

**CITY OF SAN JOSE
SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
MARCH 11, 2009, 6:00 – 8:00 P.M.**

SAN JOSE CITY HALL - 200 E. SANTA CLARA STREET –TOWER 1446

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA – 1 MIN.**
- 3. APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 11, 2009 SYNOPSIS – 5 MIN.**
- 4. OPEN FORUM/ PUBLIC COMMENT / ORAL PETITION PERIOD – 2 MIN. EACH**

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- 5. BUSINESS ASSISTANCE ORGANIZATION(S) – 30 MIN. ORGANIZATION, INFORMATIONAL**

The SBD Commission has invited a range of business assistance organizations to discuss the challenges that they see as significant to small businesses in selling to government and other areas and what types of initiatives they are engaged in to address those.
- 6. REPORT ON COMMISSION FOCUS GROUPS – 15 MIN. SMITH & RODRIGUEZ, INFO**

Commissioners Smith and Rodriguez will report back on their participation in the Clerk’s Office focus groups.
- 7. REPORT FROM SUBCOMMITTEES –30 MIN. WANG, MAI AND UZOH, INFORMATIONAL**

Commissioners Wang, Mai and Uzoh or designees will report out on subcommittee activities as required.

 - Public Awareness (Wang)
 - Program Effectiveness (Mai)
 - Participation in City Opportunities (Uzoh)
- 8. STAFF REPORT**
- 9. CHAIR REPORT**
- 10. NEW AGENDA ITEMS – 5 MIN.**

11. ADJOURNMENT

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