

County of Santa Clara  
Florence, Italy, Sister-County Commission



**DATE:** January 12, 2017, Regular Meeting  
**TIME:** 7:00 PM  
**PLACE:** Isaac Newton Senter Auditorium  
County Government Center – 70 W. Hedding Street, 1st Floor  
San Jose, CA 95110

**AGENDA**

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Persons wishing to address the Commission on a regularly scheduled item on the agenda are requested to complete a request to speak form and give it to the Deputy Clerk. (Government Code Section 54953.3.) Individual speakers will be called by the Chairperson and are requested to limit their comments to two minutes. Groups of speakers on a specific item are asked to limit their total presentation to a maximum of twenty minutes for each side of the issue.

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**Opening**

1. Call to Order/Roll Call.
2. Public Comment.

This item is reserved for persons desiring to address the Commission on any matter within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Commission that is not on this agenda. Members of the public who wish to address the Commission on any item not listed on the agenda should complete a request to speak form and give it to the Deputy Clerk. The Chairperson will call individuals to speak in turn.

Speakers are limited to the following: three minutes if the Chairperson or designee determines that five or fewer persons wish to address the Commission; two minutes if the Chairperson or designee determines that between six and fourteen persons wish to address the Commission; and one minute if the Chairperson or designee determines that fifteen or more persons wish to address the Commission.

The law does not permit Commission action or extended discussion of any item not on the agenda except under special circumstances. If Commission action or response is requested, the Commission may place the matter on a future agenda.

### Regular Agenda - Items for Discussion

3. Approve minutes of the October 6, 2016 Regular Meeting.
4. Consider recommendations relating to the Treasurer's Report. (ID# 84530)  
Possible action:
  - a. Approve the January 5, 2017 Treasurer's Report.
  - b. Approve Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Budget amendments, if needed.
5. Approve NICE film festival report and final budget. (ID# 84533)
6. Approve meeting between Commissioners and San Francisco Italian Consulate Scientific Attache, Massimo Maresca, to explore technology-based contacts in Florence with potential interests in building mutual connections with Santa Clara County organizations. (ID# 84534)
7. Consider recommendations relating to the 2017-2018 Commission Team building retreat on February 2, 2017, at the Milpitas Library, to discuss 2017-2018 work plan and fundraising for non-profits training. (ID# 84532)  
Possible action:
  - a. Approve Commission retreat planning report.
  - b. Approve Retreat budget for up to \$2,500 in expenses, including expenses for presenters De Kiesow and Michelle Donohue-Mendoza, materials and evening meal.
  - c. Complete facilitator survey prior to retreat.
8. Receive reports from Committee Chairpersons relating to updates on Committee activities and efforts. (ID# 84535)
  - a. Technology and Sustainability Committee.
  - b. Education Committee.
  - c. Arts and Cultural Committee.
9. Discuss Commission Work Plan for Fiscal Year July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018 (FY2018) and Accomplishments for FY2017, to be submitted to the Clerk of the Board by April 1, 2017, and subsequently forwarded to the Board of Supervisors through the Finance and Government Operations Committee. (ID# 84659)
10. Receive staff report.

## Announcements

11. Announcements and correspondence.
  - a. Chairperson's Announcements.
  - b. Commissioners' Announcements.
  - c. There are currently three vacancies on the Commission. For Internet access to the vacancies list and applications visit <http://www.sccgov.org/sites/bos/bnc/>.

## Adjourn

12. Adjourn to the next regular meeting on Thursday, February 2, 2017 at 7 p.m. in Isaac Newton Senter Auditorium, County Government Center, 70 West Hedding Street, San Jose.