please better define what conversion is being done per site. Is it making the spaces larger (6 spaces becoming 4) or putting in ground equipment?

Staff Response: Seven existing parking stalls will be replaced by four stalls dedicated to electric vehicle charging at the Community Center and Downtown lot at S Frances/W Evelyn. At the Downtown lot at S Sunnyvale/W Evelyn, six parking spaces will be utilized for four electric vehicle charging spaces. The additional spaces are necessary to both facilitate accessibility (one van-accessible space at each bank of four chargers) as well as for equipment. Staff has reached out to the Downtown Association and consulted the parking district consultant to verify that reduction of spaces will not pose a problem in the future.

Council Question: What does the EV ground equipment and transformers look like look like? Are there photos of other EVgo installations in the area?

Staff Response: This first photo shows an example of chargers located between stalls.



This second photo shows an example of chargers located at the head of stalls.



This third photo shows the PG&E transformer that was installed at the Foster City Library.



Council Question: [Part of the contract (attachment 1) states] Access. During the Term, Host will ensure that EVgo Customers have access to the Licensed Area twenty-four (24) hours per day, seven (7) days per week, and 365/366 days per year. This goes directly against overnight parking beyond certain hours at the downtown parking lots. Will signage be changed/redefined for EVs?

Staff Response: Electric vehicle charging for a full night will not be allowed. Although the charging is accessible to a person wanting to charge within the night hours, EVgo has multiple mechanisms in place to monitor and prevent a vehicle from remaining in one location for a prolonged period. This includes notifying the vehicle owner upon full charge. If multiple attempts have been made to contact the vehicular owner with no response, EVgo may have the car towed. In addition, EVgo's Terms of Service provide that the vehicular owner must adhere to any time limitations of the host property; for the Downtown Parking lots, this includes no parking between 2:30am and 5am.

Agenda Item #: 4

Title: Approve the 2020 Housing Element Annual Progress Report

Council Question: Is there a breakdown of standalone ADUs created/permitted, vs the conversion of garages into ADUs?

Staff Response: No, that information is not available.

Council Question: How many conversions of garages have we had? Are we still getting complains about unpermitted ADUs?

Staff Response: We do not have that information. CDD is checking with Neighborhood Preservation on the complaints and will have that information for the City Council meeting.

Council Question: Are other jurisdictions counting ADUs as moderate income for their housing element? Is the size of the ADU tied to what income level classification? Are all ADUs counted for moderate income, regardless of size, by other cities?

Staff Response: In the past the State allowed these to be counted as Moderate Income, however in future Housing Elements there will need to be more justification. The Planning Collaborative for Santa Clara County has been collecting information to demonstrate the affordability level of ADUs. As many of the units are occupied by family members with little or no rent, the units in Santa Clara County may qualify for affordable to low income households.

Council Question: [Regarding Table A2] 365 Mathilda (90 new units) lists 3 units being removed. I thought it was more than that (at least 4).

Staff Response: Staff will research this further and will have that information for the City Council meeting. The site has 6 units, some of which have been vacant for a while; the vacant units may have been counted in a prior year.