

General Business

Councilmember Mathews disqualified herself from acting on the following item and left the dais.

1. [Recommendation to Proceed with the Library Mixed-Use Project - Budget Adjustment \(LB/PW/ED\)](#)

Economic Development Manager A. Rotella, Director of Libraries S. Nemitz, Transportation Planner C. Fliesler, and Director of Economic Development B. Lipscomb gave a presentation and responded to Councilmember questions.

Mayor Terrazas opened the public comment period.

SPEAKING FROM THE FLOOR EXPRESSING CONCERN:

Rick Longinotti, Campaign for Sustainable Transportation

Jean Brocklebank, Don't Bury the Library

Michael Lewis, Don't Bury the Library

Tamarah Posner

Elise Casby

Terry Maxwell

General Business (continued)

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PUBLIC COMMENT: (continued)

SPEAKING FROM THE FLOOR EXPRESSING CONCERN: [\(continued\)](#)

John R. Hall

Ernestina Saldana

Ernestina Salgado
Pauline Seales, Santa Cruz Climate Action
Network
Bonnie Belcher, Santa Cruz Antique Fair
Adam Millard-Ball
Manu Koenig
Josh Stephens
Jack Nelson
Susan Cavalieri
Sally Arnold
Dan Spelce
Steven Speet
Lisa Ekstrom
Satya Orion
Michael Sank, Campaign for Sustainable
Transportation
Susan Worth
David Rosen
Susan Rettison
Marvin Lewis

SPEAKING FROM THE FLOOR EXPRESSING SUPPORT:

Casey Beyer, Santa Cruz Area Chamber of
Commerce
Bob Cagle, Founder/Treasurer Santa Cruz
Works, CEO of ProductOps
Zach Davis, Downtown Management
Corporation
Vivian Rogers, Friends of the Santa Cruz
Public Libraries
Robert Singleton, Santa Cruz County Business
Council
Chip, Downtown Association
Sean Hibbert, NorCal Carpenters' Union
Cat Steele
Tara Martin

TERA MARINI

Matt Farrell, Downtown Commissioner

Martha Dexter

James Mekis

Keith Gudger

Kendra Baker

General Business (continued)

1. Recommendation to Proceed with the Library Mixed-Use Project - Budget Adjustment (LB/PW/ED) (continued)

PUBLIC COMMENT: (continued)

SPEAKING FROM THE FLOOR EXPRESSING SUPPORT: (continued)

Jane Barr

Doug Erikson

Rena Dubin

Candace Elliott

Jim Denton

Diana Alfaro, MidPen Housing Corporation

Drew Meyer

Erica

Peggy Dolgenos

Carol Fuller

Minka Yaus

Mayor Terrazas closed the public comment period.

Transportation Manager J. Burr responded to Councilmember questions.

City Manager M. Bernal responded to Councilmember questions.

MOTION: Councilmember Krohn moved, seconded by Councilmember Brown, to:

1) Accept the Downtown Library Advisory Committee's Report (not recommendation) of Jan. 25, 2018;

2) Acknowledge that Councilmembers are not traffic experts and will return to the original scope of the Nelson-Nygaard consultant contract and re-engage these consultants in designing a fully-vetted Transportation Demand Management (TDM) plan for downtown;

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MOTION: (continued)

3) Acknowledge that the library should be separated from any parking structure and the two projects

from any parking structure and the two projects should be addressed on their own merits; and

a) will appoint a subcommittee of the City Council to hold a minimum of three public scoping sessions in order to determine how to move forward on a new downtown library with the purpose of staying within Measure S allocated funds;

b) direct staff to hold off on planning any additional City-built garage until a TDM program has been in place for at least one year;

c) direct staff to immediately partner with METRO and institute a two-year pilot "Eco-Pass" program and offer all Downtown employees, free of charge, bus passes and allocate a minimum of \$311,000 from the parking fund toward this effort with the understanding that those receiving these passes will not be eligible for monthly parking passes;

d) appoint a committee to come up with recommendations on how to re-envision the area between Lincoln and Cathcart along Cedar Street, known as Parking Lot #4.

4) Direct staff to report back to the City Council in three months concerning the progress of siting a Downtown library.

FRIENDLY AMENDMENT: Councilmember Brown asked that staff report back to the City Council with a specific plan for truly affordable housing (50% of median income rate) within the project scope.

ACTION: The motion failed with the following

vote.

AYES: Councilmembers Krohn, Brown.
NOES: Councilmembers Chase, Noroyan;
Vice Mayor Watkins; Mayor Terrazas.
ABSENT: None.
DISQUALIFIED: Councilmember Mathews.
ED:

General Business (continued)

1. Recommendation to Proceed with the Library Mixed-Use Project - Budget Adjustment (LB/PW/ED) (continued)

MOTION: Councilmember Chase moved, seconded by Councilmember Noroyan, to:

1. Accept the Downtown Library Advisory Committee recommendations for a new library space program and mixed-use Library Project and direct staff to move forward with the design and development of the project including affordable housing, commercial, and parking uses on the City-owned surface parking lot between Lincoln, Cedar and Cathcart streets (lot 4);

2. Authorize to proceed with selection of an owner's representative to manage overall project implementation and a competitive RFP/RFQ process for selection of a Design-Build project team;

3. Introduce Ordinance No. 2018-11 amending Chapter 10.52 regarding parking meter rates;

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4. Adopt Resolution No. NS-29,441 amending parking and permit rates for Downtown parking lots and structures;

5. Direct staff to work with the Downtown Commission to update the current parking resolution for a five-year phase-out of deficiency fees;

6. Direct staff to work with selected owner's representative and Design-Build team to initiate a community outreach process on project design and to return to Council with preliminary project design options for consideration;

7. Direct the City Manager to initiate an analysis with a land planning organization of needs, options, costs and opportunities for reuse of the existing City library site and nearby City facilities in the context of the broader Downtown vision.

Councilmember Chase also included to reinforce maintaining a robust TDM Program, including the impact of the Jump Bike program, continue to evaluate the best use of the Eco-Pass program, focus on maximizing the outside spaces, including continuing to maintain the existing magnolia trees or relocate if needed, and come up with a public outdoor 24-hour restroom.

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FRIENDLY AMENDMENT: Councilmember Noroyan requested that staff look into future-proofing the parking garage. Councilmember Chase accepted the friendly amendment.

Vice Mayor Watkins asked to learn more about the affordable housing vision.

FRIENDLY AMENDMENT: Mayor Terrazas asked for a friendly amendment that would include design review by the Planning Commission and community engagement and outreach that was adopted at the August 28, 2018 meeting. Councilmember Chase accepted the friendly amendment.

ACTION: The motion carried with the following vote.

AYES: Councilmembers Chase, Noroyan;
Vice Mayor Watkins; Mayor Terrazas.

NOES: Councilmembers Krohn, Brown.

ABSENT: None.

DISQUALIFIED: Councilmember Mathews.

ED:

Councilmember Mathews returned to the dais.