



**DRAFT MINUTES**  
**CUPERTINO CITY COUNCIL**  
Thursday, February 19, 2026

At 5:32 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; and Teleconference Location Pursuant to Gov. Code 54953(b)(2): Omni Barton Creek Hotel - 8212 Barton Club Dr, Austin, Texas, 78735.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Mayor Kitty Moore, Vice Mayor Liang Chao, and Councilmembers J.R. Fruen, Sheila Mohan, and R “Ray” Wang (participated virtually).

Councilmember Wang confirmed that he was in the noticed public location, that he had posted the notice of the meeting at his remote location and that no other individuals over the age of 18 were with him and that no one had indicated to him that they were intending to make public comment or address the Council.

**STUDY SESSION**

1. Subject: Santa Clara County Sheriff’s Office Contract Renewal  
Recommended Action: Receive a presentation and conduct a study session to discuss the proposed 36% increase to the Santa Clara County Sheriff’s Office (SCCSO) contract, including cost drivers, methodology changes, and regional coordination efforts with the Cities of Saratoga and Los Altos Hills.

Written communications for this item included emails to Council.

Acting Director of Administrative Services Jonathan Orozco provided a verbal report.

Councilmembers asked questions and made comments.

Mayor Moore opened the public hearing and the following members of the public spoke:

- San Rao, Planning Commissioner, representing self (virtually)
- Peggy Griffin (virtually)
- Lisa Warren (virtually)

Councilmembers asked questions and made comments.

Mayor Moore closed the public hearing.

MOTION: Moore moved and Fruen seconded to direct the City Manager to explore potential cost-saving measures, including those discussed under the current contract, and to assess the feasibility of establishing a Joint Powers Authority (JPA) for law enforcement services with adjacent cities. This report should include a proposed timeline outlining the necessary steps, possible implementation models, and cost estimates. This work will proceed concurrently with the ongoing meetings of the ad hoc committee. The motion passed with the following vote: Ayes: Moore, Chao, Fruen, Mohan and Wang. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

At 6:24 p.m., Mayor Kitty Moore adjourned the Special City Council Meeting.

## **REGULAR MEETING**

At 6:45 p.m., Mayor Moore called the Regular City Council Meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance in the Cupertino Community Hall Council Chamber, 10350 Torre Avenue and via teleconference; and Teleconference Location Pursuant to Gov. Code 54953(b)(2): Omni Barton Creek Hotel - 8212 Barton Club Dr, Austin, Texas, 78735.

## **ROLL CALL**

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**CLOSED SESSION REPORT** - None

**CEREMONIAL ITEMS** - None

**POSTPONEMENTS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY** - None

## **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

Written communications for this item included emails to the Council.

The following members of the public spoke:

Jennifer Griffin discussed SB 330-related development and potential reductions in retail along Stevens Creek Boulevard.

Jean Bedord discussed the use of official title and email by a Planning Commissioner and review of communication protocol for commissioners.

Belinda Hantout discussed sheriff law enforcement interactions with unhoused individuals and rental affordability.

Planning Commissioner, Santosh Rao, representing self (virtually) discussed the Mary Avenue Villas project and the City's procedural process.

Lisa Warren (virtually) discussed the potential redevelopment of commercial sites to housing.

Rachel Rose (virtually) discussed the Mary Avenue Villas project and the City's procedural process.

Moore and Fruen requested an informational memorandum from the City Attorney to Council and commissioners on:

- Use of city vs. personal email accounts when speaking individually vs. officially, including disclaimers.
- Disclosure when personal views oppose commission positions.
- Permissions for contacting agencies and contractors for agenda-related information.
- Distinction between public agencies and contractors like Sheriff's office.
- Request review of past occurrences, future handling, and investigation into sheriff conduct.

### **CONSENT CALENDAR (Items 1-5)**

Mayor Moore opened the public comment period and, seeing no one, closed the public comment period.

MOTION: Wang moved and Mohan seconded to approve Consent Calendar Items 1-5. The motion passed with the following vote: Ayes: Moore, Chao, Fruen, Mohan and Wang. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None.

1. Subject: Approval of February 3, 2026 City Council meeting minutes  
Recommended Action: Approve the February 3, 2026 City Council meeting minutes
2. Subject: Approval of February 10, 2026 City Council meeting minutes  
Recommended Action: Approve the February 10, 2026 City Council meeting minutes

3. Subject: Ratifying Accounts Payable for the periods ending January 16, 2026, and January 30, 2026  
Recommended Action: A. Adopt Resolution No. 26-019 ratifying Accounts Payable for the Period ending January 16, 2026; and  
B. Adopt Resolution No. 26-020 ratifying Accounts Payable for the Period ending January 30, 2026
4. Subject: Appointment of the Sustainability Commission, Technology, Information, and Communications Commission, and Planning Commission recommendations as representatives to the Economic Development Committee  
Recommended Action: Accept the following Commission recommendations to appoint representatives to the Economic Development Committee:  
1. Accept the Technology, Information, and Communications Commission's recommendation to appoint Balaram Donthi for a term expiring January 30, 2027.  
2. Accept the Sustainability Commission's recommendation to appoint Jack Carter for a term expiring January 30, 2027.  
3. Accept the Planning Commission's recommendation to appoint Tracy Kosolcharoen for a term expiring January 30, 2027.
5. Subject: Consider designation of the following positions as appointees to the PLAN JPA Board of Directors: Senior Assistant City Attorney, Board Member; and Senior Management Analyst, Board Alternate.  
Recommended Action: Adopt Resolution No. 26-021 appointing the following positions to the PLAN JPA Board of Directors: Senior Assistant City Attorney, Board Member; and Senior Management Analyst, Board Alternate.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS** - None

