



PLANNING COMMISSION AGENDA

Wednesday, February 13, 2013

Study Session: Urban Villages

3rd Floor Tower, Room T-332
Commencing at 5:00 p.m.

Regular Hearing

Commencing at 6:30 p.m.

Council Chambers

First Floor, City Hall Wing
200 East Santa Clara Street
San Jose, California

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NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

Good evening, my name is **Edesa Bit-Badal** and I am the Chair of the Planning Commission. On behalf of the entire Planning Commission, I would like to welcome you to the Planning Commission Public Hearing of **Wednesday, February 13, 2013**. Please remember to turn off your cell phones. Parking ticket validation machine for the garage under City Hall is located at the rear of the Chambers.

If you want to address the Commission, **fill out a speaker card (located on the table by the door, on the parking validation table at the back, and at the bottom of the stairs near the Audio-Visual Technician. Deposit the completed card in the basket near the Planning Technician. Please include the agenda item number (not the file number) for reference. Example: 4.a., not PD06-023.**

The procedure for this hearing is as follows:

- After the staff report, applicants, and appellants may make a 5-minute presentation.
- The chair will call out names on the submitted speaker cards in the order received.
- As your name is called, line up in front of the microphone at the front of the Chamber. Each speaker will have two minutes.
- After the public testimony, the applicant and appellant may make closing remarks for an additional five minutes.
- Planning Commissioners may ask questions of the speakers. Response to Commissioner questions will not reduce the speaker's time allowance.
- The public hearing will then be closed and the Planning Commission will take action on the item. The Planning Commission may request staff to respond to the public testimony, ask staff questions, and discuss the item.

If you challenge these land use decisions in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at this public hearing or in written correspondence delivered to the City at, or prior to, the public hearing.

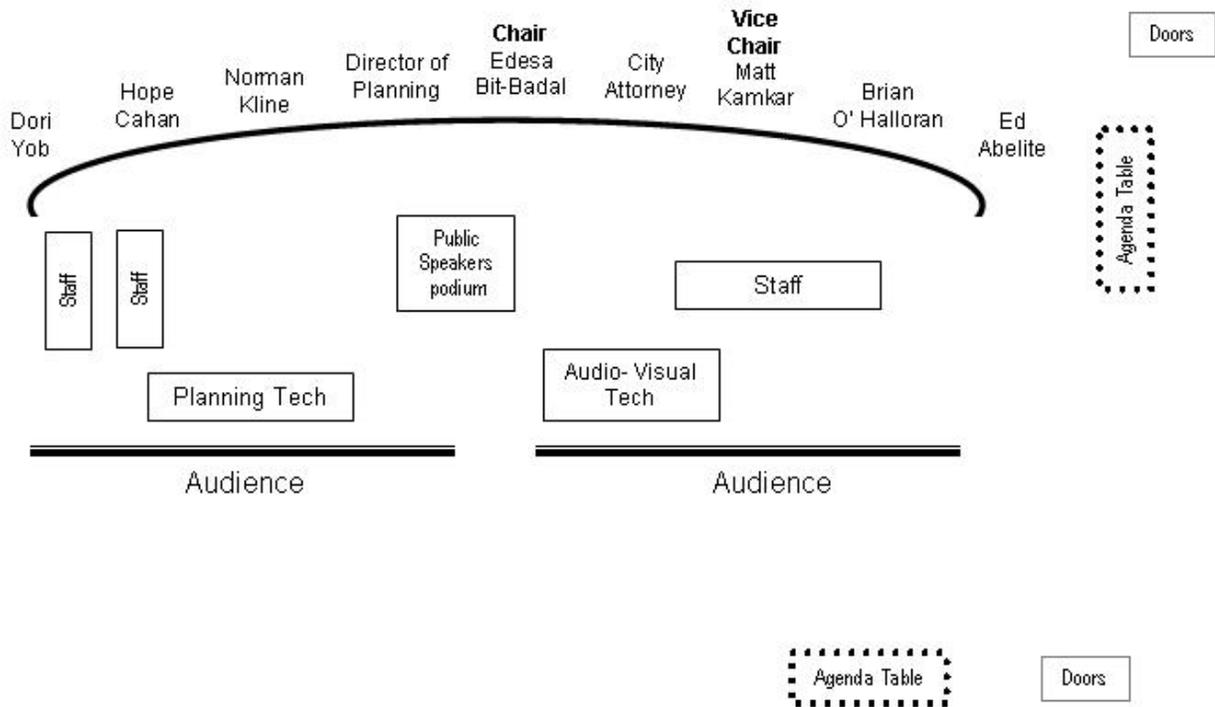
The Planning Commission's action on rezoning, prezonings, General Plan Amendments and Code Amendments is only advisory to the City Council. The City Council will hold public hearings on these items. Section 20.120.400 of the Municipal Code provides the procedures for legal protests to the City Council on rezoning and prezonings. The Planning Commission's action on Conditional Use Permit's is appealable to the City Council in accordance with Section 20.100.220 of the Municipal Code. Agendas and a binder of all staff reports have been placed on the table near the door for your convenience.

