



DRAFT MINUTES
CUPERTINO CITY COUNCIL
Monday, May 11, 2026

SPECIAL MEETING

At 6:01 p.m., Mayor Moore called the Special City Council Meeting to order in the Cupertino Community Hall Council Chamber, 10350 Torre Avenue and via teleconference.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Kitty Moore, Vice Mayor Liang Chao (6:07 p.m.), and Councilmembers J.R. Fruen, Sheila Mohan, and R “Ray” Wang.

STUDY SESSION

1. Subject: Initial Study Session on Fiscal Year (FY) 2026-27 Proposed Budget
Recommended Action: Conduct the Initial Study Session on Fiscal Year (FY) 2026-27 Proposed Budget

Written communications for this item included emails to Council and staff presentation.

Acting Director of Administrative Services Jonathan Orozco and Acting Budget Manager Toni Oasay-Anderson gave a presentation.

Councilmembers asked questions and made comments.

Mayor Moore opened the public comment period and the following members of the public spoke:

Aref Shaikh, Daniel Vicy, Joel and Connie (representing group)
Housing Commissioner Connie Cunningham (representing self)

Mayor Moore closed the public comment period.

Councilmembers requested the following informational memoranda:

- Outlining financial projections for the Utility Users Tax (UUT) renewal under current terms (Fruen).
- Regarding internship positions and programs throughout City departments. (Chao).
- (1) explaining the need for additional funding for traffic signal synchronization; and (2) detailing the City's vehicle replacement policy and a comparison timeline against other municipalities (Moore).

Councilmember provided the following comments on Attachment A Proposed Budget Book:

Moore:

- Add the 12% for the transient occupancy tax amount on page 71.
- Remove development information previously requested by Audit Committee Budget Format Subcommittee on pages 73-78.
- Supplement the data on pages 83 or 84 with visual graphics or charts.
- Add a summary of the City's ongoing funding and support, including Historical Society fee waivers, Chamber of Commerce funding, and itemized Sister City expenses.
- Opposed Fremont Union High School District from participating in the Community Funding Grant program.
- Confirm Rotary Club receiving only one of festival fee waivers, or paid sheriff's services at festivals, or grant funding.

Chao:

- Include the staff level organization chart from the "Budget at a Glance."

Mohan:

- Opposed further cuts to the proposed \$32,000 community funds.
- Requested one-time use of the City's fund balance for a multi-year restroom renovation for City parks.

Wang:

- Add a per-capita general fund revenue chart to pages 83-84.
- Recommended prioritizing West Side fire safety funding for evacuation routes and traffic improvements in high-risk areas. (Wang and Fruen supported working on a plan).

Moore moved and Wang seconded to form a Council Subcommittee comprised of Mayor Moore and Vice Mayor Chao to re-review the grant policy and the festival fee waiver policy for FY 2027-2028. The motion passed with the following vote: Ayes: Moore, Chao, Mohan and Wang. Noes: Fruen. Abstain: None. Absent: None.

ADJOURNMENT

At 7:52 p.m., Mayor Kitty Moore adjourned the Special City Council Meeting.

Minutes prepared by:

Lauren Sapudar, City Clerk