

**MINUTES**  
**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1, 2022**  
**SARATOGA CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING**

At 6:00 p.m., the City Council held a Joint Session with the Santa Clara County Sheriff's Office and Santa Clara County Fire Department via teleconferencing through Zoom.

Joint Session with Santa Clara County Sheriff's Office and Santa Clara County Fire Department

**Recommended Action:**

Receive presentations and updates from Santa Clara County Sheriff's Office and Santa Clara County Fire Department.

Sheriff Laurie Smith, Undersheriff Kenneth Binder, Assistant Sheriff David Sepulveda, Assistant Sheriff David Lera, Assistant Sheriff Dalia Rodriguez, Assistant Sheriff Michael Doty, Captain Rich Urena, and Lieutenant Jason Brown provided an update regarding the services provided by the Santa Clara County's Sheriff's Office over the last year.

Chief Suwanna Kerdkaw and Chief Jason Falarski provided an update regarding the services provided by the Santa Clara County's Fire Department over the last year.

Mayor Walia invited public comment.

No one requested to speak.

Mayor Walia called the Regular Session to order at 7:05 p.m. via teleconferencing through Zoom in memory of Ray Cosyn and the victims of the shooting at Robb Elementary in Uvalde, Texas.

The City Clerk explained the City Council meeting was conducted pursuant to State law as recently amended by Assembly Bill 361, which allows the meeting to be conducted entirely by teleconference. The City Council has met all the applicable notice requirements and the public is welcome to participate. All Council Members, staff, and meeting attendees participated by Zoom. Information on how the public can observe the meeting and provide public comment was provided.

**ROLL CALL**

**PRESENT:**

Mayor Tina Walia, Vice Mayor Kookie Fitzsimmons, Council Members Mary-Lynne Bernald, Rishi Kumar, Yan Zhao

**ABSENT:**

None

**ALSO PRESENT:**

James Lindsay, City Manager  
Crystal Bothelio Assistant City Manager  
Richard Taylor, City Attorney  
Britt Avrit, City Clerk  
John Cherbone, Public Works Director  
Debbie Pedro, Community Development Director  
Nick Pegueros, Administrative Services Director  
Kayla Nakamoto, Administrative Analyst  
Ann Xu, Accountant II

**REPORT ON POSTING OF THE AGENDA**

The City Clerk reported the agenda for this meeting was properly posted on May 26, 2022.

## **REPORT ON JOINT SESSION**

Mayor Walia provided a report of the City Council Joint Session with the Santa Clara County Sheriff's Office and Santa Clara County Fire Department.

## **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS ON NON-AGENDIZED ITEMS**

Mayor Walia invited public comment.

The following individuals spoke at this time:

Marshall representing Neighbors for Intelligent Development discussed the El Paseo de Saratoga project.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mayor Walia shared information about Summer Movie Nights, Youth in Government and Commission Recruitments.

## **CEREMONIAL ITEMS**

Proclamation Declaring June 4, 2022 as Tourette Syndrome Awareness Day

### **Recommended Action:**

Present proclamation declaring June 4, 2022 as Tourette Syndrome Awareness Day in the City of Saratoga.

The City Council proclaimed June 4, 2022 as Tourette Syndrome Awareness Day in the City of Saratoga.

Commendations Recognizing Outgoing Youth Commissioners

### **Recommended Action:**

Receive presentation on efforts of the Youth Commission during the 2021/22 school year and present commendations to outgoing Commissioners Aria Jain, Cameron Hicks, Jacob Huang, Linnea Bradley, Nicole Lu, and Timothy Leung recognizing their service on the Saratoga Youth Commission.

The City Council received a presentation on efforts of the Youth Commission during the 2021/22 school year and presented commendations to outgoing Commissioners Aria Jain, Cameron Hicks, Jacob Huang, Linnea Bradley, Nicole Lu, and Timothy Leung recognizing their service on the Saratoga Youth Commission.

Appointment of Youth Commissioners

### **Recommended Action:**

Adopt the Resolution appointing Justin Chao, Ovee Dharwadkar, Lisa Jing, Arjun Krishna, Maggie McCormick, and Bryan Zhao to the Youth Commission and direct the City Clerk to administer the Oath of Office.

## **RESOLUTION 22-019**

BERNALD/FITZSIMMONS MOVED TO **ADOPT THE RESOLUTION APPOINTING JUSTIN CHAO, OVEE DHARWADKAR, LISA JING, ARJUN KRISHNA, MAGGIE MCCORMICK, AND BRYAN ZHAO TO THE YOUTH COMMISSION AND DIRECT THE CITY CLERK TO ADMINISTER THE OATH OF OFFICE.** MOTION PASSED BY VERBAL ROLL CALL. AYES: BERNALD, KUMAR, ZHAO, FITZSIMMONS, WALIA: NOES: NONE. ABSTAIN: NONE. RECUSED: NONE. ABSENT: NONE.

The City Clerk administered the Oath of Office to the incoming Youth Commissioners at this time.

## **SPECIAL PRESENTATION**

Presentation from West Valley Community Services

**Recommended Action:**

Receive presentation from West Valley Community Services.

Josh Selo, West Valley Community Services Executive Director provided a presentation of the services available to residents.

Mayor Walia requested a recess at this time.

Mayor Walia reconvened the meeting at 8:40 p.m.

### **1. CONSENT CALENDAR**

Mayor Walia invited public comment on the Consent Calendar.

The following individuals spoke at this time: Bill Dalton

#### **1.1. City Council Meeting Minutes**

**Recommended Action:**

Approve the Minutes for the May 17, 2022 City Council Special Meeting and the May 18, 2022 City Council Regular Meeting.