The Planning Commission is a seven-member body, appointed by the City Council, which performs two types of actions:

- One type is “Quasi-Legislative” in nature in which the Planning Commission makes recommendations to the City Council regarding the adoption, amendment, or repeal of general or specific plans, Zoning Code provisions, or regulations related to the land use development, redevelopment, rehabilitation or renewal of the City, including its Capital Improvement Programs.
- The second type of action is “Quasi-Judicial” in nature in which the Planning Commission applies previously adopted legislation to particular applications and acts as a decision-making or appellate body. Examples of these types of actions include Commission decisions on Conditional Use Permits, appeals of the Planning Director’s decisions on certain land use permits, and the certification of Environmental Impact Reports.

A notation of “Administrative Hearing” for an agenda item indicates that the item is a Quasi-Judicial action of the Commission in order to assist the public in understanding the role of the Planning Commission on a particular item.

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http://sanjose.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php?view_id=17.

If you have any agenda questions, please contact Support Staff at (408) 535-7811 or email. Thank you for taking the time to attend today's meeting. We look forward to seeing you at future meetings.

AGENDA
ORDER OF BUSINESS

ROLL CALL

1. DEFERRALS

Any item scheduled for hearing this evening for which deferral is being requested will be taken out of order to be heard first on the matter of deferral. A list of staff-recommended deferrals is available on the Press Table.

Staff will provide an update on the items for which deferral is being requested. If you want to change any of the deferral dates recommended, or speak to the question of deferring these or any other items, you should say so at this time.

To effectively manage the Planning Commission Agenda, and to be sensitive to concerns regarding the length of public hearing, the Planning Commission may determine either:

- To proceed with remaining agendized items past 11:00 p.m.;
- To continue this hearing to a later date;
- Or to defer remaining items to the next regularly scheduled Planning Commission meeting date.

Decision on how to proceed will be heard by the Planning Commission no later than 11:00 p.m.

- a. **CP12-016. (Administrative Hearing)** Conditional Use Permit to amend the ratio of K-8 students and daycare children at a previously approved private elementary school/daycare (Appleseed Montessori School) on 10.77 gross acre site in the R-1-1 Single-Family Residence Zoning District located on east side of Dent Avenue, immediately south of State Route 85 (5200 DENT AV)(Los Gatos Unified School District, Owner). Council District 9. CEQA: Exempt. *PROJECT MANAGER, KRISTINAE TOOMIANS*

Staff Recommendation: Defer to 2/27/13 per staff request.

2. CONSENT CALENDAR

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

The consent calendar items are considered to be routine and will be adopted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a request is made by a member of the Planning Commission, staff, or the public to have an item removed from the consent calendar and considered separately.

Staff will provide an update on the consent calendar. If you wish to speak on one of these items individually, please come to the podium at this time.

- a. **CP12-045. (Administrative Hearing)** Conditional Use Permit to demolish an existing restaurant building and construct a new 7,660 square foot full-service restaurant in the CG Commercial General Zoning District on a .58 gross acre site located on the north side of Eastridge Loop 800 feet westerly of Capitol Expressway (2226 Eastridge Loop) (General Growth Properties, Owner/Olive Garden, Developer). Council District 8. CEQA: Exempt. *PROJECT MANAGER, MEGAN SHRUBSOLE*

Staff Recommendation: Consider the Exemption in accordance with CEQA. Approve a Conditional Use Permit to demolish an existing restaurant building and construct a new 7,660 square foot full-service restaurant in the CG Commercial General Zoning District on a .58 gross acre site, for the reasons stated in the staff report.

