



**MINUTES OF THE  
TRANSPORTATION AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE**

**SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA**

**MONDAY, MARCH 02, 2015**

The Transportation and Environment Committee of the City of San José convened in Regular Session at 1:33 p.m. in Committee Rooms 118-120, Council Wing, City Hall.

**PRESENT:** Council Member Ash Kalra, Chair; Council Member Tam Nguyen, Vice Chair; Vice Mayor Rose Herrera, Council Member Margie Matthews (1:40 p.m.) and Council Member Donald Rocha, Members.

**ABSENT:** All Present.

**STAFF:** Interim Assistant City Manager David Sykes, Senior Deputy City Attorney Kevin Fisher, Mayor's Policy Advisor Fred Buzo and Deputy City Clerk Susan M. Davis.

**REVIEW OF WORK PLAN**

Upon motion by Vice Mayor Rose Herrera, seconded by Council Member Tam Nguyen and carried unanimously, the Work Plan was approved and the below listed actions were taken as indicated. (4-0-1. Absent: Matthews.)

**(1) Bird Safe Building Design Standards.**

Documents Filed: Memorandum from Director of Environmental Services Kerrie Romanow, dated February 18, 2015, recommending dropping the item from the work plan.

Public Comments: David Wall expressed comments on the design standards. Chris Allingham asked when the Bird Safe Building Design Standards item will be heard by the Committee.

Interim Assistant City Manager David Sykes explained that Staff has requested that this item be dropped today in order for Council to address various issues before returning to the Committee by June 2015.

## REVIEW OF WORK PLAN

(1) **(Cont'd.)**

Action: Bird Safe Building Design Standards item was dropped from the Committee Work Plan.

(2) **Bay Area Bike Share Regional Pilot Project.**

Public Comments: David Wall expressed several comments on the deferred Committee Work Plan items.

Documents Filed: Memorandum from Director of Transportation Hans F. Larsen, dated February 11, 2015, recommending deferring the report to April 6, 2015.

Action: Deferred to the April 6, 2015 Transportation and Environment Committee Meeting.

(3) **California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting.**

Documents Filed: Memorandum from Director of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement Harry Freitas, dated February 11, 2015, recommending deferring this item to April 6, 2015.

Action: Deferred to the April 6, 2015 Transportation and Environment Committee Meeting.

(4) **Strategic Master Plan for South Bay Water Recycling.**

Documents Filed: Memorandum from Director of Environmental Services Kerrie Romanow, dated February 23, 2014, recommending deferring this item to April 6, 2015.

Action: Deferred to the April 6, 2015 Transportation and Environment Committee Meeting.

## CONSENT CALENDAR

(1) **San José-Santa Clara Regional Wastewater Facility Staffing Status Report.**

Documents Filed: Memorandum from Director of Environmental Services Kerrie Romanow, dated February 18, 2015, recommending acceptance of the report.

Council Member Margie Matthews arrived at the meeting at 1:40 p.m.

## CONSENT CALENDAR

### (1) (Cont'd.)

Public Comments: David Wall expressed opposition to the Staff recommendations.

Action: Upon motion by Council Member Donald Rocha, seconded by Vice Mayor Rose Herrera and carried unanimously, the Committee accepted the report. (5-0.)

## REPORTS TO COMMITTEE

### (1) **Regional Transportation Activities Quarterly Report.**

Documents Filed: (1) Memorandum from Director of Transportation Hans F. Larsen, dated February 12, 2015, recommending acceptance of the report. (2) Staff presentation dated March 2, 2015 summarizing Regional Transportation Activities.

Director of Transportation Hans F. Larsen presented the report and highlighted Federal, State and County activities.

Action: Upon motion by Vice Mayor Rose Herrera, seconded by Council Member Tam Nguyen and carried unanimously, the Committee accepted the report. (5-0.)

### (2) **Audit of Pavement Maintenance.**

*Note: Items (2) and (3) were heard together.*

Documents Filed: Street Pavement Maintenance: Road Condition Is Deteriorating Due to Insufficient Funding dated February 2015 from the Office of the City Auditor.

Director of Transportation Hans F. Larsen presented introductory remarks. City Auditor Sharon W. Erickson provided the report and Director of Transportation Hans F. Larsen offered the Administration's Response and responded to Committee questions and concerns.

Brief Committee discussion ensued.

Council Member Ash Kalra opened the floor for public testimony.

Public Comments: David Wall provided assorted comments about the Staff recommendations.

