

COUNCIL MEMBERS
Lisa Diaz Nash, Mayor
Rob Newsom Jr., Deputy Mayor
Rich Hedges
Amourence Lee
Adam Loraine

CITY OF SAN MATEO

Special Meeting Minutes

City Council

City Hall
330 W. 20th Avenue
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March 18, 2024
City Hall Council Chambers 5:30 PM
Special Meeting

CALL TO ORDER at 5:30 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: Mayor Diaz Nash, Deputy Mayor Newsom, Council Members: Hedges, Lee, and Loraine

Council Member Rich Hedges will teleconference into this meeting from: 2405 Klanianaole Avenue – PH-11 Hilo, Hawaii 96720

AB 2449 Requests and Considerations for Meeting Participation by Teleconference due to Just Cause or Emergency Circumstances – there were no requests.

STUDY SESSION

1. Complete Streets North Central Plan – Introduction

Sue-Ellen Atkinson, Principal Transportation Planner, provided a presentation and overview of the Complete Streets North Central Plan.

Council asked questions on community feedback received on bike lanes, public parking, public safety and neighborhood aesthetics.

Public Comment:

Rick Sakuda wants resolution on bike lanes matter

; Nicole Fernandez concerned about street lighting in North Central, safety of our pedestrians, and parking and would like a pause on further bike lanes in North Central; Trina Pierce concerned with street lighting and parking availability for residents and the bump outs are dangerous for bikers and recommends having meetings with the seniors during the day; Connie Weiss concerned with lack of parking; Michael Reagan works in the North Central area and is concerned with street safety and parking problems; Mike Swire spoke for Kevin Simpson who was sick and could not attend stating he supports the bike lanes and wants more enforcement of cars parked in bike lanes, supports changes to one-way streets, and wants more community outreach and he himself wants safe streets for everyone. Stated kids are afraid to bike to school so therefore are driving creating more congestion. Allison McQueen supports bike and pedestrian connectors; and Elizabeth Kioa stated the North Central community's concerns should be considered and not outside persons.

Rick Ballard requests that there be more bike lanes and focus on pedestrian safety; Dave Cohen concerned about the lack of follow-through by City Council on a decision they made regarding parking on Humbolt Street and wants them to back their statements; and Jordan Grimes deeply concerned with biking safety and believes with absolutely need more outreach to the North Central community.

Council recognizes the importance of dedicating resources to the community. City Manager Khojikian shared staff's plans to analyze citywide parking needs and confirmed community engagement is a priority.

2. Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Task Force Accomplishments – Update
This item was moved to 4/1/24.

ADJOURNMENT –The meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

APPROVED BY:

SUBMITTED BY:

Lisa Diaz Nash, Mayor

Martin McTaggart, City Clerk