- b. **CP12-048. (Administrative Hearing)** Conditional Use Permit to allow a 2,954 square feet addition to an existing church in the R-1-8 Residential Zoning District, on a 5.53 gross acre site located on the west side of McLaughlin Avenue, approximately 110 feet northerly of Algiers Avenue (1523 McLaughlin Avenue)(The Roman Catholic Bishop of San Jose, Owner). Council District 7. CEQA: Exempt. *PROJECT MANAGER, APARNA ANKIOLA*

Staff Recommendation: Consider the Exemption in accordance with CEQA. Approve a Conditional Use Permit to allow a 2,954 square feet addition to an existing church in the R-1-8 Residential Zoning District, on a 5.53 gross acre site, for the reasons stated in the staff report.

- c. **CP12-051 (Administrative Hearing)**. Conditional Use Permit (formerly Special Use Permit File No. SP12-014) to allow a metal recycling facility on a 7.9 acre site in the HI-Heavy Industrial Zoning District, located on the northwest corner of Pullman Way and Daylight Way (111 Pullman Way) (KKN SJP Props LLC, Owner). Council District 7. CEQA: Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) to be adopted; public welcome to comment on MND through 1/21/13. *Deferred from 1/23/13. PROJECT MANAGER, JOHN BATY*

Staff Recommendation: Consider the Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) to be adopted, in accordance with CEQA. Approve a Conditional Use Permit (formerly Special Use Permit File No. SP12-014) to allow a metal recycling facility on a 7.9 acre site in the HI-Heavy Industrial Zoning District, for the reasons stated in the staff report.

- d. **PDC13-002**. Planned Development Rezoning from R-1-8 to the R-1-8(PD) Planned Development Zoning District to allow up to two single-family residential units on a .21 gross arce site located at the northwest corner of Margaret Street and S. 13th Street (681 S. 13 Street) (Firoz Pradhan & Mohammad Ibrahim, Owners). Council District 3. CEQA: Exempt. *PROJECT MANAGER, KRISTINAE TOOMIANS*

Staff Recommendation: Consider the Exemption in accordance with CEQA. Recommend to the City Council the approval of a Planned Development Rezoning from R-1-8 to the R-1-8(PD) Planned Development Zoning District to allow up to two single-family residential units on a .21 gross arce site, for the reasons stated in the staff report.

3. Public Hearing

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

Generally, the Public Hearing items are considered by the Planning Commission in the order in which they appear on the agenda. However, please be advised that the Commission may take items out of order to facilitate the agenda, such as to accommodate significant public testimony, or may defer discussion of items to later agendas for public hearing time management purposes.

- a. **CP12-025. (Administrative Hearing)** Conditional Use Permit to allow the remodeling and expansion of an existing gasoline service station/convenience store including the installation of two fuel dispensers, canopy enlargement and a 75 square foot building addition in the CP Pedestrian Commercial Zoning District, located at the Northeast corner of Piedmont Road and Sierra Road (1304 PIEDMONT RD) (Robinson Oil Company, Owner). Council District 4. CEQA: Mitigated Negative Declaration. *PROJECT MANAGER, MATTHEW VAN OOSTEN*

Staff Recommendation: Consider the Mitigated Negative Declaration in accordance with CEQA. Approve a Conditional Use Permit to allow the remodeling and expansion of an existing gasoline service station/convenience store including the installation of two fuel dispensers, canopy enlargement and a 75 square foot building addition in the CP Pedestrian Commercial Zoning District, for the reasons stated in the staff report.

- b. [PD12-017 and ABC13-001](#). Planned Development Permit and Determination of Public Convenience or Necessity to allow construction of an approximately 32,900 square foot grocery store (Whole Foods) with off-site sales of alcohol (full range of alcoholic beverages) and an on-site brewery on a 2.19 acre site, located on the northwest corner of The Alameda and Stockton Avenue (155 Stockton Ave) (Alameda/Stockton LLC, Owner). Council District 6. CEQA: Re-Use of Mitigated Negative Declaration (File No. PDC06-064). *PROJECT MANAGER, JOHN BATY*

Staff Recommendation: Consider the Re-Use of Mitigated Negative Declaration (File No. PDC06-064) in accordance with CEQA. Recommend to the City Council the approval of a Planned Development Permit and Determination of Public Convenience or Necessity to allow construction of an approximately 32,900 square foot grocery store (Whole Foods) with off-site sales of alcohol (full range of alcoholic beverages) and an on-site brewery on a 2.19 acre site, for the reasons stated in the staff report.

