



City of Santa Clara

Meeting Minutes

Downtown Community Task Force

02/18/2021

6:00 PM

Virtual Meeting

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Meeting ID: 919 7578 9377 or
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CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The DCTF Chair, Adam Thompson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

All members present.

Present: 9 - Thompson, Ondrasek, Mayer, von Huene, Vargas-Smith, Reed, Coyne, Varshney, and Thai

CONSENT CALENDAR

A motion was made by Member Coyne and seconded by member Thai to approve the consent calendar.

Aye: 9 - Thompson, Ondrasek, Mayer, von Huene, Vargas-Smith, Reed, Coyne, Varshney, and Thai

- 1.A** [21-283](#) Downtown Community Task Force (DCTF) Meeting Minutes of the January 21, 2021 Meeting.

Recommendation: Approve the DCTF Meeting Minutes of the January 21, 2021 Meeting

GENERAL BUSINESS

2. [21-282](#) Franklin Forward proposal for a community driven art initiative to reclaim the missing Franklin Street alignment. (Continued from February 3, 2021 Meeting)

Recommendation: There is no staff recommendation.

Member Varshney provided an informational presentation on the a grassroots called Franklin Forward. The initiative proposes painting the Franklin Street alignment on city owned land (parking lot) with street art in the short term while the Precise Plan is being developed.

Noted and filed

3. [21-284](#) Informational presentation on the difference between Precise Plans and Specific Plans. (Continued from February 3, 2021 Meeting)

Recommendation: There is no staff recommendation.

Staff Liaison, Lesley Xavier, provided an informational presentation of the differences between a Specific Plan and a Community/Precise Plan.

Noted and filed

4. [21-302](#) Discussion on submitting a comment letter for the project proposed at 906 Monroe Street.

Recommendation: There is no staff recommendation.

A motion was made by Member von Huene, and seconded by Vice Chair Ondrasek, to submit a letter to the City requesting that the City Council not approve any new development projects within Downtown Precise Plan boundary until the Precise Plan has been adopted.

Aye: 9 - Thompson, Ondrasek, Mayer, von Huene, Vargas-Smith, Reed, Coyne, Varshney, and Thai

5. [21-306](#) Review of the comments made by the Downtown Community Task Force on the ConceptBoard at the Special Meeting held on February 3, 2021

Recommendation: There is no staff recommendation.

A motion was made by Member Coyne and seconded by member von Huene to send the revised comments on the land use ConceptBoard and the accompanying comment document to the Precise Plan consultant.

Aye: 9 - Thompson, Ondrasek, Mayer, von Huene, Vargas-Smith, Reed, Coyne, Varshney, and Thai

6. [21-307](#) Discussion on the budget and scope of work for the Downtown Precise Plan

Recommendation: There is no staff recommendation.

A motion was made by member Coyne and seconded by member Mayer to request pricing, timeline, and schedule impacts for the following potential Downtown Precise Plan added tasks: form based code; Lafayette right-of-way design including community outreach; way finding sign program; sign ordinance for Downtown; CEQA for Franklin Street; and a post COVID retail analysis for Downtown.

Aye: 9 - Thompson, Ondrasek, Mayer, von Huene, Vargas-Smith, Reed, Coyne, Varshney, and Thai

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

There were no public presentations.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Member Vargas-Smith, and seconded by Vice Chair Ondrasek to adjourn the meeting at 9:41 p.m..

The next regular scheduled meeting is Thursday, March 18, 2021 at 6 p.m.

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