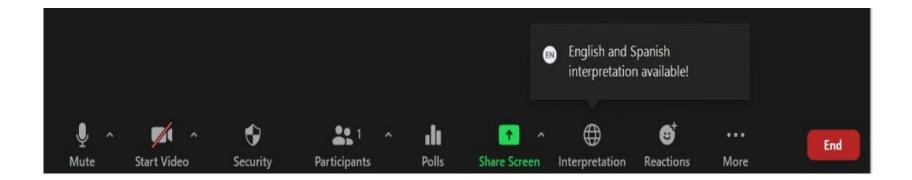


# Let's Talk Housing San José

SANTA CLARA COUNTY



## Interpretation



AGENDA

**6:00 pm** Welcome!

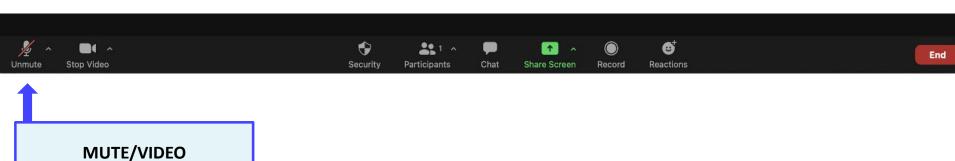
**6:05 pm** Housing Element 101

**6:15 pm** Status of Housing in San José

**6:30 pm** Breakout Sessions

**7:25 pm** What's Next

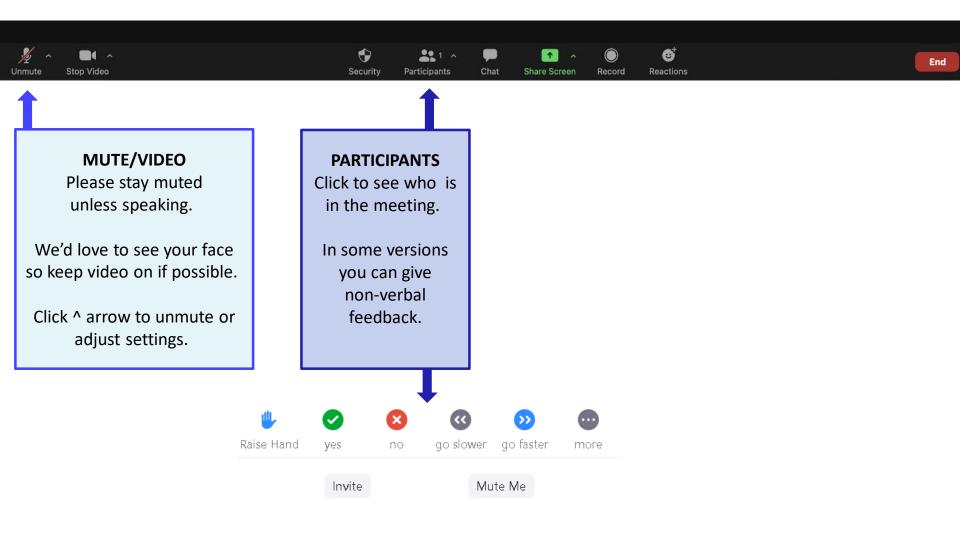


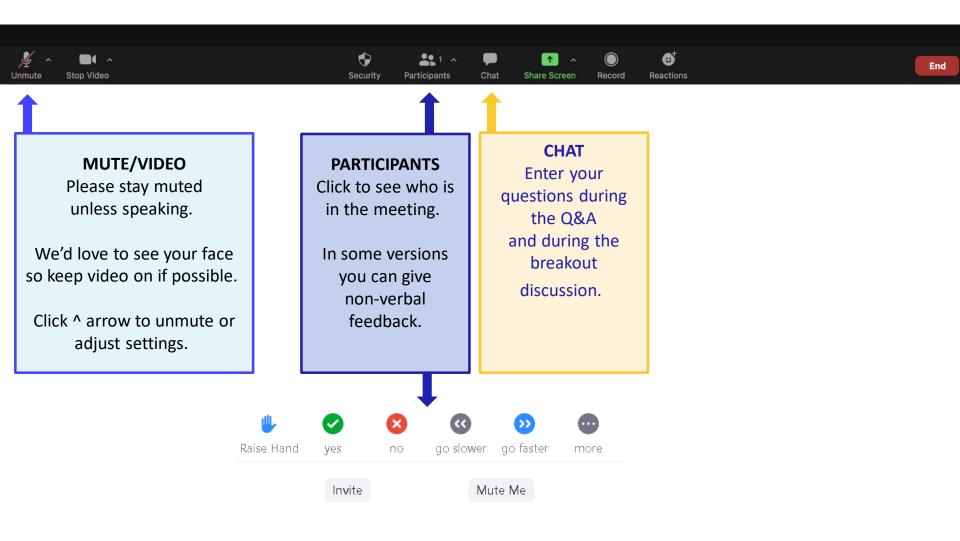


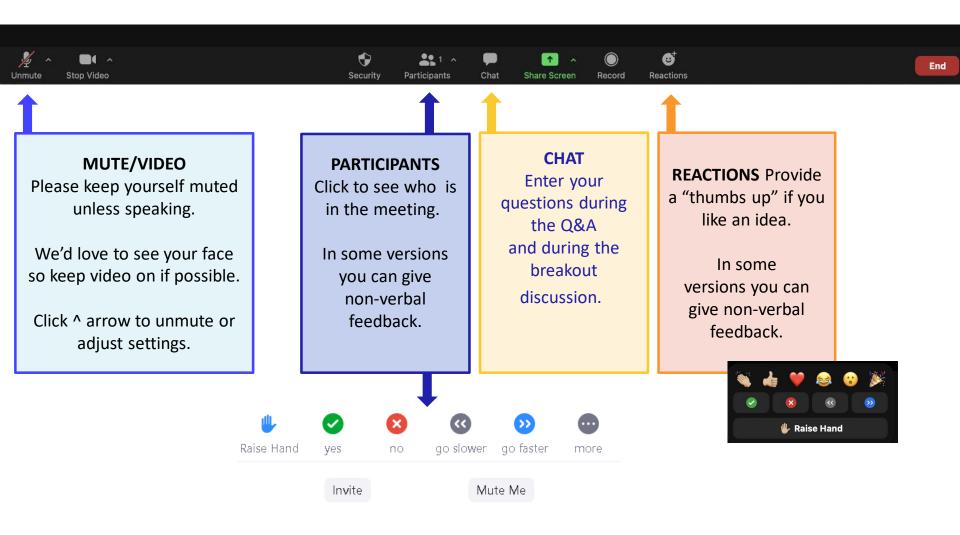
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#### For more information

Website: www.sanjoseca.gov/HousingElementUpdate

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#### Why are we here?

- Purpose of this meeting
- About "Let's Talk Housing"



#### Learn more about:

- What is the Housing Element
- What is Fair Housing
- Some housing trends
- Outreach and decisionmaking process

#### Share your thoughts about:

- Your housing needs
- The biggest housing issues you observe
- Your goals for housing in San José over the next 10 years



#### What is a Housing Element?

#### A plan for the housing needed in a community

- Cities don't build housing, but create the rules for where it should go and how much
- Includes housing policies and programs
- Required by state law
- Guided by target numbers
- Updated every 8 years

#### What is in a Housing Element?

- Analysis of Housing Needs
- Evaluation of Constraints
- Identification of Sites to meet needs
- Housing Plan with Goals, Policies, Programs and Quantified Objectives
- Special focus on Fair Housing and Hearing from You

#### What is Fair Housing?

- Individual level: Prohibits discrimination in housing
- City-level: Affirmatively furthers opportunities in housing
- City-level: Remedies patterns of segregation and fosters inclusive communities
