



Memorandum

TO: Honorable Mayor &
City Council

FROM: Toni J. Taber, MMC
City Clerk

SUBJECT: The Public Record
June 5, 2025 – July 31, 2025.

DATE: August 6, 2025

ITEMS FILED FOR THE PUBLIC RECORD

Letters from Boards, Commissions, and Committees

Letters from the Public

1. Letter from Mike Wagner, dated June 12, 2025, regarding: SJACS - MAY Kennel Data.
2. Letter from Lorraine Oback, dated June 12, 2025, regarding: Another Example of Sloppy Practices @ SJACC.
3. Letter from Ana Spear, dated June 13, 2025, regarding: Another failure at San Jose Animal Shelter.
4. Letter from Sonia Humphrey (LAFCO Clerk), dated June 11, 2025, regarding: Notice - Adopted LAFCO Budget for Fiscal Year 2025-2026.
- 5-34. A total of 30 emails were received from different senders with the same text, regarding: Restore Virtual Comments at City Council meetings. Please contact the City Clerk to view.
- 35-58. A total of 24 emails were received from different senders with the same text, regarding: Conservancy efforts at Plaza de Cesar Chavez. Please contact the City Clerk to view.
59. Letter from Shayan B., dated June 15, 2025, regarding: Homeless Management Information.
- 60-62. Three letters from Steve Gonzales, dated June 18 - July 18, 2025, regarding: URGENT Rules Committee Agenda Item.

- 63. Letter from Jahmal Cornell Williams, dated June 19, 2025, regarding: Community Statement and Press Conference Regarding City Councilmembers.
- 64. Letter from Kyra Kazantzis (REAL Coalition), dated June 20, 2025, regarding: Updated Statement of REAL Coalition, June 20, 2025, 3:55 pm.
- 65. Letter from Ruth Callahan, dated June 24, 2025, regarding: SJC's City Manager.
- 66-69. Four letters from Iris Rodriguez, dated June 26 - July 16, 2025, regarding: Misuse and Accessibility of Nitrous Oxide ("Whippets") in San Jose, CA.
- 70. Letter from James Gambrell (California Department of Toxic Substances), dated June 30, 2025, regarding: Baypointe Redevelopment Site - Community Update and Public Comment Period.
- 71. Letter from Diane McNutt, dated June 26, 2025, regarding: LWV Comments on the Community Forest Management Plan and Urban Forestry Annual Report 2025.
- 72. Letter from Eddie Truong, dated June 27, 2025, regarding: Good Samaritan Hospital Transfers Radiation Oncology Care to OneOncology.
- 73-74. Two letters from James Canova, dated July 3, 2025, regarding: Proposed Housing Development in Alviso.
- 75. Letter from Montana Cruz (League of California Cities), dated July 3, 2025, regarding: Cal Cities Action Alert SB 445 (Wiener) Oppose.
- 76. Letter from VTA Board Secretary (Measure B Citizens' Oversight Committee), dated July 11, 2025, regarding: MBCOC Member Recruitment.
- 77-78. Letters from two members of the public, dated July 16, 2025, regarding: County Mental Health and Addiction Treatment.
- 79. Letter from Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E), dated July 17, 2025, regarding: LETTER OF PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY'S REQUEST TO CHANGE RATES FOR 2027 INCOME QUALIFIED PROGRAMS BRIDGE FUNDING (A.25-06-024).



Toni J. Taber, MMC
City Clerk



Outlook

Fw: SJACS - MAY Kennel Data

From Agendadesk <Agendadesk@sanjoseca.gov>**Date** Fri 6/13/2025 9:07 AM**To** Rules and Open Government Committee Agendas <rulescommitteeagenda@sanjoseca.gov>

From: City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>**Sent:** Friday, June 13, 2025 9:03 AM**To:** Agendadesk <Agendadesk@sanjoseca.gov>**Subject:** FW: SJACS - MAY Kennel Data

From: M Wagner [REDACTED]**Sent:** Friday, June 13, 2025 5:45 AM**To:** Maguire, Jennifer <jennifer.maguire@sanjoseca.gov>**Cc:** Ortiz, Peter <Peter.Ortiz@sanjoseca.gov>; Doan, Bien <Bien.Doan@sanjoseca.gov>; Casey, George <George.Casey@sanjoseca.gov>; Mulcahy, Michael <Michael.Mulcahy@sanjoseca.gov>; Campos, Pamela <Pamela.Campos@sanjoseca.gov>; Cohen, David <David.Cohen@sanjoseca.gov>; Candelas, Domingo <Domingo.Candelas@sanjoseca.gov>; Salas, Carl <Carl.Salas@sanjoseca.gov>; Foley, Pam <Pam.Foley@sanjoseca.gov>; Moreno, Brisa <Brisa.Moreno@sanjoseca.gov>; Fleming, Jonathan <Jonathan.Fleming@sanjoseca.gov>; Gomez, David A <David.A.Gomez@sanjoseca.gov>; Yamamoto, KiyomiH <Kiyomi.Yamamoto@sanjoseca.gov>; Rodriguez, Esmeralda <Esmeralda.Rodriguez@sanjoseca.gov>; Nguyen, Lam <Lam.Nguyen@sanjoseca.gov>; Borges, Marlee <Marlee.Borges@sanjoseca.gov>; Adera, Teddy <Teddy.Adera@sanjoseca.gov>; Hughes, Scott <scott.hughes@sanjoseca.gov>; Mossing, Mackenzie <Mackenzie.Mossing@sanjoseca.gov>; Reed, Jim <Jim.Reed@sanjoseca.gov>; Rios, Angel <Angel.Rios@sanjoseca.gov>; City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>**Subject:** Re: SJACS - MAY Kennel Data

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Good morning Miss Maguire,

During the month of MAY, a whopping 176 cats were euthanized at the shelter.

Another 43 died in the care of the shelter which means a total of 219 cats died out of 818 outcomes. That's nearly 27% of all outcomes which puts the Live Release Rate at a lowly 73%

This is the highest euthanasia number in years.

And nowhere near the 90% needed to be achieved to become a "No Kill" shelter.

- Mike Wagner



SAN JOSE ANIMAL CARE & SERVICES

ASPCA Outcomes

Kennel Statistics Report - Outcomes from 05/01/2025 to 05/31/2025

	CAT	DOG	TOTAL
	0	2	2
ADOPTION	225	96	321
DIED	43	2	45
DISPOSAL	1	0	1
EUTH	176	16	192
FOUND ANIM	5	29	34
NEUTER	3	3	6
REQ EUTH	14	41	55
RESCUE	78	50	128
RTF	144	1	145
RTO	9	70	79
SPAY	1	8	9
TRANSFER	119	12	131
TOTAL	818	330	1148

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Fw: Another Example of Sloppy Practices @ SJACC

From Agendadesk <Agendadesk@sanjoseca.gov>

Date Fri 6/13/2025 7:42 AM

To Rules and Open Government Committee Agendas <rulescommitteeagenda@sanjoseca.gov>

From: City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>

Sent: Thursday, June 12, 2025 5:00 PM

To: Agendadesk <Agendadesk@sanjoseca.gov>

Subject: FW: Another Example of Sloppy Practices @ SJACC

From: Lorraine Oback [REDACTED]

Sent: Thursday, June 12, 2025 1:27 PM

To: CouncilMeeting <CouncilMeeting@sanjoseca.gov>

Cc: City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>

Subject: Another Example of Sloppy Practices @ SJACC

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I continue to feel outrage and despair at the senseless loss of life occurring at San Jose's animal shelter.

The story of Barry Allen is a travesty. You would have to have a heart of stone to be able to watch his video and not be moved to tears at such a senseless loss. Let his unwarranted death be a catalyst for change.

Get to know 3-year old Barry Allen through this video: <https://www.facebook.com/share/1FdpNwqwZu/> Sadly, no one will ever get to see him in person as he was euthanized at the animal shelter without warning. One might even say, without receiving due process.

Here is the full story as relayed by San Jose Animal Advocates:

<https://www.facebook.com/share/v/1ErCAPRzLx/>

Lorraine Oback
District 6
95126

From: Lorraine Oback [REDACTED]

Sent: Monday, June 9, 2025 6:12 PM

To: councilmeeting@sanjoseca.gov <councilmeeting@sanjoseca.gov>

Cc: city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>

Subject: Concern About Sloppy Practices @ SJACS

I tried, but failed (for lack of a period in the address) to send the comment below in time for today's budget meeting. Nevertheless, I feel compelled to share it with you because the story that it relays illustrates a terrible outcome for one animal entrusted to SJACS care. Where there is one animal, there are undoubtedly be more. This story, that came to my attention through Sustain Our Shelter, does not sound like the result of professional management, but rather sloppy practices. What will it take to get better service for the animals who wind up at the shelter through no fault—OR DESIRE—of their own?

You can judge the character of a society by how it treats those who can do nothing for it. Shelter animals definitely fall into that category.

Respectfully,
Lorraine Oback
District 6
95126

From: Lorraine Oback
Sent: Monday, June 9, 2025 10:18 AM
To: cityclerk@sanjoseca.gov <cityclerk@sanjoseca.gov>
Subject: Comment for June 9 Budget Meeting re: SJACS

I just read this information (copied below) on the Sustain Our Shelter Facebook page. It struck me as an example of horrible mismanagement. I understand that it is not all that uncommon. How this happens when the shelter's funding has nearly doubled in four years is incomprehensible. Either the shelter was EXTREMELY underfunded previously and may be still or current management is out of their depth and need to be replaced.

From SOS:

"I am sharing this to show what Knight has gone through for the last 2 years in and out of the municipal shelter system. Her deserves better.

"June 15, 2023

Knight first entered the shelter system as a stray, and officially registered with the outcome type "Found Animal."

"July 13, 2023

Knight was brought into the shelter again, registered as a stray—potentially returned by the original finder after the 30-day period had passed.

"July 13, 2023 – February 21, 2024

Knight remained in the shelter for over seven months.

"February 21, 2024 – May 19, 2024

Knight was placed in foster care, where he stayed for nearly three months.

"May 19, 2024 – October 11, 2024

Knight was returned to the shelter.

"October 11, 202

Knight was adopted.

"May 5, 2025

Less than seven months after his adoption, Knight was found loose on the streets of San Jose and taken back to the shelter by Animal Control Officers. He was classified as a stray and returned to his owner (RTO) four days later, on May 9, 2025.

"May 29, 2025

Knight was brought into the shelter again, this time as part of an owner-requested euthanasia. He was surrendered along with another dog, Princess, by an individual who reportedly threatened to abandon the dogs if the shelter didn't take them in. Notably, this person was on the "No Adopters" list—yet had somehow been allowed to adopt both Knight and Princess.

"June 5, 2025

Knight was adopted again under suspicious circumstances. The adoption occurred quickly and out of one of the back rooms in the shelter, raising questions about whether the adopter had a prior relationship with Knight.

"June 7, 2025

Less than 48 hours later, Knight was seen running loose on Monterey Road and Blossom Hill with two other dogs, accompanied by a man who appeared intoxicated. When concerned bystanders attempted to intervene, the man became aggressive and argumentative.

Knight was observed limping and had a swollen gash under his right axilla. A concerned citizen managed to leash him and transport him to the shelter, where staff instructed her to take him to MedVet for medical treatment. During this time, she also contacted Animal Control to report the incident and request assistance with the remaining loose dogs.

However, she was informed that only one Animal Control Officer was on duty, and response could be delayed.

"Later that evening, a post surfaced on Reddit.com stating that a dog had been hit by a car (HBC) and killed near the same location—Monterey Road and Blossom Hill. This dog was one of the two other dogs that had been with Knight earlier that day.

"1. Did Animal Control respond in time?

If not, are they sufficiently staffed for San Jose?

"2. Why were these dogs off-leash on major roads?

Are San Jose leash laws being consistently enforced?

"3. How is the shelter staff screening adopters?

How did an individual on the No Adopters List manage to adopt two dogs?

"4. What safeguards are in place to prevent dogs from being adopted into unsafe or unstable environments?

Are adopters screened for homelessness, mental health instability, or repeat violations?"

Lorraine Oback

District 6

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Fw: Another failure at San Jose Animal Shelter

From Agendadesk <Agendadesk@sanjoseca.gov>

Date Fri 6/13/2025 9:05 AM

To Rules and Open Government Committee Agendas <rulescommitteeagenda@sanjoseca.gov>

From: City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>

Sent: Friday, June 13, 2025 9:02 AM

To: Agendadesk <Agendadesk@sanjoseca.gov>

Subject: FW: Another failure at San Jose Animal Shelter

From: Ana Spear [REDACTED]

Sent: Thursday, June 12, 2025 9:53 PM

To: The Office of Mayor Matt Mahan <mayor@sanjoseca.gov>; District1 <district1@sanjoseca.gov>; District2 <District2@sanjoseca.gov>; District3 <district3@sanjoseca.gov>; District4 <District4@sanjoseca.gov>; District5 <District5@sanjoseca.gov>; District 6 <district6@sanjoseca.gov>; District7 <District7@sanjoseca.gov>; District8 <district8@sanjoseca.gov>; District9 <district9@sanjoseca.gov>; District 10 <District10@sanjoseca.gov>

Cc: City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>

Subject: Another failure at San Jose Animal Shelter

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Dear Mayor and City Council,

I am not sure if you are aware of the latest failure at the San Jose Animal Shelter, I am including the link so that you can review.

<https://fb.watch/AazD2NEuHT/>

This is unconscionable. You would think that a management team that is getting so much bad publicity would be trying extra hard to work with rescues and follow their own policies before euthanizing animals.