BERNALD/FITZSIMMONS MOVED TO **APPROVE THE MINUTES FOR THE MAY 17, 2022 CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING AND THE MAY 18, 2022 CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING.** MOTION PASSED BY VERBAL ROLL CALL. AYES: BERNALD, KUMAR, ZHAO, FITZSIMMONS, WALIA: NOES: NONE. ABSTAIN: NONE. RECUSED: NONE. ABSENT: NONE.

#### **1.2. Review of Accounts Payable Check Registers**

**Recommended Action:**

Review and accept check registers for the following accounts payable payment cycles: 5/12/22 Period 11; 5/12/2022 Period 11 (Special Run); 5/19/22 Period 11.

BERNALD/FITZSIMMONS MOVED TO **REVIEW AND ACCEPT CHECK REGISTERS FOR THE FOLLOWING ACCOUNTS PAYABLE PAYMENT**

**CYCLES: 5/12/22 PERIOD 11; 5/12/2022 PERIOD 11 (SPECIAL RUN); 5/19/22 PERIOD 11.** MOTION PASSED BY VERBAL ROLL CALL. AYES: BERNALD, KUMAR, ZHAO, FITZSIMMONS, WALIA: NOES: NONE. ABSTAIN: NONE. RECUSED: NONE. ABSENT: NONE.

1.3. Treasurer's Report for the Month Ended April 30, 2022

**Recommended Action:**

Review and accept the Treasurer's Report for the month ended April 30, 2022.

BERNALD/FITZSIMMONS MOVED TO **REVIEW AND ACCEPT THE TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE MONTH ENDED APRIL 30, 2022.** MOTION PASSED BY VERBAL ROLL CALL. AYES: BERNALD, KUMAR, ZHAO, FITZSIMMONS, WALIA: NOES: NONE. ABSTAIN: NONE. RECUSED: NONE. ABSENT: NONE.

1.4. Reconsider and confirm findings pursuant to Assembly Bill 361

**Recommended Action:**

Reconsider and confirm findings pursuant to Assembly Bill 361 of the continued public health officials' recommendation to social distance and to therefore hold City of Saratoga Brown Act meetings by teleconference.

BERNALD/FITZSIMMONS MOVED TO **RECONSIDER AND CONFIRM FINDINGS PURSUANT TO ASSEMBLY BILL 361 OF THE CONTINUED PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICIALS' RECOMMENDATION TO SOCIAL DISTANCE AND TO THEREFORE HOLD CITY OF SARATOGA BROWN ACT MEETINGS BY TELECONFERENCE.** MOTION PASSED BY VERBAL ROLL CALL. AYES: BERNALD, KUMAR, ZHAO, FITZSIMMONS, WALIA: NOES: NONE. ABSTAIN: NONE. RECUSED: NONE. ABSENT: NONE.

1.5. Resolution to Establish a List of Projects to be Funded by The Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017 for FY 2022-23

**Recommended Action:**

Adopt Resolution to establish a list of projects to be funded by the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017 for FY 2022-23.

**RESOLUTION 22-020**

BERNALD/FITZSIMMONS MOVED TO **ADOPT THE RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH A LIST OF PROJECTS TO BE FUNDED BY THE ROAD REPAIR AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 2017 FOR FY 2022-23.** MOTION PASSED BY VERBAL ROLL CALL. AYES: BERNALD, KUMAR, ZHAO, FITZSIMMONS, WALIA: NOES: NONE. ABSTAIN: NONE. RECUSED: NONE. ABSENT: NONE.

**2. PUBLIC HEARING**

## 2.1. Fiscal Year 2022-23 Budget Public Hearing

### **Recommended Action:**

Conduct public hearing on the proposed Fiscal Year 2022-23 budget and provide direction on edits for final consideration at the June 15 City Council meeting.

Nick Pegueros, Administrative Services Director, presented the staff report.

Mayor Walia invited public comment.

The following individuals spoke at this time: Bill Dalton

Council Member Bernald discussed two minor changes in the proposed budget regarding the name of the Public Art Commission and the number of Commissioners for the Traffic Safety Commission.

No vote needed; direction provided to staff.

## **COUNCIL ASSIGNMENTS**

### Mayor Tina Walia

*West Valley Mayors & Managers Association* – stated attendees discussed ARPA and budgets for each of the cities.

*Council Finance Committee* – stated the Committee discussed FY 2023 Enabling Resolutions for Appropriations Limit, Arrowhead Community Facility District Tax Levy, General Obligation Bond Tax Levy and Investment Policy which will be presented to the City Council on June 15, 2022.

*KSAR Community Access TV Board* – stated Stephen Guruwaiya joined the Board and the Board discussed new equipment.

### Vice Mayor Kookie Fitzsimmons

Nothing to report.

### Council Member Mary-Lynne Bernald

*Saratoga Historical Foundation Board of Directors* – stated the Board discussed the groundbreaking for the Blacksmith Shop, fundraising options, a point of interest driving tour, and school docent program presentations.

### Council Member Rishi Kumar

Nothing to report.

### Council Member Yan Zhao

*Saratoga Ministerial Association* – Council Member Zhao read the statement issued by the Association in the aftermath of the shooting in Uvalde, Texas.

## **CITY COUNCIL ITEMS**

None

## **COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS**

Council Member Kumar discussed Measure A which is on the June 7, 2022 Ballot.

## **CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

None

## **CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

None

## **ADJOURNMENT**

BERNALD/FITZSIMMONS MOVED TO **ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 9:44 P.M.**  
MOTION PASSED BY VERBAL ROLL CALL. AYES: BERNALD, ZHAO, FITZSIMMONS,  
WALIA: NOES: NONE. ABSTAIN: NONE. RECUSED: NONE. ABSENT: KUMAR.

Minutes respectfully submitted:

Britt Avrit, City Clerk  
City of Saratoga