



City of Santa Clara

Meeting Minutes

Downtown Community Task Force

09/24/2020

6:00 PM

Special Meeting - Zoom Webinar

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to the provisions of California Government Code §54956 ("The Brown Act"), the Mayor calls for a Special Meeting of the Downtown Community Task Force to commence and convene on September 24, 2020, at 6:00 pm for a Special Meeting, to consider the following matter(s) and to potentially take action with respect to them.

Pursuant to the provisions of California Governor's Executive Order N-29-20, issued on March 17, 2020, to prevent the spread of COVID-19, the City of Santa Clara has implemented methods for the public to participate remotely:

Zoom Meeting: <https://santaclaraca.zoom.us/j/98890899550>

Meeting ID: 988 9089 9550

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Staff Liaison/Principal Planner, Lesley Xavier called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present 7 - Adam Thompson, Dan Ondrasek, Rob Mayer, Debra von Huene, Ana Vargas-Smith, Mathew Reed, and Butch Coyne

Absent 1 - Soli Cayetano

A motion was made by member Coyne to excuse member Cayetano's absence.

Aye: 7 - Thompson, Ondrasek, Mayer, von Huene, Vargas-Smith, Reed, and Coyne

Excused: 1 - Cayetano

CONSENT CALENDAR

There were no consent items.

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

Mary Grizzle, a member of the public, inquired about the procedure for filling the two empty task force member seats.

GENERAL BUSINESS

1. [20-941](#) Election of a Downtown Community Task Force Chair and Vice Chair

Recommendation: There is no staff recommendation.

This item was heard at the end of the Agenda. A motion was made by member Mayer to continue this item to the next regularly scheduled meeting on October 15, 2020. The motion was seconded by member Reed.

Aye: 6 - Thompson, Ondrasek, Mayer, von Huene, Vargas-Smith, and Coyne

Excused: 1 - Cayetano

2. [20-947](#) Discussion on the Financial Feasibility, and Infrastructure and Public Realm Improvement Memorandums from the Downtown Precise Plan consultant team.

Recommendation: There is no staff recommendation.

The City's consultants for the development of the Downtown Precise Plan, James Stickley, Peter Winch, and Benjamin Sigman, provided a PowerPoint presentation on the assessment of the financial viability of concept-level site redevelopment prototypes. The purpose of the analysis is to assess the economic potential of possible development prototypes and to generate findings that inform urban planning parameters to incentivize reinvestment in downtown sites.

3. [20-942](#) Training on the Brown Act

Assistant City Attorney, Alexander Abbe provided a PowerPoint presentation on the Brown Act.

ADJOURNMENT

Staff Liaison, Principal Planner, Lesley Xavier called to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

A motion was made by member von Huene, and seconded by member Mayer to adjourn the meeting.

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 15, 2020 at 6 p.m.

Aye: 7 - Thompson, Ondrasek, Mayer, von Huene, Vargas-Smith, Reed, and Coyne

Absent: 1 - Cayetano