



**MINUTES OF THE
TRANSPORTATION AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE**

SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA

MONDAY, MARCH 07, 2015

The Transportation and Environment Committee of the City of San José convened in Regular Session at 1:31 p.m. in Committee Rooms 118-120, Council Wing, City Hall.

PRESENT: Council Member Ash Kalra, Chair; Council Member Tam Nguyen, Vice Chair; Vice Mayor Rose Herrera (1:50 p.m.), Council Member Donald Rocha and Council Member Manh Nguyen, Members.

ABSENT: All Present.

STAFF: Assistant City Manager David Sykes, Senior Deputy City Attorney Kevin Fisher, Mayor's Policy Analyst Ragan Henninger and Deputy City Clerk Susan M. Davis.

REVIEW OF WORK PLAN

(1) Audit of South Bay Water Recycling.

Documents Filed: Memorandum from City Auditor Sharon W. Erickson, dated February 12, 2016, recommending deferring the report to April 4, 2016.

Council Member Ash Kalra opened the floor for public testimony.

Public Comments: David Wall commented on the Audit of the South Bay Water Recycling.

Action: Upon motion by Council Member Tam Nguyen, seconded by Council Member Donald Rocha and carried unanimously, the Committee deferred the Audit of South Bay Water Recycling to the April 4, 2016 Transportation and Environment Committee Meeting. (4-0-1. Absent: Herrera.)

REPORTS TO COMMITTEE

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

Documents Filed: (1) Memorandum from Director of Transportation James Ortbal, dated February 18, 2016, recommending acceptance of the report. (2) Staff presentation dated March 7, 2016 summarizing the Regional Transportation Activities Report.

Director of Transportation James Ortbal presented introductory remarks.

Carolyn Gonat, Director of Engineering and Transportation Infrastructure Development, and Bernice Alaniz, Director of Communications, Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority presented the report on the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority Project Communications and Outreach Program.

Council Member Ash Kalra opened the floor for public testimony.

Public Comments: David Wall provided comments concerning the Regional Transportation Activities Report.

Action: Upon motion by Vice Mayor Rose Herrera, seconded by Council Member Tam Nguyen and carried unanimously, the Committee accepted the report. Staff was directed to report back with a status update on the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority Light Rail. (5-0.)

(2) **Riparian Corridor Policy/Ordinance Study Work Plan.**

Documents Filed: (1) Memorandum from Director of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement Harry Freitas, dated February 17, 2016, recommending acceptance of the report. (2) Staff presentation dated March 7, 2016 summarizing the Riparian Corridor Policy/Ordinance Study Work Plan. (3) Letter from Myron Crawford, Berg & Berg Developers, Inc., dated March 4, 2016, regarding the Riparian setbacks.

Director of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement Harry Freitas presented opening comments. Supervising Planner, Ordinance and Policy Team Jenny Nusbaum offered the report.

Council Member Ash Kalra opened the floor for public testimony.

Public Comments: David Wall, Shani Kleinhaus, Santa Clara Valley Audubon Society and Larry Ames expressed support to the Staff recommendations.

Action: Upon motion by Vice Mayor Rose Herrera, seconded by Council Member Donald Rocha and carried unanimously, the Committee accepted the report. (5-0.)

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(3) Street Sweeping: Significant Investment and Retooling Are Needed to Achieve Cleaner Streets.

Documents Filed: Street Sweeping: Significant Investment and Retooling Are Needed to Achieve Cleaner Streets from the Office of the City Auditor dated February 2016.

City Auditor Sharon W. Erickson presented the report. Assistant Director of Transportation Kevin O'Connor provided the response from the Administration.

Committee discussion ensued.

Council Member Ash Kalra opened the floor for public testimony.

Public Comments: David Wall commented on street sweeping in San José.

Action: Upon motion by Council Member Donald Rocha, seconded by Council Member Manh Nguyen and carried unanimously, the Committee accepted the report and forwarded the item to the full Council for discussion and formal action on March 29, 2016. (5-0.)

(4) Drought Response Update.

Documents Filed: (1) Replacement memorandum from Director of Environmental Services Kerrie Romanow, dated March 2, 2016, recommending acceptance of the report and cross reference to the full Council. (2) Staff presentation dated March 7, 2016 describing the Drought Reponse Update.

Director of Environmental Services Kerrie Romanow presented introductory remarks. Division Manager of Environmental Services Jeffrey Provenzano provided the report.

Council Member Ash Kalra opened the floor for public testimony.

Public Comments: David Wall expressed comments pertaining to the Drought Response Update.

Action: Upon motion by Vice Mayor Rose Herrera, seconded by Council Member Tam Nguyen and carried unanimously, the Committee accepted the report and forwarded the item to the full Council for discussion and formal action on March 29, 2016. (5-0.)

(5) Municipal Regional Stormwater Permit and Long Term Trash Load Reduction Plan Update.

Documents Filed: (1) Memorandum from Director of Environmental Services Kerrie Romanow, dated February 17, 2016, recommending acceptance of the update. (2) Staff presentation dated March 7, 2016 summarizing the Stormwater Permit and Long Term Trash Load Reduction Plan Update.

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Director of Environmental Services Kerrie Romanow presented introductory comments. Deputy Director of Environmental Services Napp Fukuda presented the report. Deb Kramer, Keep Coyote Beautiful and Steve Holmes, South Bay Clean Creeks Coalition provided comments.

Committee discussion ensued.

Vice Mayor Rose Herrera moved approval of the Staff Report and to forward the item to the full Council on March 29, 2016. Council Member Tam Nguyen seconded the motion.

Council Member Ash Kalra opened the floor for public testimony.

Public Comments: David Wall expressed comments pertaining to the Municipal Regional Stormwater Permit and Long Term Trash Load Reduction Plan Update.

Action: On a call for the question, the motion carried unanimously, the Committee accepted the report and forwarded the item to the full Council for discussion and formal action on March 29, 2016. Staff was directed to circulate a supplemental memorandum to Council with additional information and analysis, including a report on State Legislation being proposed concerning looking at funding to pay for mediation. (5-0.)

(6) **Illegal Dumping Initiative Update.**

Documents Filed: Memorandum from Director of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement Harry Freitas and Director of Environmental Services Kerrie Romanow, dated February 17, 2016, recommending acceptance of the report and to cross reference it to the full Council. (2) Staff presentation dated March 7, 2016 summarizing an Update on the Illegal Dumping Prevention and Cleanup Efforts.

Director of Environmental Services Kerrie Romanow and Deputy Director of Environmental Services Jo Zientek presented a brief report.

Council Member Ash Kalra opened the floor for public testimony.

Public Comments: David Wall expressed comments pertaining to illegal dumping,

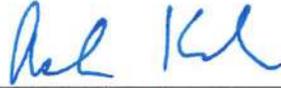
Action: Upon motion by Vice Mayor Rose Herrera, seconded by Council Member Tam Nguyen and carried unanimously, the Committee accepted the report and forwarded the item to the full Council for discussion and formal action on March 15, 2016. (5-0.)

OPEN FORUM

David Wall provided comments concerning the Water Pollution Control Plant.

ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Ash Kalra adjourned the meeting at 4:06 p.m.



Council Member Ash Kalra, Chair
Transportation and Environment Committee

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