When I spoke with Public Works Director Mr. Loesch over 2 years ago, he told me he believed he could coach and develop the existing management team. Yet here we are, over 2 years later, and this management team has not only not improved, they have gotten worse and eroded the public trust. The Management team and the Medical director have repeatedly proven they are not fit to carry out the duties of managing such a large animal shelter.

I am not sure why Mr. Loesch and City Manager Jennifer Maguire do not hold the management team accountable, and instead support them when they repeatedly make the City of San Jose look bad. It is up to the City Council at this point to ask the tough questions, require answers of substance, and hold City Manager Jennifer Maguire accountable.

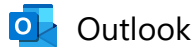
I am sad to say the San Jose Animal Care Center is a shadow of what it used to be prior to the current management team. As a resident and tax payer of the City of San Jose I strongly feel that a vote of no confidence on the Management Team and Medical Director is in order. Now is the time to act, to show your constituents that you care about what happens to the animals in your community. Until you make management changes, San Jose is destined to continue on the same path. A "kill" shelter, appearing in the news and on social media often for their failings.

Hold the City Manager accountable to replace the management team, and the medical director, and let's get this shelter going in a positive direction.

Ana Spear



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Notice - Adopted LAFCO Budget for Fiscal Year 2025-2026

From Humphrey, Sonia [REDACTED]
Date Wed 6/11/2025 3:38 PM
Cc LAFCO <LAFCO@ceo.sccgov.org>

1 attachment (2 MB)
Notice - Adopted FY2026 LAFCO Budget..pdf;

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To: Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, City/Town Clerks, Special District Clerks:

Please see attached memo regarding Adopted LAFCO Budget for Fiscal Year 2025-2026.

Kindly distribute this notice to the members of your legislative bodies.

Thank you,

Sonia Humphrey, LAFCO Clerk
LAFCO of Santa Clara County
777 North First Street, Suite 410
San Jose, CA 95112
(408) 993-4709

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June 11, 2025

TO: County Executive, Santa Clara County
City Managers, Cities in Santa Clara County
District Managers, Independent Special Districts in Santa Clara County

FROM: Dunia Noel, LAFCO Assistant Executive Officer

SUBJECT: LAFCO BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026

At its public hearing on June 4, 2025, the Santa Clara Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) adopted its Final Budget for Fiscal Year 2025-2026. The adopted Final Budget and the staff reports are attached for your information.

Pursuant to the apportionment method specified in Government Code §56381 and §56381.6, the County Auditor-Controller will apportion LAFCO's net operating expenses to the cities, the County and the independent special districts based on the Final Budget adopted by LAFCO. Please expect to receive an invoice from the County Controller's Office in the next few days.

Should you have any questions regarding the LAFCO budget or cost apportionment, please contact me at dunia.noel@ceo.sccgov.org.

Thank you.

Attachments: Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Budget & Revised Final Work Plan for Fiscal Year 2026 approved by LAFCO on June 4, 2025

June 4, 2025 Staff Report: Final Work Plan and Budget for FY 2025-2026

April 2, 2025 Staff Report: Proposed Work Plan and Budget for FY 2025-2026

cc: Board of Supervisors, Santa Clara County
City Council Members, Cities in Santa Clara County
Independent Special District Board Members
Santa Clara County Cities Association
Santa Clara County Special Districts Association

FINAL LAFCO BUDGET FISCAL YEAR 2025- 2026

ITEM #	TITLE	APPROVED BUDGET FY 2025	ACTUALS Year to Date 2/25/2025	PROJECTIONS Year End FY 2025	FINAL BUDGET FY 2026
EXPENDITURES					
Object 1:	Salary and Benefits	\$862,484	\$580,917	\$946,609	\$994,427
Object 2:	Services and Supplies				
5255100	Intra-County Professional	\$10,000	\$0	\$10,000	\$12,000
5255800	Legal Counsel	\$85,780	\$48,125	\$82,000	\$88,766
5255500	Consultant Services	\$150,000	\$18,525	\$100,000	\$175,000
5285700	Meal Claims	\$750	\$139	\$700	\$1,000
5220100	Insurance	\$6,737	\$0	\$0	\$8,000
5250100	Office Expenses	\$5,000	\$1,887	\$4,000	\$5,000
5270100	Rent & Lease	\$56,416	\$42,102	\$56,416	\$58,106
5255650	Data Processing Services	\$22,517	\$16,832	\$22,517	\$24,443
5225500	Commissioners' Fee	\$10,000	\$3,800	\$8,000	\$10,000
5260100	Publications and Legal Notices	\$1,000	\$702	\$1,000	\$1,000
5245100	Membership Dues	\$14,509	\$14,318	\$14,318	\$15,000
5250750	Printing and Reproduction	\$1,500	\$416	\$1,500	\$1,500
5285800	Business Travel	\$21,000	\$6,078	\$16,000	\$21,000
5285300	Private Automobile Mileage	\$1,000	\$497	\$800	\$1,000
5285200	Transportation&Travel (County Car Usage)	\$600	\$0	\$300	\$600
5281600	Overhead	\$21,119	\$10,594	\$21,119	\$37,324
5275200	Computer Hardware	\$4,000	\$0	\$2,000	\$4,000
5250800	Computer Software	\$4,000	\$2,261	\$4,000	\$4,000
5250250	Postage	\$500	\$24	\$300	\$500
5252100	Staff/Commissioner Training Programs	\$2,000	\$0	\$1,000	\$2,000
5701000	Reserves	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		\$1,280,912	\$747,217	\$1,292,579	\$1,464,666
REVENUES					
4103400	Application Fees	\$25,000	\$21,074	\$21,074	\$25,000
4301100	Interest: Deposits and Investments	\$6,000	\$19,711	\$20,000	\$10,000
TOTAL REVENUE		\$36,000	\$40,785	\$41,074	\$35,000
3400150	FUND BALANCE FROM PREVIOUS FY	\$172,301	\$237,891	\$237,891	\$63,997
NET LAFCO OPERATING EXPENSES		\$1,077,611	\$468,541	\$1,013,614	\$1,365,669
3400800	RESERVES Available	\$200,000	\$200,000	\$200,000	\$200,000
COSTS TO AGENCIES					
5440200	County	\$359,204	\$359,204	\$359,204	\$455,223
4600100	Cities (San Jose 50% + Other Cities 50%)	\$359,204	\$359,204	\$359,204	\$455,223
4600100	Special Districts	\$359,204	\$359,204	\$359,204	\$455,223



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ITEM # 6

LAFCO MEETING: June 4, 2025

TO: LAFCO

FROM: Neelima Palacherla, Executive Officer

**SUBJECT: FINAL WORK PLAN AND BUDGET FOR FY 2026 AND
AB 2561 DISCUSSION ON STATUS OF EMPLOYEE
VACANCIES AND RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION
EFFORTS**

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Adopt the Work Plan for Fiscal Year 2025-2026, as revised by the Commission at its April 2, 2025 meeting.
2. Adopt the Final Budget for Fiscal Year 2025-2026.
3. Find that the Final Budget for Fiscal Year 2026 is expected to be adequate to allow the Commission to fulfill its statutory responsibilities.
4. Authorize staff to transmit the Final Budget adopted by the Commission including the estimated agency costs to the cities, the special districts, the County, the Cities Association of Santa Clara County and the Santa Clara County Special Districts Association.
5. Direct the County Auditor-Controller to apportion LAFCO costs to the cities; to the special districts; and to the County; and to collect payment pursuant to Government Code §56381.

REVISIONS TO THE PROPOSED WORKPLAN FOR FY 2026

On April 2, 2025, the Commission directed staff to revise the proposed workplan for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to include a work item to conduct a strategic planning workshop for the Commission to specifically discuss potential development of environmental justice policies. Staff has amended the proposed workplan to include the work item under "Applications Review / Processing and LAFCO Policy Development". See Attachment A for the amended Work Plan.

NO CHANGES TO THE DRAFT/PRELIMINARY BUDGET

On April 2, 2025, the Commission adopted its preliminary budget for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 as recommended by the Finance Committee. The preliminary budget

adopted by the Commission is available in the report for Agenda Item # 6 of the April 2, 2025 LAFCO Meeting. No further changes are recommended to the preliminary budget adopted by the commission.

AB 2561 DISCUSSION

AB 2561, which went into effect on January 1, 2025, requires a public agency to present the status of vacancies and recruitment and retention efforts at a public hearing at least once per fiscal year and prior to the adoption of the final budget. It requires the public agency, during the public hearing, to identify any necessary changes to policies, procedures, and recruitment activities that may lead to obstacles in the hiring process. It also entitles the recognized employee organization to be present at the hearing. If the number of job vacancies within a single bargaining unit meets or exceeds 20% of the total number of authorized full-time positions, the bill requires the public agency, upon request of the recognized employee organization, to include specified information during the public hearing.

Santa Clara LAFCO does not have any vacant positions currently and therefore, there are no recruitment efforts. In addition, there are no recommended changes to retention efforts. Lastly, we have not identified any necessary changes to policies, procedures and recruitment activities that may lead to obstacles in the hiring process.

LAFCO ANNUAL BUDGET PROCESS REQUIREMENTS

The Cortese Knox Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000 (CKH Act) which became effective on January 1, 2001, requires LAFCO, as an independent agency, to annually adopt a draft budget by May 1 and a final budget by June 15 at noticed public hearings. Both the draft and the final budgets are required to be transmitted to the cities, the special districts and the County. Government Code §56381(a) establishes that at a minimum, the budget must be equal to that of the previous year unless the Commission finds that reduced staffing or program costs will nevertheless allow it to fulfill its statutory responsibilities. Any unspent funds at the end of the year may be rolled over into the next fiscal year budget. After adoption of the final budget by LAFCO, the County Auditor is required to apportion the net operating expenses of the Commission to the agencies represented on LAFCO.

LAFCO and the County of Santa Clara entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) (effective since July 2001), under the terms of which, the County provides staffing, facilities, and services to LAFCO. The associated costs are reflected in the LAFCO budget. LAFCO is a stand-alone, separate fund within the County's accounting and budget system and the LAFCO budget information is formatted using the County's account descriptions/codes.

COST APPORTIONMENT TO CITIES, DISTRICTS AND THE COUNTY

The CKH Act requires LAFCO costs to be split in proportion to the percentage of an agency's representation (excluding the public member) on the Commission. Santa Clara LAFCO is composed of a public member, two County board members, two city council members, and since January 2013 – two special district members. Government Code §56381(b)(1)(A) provides that when independent special districts are seated on LAFCO, the county, cities and districts must each provide a one-third share of LAFCO's operational budget.

Since the City of San Jose has permanent membership on LAFCO, as required by Government Code §56381.6(b), the City of San Jose's share of LAFCO costs must be in the same proportion as its member bears to the total membership on the commission, excluding the public member. Therefore, in Santa Clara County, the City of San Jose pays one sixth and the remaining cities pay one sixth of LAFCO's operational costs. Per the CKH Act, the remaining cities' share must be apportioned in proportion to each city's total revenue, as reported in the most recent edition of the Cities Annual Report published by the Controller, as a percentage of the combined city revenues within a county. Each city's share is therefore based on the 2022/2023 Report – which is the most recent edition available.

Government Code Section 56381 provides that the independent special districts' share shall be apportioned in proportion to each district's total revenues as a percentage of the combined total district revenues within a county. The Santa Clara County Special Districts Association (SDA), at its August 13, 2012 meeting, adopted an alternative formula for distributing the independent special districts' share to individual districts. The SDA's agreement requires each district's cost to be based on a fixed percentage of the total independent special districts' share.

The estimated apportionment of LAFCO's FY 2026 costs to the individual cities and districts is included as Attachment B. The final costs will be calculated and invoiced to the individual agencies by the County Controller's Office after LAFCO adopts the final budget.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A:	LAFCO Workplan for FY 2026
Attachment B:	Final LAFCO Budget for Fiscal Year 2026
Attachment C:	Costs to Agencies Based on the Final Budget

REVISED FINAL WORK PLAN FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026 (June 4, 2025)

PRIORITY* H - High Priority (essential activities: state mandate, Commission directive, requirements)
 M - Medium Priority (important, provided resources allow or time permits)
 L - Low Priority (desirable provided resources allow or time permits, not urgent)

	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	ACTIVITIES / TIMELINE	RESOURCES	PRIORITY*
APPLICATIONS REVIEW / PROCESSING AND LAFCO POLICY DEVELOPMENT	Process applicant-initiated LAFCO proposals	Encourage pre-application meetings prior to application submittal Conduct pre-agenda meetings with County Depts. to obtain Assessor & Surveyor reports, as needed Process applications per CKH Act requirements: issue Notice of Application, Certificate of Filing / Sufficiency, Public Hearing Notice, staff report, conduct protest proceedings, as needed	Staff	H
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FINAL LAFCO BUDGET FISCAL YEAR 2025- 2026

