City Council Adhoc Subcommittees for 2013

City Council *ad hoc* Subcommittees are temporary subcommittees consisting of two Councilmembers charged with investigating and advising the Council on a specific subject. Each Subcommittee has been assigned a Chairperson, who works with staff to plan meetings and set agendas, as well as guide the work plan of the Subcommittee. The Subcommittee structure allows for two members of the Council to delve deeper and into more detail on various topics of interest to the full Council. The entire Council retains decision making authority on policy decisions for the City, but can turn to Subcommittee members for recommendations and indepth knowledge of specific subjects.

Council Subcommittees are not subject to the Brown Act's requirements that their meetings be noticed and open to the public. This does not mean that the Council Subcommittees will not obtain public input as they perform their tasks. In fact each of the Subcommittees has individual approaches to how it will involve the public as it moves forward in its work, whether by a single public meeting, a series of public meetings, or the creation of a larger community committee. Final decisions on any policy matters will ultimately be presented to the full City Council allowing for additional public input.

The Chair of each Subcommittee will provide verbal updates or progress reports, as needed, at City Council meetings under the "Councilmember Reports" section of the City Council agendas.

Below is a list of the Subcommittees and the following pages include detailed descriptions on each regarding their purpose.

Topic	Chair	Other	Participating Staff
		Councilmember	
Pension	Mayor Phillips	Andrew	Jim Schutz / Anil Comelo
		McCullough	
SMART	Barbara Heller	Mayor Phillips	Nancy Mackle / Rebecca Woodbury /
			others as needed
Downtown	Andrew	Mayor Phillips	Nancy Mackle / Stephanie Lovette
	McCullough		
Group Homes	Andrew	Kate Colin	Lisa Goldfein / Rob Epstein /
	McCullough		Paul Jensen
Homelessness	Kate Colin	Mayor Phillips	Police Chief Bishop / Nancy Mackle /
			Stephanie Lovette
Sustainability	Damon Connolly	Kate Colin	Jim Schutz / Stephanie Lovette /
			Cory Bytof
Facilities	Damon Connolly	Mayor Phillips	Fire Chief Gray / Nancy Mackle /
			Police Chief Bishop