



# City of Santa Clara

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## Meeting Minutes Call and Notice of Special Meeting City Council

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05/24/2021

5:30 PM

Virtual Meeting - Board/Commission Interviews

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to the provisions of California Government Code §54956 ("The Brown Act") and Section 708 of the Santa Clara City Charter, the Mayor calls for a Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of Santa Clara to commence and convene on May 24, 2021, at 5:30 PM for a virtual meeting held via Zoom, to consider the following matter(s) and to potentially take action with respect to them.

### **5:30 PM COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING**

#### **Call to Order**

**Mayor Gillmor** called the Special Meeting to order at 5:32 PM.

**Pledge of Allegiance and Statement of Values**

**Council** recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Councilmember Hardy** recited the Statement of Values.

**Assistant City Clerk Pimentel** recited the Behavioral Standards.

**Roll Call**

**Present:** 7 - Councilmember Kathy Watanabe, Vice Mayor Raj Chahal, Councilmember Karen Hardy, Councilmember Kevin Park, Councilmember Suds Jain, Councilmember Anthony Becker, and Mayor Lisa M. Gillmor

**PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS**

**Charlotte** expressed comments of concern regarding the amount of trees that are being cut down throughout the City of Santa Clara and inquired about the plan to replace the trees.

By **Council** Consensus, **Council** referred this inquiry to the **City Manager Santana** to return with a report on trees being cut down throughout the City of Santa Clara.

**INTERVIEWS**

**Assistant City Clerk Pimentel** provided a verbal report on the interview and appointment process.

**Assistant City Clerk Pimentel** noted that two of the **Board of Library Trustees** applicants withdrew their applications for consideration.

1. [21-752](#) Interviews and Action on Appointment to fill one vacancy to the Board of Library Trustees

**Recommendation:** 1. Appoint one candidate to the Board of Library Trustees to serve a full-term ending June 30, 2025; and  
2. Establish an eligibility list that may be used to fill vacancies which may occur during the next six months.

**Council** conducted interviews virtually via Zoom to appoint one commissioner to the Board of Library Trustees to serve a full-term ending June 30, 2025; and to establish an eligibility list that may be used to fill future vacancies that may occur during the next six months.

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Chahal, seconded by Councilmember Park, to appoint Jonathan Evans to the Board of Library Trustees for a full-term ending June 30, 2025.**

**Aye:** 7 - Councilmember Watanabe, Vice Mayor Chahal, Councilmember Hardy, Councilmember Park, Councilmember Jain, Councilmember Becker, and Mayor Gillmor

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Chahal, seconded by Councilmember Park, to establish a Board of Library Trustees Eligibility List with Tracy Hurt for an automatic appointment to fill future vacancies, noting the Eligibility List expires in six months.**

**Aye:** 7 - Councilmember Watanabe, Vice Mayor Chahal, Councilmember Hardy, Councilmember Park, Councilmember Jain, Councilmember Becker, and Mayor Gillmor

2. [21-751](#) Action on Declaring a Vacancy on the Cultural Commission for a full-term commencing on July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2025; and Interviews and Action on two Appointments to fill one partial term and one full-term to the Cultural Commission

**Recommendation:** 1. Appoint two candidates to the Cultural Commission to serve a partial-term ending June 30, 2024 and one full term ending June 30, 2025; and  
2. Establish an eligibility list that may be used to fill vacancies which may occur during the next six months.

**Council** conducted interviews virtually via Zoom to appoint two commissioners to the Cultural Commission to serve one partial-term ending June 30, 2024 and one full-term ending June 30, 2025; and establish an eligibility list that may be used to fill vacancies which may occur during the next six months.

**A motion was made by Councilmember Watanabe, seconded by Councilmember Hardy, to appoint Paul McNamara to a partial-term ending June 30, 2024 and Jennifer Garcia Vega to a full-term ending June 30, 2025 to the Cultural Commission.**

**Aye:** 7 - Councilmember Watanabe, Vice Mayor Chahal, Councilmember Hardy, Councilmember Park, Councilmember Jain, Councilmember Becker, and Mayor Gillmor

**A motion was made by Councilmember Watanabe, seconded by Councilmember Becker, to establish a Cultural Commission Eligibility List for an automatic appointment in the following order: (1) Siddarth Sundaram and (2) Preetha Shesadri and noting the Eligibility List is set to expire in six months.**

**Aye:** 7 - Councilmember Watanabe, Vice Mayor Chahal, Councilmember Hardy, Councilmember Park, Councilmember Jain, Councilmember Becker, and Mayor Gillmor

#### **REPORTS OF MEMBERS AND SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

None.

#### **CITY MANAGER/EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:48 PM.

**A motion was made by Councilmember Becker, seconded by Vice Mayor Chahal, to adjourn the meeting.**

**Aye:** 7 - Councilmember Watanabe, Vice Mayor Chahal, Councilmember Hardy, Councilmember Park, Councilmember Jain, Councilmember Becker, and Mayor Gillmor

The next regular scheduled meeting is on Tuesday evening, May 25, 2021.

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