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EXPENDITURES					
Object 1:	Salary and Benefits	\$862,484	\$580,917	\$946,609	\$994,427
Object 2:	Services and Supplies				
5255100	Intra-County Professional	\$10,000	\$0	\$10,000	\$12,000
5255800	Legal Counsel	\$85,780	\$48,125	\$82,000	\$88,766
5255500	Consultant Services	\$150,000	\$18,525	\$100,000	\$175,000
5285700	Meal Claims	\$750	\$139	\$700	\$1,000
5220100	Insurance	\$6,737	\$0	\$0	\$8,000
5250100	Office Expenses	\$5,000	\$1,887	\$4,000	\$5,000
5270100	Rent & Lease	\$56,416	\$42,102	\$56,416	\$58,106
5255650	Data Processing Services	\$22,517	\$16,832	\$22,517	\$24,443
5225500	Commissioners' Fee	\$10,000	\$3,800	\$8,000	\$10,000
5260100	Publications and Legal Notices	\$1,000	\$702	\$1,000	\$1,000
5245100	Membership Dues	\$14,509	\$14,318	\$14,318	\$15,000
5250750	Printing and Reproduction	\$1,500	\$416	\$1,500	\$1,500
5285800	Business Travel	\$21,000	\$6,078	\$16,000	\$21,000
5285300	Private Automobile Mileage	\$1,000	\$497	\$800	\$1,000
5285200	Transportation&Travel (County Car Usage)	\$600	\$0	\$300	\$600
5281600	Overhead	\$21,119	\$10,594	\$21,119	\$37,324
5275200	Computer Hardware	\$4,000	\$0	\$2,000	\$4,000
5250800	Computer Software	\$4,000	\$2,261	\$4,000	\$4,000
5250250	Postage	\$500	\$24	\$300	\$500
5252100	Staff/Commissioner Training Programs	\$2,000	\$0	\$1,000	\$2,000
5701000	Reserves	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		\$1,280,912	\$747,217	\$1,292,579	\$1,464,666
REVENUES					
4103400	Application Fees	\$25,000	\$21,074	\$21,074	\$25,000
4301100	Interest: Deposits and Investments	\$6,000	\$19,711	\$20,000	\$10,000
TOTAL REVENUE		\$36,000	\$40,785	\$41,074	\$35,000
3400150	FUND BALANCE FROM PREVIOUS FY	\$172,301	\$237,891	\$237,891	\$63,997
NET LAFCO OPERATING EXPENSES		\$1,077,611	\$468,541	\$1,013,614	\$1,365,669
3400800	RESERVES Available	\$200,000	\$200,000	\$200,000	\$200,000
COSTS TO AGENCIES					
5440200	County	\$359,204	\$359,204	\$359,204	\$455,223
4600100	Cities (San Jose 50% + Other Cities 50%)	\$359,204	\$359,204	\$359,204	\$455,223
4600100	Special Districts	\$359,204	\$359,204	\$359,204	\$455,223

LAFCO COST APPORTIONMENT: COUNTY, CITIES, SPECIAL DISTRICTS
Estimated Costs to Agencies Based on the Final FY 2026 LAFCO Budget

Net Operating Expenses for FY 2026				\$1,365,669
JURISDICTION	REVENUE PER 2022/2023 REPORT	PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL REVENUE	ALLOCATION PERCENTAGES	ALLOCATED COSTS
County	N/A	N/A	33.3333333%	\$455,223.00
Cities Total Share			33.3333333%	\$455,223.00
San Jose	N/A	N/A	50.0000000%	\$227,611.50
Other cities share			50.0000000%	\$227,611.50
Campbell	\$81,150,037	1.8865076%		\$4,293.91
Cupertino	\$131,485,364	3.0566608%		\$6,957.31
Gilroy	\$127,015,477	2.9527487%		\$6,720.80
Los Altos	\$72,145,869	1.6771863%		\$3,817.47
Los Altos Hills	\$21,047,529	0.4892952%		\$1,113.69
Los Gatos	\$66,269,927	1.5405874%		\$3,506.55
Milpitas	\$214,374,038	4.9835868%		\$11,343.22
Monte Sereno	\$5,142,039	0.1195378%		\$272.08
Morgan Hill	\$130,786,193	3.0404071%		\$6,920.32
Mountain View	\$449,519,762	10.4500562%		\$23,785.53
Palo Alto	\$834,039,393	19.3890442%		\$44,131.69
Santa Clara	\$1,431,529,099	33.2789808%		\$75,746.78
Saratoga	\$37,994,793	0.8832709%		\$2,010.43
Sunnyvale	\$699,101,862	16.2521303%		\$36,991.72
Total Cities (excluding San Jose)	\$4,301,601,382	100.0000000%		\$227,611.50
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Special Districts Total Share		(Fixed %)	33.3333333%	\$455,223.00
Aldercroft Heights County Water District		0.06233%		\$283.74
Burbank Sanitary District		0.15593%		\$709.83
Cupertino Sanitary District		2.64110%		\$12,022.89
El Camino Healthcare District		4.90738%		\$22,339.52
North Santa Clara Resource Conservation District		0.04860%		\$221.24
Lake Canyon Community Services District		0.02206%		\$100.42
Lion's Gate Community Services District		0.22053%		\$1,003.90
Loma Prieta Resource Conservation District		0.02020%		\$91.96
Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District		5.76378%		\$26,238.05
Purissima Hills Water District		1.35427%		\$6,164.95
Rancho Rinconada Recreation and Park District		0.15988%		\$727.81
San Martin County Water District		0.04431%		\$201.71
Santa Clara Valley Open Space Authority		1.27051%		\$5,783.65
Santa Clara Valley Water District		81.44126%		\$370,739.36
Saratoga Cemetery District		0.32078%		\$1,460.26
Saratoga Fire Protection District		1.52956%		\$6,962.91
South Santa Clara Valley Memorial District		0.03752%		\$170.80
Total Special Districts		100.00000%		\$455,223.00
Total Allocated Costs				\$1,365,669.00



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LAFCO MEETING: April 2, 2025

TO: LAFCO

**FROM: Neelima Palacherla, Executive Officer
Dunia Noel, Asst. Executive Officer**

SUBJECT: PROPOSED WORK PLAN AND BUDGET FOR FY 2026

FINANCE COMMITTEE / STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Adopt the Proposed Work Plan for Fiscal Year 2025-2026.
2. Adopt the Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2025-2026.
3. Find that the Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2026 is expected to be adequate to allow the Commission to fulfill its statutory responsibilities.
4. Authorize staff to transmit the Proposed Budget adopted by the Commission including the estimated agency costs as well as the LAFCO public hearing notice for the adoption of the Fiscal Year 2026 Final Budget to the cities, the special districts, the County, the Cities Association of Santa Clara County and the Santa Clara County Special Districts Association.

ANNUAL BUDGET PROCESS REQUIREMENTS

The Cortese Knox Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000 (CKH Act) which became effective on January 1, 2001, requires LAFCO, as an independent agency, to annually adopt a proposed budget by May 1 and a final budget by June 15 at noticed public hearings. Both the proposed and the final budgets are required to be transmitted to the cities, the special districts and the County. Government Code §56381(a) establishes that at a minimum, the budget must be equal to that of the previous year unless the Commission finds that reduced staffing or program costs will nevertheless allow it to fulfill its statutory responsibilities. Any unspent funds at the end of the year may be rolled over into the next fiscal year budget. After adoption of the final budget by LAFCO, the County Auditor is required to apportion the net operating expenses of the Commission to the agencies represented on LAFCO.

FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026 WORKPLAN & BUDGET DEVELOPMENT TIMELINE

Dates	Staff Tasks / LAFCO Action
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April 3	Proposed Work Plan and Budget, preliminary apportionments and LAFCO public hearing notice for Final Budget Hearing transmitted to agencies
June 4	LAFCO public hearing and adoption of Final Budget
June 4 - July 1	Final Budget transmitted to agencies; Auditor requests payment from agencies

LAFCO FINANCE COMMITTEE

At its February 5, 2025 LAFCO meeting, the Commission appointed Alternate Commissioner Campos, Alternate Commissioner Chapman and Alternate Commissioner O'Neill to serve on the Finance Committee.

At its special meeting held on March 6, 2025, the Finance Committee discussed the progress on the current year work plan and the status of the current year budget; and recommended the proposed FY 2026 work plan and budget for consideration and adoption by the full commission.

CURRENT YEAR IN REVIEW

PROGRESS REPORT ON FY 2024-2025 WORK PLAN

LAFCO's current fiscal year workplan was adopted at a noticed public hearing held on April 3, 2024. **Attachment A** depicts the current status (through the third quarter of the year) of the 2024-2025 Work Program.

A key focus of this year's work program is the comprehensive review and update of LAFCO policies. To guide Phase 1 of this process, the Commission appointed an Ad-Hoc Committee composed of three commissioners, which developed a detailed work plan and timeline. Over the course of nine meetings, the Committee along with staff carefully reviewed and refined multiple iterations of the policies under consideration, including the development of new policies related to agricultural

worker housing. Additionally, two rounds of public review and comment periods were conducted to gather valuable input from stakeholders. Following this extensive effort, the Commission adopted the Phase 1 policy updates in December 2024. Looking ahead, the Commission is expected to consider a work plan for Phase 2 of the policy update process.

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In alignment with the Commission's directive, staff continues to engage in targeted outreach to local entities—including special districts, the County, cities, and community organizations—through informational presentations on LAFCO's role in promoting sustainable growth and good governance. These efforts are undertaken as opportunities arise and as time permits.

Changes in Commission membership due to term expirations have prompted corresponding onboarding activities. The LAFCO office is now fully staffed, with 4.0 FTE positions, including the promotion of the Associate Analyst to the Analyst position in August 2024. Additionally, the implementation of a training and professional development work plan for LAFCO staff is underway, ensuring continued growth, skill enhancement, and alignment with best practices in local government and land use planning.

Several key administrative activities and projects have been completed or are currently underway, including the annual financial audit, the annual report, and the development of a new LAFCO database to efficiently track public inquiries, manage the contacts directory, and improve overall workflow for application processing and management.

Projects that will not be completed by the end of the fiscal year will be incorporated into the proposed FY 2026 work plan to ensure their continued progress and completion in alignment with LAFCO's strategic objectives.

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STATUS OF FY 2024-2025 ADOPTED BUDGET

Attachment D includes the FY 2025 budget adopted by the Commission at a noticed public hearing on June 5, 2024, the status of LAFCO's expenditures and revenues as of February 25, 2025, and expenditure and revenue projections for end of FY 2025. The adopted LAFCO budget for FY 2025 is \$1,077,611. It is estimated that the total year-end projected expenditures for FY 2025 would be approximately 1% higher

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PROPOSED WORK PLAN FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026

Attachment C includes the proposed work plan for FY 2026, as recommended by the Finance Committee, for consideration and adoption by the full commission.

The proposed workplan includes ongoing as well as new projects and outlines detailed projects/activities organized under six broad areas: (1.) LAFCO application processing; (2.) island annexations; (3.) outreach, government/community relations and customer service; (4.) service reviews, special studies and sphere of influence updates; (5.) commission support; and (6.) administrative projects. The work plan assigns priority levels (high, moderate, low); and designates whether the work is to be conducted by staff or outside consultants.

The proposed work plan includes a broad spectrum of responsibilities that LAFCO, as an independent local agency and as a regulatory body of the state, is expected to fulfill in its role of promoting sustainable growth and good governance in Santa Clara County. It incorporates the Commission's legislative functions and mandates and also the Commission's proactive local initiatives and priorities such as its directives for ongoing public outreach and education and its proactive service review and implementation program.

Staff actively manages the workload in order to focus on accomplishing essential activities such as processing applications, completing projects currently underway, maintaining core administrative functions, tracking on-going projects and studies, supporting the commission and responding to local agency and public requests for assistance. Consistent with past practice, LAFCO's statutorily mandated activities take priority over administrative projects that are not statutorily required, and over proactive commission-initiated projects which are discretionary but support LAFCO's mission and statutory requirements.

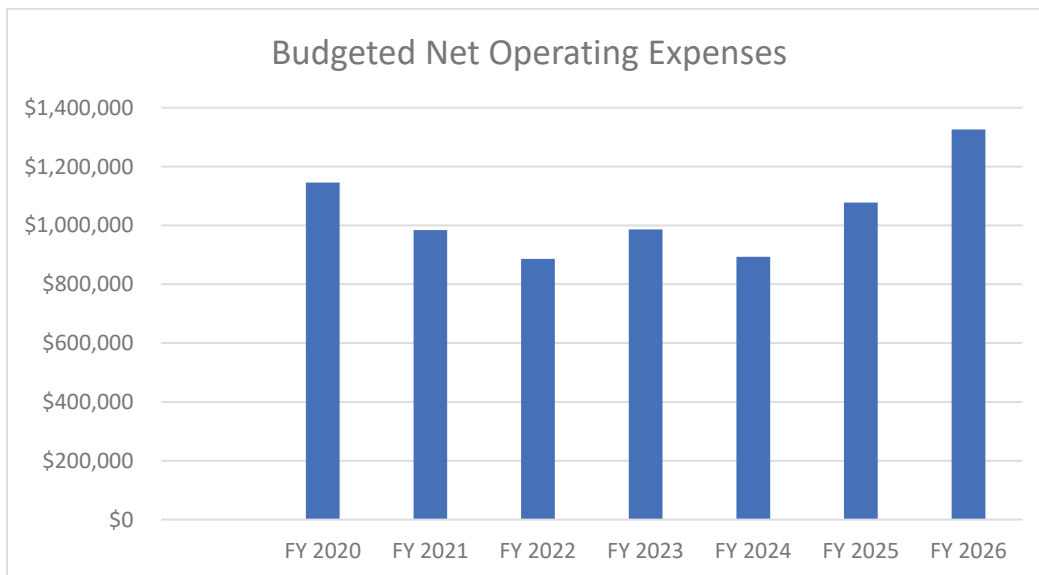
PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026

Attachment D includes the proposed Budget for FY 2025-2026 as recommended by the Finance Committee, for consideration and adoption by the full commission. The Finance Committee conducted a thorough review of the work plan and budget and recognized the public benefit of LAFCO's work and the high demand for LAFCO's services from local agencies and the public. The Committee maintained its

commitment to ensure adequate resources that allow the Commission to fulfill its statutory responsibilities and accomplish its work plan while also limiting costs for LAFCO's funding agencies.

