

District 1— Franklin Nguyen	District 3 – Richard Wong	District 6 – Jim Carter	District 8 – Jeremy Barousse
District 1— Gary Cunningham (C)	District 4 – Casandra Langer	District 6 – Olivia Navarro	District 9 – Michael Young
District 2— David Wilkins	District 4 – VACANT	District 7 – Juan Quiñones	District 9 – Terry Martin
District 2— Perry Henry	District 5 – Jewell Buchanan	District 7 – Jonathan Velazquez	District 10 – Richard Giammona
District 3— LaToya Fernandez	District 5 – Mimi Hernandez	District 8 – Nichole Edraos	District 10 – Nick Labosky

Commission Staff: Sabrina Parra-Garcia
Council Liaison: Annale Damabeh

Regular Meeting Minutes

Prepared by Sabrina Parra-García

Wednesday, May 8, 2019

I. Call to Order & Roll Call

The Neighborhoods Commission of the City of San José convened at 6:07 p.m. in the City Hall Tower Conference Room 1734.

Present Commissioners: Nguyen, Cunningham, Henry, Wong, Langer (6:36 p.m.), Buchanan (6:20 p.m.) Carter, Navarro (7:06 p.m.), Velazquez, Barousse, Young, Martin, Giammona, and Labosky.

Absent Commissioners: Wilkins, Fernandez, Hernandez, Quiñones, and Edraos.

Staff: Sabrina Parra-Garcia, Executive Analyst with the City Manager’s Office, and Annale Damabeh, Council Assistant with Vice Mayor Jones’ Office.

II. Orders of the Day

With a motion by Commissioner Barousse, seconded by Commissioner Young, the Commission voted unanimously to move items VIII. B and VIII. C to follow Item VII.

III. Public Record - None

IV. Public Comment – None.

V. Consent Calendar

A. Approve the minutes for April 10, 2019

Action: Commissioner Young motioned, with a second by Commissioner Carter, motioned to adopt the minutes as written with a small addition to highlight that the Development Noticing Audit had been requested by the Commission 3 years earlier. The Commission unanimously approved the minutes with the change.

VI. Reports and Informational Only

A. Chair Cunningham did not have a verbal report.

B. Annale Damabeh, Council Liaison, read her written report on the following topics:

- Council approved the Willow-Keyes Complete Streets Improvements and Bikeway SJ-San Fernando Corridor projects
- Council approved the 2019 Major Streets Resurfacing Project #2
- Council approved an ordinance to prohibit spectators at Street Races and Reckless Driving Exhibitions

Commissioner Buchanan arrived at 6:20 p.m.

C. Commission Staff Sabrina Parra-García, Office of the City Manager, provided a verbal report on the following:

- Census 2020 jobs are still being hired
- Community Budget meetings are starting later this month

VI. Old Business – None.

VIII. New Business

B. Vice Mayor Jones' welcome – Vice Mayor Chappie Jones

The Vice Mayor introduced himself, spoke about his previous experience as a Neighborhoods Commissioner, and about the value of the Commission.

Action: Discussion only.

With a motion by Commissioner Barousse, seconded by Commissioner Velazquez, the Commission voted unanimously to move item VIII A to precede item VIII C.

Commissioner Langer arrived at 6:36 p.m.

A. Roundtable Reports; various Commissioners

- D8: Community college development site is a big concern and the community is reaching out to the developer; they are looking forward to getting some streets repaired; there continue to be a lot of car and home daytime break ins.
- D9: There was a large community meeting to discuss the murder of Bambi Larson and their fears of the homeless throughout the district. They are also worried about the continued traffic along the length of the district.
- D10: Many residents are also worried about what happened with Bambi Larson. Commissioner Labosky requested a future Commission presentation on the City's sanctuary policy.
- D1: The budget poll was shared throughout the community and sent responses back to the City. They also put out information about the CERT Trainings available for emergency response.
- D2: Southern Division Police Station is open; High Speed Rail continues to be a concern; at the next meeting Transportation Dept. staff will attend; illegal dumping along the rail tracks
- D3: Church that is helping homeless is seeking City support; working with ACT for Mental Health
- D4: N/A
- D5: Proposed developments in along the Alum Rock Corridor is bringing in a lot more residents so parking and traffic is huge concern. Residents want parking permits.
- D6: D6 just completed CERT training with the Office of Emergency Management; Councilmember David had a roundtable discussion with the D6 Leadership Group about the placement of Hope Villages.
- D7: Seventrees Neighborhood is concerned with the RVs and people sleeping in cars along the street (not the Safe Parking Program participants, but others); bringing a lot more suspicious activity. Tully Ball Fields were cleaned out, and the parking lot will be parked at night. Gun violence press conference is happening soon.

Action: Discussion only.

C. FY 2019-20 Budget presentation; Jim Shannon, City Manager's Budget Office

Mr. Shannon provided a high level overview of the proposed up-coming Budget. Commissioners asked questions the City's fiscal solvency and transportation and public safety funding.

Action: Discussion only.

Commissioner Navarro arrived at 7:06 p.m.

D. FY 2019-20 Budget letter; Chair Cunningham

The Commissioners provided edits to the letter prior to voting to approve the final version.

Action: With a motion by Vice Chair Carter, seconded by Commissioner Navarro, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the FY 2-19-20 Budget letter.

E. Commission Annual Report Letter – Chair Cunningham

Chair Cunningham introduced the annual report letter idea and asked Commissioners to help by providing the number of hours they worked outside of Commission meetings.

Action: Discussion only.

F. ICOC check in – Chair Cunningham

The Chair confirmed there were no updates and no meetings since April.

Action: Discussion only.

G. Emergency Preparedness ad hoc report; Commissioners Navarro and Carter

The two Commissioners introduced their draft final report.

Action: Discussion only.

H. Neighborhood Traffic ad hoc report; Commissioner Young

Commissioner Young hit the highlights from his written draft final ad hoc report.

Action: Discussion only.

I. Illegal Dumping ad hoc report; Commissioners Barousse and Buchanan

Commissioner Buchanan introduced the draft report and confirmed that there would be edits based on additional information received from CalTrans.

Action: Discussion only.

J. Community Outreach ad hoc report – Commissioner Henry

Commissioner Henry presented their draft final report, and confirmed that all toolkit items will be ready for a vote along with the final ad hoc report at the next meeting.

Action: Discussion only.

K. Fireworks Champion and work update; Commissioner Labosky/Chair Cunningham

Chair Cunningham confirmed that he would add information about fireworks to the final Annual Report.

Public Comment:

- Greg Peck, D2 Leadership Group and Los Padres Neighborhood Association, shared his appreciation for the hard work of the Neighborhoods Commission and the information that they provide to the Leadership Groups and Associations.

Action: Discussion only.

VII. Meeting Schedule and Agenda Items

A. Next regular meeting: June 12, 2019, 6 p.m., in San Jose City Hall Tower Conference Room 1734.

VIII. Adjournment

The Neighborhoods Commission meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.