



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

SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA

MONDAY, APRIL 27, 2015

The Community and Economic Development Committee of the City of San José convened in regular session at 1:31 p.m. in Council Chambers, Council Wing, City Hall.

PRESENT: Council Member Johnny Khamis, Chair; Council Member Chappie Jones, Vice Chair; Vice Mayor Rose Herrera, Council Member Ash Kalra and Council Member Pierluigi Oliverio.

ABSENT: All Present.

STAFF: Deputy City Manager/Director of Economic Development Kim Walesh, Assistant City Attorney Ed Moran, Mayor's Senior Policy Advisor Ru Weerakoon and Deputy City Clerk Susan M. Davis.

REVIEW OF WORK PLAN

Note: The Review of the Work Plan was heard following the Verbal Report on Economic Activities by Deputy City Manager/Director of Economic Development Kim Walesh.

Upon motion by Vice Mayor Rose Herrera, seconded by Council Member Chappie Jones and carried unanimously, the Work Plan was approved and the below listed actions were taken as indicated. (5-0.)

(1) Hammer Theatre Center Reuse.

Action: Deferred to the May 18, 2015 Community and Economic Development Committee Meeting.

(2) Economic Strategy: Services and Amenities.

Action: Deferred to the May 18, 2015 Community and Economic Development Committee Meeting.

REVIEW OF WORK PLAN

(3) **Housing Status Report and Affordable Housing Plan Implementation.**

Action: Deferred to the August 24, 2015 Community and Economic Development Committee Meeting.

(4) **Downtown Strategy 2000 EIR.**

Action: Deferred to the May 18, 2015 Community and Economic Development Committee Meeting.

REPORTS TO COMMITTEE

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

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

Deputy City Manager/Director of Economic Development Kim Welsh offered the report on Economic Development Activities and responded to Committee questions.

The Committee received the verbal report.

(2) **Proposal for the General Plan Four Year Review and Urban Village Update.**

Documents Filed: Memorandum from Director of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement Harry Freitas, dated April 16, 2015, recommending acceptance of the report and referring to the full Council for consideration on May 12, 2015.

Division Manager of Planning of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement Michael Brilliot presented the report on the General Plan and Urban Village Update.

Council Member Johnny Khamis opened the floor for public testimony.

Public Comments: Martha O'Connell stressed the importance of affordable housing for the Urban Villages and urged the Committee and Council to consider updating the rent control ordinance.

Director of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement Harry Freitas, Division Manager Michael Brilliot and Assistant City Attorney Ed Moran responded to Committee questions and concerns.

Motion: Vice Mayor Rose Herrera moved approval of the Staff Report and to cross reference the item to the full Council at the evening session on May 12, 2015 and continuing the Study Session. Council Member Chappie Jones seconded the motion.

REPORTS TO COMMITTEE

(2) (Cont'd.)

Extensive Committee discussion ensued.

Action: On a call for the question, the motion carried unanimously, the Committee accepted the reports and forwarded the item to the full City Council for discussion and formal action scheduled in the evening of May 12, 2015 and continuing the Study Session. (5-0.)

(3) **Economic Strategy: Place-Based Initiatives.**

Documents Filed: Memorandum from Assistant Director of Economic Development Nanci Klein, dated March 13, 2015, recommending acceptance of the report.

Chief Economist John Lang and Downtown Coordinator Tina Kapoor presented the report on the Economic Strategy: Place-Based Initiatives and responded to Committee questions.

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

(4) **Homeless Housing Status Report.**

Documents Filed: Memorandum from Interim Director of Housing Jacky Morales-Ferrand, dated April 13, 2015, recommending acceptance of the report.

Interim Director of Housing Jacky Morales-Ferrand and Homelessness Response Manager Ray Bramson presented the report and responded to Committee questions and concerns.

Vice Mayor Rose Herrera left the meeting at approximately 3:30 p.m.

Council Member Johnny Khamis opened the floor for public testimony.

Public Comments: Martha O'Connell complained about the homeless using the Martin Luther King Library, sleeping on the lightrails, using the parking lots as encampments and eating lunch at the Senior Centers.

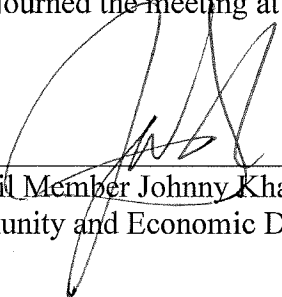
Action: Upon motion by Council Member Pierluigi Oliverio, seconded by Council Member Chappie Jones and carried unanimously, the Committee accepted the report. (4-0-1. Absent: Herrera.)

OPEN FORUM

Martha O'Connell expressed the need for accurate Mobilehome Park guidelines.

ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Johnny Khamis adjourned the meeting at 3:45 p.m.



Council Member Johnny Khamis, Chair
Community and Economic Development Committee

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