

# City of San José **Neighborhoods Commission**

District 1— District 1—Gary Cunningham District 2— Babu Prasad District 2— Allie Hughes District 3— Richard Wong

District 3 – Jackie Vasquez District 4 – Anthony Rossello District 6 – Olivia Navarro District 4 – Theresa Do District 5 – Jewell Buchanan District 5 –

District 6 – Jim Carter (C) District 7 – Bruce Victorine District 7 – Tasha Tenturier District 8 – Nichole Edraos

District 8 -District 9 – District 9 – Terry Martin District 10 – John Magannum District 10 -

**Commission Staff: Olympia Williams** 

## **NEIGHBORHOODS COMMISSION MEETING**

6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

August 11, 2021

Virtual

#### I. Call to Order & Roll Call

The Neighborhoods Commission of the City of San Jose convened at 6:30 p.m. The meeting was held via Zoom.

Present Commissioners: Kassa, Cunningham, Prasad, Hughes, Wong, Vasquez, Do, Buchanan, Carter, Navarro, Victorine, Tenturier, Edraos, Martin, and Magannum.

- **II.** Orders of the Day None.
- **III.** Public Record None.
- **IV.** Public Comment None.

Commissioner Prasad arrived at 6:39 p.m.

## V. Consent Calendar

- A. Approve the minutes for the regular meeting of June 9, 2021.
  - Commissioner Cunningham requested to change the spelling of "Cadillac" to "catalytic" in item VIII C.

Action: Upon a motion by Commissioner Cunningham, seconded by Commissioner Martin, the Commissioner minutes were approved and will included the above changes (15-0)

#### VI. Reports and Information Only

A. Council Member, Matt Mahan

- Matthew Quevedo, Chief of Staff for Councilmember Matt Mahan, spoke on behalf of Councilmember Mahan.
- Informed the Commission about City Hall reopening and resuming in-person services.
- Discussed recruiting new Commissioners to the Neighborhoods Commission during National Night Out.
- Informed the Commission that the Fireworks Report would be coming out within the next month.

Staff responded to Commissioner questions and comments.

- B. Neighborhoods Commission Chair, Jim Carter
  - Reminded Commissioners to reach out to Commission staff for questions about the Commission's rules or procedures.
  - Reminded Commissioners to reach out within 10 days of upcoming meetings to request items on the agenda.
  - Informed the Commission that the Annual Report should be available by the next meeting to receive approval.
- C. ICOC Report, Gary Cunningham, ICOC Chair
  - The ICOC is still waiting for the tax matrix in order to have a final report on the Measure B Tax Funds.

Staff responded to Commissioner questions and comments.

Commissioner discussion ensued.

- D. Staff, Olympia Williams, BeautifySJ Program Manager, Department of Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services
  - Informed the Commission about updates to City Council meetings and encouraged Commissioners to attend upcoming meetings.
  - Encouraged Commissioners to attend their Neighborhood Association meetings.
  - Informed the Commission about the formation of a neighborhood working group in District 5 that includes Commissioner Buchanan.

Staff responded to Commissioner questions and comments.

VII. Old Business – None.

#### VIII. New Business

- A. VICE CHAIR ELECTION Jim Carter, Chair
  - Commissioner Navarro expressed interest in holding the Vice Chair position and was given an opportunity to speak in front of the Commission. Commissioners Tenturier and Wong were also given opportunities to speak in front of the Commission.

Commissioner discussion ensued.

Staff responded to Commissioner questions and comments.

Action: With a vote of 9-5-0 (Commissioner Tenturier received 9 votes, Commissioner Navarro received 5 votes, and Commissioner Wong received 0 votes), the Commission moved to appoint Commissioner Tenturier as Vice Chair for the 2021-2022 fiscal year.

Reference materials: (1) <u>Tenturier Letter of Intent</u> (2) <u>Wong Letter of Intent</u>

## B. FY21-22 WORK PLAN – Jim Carter, Chair

Purpose: To decide and approve the Commission's Work Plan for the current fiscal year.

Action: Vote to approve the Neighborhoods Commission FY21-22 Work Plan.

- C. NEIGHBORHOODS ROUNDTABLE Vice Chair
  - D1: contaminated recycling, illegal dumping, road work, attending Neighborhood Association meetings.
  - D2: attending Neighborhood Association meetings, illegal dumping, traffic due to construction.
  - D3: homelessness, mental health issues, fireworks, petty crime (trespassing, theft, car break-ins), traffic safety with little-to-no enforcement, no digital billboards
  - D4: fireworks, car break-ins, unhoused community, new school was opened, National Night Out was a success, side shows, litter near McKee and Berryessa area.
  - D5: residents rallied for the closure of Reid Hillview Airport due to contamination, held D5 Roundtable, code enforcement, illegal dumping, traffic due to construction.
  - D6: fireworks, concerns over Google development and traffic, concerns over removal of trees, dedication of Barack Obama Blvd occurred that changes the name of Auzerais/Autumn between Bird and St John, new fire station 37, access to parks with rec. leagues, poor park maintenance, positive comments about Measure T.
  - D7: trash and litter, clean-up event on 8/21/21 at Seven Trees Community Center, new stretch of Coyote Creek Trail opening in September, positive National Night Out from Neighborhood Associations.
  - D8: fireworks, side shows, homeless, trespassing, break-ins.
  - D9: poor park maintenance, D9 leadership meeting on Thursday.
  - D10: safety, loitering, home and car break-ins, lack of code enforcement for new housing developments.

Commissioner discussion ensued.

Action: Discussion only.

# IX. Meeting Schedule and Agenda Items

The next regular meeting is tentatively scheduled for September 8, 2021, at 6:30 p.m., location TBD.

# X. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.