

COUNCIL MEMBERS
Rob Newsom Jr., Mayor
Adam Loraine, Deputy Mayor
Nicole Fernandez
Danielle Cwirko-Godycki
Lisa Diaz Nash

CITY OF SAN MATEO

Special Meeting Minutes

City Council

City Hall
330 W. 20th Avenue
San Mateo CA 94403
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March 17, 2025
City Hall Council Chambers 5:30 PM
Special Meeting

CALL TO ORDER at 5:30 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: Mayor Newsom, Deputy Mayor Loraine, Council Members: Fernandez, Cwirko-Godycki, and Diaz Nash

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

CLOSED SESSION

Following the opportunity for public comment, there were no speakers, the City Council convened into Closed Session at 5:32 p.m. to consider:

1. Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation
Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Section 5495.9 One case (Claim of Alicia Petrakis)
2. Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation
Initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9: (Three cases)
3. Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation
Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9: (One case)
4. Conference with Labor Negotiators (Government Code Section 54957.6)
City designated representatives: Aracelia Esparza, Abby Veaser, Stacey Cue, IEDA, and Employee Organization: San Mateo Management Employees' Association

Council reconvened at 6:07 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

5. Letter to California Office of Historic Preservation – Approval
Council Member Diaz Nash recused herself from the discussion.

Council Members Fernandez and Cwirko-Godycki gave the presentation.

Public Comment:

In Person:

Zen Simou, Shawn Fahrenbruch, Jay Kuhre, Dan Foster, Frank Elliot, Rich Hedges, and Jordan Grimes spoke in opposition to Baywood becoming historic district and in support of the draft letter.

Richard Delaney, Lisa Vande Voorde, Tom Lease, Taso Zografos, Laurie Watanuki, Laurie Hietter, Randy Hietter, Connie Wiess, Michael Weinbauer spoke in support of the historic designation and in opposition to the proposed letter

Council asked questions and made comments.

Council Members Cwirko-Godycki and Fernandez were open to change from 18 months to 14 months. Council Member Loraine voted to approve.

Motion to Consider and take action on a proposed letter drafted by Council Members Fernandez and Cwirko-Godycki requesting a deferral of further review of the Baywood District historic nomination. Motion carries 4-0.

Moved: Fernandez, Seconded: Newsom
Ayes: Newsom, Loraine, Fernandez, and Cwirko-Godycki
Noes: None

ADJOURNMENT –The meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

APPROVED BY:

SUBMITTED BY:

Rob Newsom Jr., Mayor

Martin McTaggart, City Clerk