



**MINUTES OF THE
TRANSPORTATION AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE**

SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2012

The Transportation and Environment 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 Sam Liccardo, Chair, Council Member Rose Herrera, Vice Chair, Council Member Donald Rocha.

ABSENT: Council Member Xavier Campos. (Unexcused)

STAFF: Assistant to the City Manager Ashwini Kantak, Senior Deputy City Attorney Kevin Fisher, Policy Advisor for Mayor's Office Jeff Janssen and Deputy City Clerk Susan M. Davis.

REVIEW OF WORK PLAN

(1) Development Incentives for Transportation Innovations. (Planning, Building and Code Enforcement)

Action: Added to the Transportation and Environment Committee Work Plan for October 1, 2012 per the Rules and Open Government Committee on August 29, 2012.

(2) Automated Transit Network Feasibility Report. (Transportation/Airport)

Action: Deferred to November 2012.

(3) Water Pollution Control Plant Staffing. (Environmental Services)

Documents Filed: Memorandum from Acting Director of Environmental Services Kerrie Romanow, dated August 24, 2012, recommending deferring the report to November.

Action: Deferred to November 2012.

REVIEW OF WORK PLAN

(4) **Update on Homeless Encampment Cleanups. Environmental Services/Housing)**

Documents Filed: Memorandum from Acting Director of Environmental Services Kerrie Romanow and Director of Housing Leslye Corsiglia, dated August 31, 2012, requesting approval to drop the item.

Action: The item was dropped.

REPORTS TO COMMITTEE

(1) **Regional Transportation Activities Report. (Transportation)**

Documents Filed: (1) Memorandum from Director of Transportation Hans Larsen, dated August 22, 2012, recommending acceptance of the report. (2) Staff presentation dated September 10, 2012 summarizing the Regional Transportation Activities Report.

Director of Transportation Hans Larsen and Deputy Director for Transportation Planning Projects Manuel Pineda presented the report and responded to questions from the Committee Members.

Public Comments: Scott Knies, Executive Director, San José Downtown Association, presented highlights of the meeting he attended three weeks ago that included Valley Transportation Authority (VTA), Silicon Valley Leadership Group, San Francisco Planning and Urban Research (SPUR) and TransForm.

Action: The Committee accepted the report.

(2) **Public Works Muni Code Revisions. (Public Works)**

Documents Filed: (1) Memorandum from Director of Public Works David Sykes, dated August 30, 2012, recommending that the Committee provide input to Staff on the proposed streaming and clarification updates. (2) Staff presentation dated September 10, 2012 describing the Public Works Municipal Code Revisions.

Director of Public Works David Sykes presented the report and responded to questions from the Committee Members.

Council Member Liccardo suggested that Staff consider attending the Valley Transportation Authority Board of Directors Work Shop Meeting on September 21, 2012.

Action: The Committee accepted the report. Staff was directed to incorporate the feedback approved by the Committee Members, i.e. location of the station at City Hall and benefits against the impacts associated with parking and loading, options to develop a station that fits within the character of the downtown and etc., and return to the Transportation and Environment Committee with an update.

REPORTS TO COMMITTEE

(3) **Habitat Conservation Plan. (Planning, Building and Code Enforcement)**

Documents Filed: (1) Memorandum from Director of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement Joseph Horwedel, dated August 23, 2012, recommending approval of the proposed schedule. (2) Staff presentation dated September 10, 2012 summarizing the Draft Santa Clara Valley Habitat Plan.

Director of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement Joseph Horwedel presented the report and responded to questions from the Committee Members.

Public Comments: Roland LeBrun advised the Council to study the Santa Clara Valley Habitat Plan carefully and expressed support to conservation of the habitat in a responsible way.

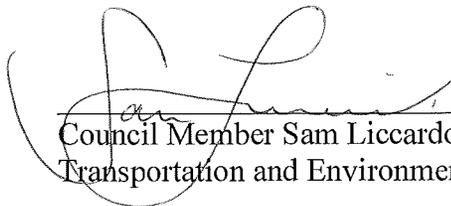
Action: The Committee accepted the report and the proposed schedule for the City Council's discussion and consideration of the Santa Clara Valley Habitat Plan.

OPEN FORUM

There was no public testimony from the floor.

ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Liccardo adjourned the meeting at 3:55 p.m.



Council Member Sam Liccardo, Chair
Transportation and Environment Committee

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