- "Both/And" Approach: Both removes barriers for individuals and families to live where they choose AND increases investment in underserved neighborhoods
- City of San José is producing an Assessment of Fair Housing

## Protected classes under Fair Housing Law

Federal	State of California
<ul> <li>Race, ethnicity, color, national origin</li> <li>Religion</li> <li>Sex</li> <li>Familial status</li> <li>Disability</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Everything covered by Federal law</li> <li>Gender identity/expression</li> <li>Sexual orientation</li> <li>Marital status</li> <li>Medical condition</li> <li>Military or veteran status</li> <li>Age (over 40)</li> <li>Genetic information</li> <li>Ancestry</li> </ul>

#### Our process



# Questions?

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## Who's in the room?

POLL

## San José's housing challenges

#### San José residents face multiple housing issues:

- High housing costs
- Homelessness
- Displacement
- Overcrowding
- Lack of housing options for working-class and middleclass families
- Housing with building code violations
- Discrimination
- Segregation
- COVID-19 impact

#### San José used to be affordable

San José Housing Prices in 1970 to 2021

	Value in 1970 Dollars	Equivalent 2021 Value	2021 Actual Value
Median Gross Rent	\$135	\$950	\$2,450*
Median Home Value	\$25,400	\$178,700	\$1,480,000

2021 Equivalent Values calculated using the CPI-U inflation rate \* = 2021 rents are average effective rents per Costar.com 1970 values per US Census

# Now, San José is one of the most expensive places to live

#### Most Expensive Metro Areas

- San Jose, CA
- 2. San Francisco, CA
- 3. Anaheim, CA
- 4. Honolulu, HI
- 5. San Diego, CA
- 6. Boulder, CO
- 7. Los Angeles, CA

