

January Meeting Minutes

Date & Location: Wednesday, January 21, 2026 @ Moveable or via Zoom

Chair: Christina Bui

Attendees: Christina Bui, Eric Perez, An Ngo, Isabel Sarellano, Diana Vo, Toan Ly, Sergeant Akery, Minh Tran, Anh Nguyen, Hayley Nguyen, Councilmember Bien Doan, Councilmember Domingo Candelas, Marta Dominguez, Phong Banh, Sandra Garcia, Wyona Morris, Ryan Sebastian, Angelica Bedolla

Absent: Dilpreet Bhandal, Captain Max Zuniga, Joel Anaya, Jairo Olvera

1. CALL TO ORDER

- Chair Christina Bui called the meeting to order and welcomed attendees. Roll call was conducted.

2. PUBLIC PARTNER UPDATES

- **2.1 District 8 - Councilmember Candelas' Office (Hayley Nguyen)**
 - Mentioned upcoming event:
 - Saturday 02/21: Budget Breakfast
 - FIFA Watchparty
 - Discussion around indoor watch party at Eastridge Center using a 20ft inflatable screen.
- **2.2 Office of Economic Development (Minh Tran & Anh Nguyen)**
 - Grant & Program Updates
 - Storefront Grant Program
 - A new online application interface is under development.
 - Expected to go live by February.
 - For those applying, it's best to update Minh every 1-2 weeks when it goes live.
 - Free Legal Assistance Program
 - New RFP launching soon.
 - Interview and selection process will follow.
 - Disability Access Improvement Grant
 - Current funding fully allocated.
 - Applications are still accepted, but will be put into a waitlist until funding arrives.
 - Streamline Restaurant Program
 - Not a grant; expedite permitting process.

- Available for food & beverage businesses.
- **2.3 District 7 - Councilmember Doan's Office (Bien Doan)**
 - Councilmember Bien Doan alongside with Councilmember Domingo Candelas gave an update regarding funding for FIFA of a rough estimate of \$25,000 per district.
 - \$40-\$50 million deficit and a hiring freeze will occur.
- **2.4 SJPD (Sergeant Akery)**
 - SJPD Update
 - Recent Incident: SJPD reported a triple shooting at a residential gambling house near Tully & Flint Avenue.
 - Residents had reported suspicious activity of excessive cars, traffic, cameras, and late night activities.
 - An upcoming encampment cleanup near Highway 101 & Tully was noted.
 - Street Vending & Safety Concerns
 - Discussion focused on unlicensed street vending, particularly flower vendors at major intersections or parking lots.
 - Concerns included pedestrian safety, traffic hazards, and ordinance enforcement.
 - SJPD noted enforcement tools exist, but resources are limited; focus remains on higher-risk criminal activity.
 - Action discussed: Coordinating periodic enforcement with the Neighborhood Quality of Life Unit.
- **2.5 District Attorney's Office (Phong Banh, Sandra Garcia, & Marta Dominguez)**
 - CORE Rebate Program
 - Program Overview
 - The program enables businesses to connect existing cameras to the Real Time Intelligence Center (RITC).
 - Improves real time police response and crime resolution.
 - Key Details
 - DA's Office covers
 - CORE device cost (\$300)
 - First year subscription (\$150)
 - Approximately \$450 total
 - Businesses pay upfront and receive rebates within ~30 days.
 - Participation is voluntary and controlled by business owners.
 - Home-based businesses with fewer than 20 employees are eligible.

- **2.6 New Organization Landscaping (Angelica Bedolla)**
 - Weekly cleaning of the team on Thursdays to maintain Tully, Cunningham, Quimby, & Burdette Dr.
 - Concern about one shopping district near Dollar Tree takes their trash out on Friday, leading to a whole week of trash out.
 - Encampment near Dollar Store identified, outreach requested.
 - Ongoing trash and safety issues discussed near Lake Cunningham and nearby businesses.
3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
- Motion to approve December Minutes
 - Motion: Christina Bui
 - Second: Eric Perez
 - Vote: All in favor - An Ngo & Isabel Sarellano
 - Motion carried unanimously.
4. **TREASURER'S REPORT**
- December Financials
 - Reviewed income and expenses.
 - Clarified recurring expenses (T-Mobile iPads, wire fees, clean & safe services).
 - Vote: Unanimous
 - Motion carried unanimously.
 - 2026-2027 Budget Planning
 - Budget must be approved by March for April council renewal.
 - Board to review allocation priorities, including Clean & Safe funding.
 - Board Retreat proposed for February 20 to finalize budget and planning.
5. **OLD BUSINESS**
- The Secretary position remains open; continued recruitment encouraged.
6. **NEW BUSINESS**
- **6.1 TREBA Expansion**
 - OED clarified that BID expansion requires a process similar to forming a new BID.
 - Requires constant support, outreach, and council coordinator.
 - The board acknowledged and agreed to pause expansion discussion until after July, following BID renewal and FIFA events.
 - **6.2 Event Planning & Community Engagement**
 - FIFA World Cup Watch Parties
 - Los Arcos confirmed participation
 - Dates: June 11 & June 18 (Mexico is playing.)
 - Multiple large TVs and drink specials with TREBA.
 - Proposed funding: up to \$4500 per business
 - MOU to be drafted and signed.
 - Discussion included limited non-food vendors (clarify with permitting).

- TREBA 2026 Mixer
 - Date: Thursday, February 26, 2026
 - Time: 5:00PM-10:00PM
 - Venue fee waived, but TREBA to cover food and decor.
 - Flyer pending final logos.
 - Board to push RSVPs to finalize headcount.
- Tet Festival @ Lion Plaza
 - Date: Saturday, February 14
 - Time: 11:00AM-1:00PM
 - Activities include lion dancing, children’s crafts, and cultural activities.
 - Sponsored by Lion Plaza property management.
 - TREBA to provide volunteers and coordination.
 - Vote: Unanimous
 - Motion carried unanimously.

7. ACTION ITEMS

- Christina/Diana: SJ Sharks Vietnamese Heritage Night Filming @SAP Center on Friday, 01/23/26 @5:00PM.
- Board Members: Board Photo Shoot & Retreat.
- Diana: SCORE organization to be invited to a future meeting.

8. PUBLIC COMMENT

- No comments.

9. ADJOURNMENT

- The meeting adjourned at 11:15 AM.

10. NEXT MEETING DATE

- Wednesday, February 11, 2026