



City of Sunnyvale

Meeting Minutes City Council

Tuesday, January 5, 2021

7:00 PM

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Regular Meeting - 7 PM

7 P.M. COUNCIL MEETING

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 7:00 p.m. via teleconference.

ROLL CALL

Present: 7 - Mayor Larry Klein
Vice Mayor Nancy Smith
Councilmember Gustav Larsson
Councilmember Glenn Hendricks
Councilmember Russ Melton
Councilmember Michael S. Goldman
Councilmember Mason Fong

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

SPECIAL ORDER OF THE DAY

A [21-0004](#) Certification of November 3, 2020 Election Results - City Council Districts 2, 4 and 6 and the Office of Mayor

City Clerk David Carnahan provided the staff report.

Public Hearing opened at 7:03 p.m.

No speakers.

Public Hearing closed at 7:03 p.m.

MOTION: Councilmember Hendricks moved and Vice Mayor Smith seconded the

motion to adopt a Resolution reciting the fact of the General Municipal Election held November 3, 2020 to fill the Offices of City Council Districts 2, 4 and 6 along with the Position of Mayor, declaring the results and such other matters as provided by law.

The motion carried with the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Mayor Larry Klein
Vice Mayor Smith
Councilmember Larsson
Councilmember Hendricks
Councilmember Melton
Councilmember Goldman
Councilmember Fong

No: 0 -

B [21-0005](#) Recognition of Outgoing Vice Mayor and Councilmembers

Tom Pyke, representing Congressman Ro Khanna, provided remarks in appreciation of Vice Mayor Nancy Smith and Councilmember Michael S. Goldman. Mr. Pyke also spoke in recognition of incoming Councilmembers Alysa Cisneros and Omar Din.

Senator Josh Becker provided remarks in recognition of re-elected and incoming Councilmembers. Senator Becker provided remarks in appreciation and recognition of Vice Mayor Smith and Councilmember Goldman.

Assemblymember Mark Berman spoke in recognition of Vice Mayor Smith and Councilmember Goldman.

Assemblymember Evan Low provided remarks in appreciation of Vice Mayor Smith, Councilmember Goldman and incoming Councilmembers Cisneros and Din.

Supervisor Joe Simitian provided remarks of appreciation and recognition of Vice Mayor Smith and Councilmember Goldman. He also spoke in recognition of re-elected Mayor Larry Klein and Councilmember Russ Melton along with incoming Councilmembers Cisneros and Din.

Public Hearing opened at 7:17 p.m.

Richard Mehlinger shared remarks in recognition and appreciation of outgoing, re-elected and incoming Councilmembers.

Edith Alanis, President, Sunnyvale Employee Association expressed congratulations to re-elected and incoming Councilmembers.

Public Hearing closed at 7:20 p.m.

Mayor Klein extended remarks in recognition and appreciation of Vice Mayor Smith for her service to the City of Sunnyvale.

Vice Mayor Smith provided outgoing remarks.

Mayor Klein spoke in recognition and appreciation of Councilmember Goldman for his service to the City of Sunnyvale.

Councilmember Goldman provided outgoing remarks.

Mayor Klein announced that agenda item C-Recognition of Elected Mayor and Councilmembers and Re-Elected Councilmember and agenda item D-Ceremonial Oath of Office for Council-Elect and Mayor-Elect will be conducted simultaneously.

C [21-0006](#) Recognition of Elected Mayor and Councilmembers and Re-elected Councilmember

D [21-0010](#) Ceremonial Oath of Office for Council-Elect and Mayor-Elect

Mayor Klein provided remarks in recognition of elected Councilmember Alysa Cisneros.

The ceremonial Oath of Office for Councilmember Cisneros was administered by her partner, Amir Manji. Councilmember Cisneros provided incoming remarks.

Mayor Klein spoke in recognition of elected Councilmember Omar Din.

The ceremonial Oath of Office for Councilmember Din was administered by Councilmember Fong. Councilmember Din provided incoming remarks.

Mayor Klein provided remarks in appreciation and recognition of re-elected Councilmember Russ Melton on completion of his first term and re-election to a

second term.

The ceremonial Oath of Office for Councilmember Melton was administered by his wife, Sami Melton. Councilmember Melton provided incoming remarks.

Councilmember Larsson spoke in appreciation and recognition of re-elected Mayor Larry Klein on completion of his first term and being the first directly elected Sunnyvale Mayor.

The ceremonial Oath of Office for Mayor Klein was administered by Supervisor Cindy Chavez.