The overall projected expenditure for FY 2026 (\$1,464,666) in the proposed budget is 14% higher than the current year budgeted expenses (\$1,280,912). This increase in expenditures is largely due to the increase in the cost of salaries and benefits due to a position promotion that occurred in August 2024.

However, LAFCO's proposed net operating expense for FY 2026 is approximately 26% higher than the FY 2025 budgeted net operating expense. The primary reason for this is because the remaining fund balance (\$63,997) at the end of this year is at its lowest level in years. Since September 2023, the LAFCO office has been fully staffed with 4.0 FTEs and has not benefited from salary savings realized in previous years. Additionally, over the past two years, we have adopted more precise budgeting practices. As a result, year-end fund balances have been significantly smaller. This translates to a trend, starting in FY 2025, of rising operating expenses. While we began the current year with a slightly higher fund balance than anticipated, it has helped offset the additional expenditures from the increase in salary and benefits due to the unanticipated promotion.



DESCRIPTION OF FY 2024-2025 BUDGET LINE ITEMS

LAFCO and the County of Santa Clara entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) (effective since July 2001), under the terms of which, the County provides staffing, facilities, and services to LAFCO. The associated costs are reflected in the proposed LAFCO budget. LAFCO is a stand-alone, separate fund within the County's accounting and budget system and the LAFCO budget information is formatted using the County's account descriptions/codes.

The following is a detailed itemization of the proposed budget.

EXPENDITURES

Expenditures are divided into two main sections: Staff Salaries and Benefits (Object 1) which comprise approximately 68% of the total expenditures; and Services and Supplies (Object 2).

OBJECT 1. SALARIES AND BENEFITS \$994,427

This line item supports the salaries and benefits for the 4.0 FTE positions including the Executive Officer position, a Senior Analyst position, an Analyst position, and a Clerk position. All four positions are currently staffed. LAFCO contracts with the County of Santa Clara for staffing and services and in accordance with the MOU between the County and LAFCO, all four positions are staffed through the County Executive's Office. The proposed amount is based on the best available projections from the County at this time for salaries and benefits for the 4 positions. Any changes to the projections for the four positions that may occur within the next couple of months will be reflected in the Final LAFCO budget.

OBJECT 2. SERVICES AND SUPPLIES

5255100 Intra-County Professional \$12,000

This includes the costs for services from various County agencies such as the County Surveyor's Office, the County Assessors' Office, and the Registrar of Voters. The County Surveyor assists with map review and approval for boundary change proposals. In addition, the Surveyor's Office also assists with research to resolve boundary discrepancies. The County Assessor's Office prepares reports for LAFCO and the Registrar of Voters provides data necessary for processing LAFCO applications. This item also allows LAFCO to seek GIS mapping services including support and technical assistance from the County Planning Office, as necessary. This item also includes the approximate annual cost (\$7,806) associated with webcasting the regular LAFCO meetings held in the County Board of Supervisors Chambers. In February 2021, LAFCO and the County entered into an MOU regarding webcasting services and associated costs for LAFCO meetings. As a result of the pandemic and virtual meetings, webcasting of LAFCO meetings did not begin until April 2023.

5255800 Legal Counsel \$85,780

This item covers the cost for general legal services.

In February 2009, the Commission retained the firm of Best Best & Krieger for legal services on a monthly retainer. The contract was amended in 2010 to reduce the number of total hours required to 240 hours per year. The contract sets the hourly rate and allows for an annual automatic adjustment to the rates based on the Consumer Price Index (CPI). In 2017, the contract was once again amended to increase the monthly retainer cost and limit the CEQA work within the retainer to 24 hours annually. Any additional CEQA work above 24 hours would be charged outside the retainer at the same hourly rate.

The monthly retainer for FY 2026 increases to \$7,068, based on a 2.8% increase in the Consumer Price Index for the prior calendar year (2024). This item covers the annual retainer fees and includes additional monies to cover approximately 10 hours of work outside the retainer at the hourly rate of \$395.

5255500 Consultant Services \$175,000

This item is budgeted for hiring consultants to assist LAFCO with special projects such as for conducting service reviews and special studies, facilitating a strategic planning workshop, and scanning LAFCO's hardcopy records into the existing electronic document management system, among others. The Commission must take action to authorize such special projects prior to expending funds. This item also includes costs associated with ongoing contracts such as costs for the maintenance and hosting of the LAFCO website by an outside provider; for the contract with an independent financial auditor for conducting the annual financial audits of LAFCO, for a consultant to develop and implement a new LAFCO database.

5285700 Meal Claims \$1,000

This item includes cost of food to support Commission events, workshops, meetings.

5220200 Insurance \$8,000

This item is for the purpose of purchasing general liability insurance and workers' compensation coverage for LAFCO. In 2010, LAFCO switched from the County's coverage to the Special District Risk Management Authority (SDRMA), for the provision of general liability insurance. Additionally, LAFCO also obtains workers' compensation coverage for its commissioners from SDRMA. Workers' compensation for LAFCO staff is currently covered by the County and is part of the payroll charge.

The estimates for FY 2026 were not available from SDRMA as of writing this report. The Final budget will reflect any major revisions to these estimates.

5270100 Rent & Lease \$58,106

This item includes FY 2026 monthly rent for LAFCO office space located at 777 North First Street, Suite 420, San Jose. The original lease term for the office space expired on May 5, 2022. At its February 2, 2022 meeting, the Commission authorized the extension of the lease for a five-year period through April 30, 2027.

5250100 Office Expenses \$5,000

This item includes funds for purchase of books, subscriptions/publications necessary to keep current on laws and trends; and small equipment and supplies for office operations, including printer/photocopier lease.

5255650 Data Processing Services \$24,443

This item includes estimated costs associated with County Technology Solutions & Services Department (TSS) providing IT services to the LAFCO program. According to TSS, the projected costs cover Telecom services for 5 phones- VOIP/Landline (\$2,280), Wireless Carrier Service (\$912), enterprise licensing including MS Adobe special order, Acrobat Pro and MS Visio monthly subscription (\$3,416), and other services (\$17,845) comprising Enterprise Content Management services and

solutions, Kronos support, Architecture and Innovation Services, Claranet services, Data Analytics and Visualizations, digital print and sccLearn. Any further revised cost estimates received from the County will be reflected in the Final LAFCO budget.

5225500 Commissioner's Fees \$10,000

This item covers the \$100 per diem amount for LAFCO commissioners and alternate commissioners to attend LAFCO meetings and committee meetings.

5260100 Publications and Legal Notices \$1,000

This item is for costs associated with publication of hearing notices for LAFCO applications and other projects/ studies, as required by state law. This budgeted amount has been maintained at the same level as the current year.

5245100 Membership Dues \$15,000

This item includes CALAFCO – the California Association of LAFCOs membership dues. At its meeting in December 2023, the CALAFCO Board voted to approve a 3.1% rate adjustment to account for the CPI increase (June 2023 to June 2024), in accordance with the CALAFCO Bylaws. The FY 2026 membership dues for Santa Clara LAFCO is \$12,921.

Additionally, this item includes estimated membership dues for CSDA – the California Special Districts Association. In June 2018, CSDA informed that Santa Clara LAFCO as a customer of SDRMA, must be a member of CSDA pursuant to SDRMA bylaws.

5250750 Printing and Reproduction \$1,500

This covers printing expenses for reports such as service reviews or other studies and documents.

5285800 Business Travel \$21,000

This item includes funding for staff and commissioners to attend conferences and workshops. It would cover costs of air travel, accommodation, conference registration and other expenses at the conferences. CALAFCO annually holds a Staff Workshop (Location TBD, April 2026) and an Annual Conference (San Diego, October 2025) that is attended by commissioners as well as staff.

5285300 Private Automobile Mileage \$1,000

This item provides for mileage reimbursement when staff travels by private car to conduct site visits and attend meetings / training sessions. This budgeted amount has been maintained at the same level as the current year.

5285200 Transportation and Travel (for use of County car) \$600

This item would cover costs associated with the use of a County vehicle for travel to conferences, workshops, site visits and meetings.

5281600 Overhead \$37,324

This overhead charge is established by the County Controller's Office, for service rendered by various County departments that do not directly bill LAFCO. The overhead includes LAFCO's share of the County's FY 2026 Cost Allocation Plan

which is based on actual overhead costs from FY 2024 – the most recent year for which actual costs are available. The overhead amount includes the following charges from:

County Executive’s Office:	\$5,998
Controller-Treasurer:	\$10,157
Employee Services Agency:	\$10,877
OBA:	\$423
BHS-MH - Employee:	\$62
TSS Intragovernmental Service:	\$1,196
Technology Services & Solutions:	\$1,354
Procurement:	\$124
Equal Opp. (County Counsel):	\$1,468
CoB – Harvey Rose Mgt Audit:	\$34

Further, a “roll forward” is applied which is calculated by comparing FY 2024 Cost Plan estimates with FY 2024 actuals. The FY 2024 cost estimates were lower than the actuals by \$4,746; this amount is added to the FY 2026 Cost Plan. This is a state requirement.

5275200 Computer Hardware \$4,000

This item is designated for any required hardware upgrades / purchases.

5250800 Computer Software \$4,000

This amount is designated for computer software purchases, including annual licenses for GIS software (ArcGIS) and records management software (Laserfiche) with 2 hours of online/onsite support.

5250250 Postage \$500

This amount covers postage costs for mailing notices, agendas, agenda packets and general correspondence.

5252100 Training Programs \$2,000

This item covers the costs associated with attendance at commissioner / staff professional development courses and seminars. CALAFCO conducts University Courses throughout the year on topics of relevance to LAFCO.

REVENUES

4103400 Application Fees \$25,000

It is anticipated that LAFCO will receive approximately \$25,000 in fees from processing applications. The actual amount earned from fees corresponds to the level of application activity.

4301100 Interest \$10,000

It is estimated that LAFCO will receive an amount of approximately \$10,000 from interest earned on LAFCO funds.

3400150 Fund Balance from Previous Fiscal Year (i.e., FY 2025) \$63,997

It is projected that there will be a savings or fund balance of approximately \$63,997 at the end of the current year, which will be carried over to reduce the proposed Fiscal Year 2026 costs for LAFCO's funding agencies (cities, independent special districts and the County).

Projected Year-End [FY 2025] Fund Balance = (Projected Year-End [FY 25] Revenue + Actual Fund Balance from Previous Fiscal Year [FY 24] + Funds Received from Local Agencies in FY 25) - (Projected Year-End [FY 25] Expenses)

$$= (\$41,074 + \$237,891 + \$1,077,611) - \$1,292,579$$

$$= \$63,997$$

The fund balance excludes the reserves.

RESERVES

3400800 Reserves Available \$200,000

This item includes reserves for two purposes: litigation reserve – for use if LAFCO is involved with any litigation; and contingency reserve – to be used for unexpected expenses. If used during the year, this account will be replenished in the following year. Since 2012, the reserves have been retained in a separate Reserves account, thus eliminating the need for LAFCO to budget each year for this purpose.

The Reserves amount was held at \$250,000 since FY 2020 to timely implement potential recommendations from the Comprehensive Organizational Assessment, and as a tentative measure in recognition that LAFCO operates in an increasingly complex and controversial environment.

In FY 2022, LAFCO reduced the Reserves from \$250,000 to \$200,000, in order to further reduce costs to local agencies given the COVID -19 related economic hardships; and has maintained the reserve level at \$200,000 since then. The Finance Committee recommends maintaining the current level of reserves for FY 2026. This places the proposed Reserve amount at approximately 14% of the total FY 2026 expenditures. LAFCO has not adopted a Reserves policy, however as an independent agency, LAFCO should maintain sufficient reserves for flexibility and stability in the event of unanticipated needs.

FY 2026 NET OPERATING EXPENSES

FY 2026 Net Operating Expenses = (Proposed FY 2026 Expenditures) - (Proposed FY 2026 Fee & Interest Revenues + Projected Fund Balance from FY 2025)

$$= (\$1,464,666) - (\$35,000 + \$63,997)$$

$$= \$1,365,669$$

The projected operating expense for FY 2026 is based on projected expenditures and revenues as well as on estimated fund balance for the current year. Further revisions may be needed as we get a better indication of current year expenses/revenues towards the end of this fiscal year. Additionally, a more accurate projection of costs/revenues for the upcoming fiscal year could become available, particularly for employee salary and benefits. This could result in changes to the proposed net operating expenses for FY 2026 which will be reflected in the Final budget and which could in turn impact the costs for each of LAFCO's funding agencies.

COST APPORTIONMENT TO CITIES, INDEPENDENT SPECIAL DISTRICTS AND COUNTY

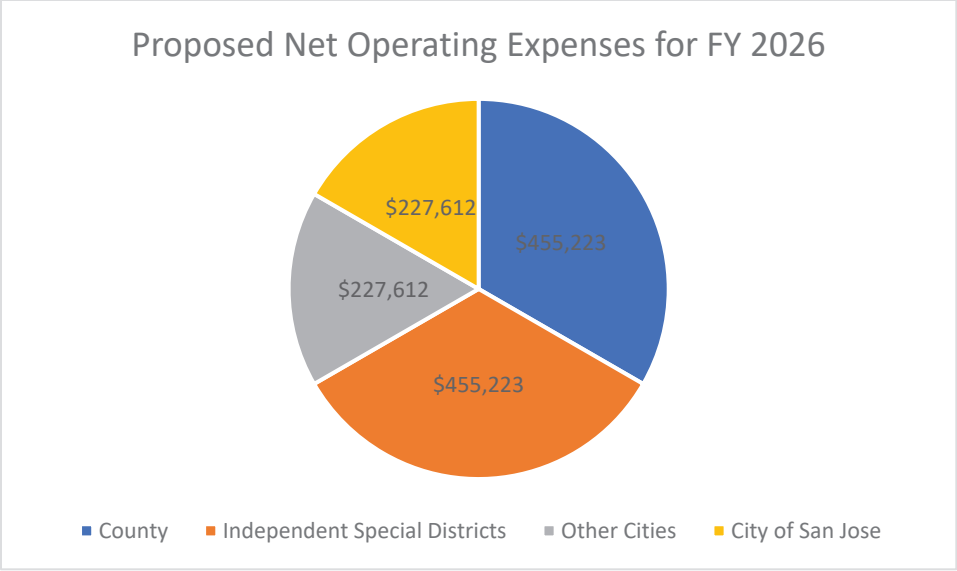
In January 2013, independent special districts were seated on LAFCO. Government Code §56381(b)(1)(A) provides that when independent special districts are represented on LAFCO, the county, cities and independent special districts must each provide a one-third share of LAFCO's operational budget.

