



CITY OF MILPITAS

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & TRADE COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

4:30 PM

Monday, September 14, 2026
Committee Conference Room
Milpitas City Hall, First Floor
455 E. Calaveras Blvd., Milpitas

1. Call to Order (4:30 PM)
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
4. Seating of Alternates
5. Approval of Agenda: September 14, 2026
6. Approval of Meeting Minutes: August 10, 2026
7. Public Forum

Members of the audience are invited to address the Commission on any subject not on the agenda. Speakers must state their name (address is optional) for the record and limit their remarks to three minutes or less. For items not listed on the agenda, no response is required of City staff or Commissioners. However, Commissioners may ask staff to place the item on a future meeting agenda.

8. Announcements

- a. Commissioners
- b. City Council Liaison
- c. City Staff

9. Business Items

- a. **Municipal Election – Madison Nguyen, Economic Development Director, and Kal Zubair, Economic Development Specialist (4:45 PM)**

Receive information about Milpitas' Municipal Election and Measure K.

Recommendation: Receive the presentation.

- b. **Recent Great Mall Openings and Events – Lynne Rice, Economic Development & Trade Commissioner (5:00 PM)**

Receive a presentation on recent tenant openings and events at the Great Mall. This item's nexus is Economic Development Element Action ED 1b: Report economic development trends to the Economic Development & Trade Commission annually.

Recommendation: Receive the presentation.

10. Adjournment – Next Regular Meeting Scheduled for Monday, October 12, 2026

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REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Monday, August 10, 2026
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CALL TO ORDER

Vice-Chair Schapira called the meeting to order at 4:31 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Sanchez led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Economic Development Specialist Khaled Zubair called the roll.

PRESENT: Vice-Chair Conrad Schapira and Commissioners Bill Bhagvat, Lynne Rice, Jacob Sanchez, Larry Ciardella (4:43 PM), Alternate #1 Anna Salonga

Student Commissioner Alice Nguyen

City Council Liaison Councilmember William Lam

Staff: Economic Development Coordinator Michael Thomas and Economic Development Specialist Kal Zubair

ABSENT: Chair Daryani, Commissioner Anu Nakka, Alternate #2 Michael Nguyen, Interim Economic Development Director Madison Nguyen

SEATING OF ALTERNATES

Alternate #1 Anna Salonga was seated in place of Chair Daryani

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Recommended Action: Approve the August 10, 2026 regular meeting agenda of the Economic Development & Trade Commission as submitted.

Mover / Second: Rice / Sanchez

Motion carried by a vote of: AYES: 6 NOES: 0

Ayes: Schapira, Bhagvat, Rice, Sanchez, Ciardella, Salonga

Noes: None **Abstentions:** None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Recommended Action: Approve June 8, 2026 meeting minutes of the Economic Development & Trade Commission as submitted.

Mover / Second: Rice / Sanchez

Motion carried by a vote of: AYES: 4 NOES: 0

Ayes: Schapira, Bhagvat, Rice, Sanchez

Noes: None **Abstentions:** Ciardella

PUBLIC FORUM

No speakers provided comments.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioner Rice notified the Commission about the Great Mall's upcoming "Touch a Truck" event on August 15. Ms. Rice stated that the Great Mall expects over 2,000 attendees.

Councilmember Lam reported that the City Council approved placing a ballot measure on the November 3, 2026 general election ballot regarding a business tax ordinance during the August 3rd Special City Council meeting. The measure will be considered by Milpitas voters in the November election.

Coordinator Thomas introduced newly appointed Alternate #1 Anna Salonga to the commissioners. The City Council confirmed her appointment during its regular meeting on June 16, 2026. Ms. Salonga is a Milpitas resident and works in the human resources field. Mr. Thomas also introduced new City Manager Willie Hopkins and new Assistant City Manager Scott Transou, who attended the meeting.

BUSINESS ITEMS

9a. Fiscal Year 2027 EDTC Workplan Discussion – Michael Thomas, Economic Development Coordinator

Recommended Action: Note and file Commissioners' suggestions.

Vice-Chair Schapira introduced the item and Mr. Thomas provided an overview of the item.

No public comment was provided.

Commissioners provided suggestions and finalized the proposed Fiscal Year 2027 EDTC Workplan in preparation for City Council consideration during a future council meeting in the fall.

Mover / Second: Sanchez/Rice

Motion carried by a vote of: AYES: 6 NOES: 0

Ayes: Schapira, Bhagvat, Rice, Sanchez, Ciardella, Salonga

Noes: None **Abstentions:** None

9b. Economic Indicators Report – Kal Zubair, Economic Development Specialist

Recommended Action: Receive the presentation.

Vice-Chair Schapira introduced the item and Mr. Zubair provided context to inform the discussion. College student interns Makida Hailu and Sarra Yadav presented a series of indicators to provide insights into the current state of the Milpitas economy.

No public comment was provided.

Commissioners discussed the presentation and asked clarifying questions.

Mover / Second: Sanchez / Rice

Motion carried by a vote of: AYES: 6 NOES: 0

Ayes: Schapira, Bhagvat, Rice, Sanchez, Ciardella, Salonga

Noes: None **Abstentions:** None

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 5:31 PM

Mover/Second: Rice / Bhagvat

Motion carried by a vote of: AYES: 6 NOES: 0

Ayes: Schapira, Bhagvat, Rice, Sanchez, Ciardella, Salonga

Noes: None **Abstentions:** None