



# City of Sunnyvale

## Meeting Minutes - Draft

### City Council

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Tuesday, March 2, 2021

4:00 PM

Telepresence Meeting: City Web Stream

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#### **Special Meeting: Moffett Park Specific Plan - Market Condition, Land Use, Housing and Open Space Workshop and Study Session - 4 PM**

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

##### **Call to Order**

Pursuant to Section 3 of Executive Order N 29 20, issued by Governor Newsom on March 17, 2020, the meeting was conducted telephonically.

Mayor Klein called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. via teleconference.

##### **Roll Call**

**Present:** 7 - Mayor Larry Klein  
Vice Mayor Glenn Hendricks  
Councilmember Gustav Larsson  
Councilmember Russ Melton  
Councilmember Mason Fong  
Councilmember Alysa Cisneros  
Councilmember Omar Din

Mayor Klein, Vice Mayor Hendricks and all Councilmembers attended via teleconference.

##### **Study Session**

[21-0016](#) 4 P.M. SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING (Study Session)  
Moffett Park Specific Plan: Market Condition, Land Use,  
Housing and Open Space Workshop and Study Session

Principal Planner Michelle King and the following provided the staff presentation:

- Chris Sensenig, Senior Associate, Raimi + Associates
- Sujata Srivastava, Principal, Strategic Economics
- Andy Miner, Community Development Assistant Director

The following answered questions during the Roundtable:

- Chris Sensenig, Senior Associate, Raimi + Associates
- Eric Yurkovich, Principal, Raimi + Associates
- Principal Planner Michelle King
- Sujata Srivastava, Principal, Strategic Economics
- Andy Miner, Community Development Assistant Director

Public Comment opened at 5:50 p.m.

Richard Mehlinger, Chair, Livable Sunnyvale shared the group's endorsement of high-level priorities for the area including an eco-innovation district, sustainability, housing and transportation. Speaking on his own behalf, he shared support for the project, the analysis regarding housing placement and higher density of household units.

Mike Serrone voiced support for Livable Sunnyvale's high-level priorities, higher density of household units and an eco-innovation district.

Kat Wortham, Health and Housing Director, Silicon Valley Leadership Group communicated support for mixed-use development, an eco-innovation district and a focus on affordable housing.

Bob Stromberg, Destination:Home shared support for priorities that address housing affordability specifically the importance to include extremely low-income households

Agnes Veith voiced support for the vision presented for the Moffett Park area, specifically the availability of affordable housing, preserving the natural habitat and creating a car-free zone.

John Robbins communicated support for a mixed-use district that includes eco-diversity, affordable housing with housing in the mid-range density level and opposition to placing housing near the Baylands.

David Meyer, SV@Home shared support for a mixed-use district that includes significant residential capacity and affordable housing.

Lisa Karpinski voiced concerns related to housing development, rising sea level and

ground water levels in the Moffett Park area and support for a freshwater marsh.

Raven Malone communicated support for projects that meet housing demands, housing affordability and innovation districts.

Gita Dev, Sierra Club spoke towards rising sea level in the area and voiced support for nature-based solutions.

Galen Kim Davis shared support for Livable Sunnyvale's high-level priorities for the area. He requested the City adopt a statement that the area is being developed with inclusivity in mind such as diversity, housing, socio-economic diversity and maker/innovation spaces.

Mary Buxton communicated concerns with the loss of biodiversity and rising sea level in the area

Shani Kleinhaus, Santa Clara Valley Audubon Society spoke towards loss of biodiversity and voiced support for an ecological overlay zone along the bay edge.

Sue Serrone shared support higher density of household units, affordable housing and aesthetically pleasing environment that includes art.

Alan Jian, Sunnyvale Youth Public Policy Institute (YPPI) encouraged Council to consider potential harmful environmental effects and develop strict guidelines relating to environmental protection in the development planning process for the area.

Sannath Mathapathi, Sunnyvale Youth Climate Action Team spoke towards bird habitat and bird safety. He shared information related to glass collisions from the American Bird Conservancy (ABC). He requested Council consider adopting ABC's bird-friendly building guidelines.

Linda Ruthruff, Conservation Chair, California Native Plant Society – Santa Clara Valley Chapter requested Council support development that respects nature and considers materials used, placement of buildings and transportation along with use of energy and water. She communicated support for an ecological overlay zone along the bay edge.

Rathik Murtinty, YPPI urged Council to be wary of potential floods and rising sea

level and to consider the safety of homeowners and employees during the development of the Moffett Park area.

Marie Bernard, Executive Director, Sunnyvale Community Services voiced support for affordable housing and creating equity in housing stock for low income households, supportive housing and middle income households.

Kerry Haywood requested Council direct staff to study the increase of office space including start-up space, flexible space and research & development along with mixed-use residential.

Leia Mehlman communicated support for Livable Sunnyvale's high-level priorities and for making the area a sustainable and walkable community with housing as a priority.

Gavin Lohry, Catalyze SV shared support for the projects mixed uses, affordable housing and tall building structures.

Justin Wang, Advocacy Manager, Greenbelt Alliance voiced support for development of affordable housing along with environmentally friendly elements.

Eileen McLaughlin, Citizens Committee to Complete the Refuge spoke towards an ecological overlay zone along the bay edge, storm water management and rising ground water. She communicated support for consideration of these issues during the development of the area

Linda Sell shared support for higher density of household units.

Public Comment closed at 6:49 p.m.

### **Adjourn Special Meeting**

Mayor Klein adjourned the meeting at 7:48 p.m.