The City of San Jose has permanent membership on LAFCO pursuant to Government Code Section 56327. As required by Government Code §56381.6(b), the City of San Jose's share of LAFCO costs must be in the same proportion as its member bears to the total membership on the commission, excluding the public member. The remaining cities' share must be apportioned in proportion to each city's total revenues, as reported in the most recent edition of the Cities Annual Report published by the Controller, as a percentage of the combined city revenues within a county.

Government Code Section §56381 provides that the independent special districts' share shall be apportioned in proportion to each district's total revenues as a percentage of the combined total district revenues within a county. The Santa Clara County Special Districts Association (SDA), at its August 13, 2012 meeting, adopted an alternative formula for distributing the independent special districts' share to individual districts. The SDA's agreement requires each district's cost to be based on a fixed percentage of the total independent special districts' share.

Therefore, in Santa Clara County, the County pays a third of LAFCO's operational costs, the independent special districts pay a third, the City of San Jose pays one sixth and the remaining cities pay one sixth. Government Code §56381(c) requires the County Auditor to request payment from the cities, independent special districts and the County no later than July 1 of each year for the amount each agency owes based on the net operating expenses of the Commission and the actual administrative costs incurred by the Auditor in apportioning costs and requesting payment.

The following is a draft apportionment to the agencies based on the proposed net operating expenses for FY 2026.



Apportionment of the costs among the 14 cities and among the 17 independent special districts will be calculated by the County Controller’s Office after LAFCO adopts the final budget in June. In order to provide each of the cities and districts with a general indication of their costs in advance, **Attachment E** includes draft estimated apportionments, based on the proposed FY 2026 net operating expenses and the FY 2022-2023 Cities Annual Report from the State Controller’s Office. The final apportionments will be prepared by the County Controller’s Office based on the latest available Cities Annual Report.

ATTACHMENTS

- Attachment A: Status of FY 2025 Work Plan
- Attachment B: LAFCO Financials 2008-2024
- Attachment C: Proposed Work Plan for Fiscal Year 2026
- Attachment D: Proposed LAFCO Budget for Fiscal Year 2026
- Attachment E: Estimated FY 2026 Costs to Agencies

STATUS OF CURRENT YEAR WORK PLAN (FISCAL YEAR 2025)

PRIORITY* H - High Priority (essential activities: state mandate, Commission directive, requirements)
 M - Medium Priority (important, provided resources allow or time permits)
 L - Low Priority (desirable provided resources allow or time permits, not urgent)

	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	ACTIVITIES / TIMELINE	RESOURCES	PRIORITY*	STATUS
LAFCO APPLICATIONS	Process applicant-initiated LAFCO proposals	Encourage pre-application meetings prior to application submittal Conduct pre-agenda meetings with County Depts to obtain Assessor & Surveyor reports, as needed Process applications per CKH Act: issue Notice of Application, Certificate of Filing / Sufficiency, Public Hearing Notice, staff report, conduct protest proceedings, as needed	Staff	H	Several pre-application meetings held (districts reorganization, mutual water company consolidation) Processing a reorganization application
	Comment on potential LAFCO applications, relevant projects & development proposals, city General Plan updates and/ or related environmental documents	Ongoing, as needed	Staff	H	Ongoing (comment letter re. a private water company service area expansion)
	Comprehensive review and update LAFCO policies for context, clarity and consistency with State law	In progress	Staff / Ad Hoc Committee	H	Phase 1 completed in December 2024 Phase 2 will begin soon
	Develop agricultural worker housing policies	Completed as part of Phase 1		H	December 2024
	Prepare flowcharts for LAFCO processes and update application packets and application fee schedules for current requirements and ease of public use	Upon completion of policies update	Staff	L	Internal application processing checklists updated

STATUS OF CURRENT YEAR WORK PLAN (FISCAL YEAR 2025)

	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	ACTIVITIES / TIMELINE	RESOURCES	PRIORITY*	STATUS
ISLAND ANNEXATIONS	Conduct outreach to cities with islands, follow up on responses including review/research of city limits/ USA boundaries, provide assistance with annexations or necessary USA amendments	Prepare and distribute island maps to cities	Staff	L	As needed
	Review and finalize city-conducted island annexations	Ongoing, as needed	Staff	H	As needed
OUTREACH, GOVERNMENT / COMMUNITY RELATIONS & CUSTOMER SERVICE	Conduct outreach to increase awareness of LAFCO's role	<p>Presentations on LAFCO to cities, other agencies or organizations, focus on South County communities, as relevant</p> <p>Distribute LAFCO communications material to elected officials and staff of cities, special districts and the County</p> <p>Seek exhibit opportunities at public spaces / events</p> <p>Maintain website as the primary information resource on LAFCO</p> <p>Increase social media presence</p>	Staff	<p>L</p> <p>M</p> <p>L</p> <p>H</p> <p>L</p>	<p>Presentations provided upon request: Leadership Sunnyvale (12/24), Leadership Morgan Hill (3/25)</p> <p>Ongoing</p> <p>Website updated</p>
	Engage and establish relationships with local (cities, districts, county), regional (ABAG/MTC), state (SGC, OPR, DoC, SWRCB) agencies, organizations such as SDA, SCCAPO, CALAFCO, other stakeholder groups	<p>Attend regular meetings of SDA (quarterly), SCCAPO (monthly), County Planning Dept.(quarterly)</p> <p>Small water systems issues / legislation</p> <p>Collaborate with agencies and entities with goals common to LAFCO</p>	Staff	<p>M</p> <p>M</p> <p>M</p>	<p>Ongoing</p> <p>Ongoing meetings</p>
	Track LAFCO related legislation	EO attend CALAFCO Legislative Committee Meetings	Staff	L	AB 3277
		Commission takes positions and submit letters on proposed legislation		M	SB1209

STATUS OF CURRENT YEAR WORK PLAN (FISCAL YEAR 2025)

	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	ACTIVITIES / TIMELINE	RESOURCES	PRIORITY*	STATUS
	Respond to public enquiries re. LAFCO policies, procedures and application filing requirements	Timely response to public inquiries Update the PRA form for the website Document research on complex inquiries Report to Commission on complex inquiries	Staff	H L L H	Ongoing
SERVICE REVIEWS, SPECIAL STUDIES & SPHERE OF INFLUENCE UPDATES	Countywide Fire Service Review	Follow up with agencies on implementation of recommendations and report back to the commission	Staff	H	First round completed, ongoing for Table B recommendations
	Countywide Water and Wastewater Service Review	Develop water/wastewater service review workplan and identify method for consultant selection	Staff	M	Upon completion of service review policies revision in Phase 2
	Continue to monitor implementation of recommendations from previous service reviews and conduct special studies, as necessary	RRRPD study – city took action to delay decision on consolidation	Staff	L	Pending city action
	Map Mutual Water companies	Initial maps complete, further work through service review	Staff	L	As needed
	Engage in or support grant/partnership opportunities on issues related to enhancing viability of agriculture, and climate smart growth	As needed, and as opportunities arise	Staff	L	As needed
	Compile and post JPA filings on the LAFCO website	Notice provided, gather JPA information through service review process	Staff	L	JPA information obtained from Fire Service Review

STATUS OF CURRENT YEAR WORK PLAN (FISCAL YEAR 2025)

	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	ACTIVITIES / TIMELINE	RESOURCES	PRIORITY*	STATUS
COMMISSION SUPPORT	Provide ongoing support to the 12 commissioners for regularly scheduled Commission meetings, special meetings and Committee meetings (Finance Committee, Ad Hoc Committee on Policies and the Fire Service Review TAC)	<p>Prepare and distribute public hearing notices and agenda packets, provide staff support during the meetings, record minutes, broadcast meetings</p> <p>Hold pre-agenda review meeting with Chair</p> <p>Hold pre-meeting calls with individual commissioners to address agenda item questions</p> <p>Process commissioner per diems for attendance at LAFCO meetings</p>	Staff	H	<p>Ongoing</p> <p>Began webcasting LAFCO meetings in June 2023</p>
	Keep the Commission informed	<p>EO report, off-agenda emails, as needed</p> <p>Provide ongoing educational opportunities / events including presentation from local agencies</p>	Staff	H	Ongoing
	Onboarding new Commissioners	<p>Facilitate filing / completion of Form 700, commissioner pledge, ethics training.</p> <p>Update LAFCO letterhead, directory, and website</p> <p>Set up vendor accounts, provide parking permits</p> <p>Conduct new Commissioner orientation</p> <p>Recognize outgoing commissioners for service on LAFCO</p>	Staff	H	Ongoing - as needed

STATUS OF CURRENT YEAR WORK PLAN (FISCAL YEAR 2025)

	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	ACTIVITIES / TIMELINE	RESOURCES	PRIORITY*	STATUS
	Commissioners Selection Process	Inform appointing bodies of any upcoming vacancies and provide information on appointment criteria Convene ISDSC committee meeting, as necessary Coordinate public member selection process, as necessary	Staff	H	Cities Selection Committee appointments in January 2025 ISDSC to be convened in April – May 2025
	Conduct a Strategic Planning Workshop	2018 Workshop re. LAFCO Communications and Outreach Plan	Staff / Consultant	L	TBD
	Commissioner participation in CALAFCO	Support commissioner participation in CALAFCO activities / or election to the CALAFCO Board	Staff	L	Attended CALAFCO Annual Conference Commissioner participated as moderator for a general session
ADMINISTRATIVE PROJECTS	Prepare LAFCO annual work plan	March –June 2025	Staff	H	In progress
	Prepare LAFCO annual budget	March –June 2025	Staff	H	In progress
	Prepare LAFCO Annual Report	August 2024	Staff	H	Completed in October 2024
	Prepare LAFCO Annual Financial Audit	August 2024	Consultant / Staff	H	Completed in February 2025
	Office / facility management	Coordinate with Building Manager on facilities issues Coordinate with County re. computers/network, phone, printers, office security, procurement, installation & maintenance Order and manage office supplies	Staff	H	Ongoing

STATUS OF CURRENT YEAR WORK PLAN (FISCAL YEAR 2025)

	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	ACTIVITIES / TIMELINE	RESOURCES	PRIORITY*	STATUS
ADMINISTRATIVE PROJECTS		Make travel arrangements and process expense reimbursements. Process mileage reimbursements Office space lease extended (lease extended through April 30, 2027)			
	Records management	Organize scan of LAFCO records to Electronic Document Management System (LaserFische) Maintain LAFCO's hard copy records Maintain and enhance the LAFCO Website Maintain LAFCO database	Staff/ Consultant Staff	H H H H	On hold Website content updates completed Service agreement with Assura to develop a database to track public inquiries, manage contacts directory, process applications
	Contracts and payments & receivables	Track consultant contracts and approve invoices Approve vendor invoices / process annual payments for various services/ memberships Coordinate with County Controller's Office and track annual collection of payments from member agencies	Staff	H	Ongoing
	Review and update LAFCO bylaws / administrative policies and procedures	Ongoing, as needed	Staff	H	Ongoing, and part of Phase 2 policies revision

STATUS OF CURRENT YEAR WORK PLAN (FISCAL YEAR 2025)

	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	ACTIVITIES / TIMELINE	RESOURCES	PRIORITY*	STATUS
	Staff training and development	CALAFCO workshops, conferences, relevant courses	Staff	M	Served on CALAFCO Conference Planning Committee (10/24), coordinated session on environmental justice Served on Workshop Planning Committee (4/25), coordinating session on island annexations
		Training of new LAFCO Clerk		H	Ongoing
		Implementation of the work plan for staff professional development		H	Ongoing
	Coordinate with County on administrative issues	Attend monthly meetings with the Deputy County Executive	Staff	H	Ongoing
	Staff performance evaluation	April – December 2024	Staff/Commission	H	Completed in February 2025
	Other administrative functions mandated of a public agency (Form 700 annual filing & AB 1234 training compliance, Form 806, maintaining liability/workers comp insurance, etc.)	Ongoing	Staff	H	Ongoing

