



**MINUTES OF THE
NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE**

SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA

THURSDAY, MARCH 08, 2012

The Neighborhood Services and Education Committee of the City of San José convened in regular session at 1:32 p.m. in Conference Room 120, Council Wing, City Hall.

PRESENT: Council Member Nancy Pyle, Chair, Council Member Chu and Council Member Donald Rocha.

ABSENT: Council Member Constant, Vice Chair. (Excused)

STAFF: Deputy City Manager Norberto Dueñas, Senior Deputy City Attorney Karin Murabito, Mayor's Office José Salcido and Deputy City Clerk Susan M. Davis.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

The Committee voted unanimously to hear the Neighborhoods Commission Quarterly Status Report as the last item on the Agenda.

REPORTS TO COMMITTEE

(1) Animal Care and Services Semi-Annual Report. (Public Works)

Documents Filed: Memorandum from Director of Public Works David Sykes, dated February 17, 2012, recommending acceptance of the report.

Deputy Director of Animal Care and Services Jon Cicerelli presented the report.

Action: The Committee accepted the report.

(2) Annual Update for the Library Volunteer Program. (Library)

Documents Filed: Memorandum from Library Director Jane Light, dated February 17, 2012, recommending acceptance of the report.

REPORTS TO COMMITTEE

(2) (Cont'd.)

Library Director Jane Light offered introductory remarks. Volunteer Coordinator Joan Young presented the report.

Action: The Committee accepted the report.

CONSENT CALENDAR

(1) Neighborhoods Commission Quarterly Status Report. (City Manager's Office)

Documents Filed: Memorandum from Deputy City Manager Norberto Dueñas, dated February 17, 2012, recommending acceptance of the report.

Assistant to the City Manager Kip Harkness presented introductory comments.

City Clerk Dennis D. Hawkins, CMC, presented an overview on the status of the Neighborhoods Commission and responded to Committee questions and concerns.

Public Comments: Ken Kelly asserted that the neighborhoods are in trouble, the Strong Neighborhoods Initiative and grants are no longer in place and expressed the desire to continue to make these programs work.

Michael La Roca pointed out that it was important to look at the value that the commissions provide to the Council with their wisdom and assistance, and urged the Council Members to continue with the participation of the Neighborhoods Commission.

Action: The Committee accepted the report.

OPEN FORUM

There was no public testimony from the floor.

ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Nancy Pyle adjourned the meeting at 2:29 p.m.



Council Member Nancy Pyle, Chair
Neighborhood Services and Education Committee