

## MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL

SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA

THURSDAY, MAY 23, 1996

The Council of the City of San Jose convened in adjourned regular session at 7:08 p.m. for a public hearing on the Proposed Operating and Capital Budgets of the City of San José for Fiscal Year 1996-97.

Present: Council Members: Dando, Diquisto (arrived at 7:20 p.m.), Fiscalini, Johnson, Pandori, Powers, Shirakawa, Jr., Woody;

Absent: Council Members: Diaz, Fernandes; Hammer (all excused).

### **2 PUBLIC HEARING on Proposed Operating and Capital Budgets of the City of San José for Fiscal Year 1996-1997. (City Managers Office)**

Documents Filed: Letter from Phil Frausto, Chairperson, San José Parks & Recreation Commission, dated May 21, 1996, recommending Council adopt a policy of identifying the impact on existing maintenance service levels whenever new park projects are added to the City's inventory without corresponding resources to support such additions.

Discussion/Action: Vice Mayor Johnson opened the public hearing on the City's Proposed Operating and Capital Budget for FY 1996-97 and invited the citizens to present their concerns and requests to the City Council. Mary Ellen Chell, representing Cupertino Community Services, an affiliate of the Emergency Assistance Network and designated by United Way as the agency to serve West San José, requested one-time funding to increase emergency assistance. Wanda Alexander, representing ACT for Mental Health, requested funding to enable the Agency to expand and increase services to program recipients. Nigel Cooper, Tracy Cooper, L.A. Andreassen, and Tina Andreassen urged Council to include in the current budget appropriations for complete reconstruction of Franela Drive. Assistant City Manager, Debra Figone, stated the streets for reconstruction have been identified and rated in order of priority, and that Franela Drive has been designated the highest priority. She stated total cost estimates of the improvements exceed \$1 million with \$250,000 from CDBG, \$500,000 funded from Storm and Sewer, and \$250,000 from the General Fund. Troy Brown, Jr., Chair, San José Arts Commission, stated the Arts Commission has recommended that the budget allocations for 1996-97 Arts Program include \$57,200 reimbursement expenses for six (6) official City events, and that Council refer back to the General Fund the reimbursement of those funds. Maxwell Crumley, San José Arts Commission, commented on 1996-97 budget allocations for the Arts Program. San José Library Commissioner Lillian Jones stated the Commission recommends maintaining at the current funding level the Library budget without reductions in staffing or hours of operations. She requested the discontinuance of video rental fees and charges, which

have been construed by the public as duplicative, given Council approval of the Library Benefit Assessment measure. Harry Martin, representing the San José Library Commission, expressed appreciation for Council approval of \$1 million CDBG funding for the Biblioteca Latinoamericana project.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The Council of the City of San José adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

**SUSAN HAMMER, MAYOR**

**TRIXIE JOHNSON , VICE MAYOR**

**ATTEST:**

**PATRICIA L. O'HEARN, CITY CLERK**