ITEM # 6
Attachment B

FY 2008 - FY 2024 LAFCO FINANCIALS

ITEM NO.	TITLE	ACTUALS FY 2008	ACTUALS FY 2009	ACTUALS FY 2010	ACTUALS FY 2011	ACTUALS FY 2012	ACTUALS FY 2013	ACTUALS FY 2014	ACTUALS FY 2015	ACTUALS FY 2016	ACTUALS FY 2017	ACTUALS FY 2018	ACTUALS FY 2019	ACTUALS FY 2020	ACTUALS FY 2021	ACTUALS FY 2022	ACTUALS FY 2023	ACTUALS FY 2024
EXPENDITURES																		
	Salary and Benefits	\$356,009	\$400,259	\$406,650	\$413,966	\$393,194	\$411,929	\$450,751	\$466,755	\$484,216	\$514,381	\$628,534	\$713,900	\$744,439	\$730,716	\$639,099	\$697,700	\$823,668
Object 2:	Services and Supplies																	
5255100	Intra-County Professional	\$66,085	\$57,347	\$13,572	\$4,532	\$6,118	\$5,260	\$5,663	\$4,379	\$18,523	\$1,292	\$703	\$3,593	\$346	\$201	\$354	\$3,785	\$9,107
5255800	Legal Counsel	\$0	\$9,158	\$67,074	\$52,440	\$48,741	\$56,791	\$53,550	\$52,854	\$57,498	\$71,131	\$59,400	\$72,276	\$69,975	\$65,791	\$78,977	\$78,326	\$80,945
5255500	Consultant Services	\$19,372	\$75,000	\$76,101	\$58,060	\$102,349	\$59,563	\$35,602	\$37,250	\$39,625	\$0	\$45,000	\$52,650	\$106,709	\$41,966	\$25,389	\$106,867	\$55,742
5285700	Meal Claims	\$0	\$368	\$277	\$288	\$379	\$91	\$228	\$209	\$367	\$50	\$901	\$257	\$166	\$0	\$56	\$1,473	\$273
5220100	Insurance	\$491	\$559	\$550	\$4,582	\$4,384	\$4,378	\$4,231	\$4,338	\$4,135	\$4,679	\$4,893	\$5,296	\$5,893	\$10,452	\$8,591	\$7,042	\$14,982
1151	Office Expenses	\$1,056	\$354	\$716	\$639	\$1,212	\$536	\$850	\$783	\$6,266	\$48,632	\$15,412	\$4,702	\$2,544	\$1,151	\$1,462	\$2,211	\$3,878
5270100	Rent and Lease											\$41,120	\$39,360	\$44,478	\$46,254	\$47,903	\$53,172	\$54,766
5255650	Data Processing Services	\$8,361	\$3,692	\$3,505	\$1,633	\$3,384	\$1,663	\$3,311	\$9,024	\$1,519	\$6,869	\$877	\$11,894	\$15,500	\$21,223	\$18,125	\$27,297	\$24,183
5225500	Commissioners' Fee	\$5,700	\$5,400	\$3,500	\$3,400	\$4,000	\$4,900	\$5,800	\$4,900	\$6,700	\$5,300	\$5,400	\$5,000	\$4,600	\$6,100	\$4,200	\$4,500	\$6,300
5260100	Publications and Legal Notices	\$1,151	\$563	\$1,526	\$363	\$916	\$222	\$378	\$2,484	\$487	\$191	\$145	\$192	\$44	\$90	\$704	\$470	\$134
5245100	Membership Dues	\$5,500	\$7,000	\$7,000	\$7,000	\$7,000	\$14,473	\$0	\$7,428	\$7,577	\$8,107	\$8,674	\$9,615	\$11,822	\$12,144	\$12,316	\$12,921	\$13,936
5250750	Printing and Reproduction	\$5	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$9	\$177	\$703	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$799	\$0	\$0	\$435	\$202
5285800	Business Travel	\$7,238	\$8,415	\$4,133	\$8,309	\$3,095	\$4,777	\$5,800	\$4,042	\$5,811	\$3,877	\$13,091	\$4,260	\$6,908	\$0	\$0	\$4,933	\$12,612
5285300	Private Automobile Mileage	\$1,016	\$704	\$832	\$1,185	\$615	\$424	\$409	\$396	\$1,009	\$1,264	\$590	\$689	\$696	\$61	\$0	\$42	\$542
5285200	Transportation&Travel (County Car Usage	\$894	\$948	\$629	\$0	\$384	\$250	\$371	\$293	\$559	\$605	\$0	\$328	\$256	\$0	\$0	\$323	\$0
5281600	Overhead	\$42,492	\$62,391	\$49,077	\$46,626	\$60,647	\$43,133	\$42,192	\$34,756	\$49,452	\$0	\$28,437	\$69,944	\$4,505	\$30,917	\$49,173	\$30,041	\$20,346
5275200	Computer Hardware	\$0	\$451	\$0	\$83	\$2,934	\$1,791	\$2,492	\$0	\$106	\$0	\$0	\$773	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
5250800	Computer Software	\$0	\$0	\$626	\$314	\$579	\$3,124	\$933	\$1,833	\$2,079	\$754	\$4,505	\$3,012	\$1,200	\$4,708	\$1,753	\$1,843	\$1,203
5250250	Postage	\$1,160	\$416	\$219	\$568	\$309	\$589	\$246	\$597	\$411	\$209	\$183	\$117	\$73	\$184	\$159	\$42	\$30
5252100	Staff Training Programs	\$0	\$665	\$491	\$250	\$300	\$0	\$0	\$1,431	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$350	\$525	\$70	\$70	\$35	\$0
5701000	Reserves	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		\$516,530	\$633,691	\$636,478	\$604,238	\$640,540	\$613,895	\$612,816	\$633,929	\$687,043	\$667,342	\$857,865	\$998,208	\$1,021,478	\$972,028	\$888,331	\$1,033,458	\$1,122,849
REVENUES																		
4103400	Application Fees	\$46,559	\$41,680	\$35,576	\$48,697	\$37,426	\$45,458	\$63,561	\$27,386	\$146,168	\$20,436	\$29,864	\$33,049	\$7,587	\$34,622	\$41,847	\$19,637	\$27,615
4301100	Interest: Deposits and Investments	\$24,456	\$16,230	\$6,688	\$4,721	\$4,248	\$3,416	\$2,674	\$2,844	\$6,073	\$10,830	\$12,620	\$12,141	\$18,176	\$10,488	\$7,831	\$25,401	\$32,352
TOTAL REVENUES		\$71,015	\$57,911	\$42,264	\$53,418	\$41,674	\$48,873	\$66,235	\$30,230	\$152,241	\$31,266	\$42,484	\$45,190	\$25,763	\$45,110	\$49,678	\$45,038	\$59,967
AVAILABLE FUND BALANCE																		
3400150	END OF YEAR	\$271,033	\$368,800	\$334,567	\$275,605	\$209,987	\$208,219	\$160,052	\$226,111	\$187,310	\$293,489	\$331,177	\$314,693	\$352,123	\$312,351	\$410,027	\$407,583	\$237,891
3400800	RESERVES AVAILABLE				\$100,000	\$100,000	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$250,000	\$250,000	\$200,000	\$200,000	\$200,000
BUDGETED COSTS TO AGENCIES																		
5440200	County	\$271,641	\$270,896	\$267,657	\$292,601	\$298,597	\$281,780	\$156,002	\$187,521	\$220,668	\$225,778	\$266,298	\$277,942	\$381,904	\$327,928	\$295,443	\$328,658	\$297,729
4600100	Cities (San Jose 50% +other cities 50%)	\$271,641	\$270,896	\$267,657	\$292,601	\$298,597	\$282,625	\$156,002	\$187,521	\$220,668	\$225,778	\$266,298	\$277,942	\$381,904	\$327,928	\$295,443	\$328,658	\$297,729
4600100	Independent Special Districts							\$296,892	\$187,521	\$220,668	\$225,778	\$266,298	\$277,942	\$381,904	\$327,928	\$295,443	\$328,658	\$297,729

PROPOSED WORK PLAN FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026

PRIORITY* H - High Priority (essential activities: state mandate, Commission directive, requirements)
M - Medium Priority (important, provided resources allow or time permits)
L - Low Priority (desirable provided resources allow or time permits, not urgent)

	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	ACTIVITIES / TIMELINE	RESOURCES	PRIORITY*
LAFCO APPLICATIONS	Process applicant-initiated LAFCO proposals	Encourage pre-application meetings prior to application submittal Conduct pre-agenda meetings with County Depts. to obtain Assessor & Surveyor reports, as needed Process applications per CKH Act requirements: issue Notice of Application, Certificate of Filing / Sufficiency, Public Hearing Notice, staff report, conduct protest proceedings, as needed	Staff	H
	Comment on potential LAFCO applications, relevant projects & development proposals, city General Plan updates and/ or related environmental documents	Ongoing, as needed	Staff	H
	Comprehensive review and update of LAFCO policies for context, clarity and consistency with State law – Phase 2	Develop a Phase 2 workplan /timeline for commission consideration	Staff	H
	Prepare flowcharts for LAFCO processes and update application packets and application fee schedules for current requirements and ease of public use	Upon completion of policies update	Staff	L
ISLAND ANNEXATIONS	Conduct outreach to cities with islands, follow up on responses including review/research of city limits/ USA boundaries, and provide assistance with annexations or necessary USA amendments	Prepare and distribute island maps to cities	Staff	L
	Review and finalize city-conducted island annexations	Ongoing, as needed	Staff	H

PROPOSED WORK PLAN FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026

	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	ACTIVITIES / TIMELINE	RESOURCES	PRIORITY*
OUTREACH, GOVERNMENT / COMMUNITY RELATIONS & CUSTOMER SERVICE	Conduct outreach to increase awareness of LAFCO's role	Presentations on LAFCO to cities, other agencies or organizations, as relevant	Staff	M
		Distribute LAFCO communications material to elected officials and staff of cities, special districts and the County		M
		Seek exhibit opportunities at public spaces / events		L
		Maintain website as the primary information resource on LAFCO		H
	Engage and establish relationships with local (cities, districts, county), regional (ABAG/MTC), state (SGC, OPR, DoC, SWRCB) agencies, organizations such as SDA, SCCAPO, CALAFCO, other stakeholder groups	Attend regular meetings of SDA (quarterly), SCCAPO (monthly), and County Planning Dept. (quarterly)	Staff	M
		Small water systems issues / legislation		M
		Collaborate with agencies and entities with goals common to LAFCO		M
	Track LAFCO related legislation	Commission takes positions and submits letters on proposed legislation	Staff	M
	Respond to public inquiries re. LAFCO policies, procedures and application filing requirements	Timely response to public inquiries	Staff	H
		Update the PRA form for the website		L
		Document research on complex inquiries		L
		Report to Commission on complex inquiries		H

PROPOSED WORK PLAN FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026

	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	ACTIVITIES / TIMELINE	RESOURCES	PRIORITY*
SERVICE REVIEWS, SPECIAL STUDIES & SPHERE OF INFLUENCE UPDATES	Countywide Fire Service Review	Work with interested agencies on implementing recommendations requiring LAFCO action (Table B Recommendations)	Staff	H
	Countywide Water and Wastewater Service Review	Develop water/wastewater service review workplan and identify method for consultant selection	Staff	M
	Continue to monitor implementation of recommendations from previous service reviews and conduct special studies, as necessary	RRRPD study – city took action to delay decision on consolidation	Staff	L
	Map Mutual Water companies	Initial maps complete, further through service review	Staff	L
	Engage in or support grant / partnership opportunities on issues related to enhancing viability of agriculture, and climate smart growth	As needed, and as opportunities arise	Staff	L
	Compile and post JPA filings on the LAFCO website	Notice provided, gather JPA information through service review process	Staff	L

PROPOSED WORK PLAN FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026

	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	ACTIVITIES / TIMELINE	RESOURCES	PRIORITY*
COMMISSION SUPPORT	Provide ongoing support to the 12 commissioners for regularly scheduled Commission meetings, special meetings and Committee meetings (Finance Committee, Technical Advisory Committees or Ad-Hoc Committees)	<p>Prepare and distribute public hearing notices and agenda packets, provide staff support during the meetings, record minutes, broadcast meetings</p> <p>Hold pre-agenda review meeting with Chair</p> <p>Hold pre-meeting calls with individual commissioners to address agenda item questions and prepare meeting script for Chair</p> <p>Process commissioner per diems for attendance at LAFCO meetings</p>	Staff	H
	Keep the Commission informed	<p>EO report</p> <p>Off-agenda emails, as needed</p> <p>Provide ongoing educational opportunities/events, including presentations from local agencies</p>	Staff	H
	Onboarding new Commissioners	<p>Facilitate filing / completion of Form 700, commissioner pledge, ethics training</p> <p>Update LAFCO letterhead, directory, and website</p> <p>Set up vendor accounts, provide parking permits</p> <p>Conduct new Commissioner orientation</p> <p>Recognize outgoing commissioners for LAFCO service</p> <p>Organize Commissioner / staff Luncheon</p>	Staff	H
	Commissioners Selection Process	<p>Inform appointing bodies of any upcoming vacancies and provide information on appointment criteria</p> <p>Convene ISDSC committee meeting, as necessary</p> <p>Coordinate public member selection process, as necessary</p>	Staff	H
	Commissioner participation in CALAFCO	Support commissioner participation in CALAFCO activities / or election to the CALAFCO Board	Staff	L

PROPOSED WORK PLAN FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026

	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	ACTIVITIES / TIMELINE	RESOURCES	PRIORITY*
ADMINISTRATIVE PROJECTS	Prepare LAFCO annual work plan	March – June 2025	Staff/Finance Committee	H
	Prepare LAFCO annual budget	March – June 2025	Staff/Finance Committee	H
	Prepare LAFCO Annual Report	August 2025	Staff	H
	Conduct a Strategic Planning Workshop	Most recent workshop in 2018 re. LAFCO Communications and Outreach Plan	Staff / Consultant	L
	Prepare LAFCO Annual Financial Audit	October 2025 (Contract with Chavan Associates extended for FY 2024 thru FY 2027)	Consultant / Staff	H
	Office / facility management	Coordinate with Building Manager on facilities issues Coordinate with County re. computers/network, phone, printers, office security, procurement, installation & maintenance Order and manage office supplies Make travel arrangements and process expense reimbursements. Process mileage reimbursements Office space lease through April 30, 2027	Staff	H
	Records management	Organize scan of LAFCO records to Electronic Document Management System (Laserfiche)	Staff/ Consultant	H
		Maintain LAFCO's hard copy records	Staff	H
		Maintain and enhance the LAFCO Website		H
		Maintain LAFCO database		H
	Contracts and payments & receivables	Track consultant contracts and approve invoices Approve vendor invoices / process annual payments for various services/ memberships Coordinate with County Controller's Office and track annual collection of payments from member agencies	Staff	H

