

**SPECIAL MINUTES OF THE JOINT CITY COUNCIL  
RULES AND OPEN GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE**

**SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA**

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 24, 2011**

The Council of the City of San José convened in special joint session at 2:20 p.m. in the Committee Rooms, Wing, 118-120 at City Hall.

Present: Council Members - Campos, Chu, Constant, Herrera, Kalra, Liccardo, Nguyen, Oliverio, Pyle; Reed.

Absent: Council Members - Rocha. (Excused)

Staff: City Manager Debra Figone, Assistant City Manager Ed Shikada, Assistant City Attorney Ed Moran, City Clerk Dennis Hawkins, Redevelopment Agency Manager Abe Andrade, CMO Agenda Services Manager Leanna Bieganski, Mayor's Council Agenda Manager Sara Wright and Deputy City Clerk Ruth Krantz.

**STRATEGIC SUPPORT SERVICES**

**3.1 Discuss and provide input to the Rules and Open Government Committee regarding the proposed addition of an audit of the Redevelopment Agency's participation in the Incubator Program to the City Auditor's Workplan.**

Documents Filed: (1) Memorandum from Mayor Reed dated August 19, 2011, providing recommendations regarding the incubator program. (2) Memorandum from Council Member Liccardo, dated August 11, 2011, providing recommendations regarding the incubator program. (3) Memorandum from Council Member Rocha, dated August 16, 2011, providing recommendations regarding the incubator program. (4) Memorandum from Council Member Herrera, dated August 24, 2011, providing recommendations regarding the incubator program. (5) Letter from Mary Sidney, San José State University Research Foundation Chief Operating Officer, dated August 19, 2011, concerning Council Member Liccardo's recommendations regarding an audit of the RDA's participation in the incubator program.

### 3.1 (Cont'd.)

Council Member Liccardo presented recommendations as outlined in his memorandum of August 11, 2011.

Mayor Reed spoke on the chronology of this process and presented his recommendations as outlined in his memorandum of August 19, 2011.

Council Member Herrera outlined her concerns, and extensive discussion followed.

Motion: Vice Mayor Nguyen moved approval as indicated below in "Action". The motion was seconded by Council Member Constant.

Public Comments: (1) Mary Sidney, San José State University Research Foundation, thanked the Committee for its attention to this issue. (2) David Wall pointed to political grandstanding and the mismanagement of the San José Mercury News as the crux of this issue.

Action: The memorandum from Mayor Reed, dated August 19, 2011 was approved, including items #2, 4 and 5 from Council Member Herrera's memorandum of August 24, 2011, with the goal of performing an audit of the Redevelopment Agency's participation in the incubator program, as recommended in Council Member Liccardo's memorandum of August 11, 2011, with the CED Committee to provide a recommendation to Council regarding the level and direction of the audit. (9-0-2. Absent: Chu, Rocha.)

## ADJOURNMENT

The Joint City Council/Rules and Open Government Committee Special Meeting was adjourned at 3:37 p.m.

Minutes Recorded, Prepared and Respectfully Submitted by,

Dennis D. Hawkins, CMC  
City Clerk

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