

## **NEIGHBORHOODS COMMISSION MTG SEPTEMBER 12, 2018**

**Informal** notes taken by Jim Carter District 6 Commissioner

**Call to Order:** Meeting called to order by Chair Cunningham at 6:05 p.m.

### **Public Comment**

Ed Rast United neighborhoods cancelled meeting for October 27. Also reported UNSCC having trouble recruiting people.

Minutes of August 8, 2018 meeting approved unanimously

### **Chair Cunningham- Chairs report.**

<http://www.sanjoseca.gov/DocumentCenter/View/79669>

Be on time and read the Agenda with attachments before the meeting. Raise your hand if you wish to speak. Identify yourself before you begin to speak

### **Staff Sabrina Parra-Garcia, Office of the City Manager**

Clarification re: Roadshow is not a standing committee presentation of the roadshow if approved it will be put on the website after the website transition. Available work plan outreach can include the roadshow within the six month time frame for A-hoc's. Commissioners have been sending letters to associations as commissioners as a reminder you must have commission approval to send letters from the commission. Notes can be taken of the meetings and passed along to the commissioners districts.

Welcoming week Celebration in Santa Clara County is the week of September 13 to September 22, 2018. Campbell library 77 Harrison Ave. Friday September 21, 2018. 12 -2 p.m.

**Marcelle Kube Agnews Park River Oaks neighborhood association** want a community park and soccer field we were told Parks and rec are making plans to make it in to a soccer complex not a community park. We have no community center or library in north SJ. Closest is Berryessa Community center miles away.

**Presentation; Council communication-** Frank Ponciano Office of Councilmember Rocha  
The role of the commission how we can add to the council office. There is nothing more valuable than a constituent. Their priority is the constituent. People are volunteering their time

Discussed how the council office operates on average every district is managing 100k plus. We manage the council member's time every councilmember is like their own mayor. Policy areas every policy aid has a job we are swamped but we like what we do. The councilmember oversees everything. Every councilmember is part of a committee and sometime chair a committee attending community events here is the key, the councilmember is busy. The best way to communicate is through the policy aids. Get to know who is responsible for your commission. Come to your council member with an idea an action. A project be a resource Communicate with you councilmember policy person. We talked about an issue and its coming down the pipeline.

**Roundtable Introduction-** Vice Chair Carter presented the "One Minute Roundtable" At the beginning of each commission meeting one representative from each district will talk about issues and concerns from their respective districts. Time one minute, no discussion if you want to discuss an issues with a commissioner do so after the meeting. If it is an important issue bring it to Sabrina to put on the Agenda. This will begin next meeting.

**Ad-hoc committee guidelines**

Chair Cunningham gave a presentation on Ad-Hoc Committees  
<http://www.sanjoseca.gov/DocumentCenter/View/79591>

**Work plan finalization** the work plan was finalized and areas include the measure B ¼ cent sales tax oversight, Annual Budget recommendations, Illegal dumping Disaster preparedness, Public Outreach/Roadshow, Neighborhood Traffic,  
<http://www.sanjoseca.gov/DocumentCenter/View/79589>

**Budget letter introduction**

Nicole Edraos proposed a round table and each commissioner state what they are hearing in their District regarding the budget. Standing Agenda item. Will bring a copy of last year's budget letter. It was suggested that the budget item brought forward in each district be included with the "One Minute Round table" that Commissioner Carter talked about. All agreed.

**Next meeting October 10, 2018,** Chair Gary Cunningham will be out of town Vice Chair Jim Carter D6 will chair the meeting Commissioner Edraos will assist as Vic Chair.