PROPOSED WORK PLAN FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026

	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	ACTIVITIES / TIMELINE	RESOURCES	PRIORITY*
ADMINISTRATIVE PROJECTS	Review and update LAFCO bylaws / administrative policies and procedures	Ongoing, as needed, and as part of Phase 2 Policies Revision	Staff	H
	Staff training and development	CALAFCO workshops, conferences, relevant courses	Staff	H
		Implementation of the work plan for staff professional development		H
		Staff retreat for team bonding and staff development		M
	Coordinate with County on administrative issues	Attend monthly meetings with the Deputy County Executive	Staff	H
	Staff and EO performance evaluation	May – December 2025	Staff/Commission	H
	Other administrative functions mandated of a public agency (Form 806, maintaining liability/workers comp insurance, etc.)	Ongoing	Staff	H

PROPOSED LAFCO BUDGET

FISCAL YEAR 2025- 2026

ITEM #	TITLE	APPROVED BUDGET FY 2025	ACTUALS Year to Date 2/25/2025	PROJECTIONS Year End FY 2025	PROPOSED BUDGET FY 2026
EXPENDITURES					
Object 1:	Salary and Benefits	\$862,484	\$580,917	\$946,609	\$994,427
Object 2:	Services and Supplies				
5255100	Intra-County Professional	\$10,000	\$0	\$10,000	\$12,000
5255800	Legal Counsel	\$85,780	\$48,125	\$82,000	\$88,766
5255500	Consultant Services	\$150,000	\$18,525	\$100,000	\$175,000
5285700	Meal Claims	\$750	\$139	\$700	\$1,000
5220100	Insurance	\$6,737	\$0	\$0	\$8,000
5250100	Office Expenses	\$5,000	\$1,887	\$4,000	\$5,000
5270100	Rent & Lease	\$56,416	\$42,102	\$56,416	\$58,106
5255650	Data Processing Services	\$22,517	\$16,832	\$22,517	\$24,443
5225500	Commissioners' Fee	\$10,000	\$3,800	\$8,000	\$10,000
5260100	Publications and Legal Notices	\$1,000	\$702	\$1,000	\$1,000
5245100	Membership Dues	\$14,509	\$14,318	\$14,318	\$15,000
5250750	Printing and Reproduction	\$1,500	\$416	\$1,500	\$1,500
5285800	Business Travel	\$21,000	\$6,078	\$16,000	\$21,000
5285300	Private Automobile Mileage	\$1,000	\$497	\$800	\$1,000
5285200	Transportation&Travel (County Car Usage)	\$600	\$0	\$300	\$600
5281600	Overhead	\$21,119	\$10,594	\$21,119	\$37,324
5275200	Computer Hardware	\$4,000	\$0	\$2,000	\$4,000
5250800	Computer Software	\$4,000	\$2,261	\$4,000	\$4,000
5250250	Postage	\$500	\$24	\$300	\$500
5252100	Staff/Commissioner Training Programs	\$2,000	\$0	\$1,000	\$2,000
5701000	Reserves	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		\$1,280,912	\$747,217	\$1,292,579	\$1,464,666
REVENUES					
4103400	Application Fees	\$25,000	\$21,074	\$21,074	\$25,000
4301100	Interest: Deposits and Investments	\$6,000	\$19,711	\$20,000	\$10,000
TOTAL REVENUE		\$36,000	\$40,785	\$41,074	\$35,000
3400150	FUND BALANCE FROM PREVIOUS FY	\$172,301	\$237,891	\$237,891	\$63,997
NET LAFCO OPERATING EXPENSES		\$1,077,611	\$468,541	\$1,013,614	\$1,365,669
3400800	RESERVES Available	\$200,000	\$200,000	\$200,000	\$200,000
COSTS TO AGENCIES					
5440200	County	\$359,204	\$359,204	\$359,204	\$455,223
4600100	Cities (San Jose 50% + Other Cities 50%)	\$359,204	\$359,204	\$359,204	\$455,223
4600100	Special Districts	\$359,204	\$359,204	\$359,204	\$455,223

LAFCO COST APPORTIONMENT: COUNTY, CITIES, SPECIAL DISTRICTS

Estimated Costs to Agencies Based on the Preliminary FY 2026 LAFCO Budget

Preliminary Net Operating Expenses for FY 2026				\$1,365,669
JURISDICTION	REVENUE PER 2022/2023 REPORT	PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL REVENUE	ALLOCATION PERCENTAGES	ALLOCATED COSTS
County	N/A	N/A	33.3333333%	\$455,223.00
Cities Total Share			33.3333333%	\$455,223.00
San Jose	N/A	N/A	50.0000000%	\$227,611.50
Other cities share			50.0000000%	\$227,611.50
Campbell	\$81,150,037	1.8865076%		\$4,293.91
Cupertino	\$131,485,364	3.0566608%		\$6,957.31
Gilroy	\$127,015,477	2.9527487%		\$6,720.80
Los Altos	\$72,145,869	1.6771863%		\$3,817.47
Los Altos Hills	\$21,047,529	0.4892952%		\$1,113.69
Los Gatos	\$66,269,927	1.5405874%		\$3,506.55
Milpitas	\$214,374,038	4.9835868%		\$11,343.22
Monte Sereno	\$5,142,039	0.1195378%		\$272.08
Morgan Hill	\$130,786,193	3.0404071%		\$6,920.32
Mountain View	\$449,519,762	10.4500562%		\$23,785.53
Palo Alto	\$834,039,393	19.3890442%		\$44,131.69
Santa Clara	\$1,431,529,099	33.2789808%		\$75,746.78
Saratoga	\$37,994,793	0.8832709%		\$2,010.43
Sunnyvale	\$699,101,862	16.2521303%		\$36,991.72
Total Cities (excluding San Jose)	\$4,301,601,382	100.0000000%		\$227,611.50
Total Cities (including San Jose)				\$455,223.00
Special Districts Total Share		(Fixed %)	33.3333333%	\$455,223.00
Aldercroft Heights County Water District		0.06233%		\$283.74
Burbank Sanitary District		0.15593%		\$709.83
Cupertino Sanitary District		2.64110%		\$12,022.89
El Camino Healthcare District		4.90738%		\$22,339.52
North Santa Clara Resource Conservation District		0.04860%		\$221.24
Lake Canyon Community Services District		0.02206%		\$100.42
Lion's Gate Community Services District		0.22053%		\$1,003.90
Loma Prieta Resource Conservation District		0.02020%		\$91.96
Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District		5.76378%		\$26,238.05
Purissima Hills Water District		1.35427%		\$6,164.95
Rancho Rinconada Recreation and Park District		0.15988%		\$727.81
San Martin County Water District		0.04431%		\$201.71
Santa Clara Valley Open Space Authority		1.27051%		\$5,783.65
Santa Clara Valley Water District		81.44126%		\$370,739.36
Saratoga Cemetery District		0.32078%		\$1,460.26
Saratoga Fire Protection District		1.52956%		\$6,962.91
South Santa Clara Valley Memorial District		0.03752%		\$170.80
Total Special Districts		100.00000%		\$455,223.00
Total Allocated Costs				\$1,365,669.00



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Dear Mayor Mahan and San Jose City Council,

I ask you to rise to the challenge rather than cave to bullies intent on stifling the input of disadvantaged communities. The City needs to immediately restore virtual public comment for all City Council, Committee, and Commission meetings.

It is clear there is an effort to silence members of disadvantaged communities. Many residents rely on being able to provide virtual public comment due to reasons of disability, health, work schedules, parenting and other demands of modern life. The strategy appears to be to engage in racist and hateful speech in order to bully the Council into eliminating virtual public comment. The bullies scored a victory when the Council decided to eliminate this option without first seeking community input and not at the bequest from community members.

By eliminating remote access on the heels of restricting access to the council chambers in December, San Jose has fallen from a model of good government dedicated to promoting civic participation to a city displaying troubling behavior and giving the impression that hearing from its residents is a bother. We agree that the comments of a few bad actors are vile and have no place in a community meeting. Rather than using racist and hateful speech as an excuse to cut off community participation and hamper people's First Amendment right to petition their government, however, the City should rise to the challenge of finding solutions to preserve access for everyone while continuing to facilitate public comment by providing a virtual option.

Ending the process of remote participation, is to deny a large segment of the community the opportunity to participate in our democratic process. Some examples include:

- Disabled residents who rely on technology to speak, or who otherwise have to arrange rides with Paratransit.
- Immunocompromised residents who take on unnecessary risks to their health by spending hours in a packed room.
- Working people without the ability to arrange their schedules around hours-long council meetings.
- Parents with small children who can't take time off to attend City meetings.

For example, budget season is the most critical time of year for civic engagement. The ban on remote comments means the people most in need of an equitable city budget will be sidelined throughout the process.

The possibility that the ban on remote comments might only last months is no comfort to those who wish to comment on current City Council, Committee and Commission matters in order to ensure that quality of life in San Jose is maximized. I ask that you immediately restore virtual public comment to ensure that you and the City once again benefit from the voices silenced by your recent decision. Please restore remote public comment for City meetings to make it easier for residents to speak for the public interest in a forum that is now more than ever dominated by special interests. Allowing remote public comment helps bridge the gap between resident priorities and decision makers at City Hall who otherwise hear only from lobbyists or internal paid staff. It's time to rebalance the way decisions are made at CityHall and put resident's voices much more meaningfully back into the equation

Les Levitt
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Dear Mayor Mahan and Members of the City Council,

I hope you are all well.

After attending a show this past weekend at Plaza de Cesar Chavez, I felt compelled to write to you regarding The Plaza Conservancy's proposal to enhance the park.

With a new stage, improved sound systems, and comfortable seating, we can create a truly inviting atmosphere for our community.

Other venues in the Bay Area have demonstrated how effective these enhancements can be, and we can do the same!

Notably, the funding for this initiative will come from operating revenues and donations, ensuring that city funds remain untouched.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

I strongly encourage you to expedite the recognition of The Plaza Conservancy and their vision for a better Plaza de Cesar Chavez!

Teri Monbureau, Volunteer
The Dancing Cat

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I am emailing over concerns that San Jose is going to ticket people for refusing shelter. According to the Homeless Management Information system forms, "minor day-to-day fluctuations need not be recorded". This means someone could be ticketed even if no bed was available at that time. The enforcement of this rule must be paused.

Thanks,

Shayan B

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URGENT Rules Committee Agenda Item

From Steve G [REDACTED]
Date Wed 6/18/2025 1:59 PM
To City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>; Rules and Open Government Committee Agendas <rulescommitteeagenda@sanjoseca.gov>
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From Agendadesk <Agendadesk@sanjoseca.gov>

Date Fri 6/20/2025 10:01 AM

To Rules and Open Government Committee Agendas <rulescommitteeagenda@sanjoseca.gov>

2 attachments (1 MB)

NAACP Community Press Conference.pdf; NAACP SV BLKC Afro UPRIS Joint Statement.pdf;

From: City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>

Sent: Friday, June 20, 2025 7:57 AM

To: Agendadesk <Agendadesk@sanjoseca.gov>

Subject: FW: Community Statement and Press Conference Regarding City Councilmembers

From: Jahmal Cornell Williams [REDACTED]

Sent: Thursday, June 19, 2025 7:13 PM

To: The Office of Mayor Matt Mahan <mayor@sanjoseca.gov>; District1 <district1@sanjoseca.gov>; District2 <District2@sanjoseca.gov>; District3 <district3@sanjoseca.gov>; District4 <District4@sanjoseca.gov>; District5 <District5@sanjoseca.gov>; District 6 <district6@sanjoseca.gov>; District7 <District7@sanjoseca.gov>; District8 <district8@sanjoseca.gov>; District9 <district9@sanjoseca.gov>; District 10 <District10@sanjoseca.gov>; City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>; Reed, Jim <Jim.Reed@sanjoseca.gov>; Fruen, Joseph <Joseph.Fruen@sanjoseca.gov>; kyomi.yamamoto@sanjoseca.gov; Arreola, Kiara <Kiara.Arreola@sanjoseca.gov>; Nguyen, Lam <Lam.Nguyen@sanjoseca.gov>; Moreno, Brisa <Brisa.Moreno@sanjoseca.gov>; Fleming, Jonathan <Jonathan.Fleming@sanjoseca.gov>; Adera, Teddy <Teddy.Adera@sanjoseca.gov>; Hughes, Scott <scott.hughes@sanjoseca.gov>; Gomez, David A <David.A.Gomez@sanjoseca.gov>

Cc: Tomara Hall [REDACTED]

Subject: Community Statement and Press Conference Regarding City Councilmembers

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Feel free to contact us directly if you have any questions.

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Jahmal C. Williams

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For Immediate Release Press Conference

Date: Tuesday, June 24, 2025

Time: 11:00 A.M.

