

**Sunnyvale Downtown Association**  
**Minutes of the Monthly Board Meeting**  
**September 7, 2022**  
Meeting held via video.

1. Call to Order: Mike called to order a general meeting of the Sunnyvale Downtown Association on September 7, 2022 at 10:00 am. Leigh Odum took minutes.
2. Attendance:
  1. Mike Johnson, Gary Gold, Maria Rodriguez, Angela Obeso, Lena Guillory, Amit Rajgarhia, Katie Voong, Rahul Nair and Leigh Odum.
3. Acceptance of Minutes:
  1. Gary made a motion to approve the July 6, 2022 minutes. Amit seconded the motion. Minutes approved unanimously. August minutes will be reviewed next month.
4. Public Comment - none
5. City Report – Vice Mayor, Alysa Cisneros - na.
6. Police Report with Lt. Ramirez -
  1. Everything is going well with SPS. There have been some concerns about homeless people sleeping in the stairwells. Home First (North Santa Clara county shelter) was out reaching out and saves at least 10 beds to our community members. There are resources available. We don't have a solution to homelessness, but they are working on it. If businesses have any issues, please call 911 or DPS.
  2. DPS noticed 5 or so encampments at the Caltrain parking structure. They noticed that these items were abandoned and need to be cleaned up. The Elevator situation has been reported. They do not know when it is going to be fixed. The fire inspector will write his report.
7. Dawn Maher – CEO, Sunnyvale Chamber
8. Marlon Quiambao - Senior Engineer, Department of Public Works
9. New Business
  1. Debbie Smith, Sunnyvale Department of Public Safety – Fire Prevention Unit, spoke to discuss their plan for inspections to ensure that all businesses in the downtown district follow code guidelines, adherence, and procedures. Here are some of the areas they will be paying attention to:
    1. Safe propane storage, looking for hazards.
    2. Outdoor dining: adequate clearance, propane heaters away from trees, tents and umbrellas and other hazards, and making sure chairs and tables can be cleared.
    3. She reminded everyone to remember the ADA clearance and make sure we're still aware of this.
  2. Marlon Quiambao, Department of Public Works, presented to the SDA Board and businesses on the second phase of the EVgo Parking station installations in the Frances parking lot behind Historic Murphy Avenue. This project is scheduled to begin on September 19th, 2022. This will significantly impact the traffic flow cycle

in the Frances lot for about 11+ weeks. Please find the link to a flyer we have posted on our website for your review: West Evelyn Ave/South Frances Street Parking Lot - EVgo Charging Station Project | Sunnyvale Downtown | Sunnyvale

1. The EVgo construction of 4 charging stations will start on Sept 19 in the Francis parking lot. This is the most impactful of their 3 Sunnyvale projects. By phasing this project they are shortening the impact. They will remove 21 parking stalls during construction. Phase 2 and 3 will close that area during the day but they will be able to re-open in the evening. During phase 2, access to the alley and garbage area will be blocked during business hours, but will be plated and re-opened after working hours. They are working to shorten the impact and lessen the time-frame as best they can. The SDA and the City have helped to put up signs pointing drivers to the underground parking. They are hoping to avoid any impacts to patrons of the downtown area.
2. Phases:
  1. Phase 1: construction fencing will close off 21 parking lots, construction area will be totally closed through the end of October,
  2. Phase 2 (two weeks, max) Alley way will be blocked off.
  3. Phase 3 (about 1 week) Connects the charging stations.
  4. During phase 2 & 3, workers will be working on the stations from 8-4, then they will plate the site and open them for patrons. Once the construction is done, the parking spots will be open to general parking until PG&E charges them. The area will be slurry sealed and re-stripped at the end of the project. PG&E should be powered by the end of the year. The powering should occur at the alley way at Washington Ave and will be accessible by plates until PG&E gets do their work. The trench will go into onto Washington St. PG&E will be applying for a separate permit for the construction they will need to do. On Washington Ave, the west-bound parking lane will be blocked.
  5. Comments: Mike commented that a lot of trucks use the west-bound lane on Washington Ave and use the alleyway to make deliveries. How are these trucks going to enter this parking area for deliveries? There was discussion with Mike, Marlon and Maria about finding more temporary parking for the delivery trucks.
3. For any questions please contact Marlon or Mike. For emergencies contact public works.
3. Caltrain Grade Separation option for Sunnyvale Avenue was postponed by the City Council and will be reviewed on September 27, 2022, at a rescheduled council meeting.
4. The SDA would like to welcome to our downtown Business Improvement District (BID) Pacific Catch. They officially opened for business Monday, 29 August 2022. We will work with Pacific Catch Marketing and Management Team on their Grand Opening once they notify me.
5. The SDA has recently started working with Public Safety, City Staff, Chamber of Commerce, and our current developers, to establish ongoing monthly discussions regarding Public Safety, theft, homelessness concerns, and business

interactions with aggressive people in our downtown. This will be a monthly meeting and trying to stay ahead of thefts. There was a large theft at the CityLine construction site and they would like to prevent future crimes.

6. Last month, we finished our summer events season. It was a hugely successful and enjoyable season for all who attended over the summer. People keep asking for us to extend them longer. Putting these events together always looks easier on the other side of the table. From my perspective on the outside looking in, I'd say it was successful for all businesses on Murphy this season.
7. The SDA wants to take this opportunity to thank the sponsors, City of Sunnyvale, Google, Meta, LinkedIn, Cityline, The Minkoff Group, El Camino Health, Star One Credit Union, Specialty Waste Management, and the downtown businesses, without their support this wouldn't happen.

#### 10. Old Businesses

1. Final Request: The SDA is looking for a couple of business or property owners on Historic Murphy Avenue interested in working on the SDA Street Closure Committee. We would like to have 5 to 6 businesses/owners that will commit to meet, discuss, and prepare three possible recommendations to propose to the SDA's Murphy Street businesses. If the Historic Murphy Avenue businesses approve, we will schedule a meeting with city staff to review.
  2. The "Nature's Ice Cream." Ribbon Cutting was a huge success; the attendance and the line of customers waiting to sample their Ice Cream were overwhelming.
11. Meeting adjourned at 11:18. Next meeting will be held on Wednesday October 5, 2022, 10:00 am.