

CITY OF SUNNYVALE
CITY COUNCIL STUDY SESSION SUMMARY
49ers Stadium Traffic, Parking and Security Plan Update
December 3, 2013

The City Council met in study session at City Hall in the Council Chambers, 456 W. Olive Avenue, Sunnyvale, California on December 3, 2013, with Mayor Spitaleri presiding.

City Councilmembers Present:

Mayor Anthony (Tony) Spitaleri
Vice Mayor James Griffith
Councilmember Christopher Moylan
Councilmember David Whittum
Councilmember Jim Davis
Councilmember Tara Martin-Milius
Councilmember Patrick Meyering

City Councilmembers Absent:

None

City Staff Present:

City Manager Gary Luebbers
City Attorney Joan Borger
Assistant City Manager Robert Walker
Director of Public Safety Frank Grgurina
Deputy Chief Dayton Pang, Public Safety
Director of Community Development Hanson Hom
Director of Public Works Kent Steffens

Visitors/Guests Present:

Jim Mercurio, Vice President, 49ers Stadium Operations & Security
Chief Mike Sellers, Santa Clara Police Department

Call to Order:

Mayor Spitaleri called the meeting to order at 6:09 p.m.

Study Session Summary:

Director of Public Safety, Frank Grgurina provided an overview of the study session and the agenda. He also introduced the visitors/guests involved with the presentation.

Jim Mercurio, Vice President, 49ers Stadium Operations & Security presented information on the current status of the stadium project. This included the following information:

- Stadium location
- Schedule of opening
- Stadium and traffic comparison between Candlestick Park and Levi's Stadium
- Game day transit characteristics
- Overall view of transportation
- Community Liaison/Stadium Manager

Councilmembers asked questions and made comments on:

- Attendance at Candlestick Park vs. Levi Stadium
- Stadium Authority composition
- Resolution of parking issues
- Relationship between Great America and the Stadium Authority
- Residents recourse with issues related to parking and traffic
- Total number of parking spaced identified for football games

Chief Frank Grgurina spoke on Sunnyvale's Actions - City Response to Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR):

- Public Safety Law Enforcement Services Agreement
- City of Santa Clara Stakeholder Meeting
- City Response to Draft Transportation Management and Operations Plan (DTMOP)
- On-going coordination meetings (Cities of Sunnyvale and Santa Clara, Stadium Authority and 49ers)

Public Works Director Kent Steffens gave an overview of traffic, on-street parking and public transit:

- Public transportation
- Traffic controls
- Example of typical road closures
- Traffic signal coordination
- Walking shed and potential impacts on residential and commercial parking

Councilmembers asked questions and made comments on:

- Traffic controls in the areas of Mathilda at Ross; Fair Oaks at Tasman; Mathilda and Weddell.
- There are certain areas that people could park at and walk to a light rail station.

Community Development Director Hanson Hom presented information on off-street parking in Sunnyvale:

- Possible parking locations in Santa Clara
- Presented a chart with a walking radius
- Public transportation (VTA Light Rail) stops
- Discussed parking issues (safe public access and on-site operations)
- Provided staff recommendations to introduce regulations of event parking and ordinance provisions.
- Staff recommends that Council move forward with such an ordinance and bring this back to Council next spring.

Councilmembers asked questions and made comments on:

- The City doesn't have the power to enforce parking in private lots
- Questioned total number of parking spots available listed on slide #22 from Draft TMOP exhibit and when the data was collected
- Parking near or at light rail stations

Deputy Chief Dayton Pang presented information on Public Safety Services:

- Municipal Law Enforcement Services Agreement
- Up to 4 DPS Officers per event serving the City of Sunnyvale north of 101 in Sunnyvale
- Fully reimbursed by the Stadium Authority
- Stadium Security-Double Badging
- Reviewed by the City Attorney's Office and the Risk Manager
- Event Day Public Safety Services
- Parking Enforcement
- Traffic Enforcement
- EMS and Fire Response

Councilmembers asked questions and made comments on:

- Potential for hiring a full time officer versus the use of overtime officers

Chief Grgurina spoke about the next steps:

- Off-Street Parking Ordinance
- Traffic Control Coordination
- Community Outreach
- VTA Coordination

- DTMOP Follow-up
- First Event Preparation (August 2, 2014)

Public Comment:

One member of the public spoke about concerns with traffic at the intersection of Lawrence and Tasman. She based her comments on experiences with previous events held at Great America which reportedly had a negative impact on traffic flow to residents living in the area. She asked the City to make a more conscious effort to look at traffic control in and about this intersection.

Adjournment:

Mayor Spilateri adjourned the meeting at 6:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Rosalie Brooks, Administrative Aide