Supervisor Chavez provided remarks in recognition of elected Mayor Klein.

Mayor Klein provided incoming remarks.

Public Hearing opened at 8:16 p.m.

Julia Miller, former Sunnyvale Mayor and El Camino Hospital District Board Member expressed congratulations to re-elected and incoming Councilmembers. She provided remarks in appreciation of Vice Mayor Smith and Councilmember Goldman.

Public Hearing closed at 8:20 p.m.

ROLL CALL

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

Mayor Klein and all Councilmembers attended via teleconference.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None.

PUBLIC HEARINGS/GENERAL BUSINESS

1 [21-0007](#) Selection of Vice Mayor for a One-Year Term Effective
January 5, 2021

Mayor Klein opened the floor for nominations for Vice Mayor.

Councilmember Larsson nominated Councilmember Hendricks to serve as Vice Mayor. He accepted the nomination.

Mayor Klein closed the nominations.

Public Hearing opened at 8:24 p.m.

No speakers.

Public Hearing closed at 8:24 p.m.

Mayor Klein invited the nominee to speak to their nomination.

Councilmember Hendricks provided comments.

Mayor Klein called for the vote on the nomination.

Vote:

Yes: 7 - Mayor Klein
Councilmember Larsson
Councilmember Hendricks
Councilmember Melton
Councilmember Fong
Councilmember Cisneros
Councilmember Din

2 [21-0008](#) Appoint Councilmembers to Intergovernmental Assignments;
Ratify Appointments of Councilmembers made by Outside
Agencies; Take Action to Modify, Create, or Terminate Council
Subcommittees

Public Hearing opened at 8:26 p.m.

Richard Mehlinger communicated support for convening the Council Subcommittee of Board and Commission Bylaws.

Public Hearing closed at 8:27 p.m.

1.a. Community Member Appointments

MOTION: Councilmember Fong moved and Councilmember Larsson seconded the motion to appoint the community member to the VTA – Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee as written.

The motion carried with the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Mayor Klein
Vice Mayor Hendricks
Councilmember Larsson
Councilmember Melton
Councilmember Fong
Councilmember Cisneros
Councilmember Din

No: 0 -

1.b. Board and Commission Liaison Assignments

MOTION: Councilmember Din moved and Councilmember Larsson seconded the motion to appoint Councilmembers to Board and Commission Liaison Assignments as written.

The motion carried with the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Mayor Klein
Vice Mayor Hendricks
Councilmember Larsson
Councilmember Melton
Councilmember Fong
Councilmember Cisneros
Councilmember Din

No: 0 -

1.c. Council Subcommittees – Standing Committees

Councilmembers expressed interests and preferences in appointments to standing committees.

MOTION: Mayor Klein moved and Vice Mayor Hendricks seconded the motion to appoint Larry Klein to the standing committee – Subcommittee of Board and Commission Bylaws.

The motion carried with the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Mayor Klein
Vice Mayor Hendricks
Councilmember Larsson
Councilmember Melton
Councilmember Fong
Councilmember Cisneros
Councilmember Din

No: 0 -

MOTION: Councilmember Melton moved and Vice Mayor Hendricks seconded the motion to appoint Mason Fong, Alysa Cisneros and Omar Din to the standing committee – Community Event and Neighborhood Grant Distribution

The motion carried with the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Mayor Klein
Vice Mayor Hendricks
Councilmember Larsson
Councilmember Melton
Councilmember Fong
Councilmember Cisneros
Councilmember Din

No: 0 -

1.d. Appointments to External IGR Agencies

Councilmembers expressed interests and preferences in appointments to external intergovernmental agencies.

MOTION: Councilmember Melton moved and Councilmember Din seconded the motion to appoint Gustav Larsson as primary and Alysa Cisneros as alternate to the Silicon Valley Clean Energy Authority (SVCEA) Board of Directors.

The motion failed with the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Councilmember Melton
Councilmember Cisneros
Councilmember Din

No: 2 - Mayor Klein
Councilmember Larsson

Abstain: 2 - Vice Mayor Hendricks
Councilmember Fong

MOTION: Vice Mayor Hendricks moved and Councilmember Larsson seconded the motion to appoint Gustav Larsson as primary and Larry Klein as alternate to the Silicon Valley Clean Energy Authority (SVCEA) Board of Directors.