- c. [PDC11-021](#). Planned Development Rezoning from A(PD) to A(PD) to allow for up to seven (7) new single-family detached dwellings and preservation of an existing historic house/complex and ranch buildings on approximately 7.48 gross acres, located on the east side of San Felipe Road and west side of Livery Lane, approximately 650 feet southerly of Running Springs Road (E.N. Richmond Trust, Owner). Council District 8. CEQA: Mitigated Negative Declaration. *PROJECT MANAGER, JEFF ROCHE*

Staff Recommendation: Consider the Mitigated Negative Declaration in accordance with CEQA. Recommend to the City Council the approval of a Planned Development Rezoning from A(PD) to A(PD) to allow for up to seven (7) new single-family detached dwellings and preservation of an existing historic house/complex and ranch buildings on approximately 7.48 gross acres, for the reasons stated in the staff report.

- d. [ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS TO SECTIONS & CHAPTERS OF TITLE 20 OF THE SAN JOSE MUNICIPAL CODE \(THE ZONING CODE\)](#). CEQA: Final Program Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Envision San José 2040 General Plan, EIR Resolution No. 76041 (File Nos. PP13-007 and PP13-008). Pursuant to Section 15168 of the CEQA Guidelines, the City of San José has determined that this activity is within the scope of the Envision San José 2040 General Plan Program approved previously. The Final Program Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Envision San José 2040 General Plan entitled, “Envision San José 2040 General Plan,” for which findings were adopted by City Council Resolution No. 76041 on November 1, 2011, adequately describes the activity for the purposes of CEQA. The project does not involve new significant effects beyond those analyzed in this Final EIR. Therefore, the City of San José may take action on the project as being within the scope of the Final EIR, File Nos. PP13-007 and PP13-008. *PROJECT MANAGER, JENNY NUSBAUM*

1. [Parking Ordinance](#): An Ordinance of the City of San José amending Title 20 of the San José Municipal Code (the Zoning Ordinance) to amend: Section 20.70.330 of Chapter 20.70 (Downtown Zoning Regulations); numerous sections of Chapter 20.90 (Parking and Loading); Sections 20.100.1300 and 20.100.1320 of Chapter 20.100 (Administration and Permits); and to add new sections to Chapter 20.200 (Definitions) to add definitions for “Area Development Policy,” “Car-Share,” “Charge Station,” and “Urban Village,” all to modify parking requirements for certain enumerated uses to

further implement the Economic Development, Land Use, and Transportation Policies set forth within the Envision San José 2040 General Plan, and to make other technical, formatting or other nonsubstantive changes within those Chapters of Title 20 (File No. PP13-007).

Staff Recommendation: Consider the Final Program Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Envision San José 2040 General Plan, EIR Resolution No. 76041 (File Nos. PP13-007 and PP13-008). Pursuant to Section 15168 of the CEQA Guidelines, the City of San José has determined that this activity is within the scope of the Envision San José 2040 General Plan Program approved previously. The Final Program Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Envision San José 2040 General Plan entitled, “Envision San José 2040 General Plan,” for which findings were adopted by City Council Resolution No. 76041 on November 1, 2011, adequately describes the activity for the purposes of CEQA. The project does not involve new significant effects beyond those analyzed in this Final EIR. Therefore, the City of San José may take action on the project as being within the scope of the Final EIR, File Nos. PP13-007 and PP13-008., in accordance with CEQA. Recommend to the City Council the approval of an Ordinance of the City of San Jose amending Title 20 of the San José Municipal Code (the Zoning Ordinance) to amend: Section 20.70.330 of Chapter 20.70 (Downtown Zoning Regulations); numerous sections of Chapter 20.90 (Parking and Loading); Sections 20.100.1300 and 20.100.1320 of Chapter 20.100 (Administration and Permits); and to add new sections to Chapter 20.200 (Definitions) to add definitions for “Area Development Policy,” “Car-Share,” “Charge Station,” and “Urban Village,” all to modify parking requirements for certain enumerated uses to further implement the Economic Development, Land Use, and Transportation Policies set forth within the Envision San José 2040 General Plan, and to make other technical, formatting or other nonsubstantive changes within those Chapters of Title 20 (File No. PP13-007), for the reasons stated in the staff report.

