

Neighborhoods Commission Meeting Notes

Informal Notes Taken by Jim Carter D6 Commissioner

Call to order by Chair, **Commissioner Cunningham D1**

Minutes from October meeting: <http://www.sanjoseca.gov/DocumentCenter/View/81135>

Public Comment:

Janice Rombeck from Supervisor Dave Cortese's Office announced that this Friday there will be a homeless uninsured health fair.

7,394 residents were counted as homeless in 2017. Additional Coordination is needed to address the high cost of homelessness. The housing department is responsible for addressing homelessness problems but it affects many other departments, Police, fire, code enforcement, DOT, parks department to name a few. It is estimated that 30 million is spent on the cost of Responses from the aforementioned departments. It will require coordination between the city and county departments. The City Manager is working to include more County departments to assist in addressing this problem in a coordinated effort.

Tina Morril illegal fireworks report out group continues to meet and partner with the city and would appreciate any support from the commission. The Neighborhoods Commission has identified this as an ongoing problem and Commissioner Lobosky D10 has volunteered to Champion this issue along with **several other Commissioners.**

Ed Rast United Neighborhoods of Santa Clara County will be putting on a conference in the spring would like the commission to bring issues to the meeting specifically Budget issues

Reports

Chair Cunningham D1 reminded people that we came up with recommendations from last year that we will be adhering too throughout the year.

Frank Ponciano---Measure B did not pass Measure T passed infrastructure passed... more work on the streets. Next month will be huge on housing.

Air Quality is currently bad in San Jose. Airnow.gov will tell you what the air quality is at present.

Sabrina Parra Garcia, City Managers Office. Screening of a film last night two commissioners were present The San Jose Girls Empowerment Leader National Civic Award. Commissioner LaToya Fernandez D3 was the recipient.

Public Charge Rule discussed this Dec 10 is the deadline to make public comment regarding their ancestor's ripple effect personalize your public comment.

More information can be learned at

<https://cliniclegal.org/public-charge/affiliate-model-comments>

Roundtable, Vice Chair Carter D6

The roundtable is something that was just incorporated the last couple of meetings. Each district will have one minute to talk about issues in their respective districts. An additional section in the roundtable is to let the commission know of budget issues affecting the district to help us with our annual budget letter. The following topics came up.

Street speeding and sideshow exhibitions, burglaries in broad daylight, break-ins

Cause for concern regarding illegal fireworks. Additional Staff should be employed

Lack of funding for parks maintenance and Illegal Dumping,

Committee and Ad Hoc Reports

Finalization of start and end dates for the Ad hoc committees. The committees have not actually met to discuss their proposed objectives and timeline. Next meeting there will be more definitive information regarding the Ad hoc committees.

The Independent Citizens Oversight Committee regarding the Measure B ¼ cent sales tax has been meeting and is requesting information from the city regarding the revenue collected