The motion carried with the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Klein
Vice Mayor Hendricks
Councilmember Larsson
Councilmember Fong
Councilmember Cisneros

No: 0 -

Abstain: 2 - Councilmember Melton
Councilmember Din

MOTION: Councilmember Melton moved and Vice Mayor Hendricks seconded the motion to approve the following appointments to external IGR agencies:

Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) General Assembly: Klein

Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) General Assembly, Alternate:
Hendricks

Bay Area Water Supply and Conservation Agency (BAWSCA) Board of Directors:
Larsson

Moffett Field Restoration Advisory Board (RAB): Din

North Valley (NOVA) Job Training Consortium Workforce Board Nomination
Committee: Larsson

San Francisco Bay Area Regional Water System Financing Authority (RFA) Board of Directors: Larsson

Santa Clara County Comprehensive Expressway Planning Study Policy Advisory Board: Cisneros

Santa Clara County Comprehensive Expressway Planning Study Policy Advisory Board, Alternate: Hendricks

South Bay Salt Ponds Restoration Project Stakeholders: Hendricks

Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) State Route (SR) 85 Corridor Policy Advisory Board (PAB): Fong

Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) State Route (SR) 85 Corridor Policy Advisory Board (PAB), Alternate: Klein

Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) Policy Advisory Committee (PAC): Fong

Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) Policy Advisory Committee (PAC), Alternate: Din

Valley Water Commission: Din

Valley Water Commission, Alternate: Fong

Water Emergency Transportation Authority Community Advisory Committee: Hendricks

The motion carried with the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Mayor Klein
Vice Mayor Hendricks
Councilmember Larsson
Councilmember Melton
Councilmember Fong
Councilmember Cisneros
Councilmember Din

No: 0 -

2.a. Mayor Klein announced appointments outlined in 2.a. would be announced at a future Council meeting.

2.b. Mayor Klein announced appointments outlined in 2.b. would be announced at a future Council meeting.

3.a. Appointments Made by Outside Agencies

MOTION: Vice Mayor Hendricks moved and Councilmember Cisneros seconded the

motion to ratify outside agency appointments as written.

The motion carried with the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Mayor Klein
Vice Mayor Hendricks
Councilmember Larsson
Councilmember Melton
Councilmember Fong
Councilmember Cisneros
Councilmember Din

No: 0 -

3 [21-0013](#) Adopt a Resolution Approving the City Council Regular Meeting Calendar for 2021 through February 2022

City Clerk David Carnahan provided the staff report.

Public Hearing opened at 9:05 p.m.

Martin Pyne voiced support of the regular meeting calendar for 2021 as presented.

Public Hearing closed at 9:06 p.m.

MOTION: Councilmember Din moved and Vice Mayor Hendricks seconded the motion to adopt a Resolution approving the City Council Regular Meeting Calendar for 2021 through February 2022 as submitted.

The motion carried with the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Mayor Klein
Vice Mayor Hendricks
Councilmember Larsson
Councilmember Melton
Councilmember Fong
Councilmember Cisneros
Councilmember Din

No: 0 -

4 [21-0009](#) Determine the 2021 Seating Arrangements for City Council

Public Hearing opened at 9:08 p.m.

No speakers.

Public Hearing closed at 9:08 p.m.

By consensus and in order of seniority, Council determined the seating arrangements for 2021 as follows:

Mayor Klein will remain in the Mayor's seat (Seat 4).

Vice Mayor Hendricks selected to take Seat 3.

Councilmember Larsson selected to remain in Seat 5.

Councilmember Melton selected to take Seat 6.

Councilmember Fong selected to take Seat 2.

Councilmember Cisneros selected to take Seat 1.

Councilmember Din selected to take Seat 7.

COUNCILMEMBERS REPORTS ON ACTIVITIES FROM INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Councilmember Fong shared his attendance at a Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) Policy Advisory Committee meeting including details of Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) Quick Build funding.

Vice Mayor Hendricks announced details of the upcoming VTA Board of Directors meeting including his pending appointment to the CalTrain Joint Powers Board.

NON-AGENDA ITEMS & COMMENTS**-Council**

Councilmember Fong sponsored a study issue to review the existing housing mitigation fee and consider right sizing the fee to current development feasibility standards. Councilmember Larsson co-sponsored the study issue.

-City Manager

City Manager Kent Steffens provided remarks in recognition of re-elected and

incoming Councilmembers.

INFORMATION ONLY REPORTS/ITEMS

[21-0096](#) Tentative Council Meeting Agenda Calendar

[21-0097](#) Board/Commission Meeting Minutes

[21-0098](#) Information/Action Items

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Klein adjourned the meeting at 9:12 p.m.