2. **Economic Development Ordinance:** An Ordinance of the City of San José amending Title 20 of the San José Municipal Code (the Zoning Ordinance) to amend: Section 20.10.060 of Chapter 20. 10 (General Provisions and Zoning Districts) to add the CIC-Combined Industrial Commercial and the TEC-Transit Employment Center Zoning Districts; Section 20.20.100 of Chapter 20.20 (Open Space & Agricultural Zoning Districts) to allow Certified Farmers’ Markets in the A-Agriculture and OS-Open Space Zoning Districts; Sections 20.40.100, 20.40.200, 20.40.230 and 20.40.400 of Chapter 20.40 (Commercial Zoning Districts) to allow Wholesale Auto Dealers with no on-site storage as a Permitted Use in Commercial Zoning Districts, to reduce minimum required setbacks for Commercial Zoning Districts, and to clarify Incidental Auto-Repair uses; Section 20.50.010 of Chapter 20.50 to create the TEC-Transit Employment Center Zoning District category, Sections 20.50.100 and 20.50.200 of Chapter 20.50 to add more flexibility for the development of specific Commercial and Industrial uses in the Industrial Zoning Districts including, but not limited to creating the TEC-Transit Employment Center Zoning District enumerated uses and development standards, adding Off-site Sale of Alcohol as a Conditional Use incidental to a Winery/Brewery or Distillery and clarifying Incidental Auto-Repair uses; Sections 20.80.710 and 20.80.720 of Chapter 20.80 to allow Cottage Food Operations and Wholesale Auto Dealer uses with no display or storage as Home Occupations within Residential Zoning Districts and Section 20.80.1400 of Chapter 20.80 to amend provisions for outdoor private property special events; Section 20.120.110 of Chapter 20.120 (Zoning Changes and Amendments) to add the TEC Zoning District as a Conforming District; Chapter 20.150 by deleting Section 20.150.330 (Amortization – Incidental Dancing and Music); and

Chapter 20.200 to add new sections to add definitions of “Banquet Facility” and “Cottage Food Operation,” and Section 20.200.700 of Chapter 20.200 to amend the definition of “Lot Line”; all to further implement the Economic Development, Land Use, and Transportation Policies set forth within the Envision San José 2040 General Plan and to make other technical, formatting or other nonsubstantive changes within those sections of Title 20 (File No. PP13-008)

Staff Recommendation: Consider the Final Program Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Envision San José 2040 General Plan, EIR Resolution No. 76041 (File Nos. PP13-007 and PP13-008). Pursuant to Section 15168 of the CEQA Guidelines, the City of San José has determined that this activity is within the scope of the Envision San José 2040 General Plan Program approved previously. The Final Program Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Envision San José 2040 General Plan entitled, “Envision San José 2040 General Plan,” for which findings were adopted by City Council Resolution No. 76041 on November 1, 2011, adequately describes the activity for the purposes of CEQA. The project does not involve new significant effects beyond those analyzed in this Final EIR. Therefore, the City of San José may take action on the project as being within the scope of the Final EIR, File Nos. PP13-007 and PP13-008, in accordance with CEQA. Recommend to the City Council the approval of an Ordinance of the City of San Jose amending Title 20 of the San José Municipal Code (the Zoning Ordinance) to amend: Section 20.10.060 of Chapter 20. 10 (General Provisions and Zoning Districts) to add the CIC-Combined Industrial Commercial and the TEC-Transit Employment Center Zoning Districts; Section 20.20.100 of Chapter 20.20 (Open Space & Agricultural Zoning Districts) to allow Certified Farmers’ Markets in the A-Agriculture and OS-Open Space Zoning Districts; Sections 20.40.100, 20.40.200, 20.40.230 and 20.40.400 of Chapter 20.40 (Commercial Zoning Districts) to allow Wholesale Auto Dealers with no on-site storage as a Permitted Use in Commercial Zoning Districts, to reduce minimum required setbacks for Commercial Zoning Districts, and to clarify Incidental Auto-Repair uses; Section 20.50.010 of Chapter 20.50 to create the TEC-Transit Employment Center Zoning District category, Sections 20.50.100 and 20.50.200 of Chapter 20.50 to add more flexibility for the development of specific Commercial and Industrial uses in the Industrial Zoning Districts including, but not limited to creating the TEC-Transit Employment Center Zoning District enumerated uses and development standards, adding Off-site Sale of Alcohol as a Conditional Use incidental to a Winery/Brewery or Distillery and clarifying Incidental Auto-Repair uses; Sections 20.80.710 and 20.80.720 of Chapter 20.80 to allow Cottage Food Operations and Wholesale Auto Dealer uses with no display or storage as Home Occupations within Residential Zoning Districts and Section 20.80.1400 of Chapter 20.80 to amend provisions for outdoor private property special events; Section 20.120.110 of Chapter 20.120 (Zoning Changes and Amendments) to add the TEC Zoning District as a Conforming District; Chapter 20.150 by deleting Section 20.150.330 (Amortization – Incidental Dancing and Music); and Chapter 20.200 to add new sections to add definitions of “Banquet Facility” and “Cottage Food Operation,” and Section 20.200.700 of Chapter 20.200 to amend the definition of “Lot Line”; all to further implement the Economic Development, Land Use, and Transportation Policies set forth within the Envision San José 2040 General Plan and to make other technical, formatting or other nonsubstantive changes within those sections of Title 20 (File No. PP13-008), for the reasons stated in the staff report.

4. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Public comments to the Planning Commission on nonagendized items. Please fill out a speaker's card and give it to the technician. Each member of the public may address the Commission for up to three minutes. The commission cannot take any formal action without the item being properly noticed and placed on an agenda. In response to public comment, the Planning Commission is limited to the following options:

- Responding to statements made or questions posed by members of the public; or
- Requesting staff to report back on a matter at a subsequent meeting; or
- Directing staff to place the item on a future agenda.

5. REFERRALS FROM CITY COUNCIL, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, OR OTHER AGENCIES

6. GOOD AND WELFARE

- a. Report from City Council
- b. Commissioners' Report from Committees:
 1. Norman Y. Mineta San José International Airport Noise Advisory Committee (Cahan)
- c. Review and Approve Synopsis from [1-23-13](#).
- d. Subcommittee Formation, Reports, and Outstanding Business
 1. Urban Design/Shopping Center Retrofit Subcommittee (Bit-Badal and Abelite)
 2. Riparian Subcommittee (Kamkar and Cahan)
 3. By Laws Subcommittee (Yob and Bit-Badal)
- e. Commission Calendar and Study Sessions

ADJOURNMENT

2013 PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING SCHEDULE

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Type of Meeting</u>	<u>Location</u>
January 9	6:30 p.m.	Regular	Council Chambers
January 23	5:00 p.m.	Study Session	T-332
<i>Review of Development Projects in the light of Title 20, General Plan and Council Policies</i>			
January 23	6:30 p.m.	Regular	Council Chambers
February 13	5:00 p.m.	Study Session	T-332
<i>Urban Villages</i>			
February 13	6:30 p.m.	Regular	Council Chambers
February 27	6:30 p.m.	Regular	Council Chambers
March 13	5:00 p.m.	Study Session	T-332
<i>NSJ</i>			
March 13	6:30 p.m.	Regular	Council Chambers
March 27	6:30 p.m.	Regular	Council Chambers
April 10	5:00 p.m.	Study Session	T-332
<i>Off-sale of alcoholic beverages/bars and nightclubs/late night hours</i>			
April 10	6:30 p.m.	Regular	Council Chambers
April 24	6:30 p.m.	Regular	Council Chambers
May 1	5:30 p.m.	Study Session	Council Chambers
<i>Capital Improvement Program</i>			
May 1	6:30 p.m.	Regular	Council Chambers
May 8	5:00 p.m.	Study Session	Council Chambers
<i>Diridon</i>			
May 8	6:30 p.m.	Regular	Council Chambers
May 22	6:30 p.m.	Regular	Council Chambers
June 12	6:30 p.m.	Regular	Council Chambers
June 26	6:30 p.m.	Regular	Council Chambers
July 10	6:30 p.m.	Regular	Council Chambers
July 24	6:30 p.m.	Regular	Council Chambers
August 14	6:30 p.m.	Regular	Council Chambers
August 28	6:30 p.m.	Regular	Council Chambers
September 11	6:30 p.m.	Regular	Council Chambers
September 25	6:30 p.m.	Regular	Council Chambers
September 26	8:30 a.m.	Retreat	T-1254
October 9	6:30 p.m.	Regular	Council Chambers
October 23	6:30 p.m.	Regular	Council Chambers
November 6	6:30 p.m.	Regular	Council Chambers
November 20	6:30 p.m.	Regular	Council Chambers
December 4	6:30 p.m.	Regular	Council Chambers
December 11	6:30 p.m.	Regular	Council Chambers