Action: Upon motion by Vice Mayor Rose Herrera, seconded by Council Member Tam Nguyen and carried unanimously, the Committee accepted the report. (5-0.)

## REPORTS TO COMMITTEE

### (3) Pavement Maintenance Status Report and Funding Strategy Update.

*Note: Items (2) and (3) were heard together.*

Documents Filed: (1) Memorandum from Director of Transportation Hans F. Larsen, dated February 11, 2015, recommending acceptance of the report and to cross reference to the full Council on March 24, 2015. (2) Staff presentation dated March 2, 2015 describing the Pavement Maintenance Status and Funding Strategy Update.

Director of Transportation Hans F. Larsen presented the report.

Public Comments: David Wall provided varied comments about the Staff recommendations.

Action: Upon motion by Vice Mayor Rose Herrera, seconded by Council Member Donald Rocha and carried unanimously, the Committee accepted the report and forwarded the Staff Report to the full Council for discussion and formal action on March 24, 2015. (5-0.)

### (4) Project Delivery and Procurement Strategy for the San José-Santa Clara Regional Wastewater Facility.

Documents Filed: (1) Memorandum from Director of Environmental Services Kerrie Romanow and Interim Director of Public Works Barry Ng, dated February 20, 2015, recommending acceptance of the report and recommended that Council adopt a resolution. (2) Staff presentation dated March 2, 2015 summarizing the Capital Improvement Program Delivery and Procurement Strategy.

Assistant Director of Environmental Services Ashwini Kantak, Interim Director of Public Works Barry Ng and Associate Engineer Julia Nguyen presented the report and responded to Committee questions and concerns.

Motion: Vice Mayor Rose Herrera moved approval of the Staff recommendations and recommended forwarding the report to the full Council for discussion and action. Council Member Tam Nguyen seconded the motion.

Council Member Donald Rocha requested to amend the motion to forward the report to the full Council without a recommendation. The amendment was accepted by Vice Mayor Rose Herrera and Council Member Tam Nguyen.

Public Comments: David Wall expressed opposition to the Staff recommendations.

Action: On a call for the question, the motion carried unanimously, the Committee accepted the report and forwarded the Staff Report to the full Council without a recommendation for discussion and formal action on March 24, 2015. (5-0.)

## REPORTS TO COMMITTEE

### (5) Storm Sewer and Sanitary Sewer Annual Reports.

Documents Filed: (1) Memorandum from Interim Director of Public Works Barry Ng, dated February 9, 2015, recommending acceptance of the report. (2) Staff presentation dated March 2, 2015 describing the Storm Sewer and Sanitary Sewer Annual Reports.

Interim Director of Public Works Barry Ng presented introductory remarks. Deputy Director of Public Works Michael O'Connell offered the report.

Committee discussion ensued.

Vice Mayor Rose Herrera inquired if Staff had discussions concerning the 2014 Water Bond approved by the voters last November, in which money for grants or loans has been set aside for a range of projects such as storm water projects. Interim Assistant City Manager David Sykes replied that Staff will follow up on the Water Bond.

Public Comments: David Wall presented various comments about the Staff recommendations.

Action: Upon motion by Vice Mayor Rose Herrera, seconded by Council Member Tam Nguyen and carried unanimously, the Committee accepted the report. (5-0.)

### (6) Public Works Municipal Code Revisions.

Documents Filed: (1) Memorandum from Interim Director of Public Works Barry Ng, dated February 9, 2015, recommending providing input to Staff. (2) Staff presentation dated March 2, 2015 summarizing the Public Works Municipal Code Revisions.

Interim Assistant City Manager David Sykes offered background information.

Interim Director of Public Works Barry Ng and Principal Engineer of Public Works John Cannon presented the report on the Municipal Code Revisions and responded to Committee questions and concerns.

Committee discussion ensued.

Council Member Ash Kalra opened the floor for public testimony.

Public Comments: David Wall voiced opposition to the Staff recommendations.

Action: Upon motion by Vice Mayor Rose Herrera, seconded by Council Member Donald Rocha and carried unanimously, the Committee accepted the report and forwarded the Staff Report and Proposals 1 and 2 to the full Council for discussion and formal action on March 24, 2015. The Committee directed Staff to return to the Transportation and Environment Committee with Proposal 3 and any potential policy recommendations. (5-0.)

## OPEN FORUM

David Wall presented diverse comments about South Bay Water Recycling and the Silicon Valley Advanced Water Purification Plant.

## ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Ash Kalra adjourned the meeting at 4:48 p.m.



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Council Member Ash Kalra, Chair  
Transportation and Environment Committee

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