

City of San José Neighborhoods Commission

District 1— Franklin Nguyen District 3 – Richard Wong District 6 – Jim Carter (VC) 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, March 13, 2019

I. Call to Order & Roll Call

The Neighborhoods Commission of the City of San José convened at 6:03 p.m. in the City Hall Tower Conference Room 1734.

Present Commissioners: Nguyen, Cunningham, Wilkins, Henry, Fernandez (6:14 p.m.), Wong (6:25 p.m.), Langer, Hernandez, Carter, Navarro (6:10 p.m.), Velazquez, Edraos, Young, Martin, Giammona, and Labosky (6:06 p.m.).

Absent Commissioners: Buchanan, Quiñones, and Barousse.

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

Commissioner Young motioned, with Commissioner Hernandez seconded, to move items VIII. B and C to follow item VI. The Commission voted unanimously to approve.

Commissioner Labosky arrived at 6:06 p.m.

III. Public Record - None

IV. Public Comment

- Bruce Preville, member of Silicon Valley Climate Alliance, talked about the increasing threat of climate change, specifically revisiting the Climate Smart San Jose plan and doing outreach to the community to bring those concerns back to the City and City Council.

V. Consent Calendar

A. Approve the minutes for February 13, 2019

Action: Commissioner Hernandez motioned, with a second by Commissioner Martin, motioned to adopt the minutes changing the name of the Commissioner in Item VIII. J. The Commission unanimously approved the minutes.

VI. Reports and Informational Only

- A. Chair Cunningham gave a verbal report on the following:
 - City Auditor Sharon Erickson will be retiring at the end of March.
 - Encouraged consistent attendance to Commission meetings
 - Encouraged each Commissioner to serve on at least 2 ad hoc committees

Commissioner Navarro arrived at 6:10 p.m.

VI. Reports and Informational Only cont.

- B. Annale Damabeh, Council Liaison, read her written report on the following topics:
 - Measure T update
 - Addition of a Safe Parking to City ordinances
 - A new agreement between Santa Clara Valley Water District and the City for homeless encampment abatement
 - The outcome from Council Priority Setting
 - An agreement with Santa Clara VTA on the 2016 Measure B programs

Commissioner Fernandez arrived at 6:14 p.m.

- C. Commission Staff Sabrina Parra-García, Office of the City Manager, provided a verbal report on the following:
 - Make Music Day 2019 enrollment has opened
 - Census is currently hiring at \$25-\$33/hour
 - The Human Services Commission is recruiting commissioners
 - The Office of Emergency Management requested that Commissioners share with all associations and leadership groups that the office is offering family and CERT trainings that can be brought to the association or group.

VII. Old Business – None.

VIII. New Business

B. Abandoned Shopping Cart Ordinance – Councilmember Jimenez

Councilmember Jimenez provided a brief overview on Priority Setting at the request of Commissioner Young in response to the report from Annale Damabeh.

Action: Discussion only.

Commissioner Wong arrived at 6:25 p.m.

C. Illegal Fireworks Update – Ryan Dulin, San Jose Fire Department and Tina Morrell, Stop Illegal Fireworks in San Jose Committee

Commissioner Navarro requested that staff bring print outs, but staff said that they don't have any budget to print. Last year, the City sent postcards to 20,000 people, and only 58 reported. Instead, they are encouraging word-of-mouth and social media sharing instead.

The Commission asked that the Secretary share the Council report once it was completed. Ryan Dulin agreed to send it to the Secretary so she could send it to the whole Commission.

Tina Morrell presented about the enforcement portion of the campaign needs more funding, targeting 5 of the 62 hot spots for fireworks in the City.

Action: Discussion only.

A. Roundtable Reports; various Commissioners

- D6: Residents are concerned about potential blight and environmental impact of Hope Village moving into the district (border of District 3 and 6);
- D7: When reporting a crime, you can not do it online 24-hours a day (even calling needs to happen between 9 am and 4 pm)
- D8: Concerned about burglary and low-level property crimes
- D9: Residents are very concerned about the homeless person who killed a woman in the District; the Leadership group's leadership has now switched over
- D10: Concerns about property crimes like burglaries and car thefts
- D1: Leadership Group responded to the budget information request from the Commission; some reports about car break-ins
- D2: Leadership Group responded well to the budget request, most about rangers and illegal fireworks
- D3: Concerns about the bike lane changes and the increased danger to cars and pedestrians; Safety Coalition Team led by DA Josue Fuentes and they talked about graffiti in the area which is tied to gangs and gang recruitment of younger and younger students
- D4: Concerns about gang retaliation shootings and accompanied tagging (non-fatal); homelessness; budget presentation on the bike lanes to make them safer (separated from cars); Berryessa BART station has started and is going well
- D5: Concerns about better coordination in the Planning Department for new developments which will have neighborhood impacts (7 new multi-unit developments within a 1 mile area) and better outreach to the community *prior* to even initial approval

Action: Discussion only.

D. FY 2019-20 Budget letter presentation; Commissioner Edraos

Staff shared that the Budget Office cannot come in on May 1, but are happy to present at the May 8 Regular Neighborhoods Commission meeting.

Action: Discussion only.

E. ICOC progress report; Chair Cunningham

Chair Cunningham provided a brief update of the committee's work and said that a final report will be available for a vote by the Commission at the April meeting.

Action: Discussion only.

F. Emergency Preparedness ad hoc report; Commissioner Navarro

Commissioner Navarro passed along a request from Office of Emergency Management staff to share a request for Commissioners. Commissioner Carter explained that the ad hoc committee members would be reaching out to the other Commissioners to follow up on what the outreach plan and how to get the feedback back to City staff.

Action: Discussion only.

VIII. New Business cont.

G. Neighborhood Traffic ad hoc report; Commissioner Young

Commissioner Young stated that there was no additional update from last month.

Action: Discussion only.

- H. Illegal Dumping ad hoc report; Commissioners Buchanan and Barousse deferred to April meeting
- I. Community Outreach ad hoc report Commissioner Henry

Commissioner Henry reported that Roadshow has switched from District 3 to District 7. He also shared a flyer for the meeting. There is no additional Special speakers lined up.

He asked the staff agendize a vote on the design of the toolkit and on an updated Roadshow presentation.

Commissioner Edraos shared that the Councilmember for District 8 had agreed to host a Roadshow presentation in August.

Action: Discussion only.

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

Chair Cunningham shared that the Stop Illegal Fireworks Committee would really like to connect with the District 3 Commissioners.

Action: Discussion only.

VII. Meeting Schedule and Agenda Items

A. Next regular meeting: April 10, 2019, 6 p.m., in San Jose City Hall Tower Conference Room 1734.

VIII. Adjournment

The Neighborhoods Commission meeting adjourned at 8:01 p.m.