



ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

City Hall Council Chambers
1000 San Pablo Avenue, Albany, CA

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, June 20, 2019, 5:00 pm

1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order by Chair Montag at 5:03pm.

Members Present: Committee Member Cain, Committee Member Charles, Committee Member Cheasty, Committee Member Goldman, Committee Member Sala, Committee Member Tiedemann, Chair Montag

Members Absent: None.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: May 2, 2019

Approved.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment was received by Jennifer Hansen-Romero regarding the business resilience program.

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jeff Bond provided updates on the following businesses:

4-1. Syma Mexican Grill (formerly Christopher's Nothing Fancy Café)

4-2. Mangia Mangia closed

4-3. Wildcard Brewery closed

4-4. AT&T Store at UC Village

4-5. 901 San Pablo Avenue for lease (southeast corner of San Pablo and Solano, formerly Montero's)

4-6. Nomi Boba Tea Café on Solano is now open

Committee Member Cain announced the Solano Avenue Adventure virtual reality game happening this summer.

Committee Member Cheasty announced that 1600 Solano Avenue is for rent.

5. PRESENTATIONS

None.

6. DISCUSSION & POSSIBLE ACTION ON MATTERS RELATED TO THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

6-1. Discussion and Possible Motion on Draft Climate Action & Adaptation Plan Strategies

Griffing provided an overview of the draft Climate Action & Adaptation Plan and the Committee discussed the importance of the plan and requested it use more concise language and emphasize the importance of shopping locally. The Committee requested to see the next version of the plan, which will be available in September.



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6-2. Subcommittee Reports

Recommendation: Receive updates from subcommittees.

Business Improvement District: Cheasty

None.

Farmer's Market: Charles, Sala

None.

Marketing & Outreach: Montag, Tiedemann

Staff to review previous feedback and come back to the committee to discuss next steps.

Arts Committee Liaison: Goldman

Going to an event in September and will report back.

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

The Committee discussed future agenda items, including:

7-1. CAAP follow up

7-2. Farmer's market

7-3. Marketing materials

7-4. Survey

7-5. Subcommittee updates

7-6. Business resilience program

7-7. Housing policy update

8. NEXT MEETING: Thursday, September 5, 5:00 pm

City Hall Council Chambers, 1000 San Pablo Ave.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:03pm.