CITY OF SAN JOSÉ CODE OF CONDUCT FOR PUBLIC MEETINGS IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS AND COMMITTEE ROOMS

The Code of Conduct is intended to promote open meetings that welcome debate of public policy issues being discussed by the City Council, Redevelopment Agency Board, their Committees, and City Boards and Commissions in an atmosphere of fairness, courtesy, and respect for differing points of view.

1. Public Meeting Decorum:

- a) Persons in the audience will refrain from behavior, which will disrupt the public meeting. This will include making loud noises, clapping, shouting, booing, hissing or engaging in any other activity in a manner that disturbs, disrupts or impedes the orderly conduct of the meeting.
- b) Persons in the audience will refrain from creating, provoking or participating in any type of disturbance involving unwelcome physical contact.
- c) Persons in the audience will refrain from using cellular phones and/or pagers while the meeting is in session.
- d) Appropriate attire, including shoes and shirts are required in the Council Chambers and Committee Rooms at all times.
- e) Persons in the audience will not place their feet on the seats in front of them.
- f) No food, drink (other than bottled water with a cap), or chewing gum will be allowed in the Council Chambers and Committee Rooms, except as otherwise pre-approved by City staff.
- g) All persons entering the Council Chambers and Committee Rooms, including their bags, purses, briefcases and similar belongings, may be subject to search for weapons and other dangerous materials.

2. Signs, Objects or Symbolic Material:

- a) Objects and symbolic materials, such as signs or banners, will be allowed in the Council Chambers and Committee Rooms, with the following restrictions:
 - No objects will be larger than 2 feet by 3 feet.
 - No sticks, posts, poles or other such items will be attached to the signs or other symbolic materials.
 - The items cannot create a building maintenance problem or a fire or safety hazard.
- b) Persons with objects and symbolic materials such as signs must remain seated when displaying them and must not raise the items above shoulder level, obstruct the view or passage of other attendees, or otherwise disturb the business of the meeting.
- c) Objects that are deemed a threat to persons at the meeting or the facility infrastructure are not allowed. City staff is authorized to remove items and/or individuals from the Council Chambers and Committee Rooms if a threat exists or is perceived to exist. Prohibited items include, but are not limited to: firearms (including replicas and antiques), toy guns, explosive material, and ammunition; knives and other edged weapons; illegal drugs and drug paraphernalia; laser pointers, scissors, razors, scalpels, box cutting knives, and other cutting tools; letter openers, corkscrews, can openers with points, knitting needles, and hooks; hairspray, pepper spray, and aerosol containers; tools; glass containers; and large backpacks and suitcases that contain items unrelated to the meeting.

**CITY OF SAN JOSÉ CODE OF CONDUCT FOR PUBLIC MEETINGS IN
THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS AND COMMITTEE ROOMS (CONT'D)**

3. Addressing the Council, Redevelopment Agency Board, Committee, Board or Commission:
- a) Persons wishing to speak on an agenda item or during open forum are requested to complete a speaker card and submit the card to the City Clerk or other administrative staff at the meeting.
 - b) Meeting attendees are usually given two (2) minutes to speak on any agenda item and/or during open forum; the time limit is in the discretion of the Chair of the meeting and may be limited when appropriate. Applicants and appellants in land use matters are usually given more time to speak.
 - c) Speakers should discuss topics related to City business on the agenda, unless they are speaking during open forum.
 - d) Speakers' comments should be addressed to the full body. Requests to engage the Mayor, Council Members, Board Members, Commissioners, or Staff in conversation will not be honored. Abusive language is inappropriate.
 - e) Speakers will not bring to the podium any items other than a prepared written statement, writing materials, or objects that have been inspected by security staff.
 - f) If an individual wishes to submit written information, he or she may give it to the City Clerk or other administrative staff at the meeting.
 - g) Speakers and any other members of the public will not approach the dais at any time without prior consent from the Chair of the meeting.

Failure to comply with this Code of Conduct which will disturb, disrupt or impede the orderly conduct of the meeting may result in removal from the meeting and/or possible arrest.