



**MINUTES OF THE  
COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

**SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA**

**MONDAY, JUNE 22, 2015**

The Community and Economic Development Committee of the City of San José convened in regular session at 1:34 p.m. in Council Chambers, Council Wing, City Hall.

**PRESENT:** Council Member Johnny Khamis, Chair; Council Member Chappie Jones, Vice Chair (1:37 p.m.); Vice Mayor Rose Herrera, Council Member Pierluigi Oliverio (1:58 p.m.) and Council Member Ash Kalra, Members.

**ABSENT:** All Present.

**STAFF:** Assistant Director of Economic Development Nanci J. Klein, Assistant City Attorney Ed Moran, Mayor's Senior Policy Advisor Ru Weerakoon and Deputy City Clerk Susan M. Davis.

**REPORTS TO COMMITTEE**

**(1) Verbal Report on Economic Development Activities. (Economic Development)**

Documents Filed: Copy of San José Economy News dated July 2015.

Assistant Director of Economic Development Nanci J. Klein offered the report on Economic Development Activities and responded to Committee questions.

The Committee received the verbal report.

**(2) Economic Strategy: Services and Amenities.**

Documents Filed: Memorandum from Assistant Director of Economic Development Nanci J. Klein, dated June 11, 2015, recommending acceptance of the report.

Assistant Director of Economic Development Nanci J. Klein presented introductory remarks. Chief Economist John Lang provided the report.

## REPORTS TO COMMITTEE

### (2) **Economic Strategy: Services and Amenities. (Cont'd.)**

Senior Business Development Manager Chris Burton and Chief Economist John Lang responded to Committee questions.

Vice Mayor Rose Herrera requested that Staff provide a bigger picture, identify the issues and the small businesses that are having the issues.

Council Member Pierluigi Oliverio arrived at the meeting at 1:58 p.m.

Council Member Johnny Khamis requested that Staff continue to work to simplify the entire municipal code and that the Planning Department Staff provide a two week notice for community meetings to his office and to the Community.

Council Member Johnny Khamis also requested that Staff take steps to influence the State because they tend to take us lightly when compared to our neighbors San Francisco and Oakland.

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

### (3) **Leasing City Facilities for Telecommunication Providers Update.**

Documents Filed: Memorandum from Senior Executive Analyst Terence Medina, dated June 10, 2015, recommending acceptance of the report and to forward to the full Council for consideration.

Senior Executive Analyst Terence Medina offered the report.

Committee discussion ensued.

Council Member Chappie Jones requested more information about the health effects of the towers and requested that Staff also provide education to the community about the health effects.

Action: Upon motion by Council Member Chappie Jones, seconded by Council Member Pierluigi Oliverio and carried unanimously, the Committee accepted the report and forwarded the item to the full Council for discussion and formal action on August 4, 2015. (5-0.)

### (4) **Riparian Corridor Policy/Ordinance Study.**

Documents Filed: Memorandum from Director of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement Harry Freitas, dated June 5, 2015, recommending providing feedback and acceptance of the report.

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### (4) **Riparian Corridor Policy/Ordinance Study. (Cont'd.)**

Director of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement Harry Freitas presented introductory remarks. Deputy Director Steve McHarris offered the report.

Committee discussion followed.

Council Member Johnny Khamis opened the floor for public testimony.

Public Comments: Larry Ames, San José Riparian Advocates, expressed appreciation to the Council and Staff for their endeavors and asked the Committee to reaffirm direction to Staff to continue to work with the developers and the community to draft a well crafted Riparian Policy. Alice Kaufman, Committee for Green Foothills, urged the Committee to keep the Riparian Policy high on the priority list and to remember to protect certain endangered species per the Habitat Conservation Plan.

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

### (5) **Mobilehome Preservation/Conversion Update.**

Documents Filed: (1) Memorandum from Council Member Johnny Khamis, dated June 22, 2015, providing direction to Staff as described in "Action" on Page 4. (2) Memorandum from Director of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement Harry Freitas and Interim Director of Housing Jacky Morales-Ferrand, dated June 5, 2015, recommending providing feedback and acceptance of the report. (3) Letter from Diana Castillo, Senior Attorney, Fair Housing Law Project, Law Foundation of Silicon Valley, dated June 9, 2015, regarding Mobilehome Park Preservation Programs. (4) Letter from James Zahradka, Supervising Attorney, Law Foundation of Silicon Valley, dated June 19, 2015, expressing support to the strategies for preserving and protecting the Mobilehome parks as a source of naturally affordable housing.

Director of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement Harry Freitas and Interim Director of Housing Jacky Morales-Ferrand presented the report.

Council Member Johnny Khamis opened the floor for public testimony.

Public Comments: Expressing support and suggestions to the Mobilehome Preservation/Conversion update were: Attorney Margaret Nanda, James Zahradka, Law Foundation of Silicon Valley; Mike Graves, Fran Hirsh, Eric Brandenburg, Lisa M. Felix, Brandenburg, Stadler and Moore; Art Chatoff, Chateau La Salle; Renata Revilla, Brian Pierce, Silver Creek Mobile Estates; Warren Gannon, Joyce Rouborn, Senior Commission; Lee Ellak, Davlyn Jones, Ruth Greathouse, Kent Greathouse, Winchester Ranch Senior HOA; Grover Phillips, Richard Ruckman, Town and County Mobile Village; Erik Schoennauer, Pulte Group; Mike Connolly and Martha O'Connell.

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### (5) Mobilehome Preservation/Conversion Update. (Cont'd.)

Assistant City Attorney Ed Moran, Director of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement Harry Freitas, Interim Director of Housing Jacky Morales-Ferrand and Deputy City Attorney Shasta Greene responded to Committee questions and concerns.

Extensive Committee discussion ensued.

Motion: Council Member Johnny Khamis moved approval of his memorandum dated June 22, 2015, with direction to Staff as described below in "Action", recommended acceptance of the Staff report and to forward the item to the full Council on August 11, 2015 after outreach has been conducted. Vice Mayor Rose Herrera seconded the motion.

Vice Mayor Rose Herrera requested to amend the memorandum from Council Member Johnny Khamis by striking "revise" and replace it with "include". The amendment was accepted by Council Member Johnny Khamis.

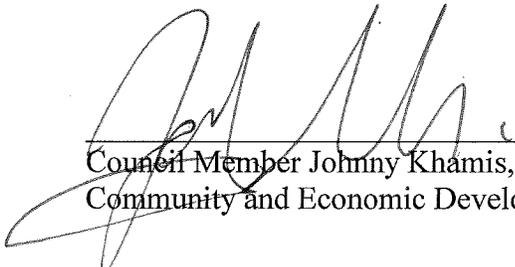
Action: On a call for the question, the motion carried unanimously, the Committee accepted the report, the memorandum from Council Member Johnny Khamis, dated June 22, 2015, was approved, directing the Planning and Housing Departments to meet with the Mobilehome Park (MHP) owner and operators and *include* the current proposed work plan titled: "Mobilehome Park Preservation Policies/Conversation Ordinance Work Plan" to incorporate input from MHP owners and operators into the proposed plan prior to having the memorandum move forward to the Rules and Open Government Committee and the City Council. After Staff has conducted outreach to the Community, cross reference the entire item to the full Council for discussion and formal action on August 11, 2015. (5-0.)

## OPEN FORUM

There was no public testimony from the floor.

## ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Johnny Khamis adjourned the meeting at 4:42 p.m.

  
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Council Member Johnny Khamis, Chair  
Community and Economic Development Committee

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