- 8. Seattle, WA
- Bridgeport, CT
- 10. Boston, MA

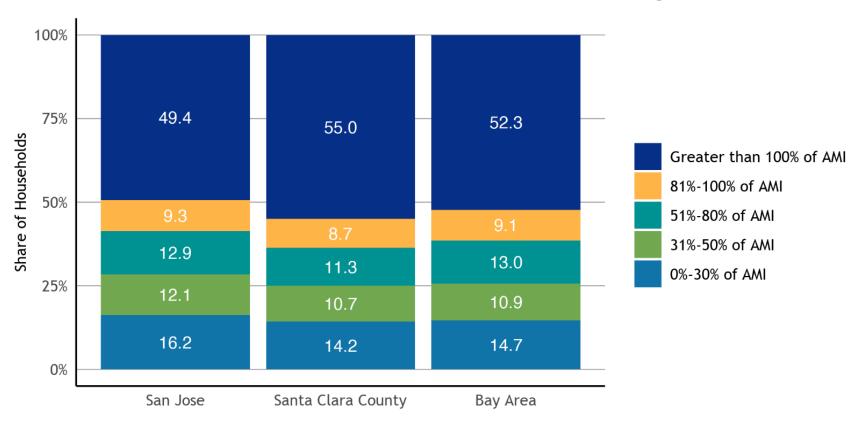
# Housing costs are too high for essential workers



See: <a href="https://www.sanjoseca.gov/your-government/departments/housing/data/housing-market">https://www.sanjoseca.gov/your-government/departments/housing/data/housing-market</a> 2021 Q2

# Over 40% of San José's population is Low-income

#### San José Population by Income Category



Source: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS) ACS tabulation, 2013-2017 release



# Many long-time residents are struggling to stay in San José

Quotes from Community Strategy to End Displacement Report, January 2020

"Pretty much everyone I talked to said they have to move. One neighbor moved to Arizona. I noticed lots of houses have sold and now are rented."

~President of TOCKNA, a 31-year resident of Welch Park

"Seventy families have left our church in the last three years. One family moved to Lathrop but still come to church and work at the Hilton in downtown San José."

~Deacon at Iglesia Ni Cristo on Story Road

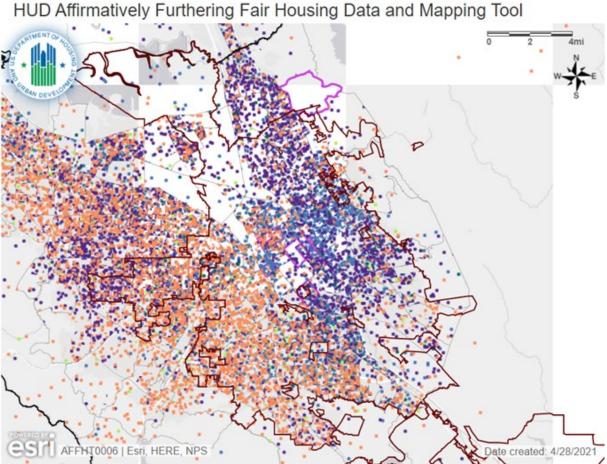
"Even as homeowners we require roommates to make ends meet and still work overtime/multiple jobs."

~Survey respondent

## San José is segregated



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#### What causes segregation?

#### General

- Racial discrimination at both institutional and individual levels
- Federal, state, and local policies
- Explicit, implicit, and sometimes unintentional practices

#### Examples regarding housing

- Federally-enforced underwriting standards (e.g., redlining)
- Lending, selling, and renting discrimination (e.g., racially restrictive covenants)
- Land use processes and decisions (e.g., zoning)
- Patterns of public and private investment (e.g., freeway construction)

## San José's Regional Housing Needs Allocation

Income Level	RHNA 5 2014-2023	RHNA 6 2023-2031	Increase
Very Low-income (50% AMI)	9,233	15,088	5,855 units (63%)
Low-income (80% AMI)	5,428	8,687	3,259 units (60%)
Moderate-income (120% AMI)	6,188	10,711	4,523 units (73%)
Above Moderate- income (>120% AMI)	14,231	27,714	13,483 units (94%)
TOTAL	35,080	62,200	27,120 units (77%)

#### Current housing initiatives

#### Work that is underway or is completed

- Housing Crisis Workplan
- Citywide Residential Anti-Displacement Strategy
- Diridon Affordable Housing Implementation Plan
- Assessment of Fair Housing Phase 1, Analysis
- General Plan 4-year Review
  - Opportunity Housing Concept (bit.ly/SJOpportunityHousing)

# What word describes the kind of housing you envision for the future?

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# Breakout session



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- 1. What housing challenges do you experience or observe in our community?
- 2. What do you think are the most pressing housing needs for San José?
- 3. How can we make sure we hear from our entire community?
- 4. It's 2031, and we have accomplished a lot! What words describe the housing in our community now? What are your goals?





# What word describes housing in your community?





# What word describes your vision for housing in the future?



# Post-meeting and additional feedback survey

https://bit.ly/LTHfeedback3

#### **NEXT STEPS**

#### **Upcoming meetings**

- sanjoseca.gov/HousingElementUpdate
- Letstalkhousingscc.org/events

