



City of Sunnyvale

Meeting Minutes City Council

Thursday, January 26, 2023

8:30 AM

Online and Sunnyvale Community Center
- Ballroom, 550 East Remington Drive
Sunnyvale, CA 94086

Special Meeting: Council Strategic Workshop - 8:30 AM

CALL TO ORDER

Pursuant to Government Code Subdivision 54953(e), had the opportunity to participate in the meeting; pursuant to state law, the City Council made the necessary findings by adopting Resolution No. 1089-21, reaffirmed on January 10, 2023.

Vice Mayor Din called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. in the Sunnyvale Community Center Ballroom.

ROLL CALL

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

Mayor Klein attended via teleconference.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment opened at 8:32 a.m.

Tara Martin-Milius requested continued focus on addressing climate change concerns and providing quality services to the public.

Stephen Meier spoke to the current financial conditions in Sunnyvale and provided suggestions to how to bring in additional funding. He shared concerns with transportation safety in Sunnyvale.

Sharlene Lu communicated a desire for accelerating implementation of the Active Transportation Plan to be a Council policy priority.

Kristel Wickham spoke in support for prioritizing implementation of the Climate Action Playbook as a Council policy priority.

Public Comment closed at 8:43 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 with Vice Mayor Din and Councilmembers Melton, Cisneros, Mehlinger, Srinivasan and Sell present in the Sunnyvale Community Center - Ballroom and Mayor Klein via teleconference at 9:52 a.m.

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, Deputy City Manager Connie Verceles 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, Ms. Ryan 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, Mr. Kirby and Mr. Taylor 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 12:00 p.m. and reconvened with Vice Mayor Din and Councilmembers Melton, Cisneros, Mehlinger, Srinivasan and Sell present in the Sunnyvale Community Center - Ballroom and Mayor Klein via teleconference at 12:32 p.m.

STRATEGIC TOPICS DISCUSSION

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIC PLAN

Ms. Verceles provided the Economic Development Strategic Plan report and presentation.

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

ENHANCED RECYCLED WATER PROGRAM

Mr. Chinnakotla provided the Enhanced Recycled Water Program report and

presentation.

Councilmembers posed questions for staff and provided comments regarding the Enhanced Recycled Water Program.

SERVICES FOR UNHOUSED INDIVIDUALS

Assistant City Manager Teri Silva and Ms. Verceles provided the Services for Unhoused Individuals report and presentation.

Councilmembers posed questions for staff and provided comments regarding Services for Unhoused Individuals

Council took a recess at 3:38 p.m. and reconvened with Vice Mayor Din and Councilmembers Melton, Cisneros, Mehlinger, Srinivasan and Sell present in the Sunnyvale Community Center - Ballroom and Mayor Klein via teleconference at 3:45 p.m.

DISCUSSION ON COUNCIL PRIORITIES

MOTION: Councilmember Melton moved and Councilmember Mehlinger seconded the motion to approve the following 2023 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
6. Equity, Access and Inclusion

The motion carried with the following vote:

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

No: 0

City Manager Kent Steffens and Mayor Klein provided closing remarks.

ADJOURNMENT

Vice Mayor Din adjourned the meeting at 4:45 p.m.