#### **ACTION CALENDAR**

6. Subject: Consider (1) adopting Resolution No. 26-022 to repeal and replace Resolution No. 23-026 regarding the Legislative Review Committee (LRC), (2) adopting the 2026 Legislative Platform, and (3), amending the 2026 Council Committee Assignments to designate Vice Mayor Liang Chao and Councilmember R "Ray" Wang to the LRC, with Mayor Kitty Moore as an alternate.  
Recommended Action: 1. Adopt Resolution No. 26-022 to repeal and replace Resolution No. 23-026, regarding the Legislative Review Committee  
2. Adopt the 2026 Legislative Platform  
3. Amend the 2026 Council Committee Assignments to designate Vice Mayor Liang Chao and Councilmember R "Ray" Wang to the LRC, with Mayor Kitty Moore as an alternate.

Written communications for this item included a staff presentation.

Senior Management Analyst Astrid Robles gave a presentation.

Councilmembers asked questions and made comments.

Mayor Moore opened the public hearing and the following members of the public spoke:

Jennifer Griffin

Planning Commissioner, Santosh Rao, representing self (virtually)

Peggy Griffin (virtually)

Councilmembers asked questions and made comments.

Mayor Moore closed the public hearing.

MOTION: Chao moved and Wang seconded to approve the staff recommendation, as amended:

1. Adopt Resolution No. 26-022 to repeal and replace Resolution No. 23-026, regarding the Legislative Review Committee.
2. Adopt the 2026 Legislative Platform.
3. Amend the 2026 Council Committee Assignments to designate Vice Mayor Liang Chao and Councilmember R "Ray" Wang to the LRC, with Mayor Kitty Moore as an alternate.

FRIENDLY AMENDMENT: Chao made a friendly amendment to:

1. Add a local authority section, similar to the one in the federal priorities, into the state legislative priorities table;
2. Add an item to monitor housing element process and RHNA area calculation, and
3. Add Proposition 36 funding description.

(Wang accepted the friendly amendment)

The amended motion passed with the following vote: Ayes: Moore, Chao, Mohan and Wang. Noes: Fruen. Abstain: None. Absent: None.

At 7:56 p.m., Mayor Moore recessed the meeting. The meeting reconvened at 8:02 p.m. with all Councilmembers present (Wang virtually).

7. Subject: Consider Potential November 2026 Revenue Ballot Measure.

Recommended Action: Receive information regarding potential revenue ballot measure options and provide direction on pursuing placement of a measure on the November 2026 ballot.

Written communications for this item included a staff presentation.

Acting Director of Administrative Services Jonathan Orozco introduced the item.

Senior Analyst Ken Duran representing HdL gave a presentation.

Councilmembers asked questions and made comments.

Mayor Moore opened the public hearing and the following members of the public spoke:

Planning Commissioner, Santosh Rao, representing self (virtually)

Councilmembers asked questions and made comments.

Mayor Moore closed the public hearing.

MOTION: Moore moved and Chao seconded to continue this item to March 17, 2026 for further analysis of business tax, UUT, and sales tax options; look into reductions to CIP budget and staffing; and enhance Cupertino's business competitiveness. The motion passed with the following vote: Ayes: Moore, Chao, Fruen, Mohan and Wang. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None.

8. Subject: Parkland Ballot Measure - Mapping, Zoning, Legal Review, and Election Considerations  
Recommended Action: Receive the report and provide direction to staff on whether to pursue development of a parkland rezoning ballot measure for consideration at the November 2026 election.

Written communications for this item included emails to Council.

At 9:14 p.m., Mayor Moore recessed the meeting due to technical/computer difficulties. The meeting reconvened at 9:48 p.m. with all Councilmembers present (Wang absent).

MOTION: Moore moved and Fruen seconded to continue the meeting to March 3, 2026 due to technical/computer difficulties. The motion passed with the following vote: Ayes: Moore, Chao, Fruen, and Mohan. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Wang.

This item was continued to March 3, 2026.

## STUDY SESSION

9. Subject: An update on the development of the Active Transportation Plan, including a summary of Phase 2, explanations of plan edits, revised scoring criteria, and next steps. Recommended Action: Receive an update on the development of the Active Transportation Plan and provide feedback on the agenda packet attachments.

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

This item was continued to March 3, 2026.

#### ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR – None

#### CITY MANAGER REPORT

10. Subject: City Manager Report

City Manager Tina Kapoor reported on recent highlights and upcoming events as provided in the published agenda.

#### ORAL COMMUNICATIONS - CONTINUED – None

#### COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS

11. Subject: Councilmember Reports

Councilmembers reported on their various committees and events as provided in the published agenda.

#### FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

12. Subject: Upcoming Draft Agenda Items Report

A tentative council meeting agenda calendar was provided in the published agenda.

#### ADJOURNMENT

At 9:49 p.m., Mayor Kitty Moore adjourned the Regular City Council Meeting.

Minutes prepared by:

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Lauren Sapudar, Acting City Clerk