Location: San Jose City Hall Plaza
200 East Santa Clara Street, 95113

Contact: Sean Allen, President SJ NAACP

[REDACTED]
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The San Jose NAACP and the Black Leadership Kitchen Cabinet, La Raza Round table and Asian Law alliance in conjunction with the R.E.A.L. and a number of other Silicon Valley organizations has called a press conference to address the alleged disparaging foul and hurtful language used by San Jose elected officials, Peter Ortiz and Domingo Candelas and others, during a private Chat almost a year ago. The press conference has a joint statement written by all organizations and we stand unified behind the letter headed by the Black Leadership Kitchen Cabinet and the San Jose NAACP. Please see the letter accompanying this Press Release.



June 19, 2025

Dear Community:

In such a tenuous political climate—locally, statewide, and nationally—we are deeply disturbed by the recent allegations of racist and disparaging language used by San José City Council members. These revelations, reportedly stemming from a private text thread, are both disappointing and troubling. As community members and leaders within the Black community of San José—we demand that this matter be handled with care, transparency, and a sincere commitment to justice.

We believe firmly in accountability—but we also believe accountability must be grounded in fact, not assumption or political opportunism. We recognize and appreciate the record of allyship shown by Councilmembers Ortiz and Candelas toward Black and other marginalized communities during their tenure. However, such history does not exempt any leader from accountability. At the same time, we cannot ignore that some of the loudest calls for punishment have come from individuals and institutions with no demonstrated concern for equity—some of whom have actively contributed to policies that harm the Black community.

Let us be clear: while we strongly defend the privacy and First Amendment rights of all individuals, elected officials must be held to a higher standard—particularly when their words or actions touch upon city business or public issues. Even the perception of racial bias by public officials damages trust and threatens the health of our local democracy. For that reason, we reiterate our **call for full transparency** from our elected officials and a clear accounting of who was involved in the release of this information, including the names of the individuals and any role played by law enforcement. We recognize that in certain situations materials subject to police investigations may be legitimately shielded from public view. However, in this situation it appears that evidence of the allegations was sent to investigators by former councilmember Torres—not because it was requested or directly relevant to a criminal case—but perhaps to circumvent public scrutiny.

We categorically reject any exploitation of our pain as a tool in political maneuvering. Our communities will not be used as pawns in broader city politics. We will define what accountability and atonement look like in partnership with elected leaders who are sincerely interested in listening, learning, and building trust. We are committed to a collaborative process that centers those most impacted. As such, while we do not yet have sufficient information to

make a definitive call on next steps for those involved, we expect ongoing transparency and respectful engagement moving forward.

If you have any questions or wish to discuss this matter further, please reach out directly.

Sincerely,

Sean Allen

President, NAACP San José/Silicon Valley

Tomara Hall

President, Afro-UPRIS

Jahmal Williams

Co-Chair, Black Leadership Kitchen Cabinet



Updated Statement of REAL Coalition, June 20, 2025, 3:55 pm

From Kyra Kazantzis [REDACTED]**Date** Fri 6/20/2025 3:56 PM**To** Kyra Kazantzis [REDACTED]

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Please find below an updated statement by the REAL Coalition. SVCN is a co-convenor of the REAL Coalition, along with Sacred Heart Community Service.

Updated REAL Coalition Response to Reports of Text Messages by San José Officials
June 20, 2025, 3:55 pm

The Race Equity Action Leadership (REAL) Coalition is a network of nonprofit leaders committed to dismantling white supremacy culture and systemic racism, using our positional power to advance movement goals, and facilitating the voice of community in decision-making. We practice and advance racial justice through a Santa Clara County-based coalition of nonprofit leaders, committed to learning, advocacy, and organizing while building power in authentic community solidarity.

We stand with NAACP San José/Silicon Valley, Afro-UPRIS, and Black Leadership Kitchen Cabinet in their call for care, truth, and accountability in response to the recently-exposed text conversation involving local officials.

We echo their demand for full transparency, not only from the elected officials involved, but also regarding the origins of the leak and the role of law enforcement in its release.

We appreciate their leadership in guiding our community through a complex and sensitive moment, and we remain committed to walking in solidarity with Black leaders and all impacted communities as the path forward unfolds.

Please contact me with any questions.

Kyra Kazantzis | CEO

Silicon Valley Council of Nonprofits

Phone: [REDACTED] | Web: svcن.org | Twitter: [@SVCN](https://twitter.com/SVCN)

Pronouns: she/her/hers

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Fw: More reasons to fire SJC's City Manager

From Agendadesk <Agendadesk@sanjoseca.gov>

Date Tue 6/24/2025 8:33 AM

To Rules and Open Government Committee Agendas <rulescommitteeagenda@sanjoseca.gov>

From: City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>

Sent: Tuesday, June 24, 2025 7:33 AM

To: Agendadesk <Agendadesk@sanjoseca.gov>

Subject: FW: More reasons to fire SJC's City Manager

From: Ruth Callahan [REDACTED]

Sent: Tuesday, June 24, 2025 7:16 AM

To: The Office of Mayor Matt Mahan <mayor@sanjoseca.gov>

Cc: City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>

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"It seems that in penning such a long paper that digs into the minutiae, Maguire and likely other city actors have missed the plot on homelessness. Taxpayers have spent billions to end homelessness in the metro, only to find the homeless count increasing. Some of this is due to bureaucracy at multiple levels of government, which prevents the money from stretching far. Some is due to government waste that the auditors rightly recognize. Some is due to the law of incentives: governments will get more of what they fund, and it appears that in San Jose, housing the current homeless is just causing an increase in new homeless cases".

<https://www.opportunitynowsv.org/blog/expert-san-jose-city-manager-deflects-blame-misses-point-of-critical-state-homeless-audit>

Furthermore, the city manager lack of ethical reasoning regarding Ortiz's using City Letterhead to coerce a business owner to unionize, and racist text messages between councilmembers is the result.

Financial mismanagement, failure to protect the Citizens from rampant homelessness, exploding, blight, crimes and weak leadership. End this please. Hire some who can guide us out of the mess this city has become.

Ruth A Callahan
[REDACTED]

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Fw: Urgent Concern Regarding the Misuse and Accessibility of Nitrous Oxide ("Whippets") in San Jose, CA

From Agendadesk <Agendadesk@sanjoseca.gov>

Date Fri 6/27/2025 8:56 AM

To Rules and Open Government Committee Agendas <rulescommitteeagenda@sanjoseca.gov>

From: City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>

Sent: Friday, June 27, 2025 8:52 AM

To: Agendadesk <Agendadesk@sanjoseca.gov>

Subject: FW: Urgent Concern Regarding the Misuse and Accessibility of Nitrous Oxide ("Whippets") in San Jose, CA

From: Iris Rodriguez [REDACTED]

Sent: Thursday, June 26, 2025 6:37 PM

To: City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>

Cc: District 6 <district6@sanjoseca.gov>; The Office of Mayor Matt Mahan <mayor@sanjoseca.gov>; District5 <District5@sanjoseca.gov>

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To: <district5@sanjoseca.gov>, <distric6@sanjoseca.gov>

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Throughout this crisis, we had friends and family doing everything they could to assist—but we found ourselves lost in a system with no centralized support. There is no unified website or city resource that provides information for families dealing with whippet addiction. Even the police were unable to offer guidance or referrals. While I do not fault the officers, I believe the City of San Jose and Santa Clara County urgently need to create a dedicated resource hub to support affected families and individuals.

In addition to seeking your support in building these resources, I also want to bring to your attention a disturbing reality: these substances are being sold in large quantities at local smoke shops, not for culinary use as often claimed. The packaging and volume of these canisters make it clear they are not intended for legitimate culinary purposes.

While assisting my son at his apartment, I visited Grizzly Smokeshop Cigar Shop at 851 W. San Carlos Street, across from his complex. I asked the attendant not to sell it to him. His response was deeply troubling—he stated that it wouldn't matter because my son could simply buy it at another shop. There was no regard for the product's misuse or the lives being destroyed.

I can confirm that this location, along with others such as Discount Cigarette at 1120 Bird Avenue, are not selling nitrous oxide for any culinary application. I've learned that my son frequently purchases from these shops. Furthermore, the availability of oversized canisters—some as large as half gallon cartridges—makes access to high volume consumption dangerously easy.

I am pleading for your leadership and action. I urge the City to:

- Investigate and restrict the sale of nitrous oxide in smoke shops not licensed or verified for culinary use.
- Prohibit the sale of high-volume canisters in retail stores.
- Create a centralized city resource or support network for families dealing with whippet addiction.
- Promote awareness campaigns about the mental health and neurological risks associated with this drug.

This product is destroying lives. I am witnessing it firsthand, and I am not alone. I am willing to help in any way I can—whether through testimony, advocacy, or working with city departments to develop solutions.

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Date Thu 7/10/2025 12:39 PM

To Rules and Open Government Committee Agendas <rulescommitteeagenda@sanjoseca.gov>

From: City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>

Sent: Thursday, July 10, 2025 12:31 PM

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Subject: FW: Fwd: Urgent Concern Regarding the Misuse and Accessibility of Nitrous Oxide ("Whippets") in San Jose, CA

From: Iris Rodriguez [REDACTED]

Sent: Thursday, July 10, 2025 12:02 PM

To: Castro, Karina <Karina.Castro@sanjoseca.gov>; City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>; District 6 <district6@sanjoseca.gov>; The Office of Mayor Matt Mahan <mayor@sanjoseca.gov>

Cc: Arthur Rodriguez [REDACTED]

Vanessa Chavira [REDACTED]

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Hello Karina and Council Member Mulcahy,

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reasons: first, to force my son to get the help he desperately needs through legal intervention; and second, to formally document his use within my residence.

Unfortunately, despite acknowledging that his actions are illegal, the police have told me they will not take any action. This leaves me with my hands tied as a parent trying to protect my child and my household.

I cannot emphasize enough that nitrous oxide abuse is not like other substances. It tricks the brain into minimizing its dangers, and recovery often requires not just weeks, but months of being clean to have a real chance at sobriety. I have already given my son notice to vacate the home and continue to do everything I can to prevent him from using this substance.

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Thank you for your time, your understanding, and anything you can do to help bring this issue to the forefront. I truly appreciate your support in protecting families like mine.

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On Tue, Jul 1, 2025 at 1:27 PM Karina Castro <karina.castro@sanjoseca.gov> wrote:

Dear Iris,

Thank you for following up and for sharing your family's experience. I know this isn't easy to talk about, and I appreciate your willingness to speak out on such a personal and important issue.

Councilmember Mulcahy understands your concerns and the impact that access to nitrous oxide can have on individuals and families. While the item was received as informational at the June 12th

committee meeting, your feedback will absolutely be taken into consideration as we continue internal conversations about potential next steps.

Thank you again for your advocacy. I'll be sure to keep you informed of any updates.

Warmly,

Karina Castro

Council Policy and Legislative Aide

Office of Councilmember Michael Mulcahy
200 E. Santa Clara Street, 18th Floor
San José, CA 95113



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Fw: Fwd: Urgent Concern Regarding the Misuse and Accessibility of Nitrous Oxide ("Whippets") in San Jose, CA

From Agendadesk <Agendadesk@sanjoseca.gov>

Date Thu 7/10/2025 12:39 PM

To Rules and Open Government Committee Agendas <rulescommitteeagenda@sanjoseca.gov>

From: City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>

Sent: Thursday, July 10, 2025 12:31 PM

To: Agendadesk <Agendadesk@sanjoseca.gov>

Subject: FW: Fwd: Urgent Concern Regarding the Misuse and Accessibility of Nitrous Oxide ("Whippets") in San Jose, CA

From: Iris Rodriguez [REDACTED]

Sent: Thursday, July 10, 2025 12:02 PM

To: Castro, Karina <Karina.Castro@sanjoseca.gov>; City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>; District 6 <district6@sanjoseca.gov>; The Office of Mayor Matt Mahan <mayor@sanjoseca.gov>

Cc: Arthur Rodriguez [REDACTED]

Vanessa Chavira [REDACTED]

Subject: Re: Fwd: Urgent Concern Regarding the Misuse and Accessibility of Nitrous Oxide ("Whippets") in San Jose, CA

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Hello Karina and Council Member Mulcahy,

I am writing to follow up on my previous outreach regarding the illegal use of nitrous oxide by my adult son in my home. I want to share that I have already contacted the police on three separate occasions, as well as the TRUST program, with the hope that my son would be arrested for his illegal use and then directed to a sober center for treatment. I did this for two

reasons: first, to force my son to get the help he desperately needs through legal intervention; and second, to formally document his use within my residence.

Unfortunately, despite acknowledging that his actions are illegal, the police have told me they will not take any action. This leaves me with my hands tied as a parent trying to protect my child and my household.

I cannot emphasize enough that nitrous oxide abuse is not like other substances. It tricks the brain into minimizing its dangers, and recovery often requires not just weeks, but months of being clean to have a real chance at sobriety. I have already given my son notice to vacate the home and continue to do everything I can to prevent him from using this substance.

Because I have exhausted every available option on my end, I am now pleading with the City Council to take action to address this issue in our community. I strongly urge you to consider measures to ban the sale of nitrous oxide in smoke shops altogether.

Thank you for your time, your understanding, and anything you can do to help bring this issue to the forefront. I truly appreciate your support in protecting families like mine.

Sincerely,

Iris A. Jimenez Rodriguez



On Tue, Jul 1, 2025 at 1:27 PM Karina Castro <karina.castro@sanjoseca.gov> wrote:

Dear Iris,

Thank you for following up and for sharing your family's experience. I know this isn't easy to talk about, and I appreciate your willingness to speak out on such a personal and important issue.

Councilmember Mulcahy understands your concerns and the impact that access to nitrous oxide can have on individuals and families. While the item was received as informational at the June 12th

committee meeting, your feedback will absolutely be taken into consideration as we continue internal conversations about potential next steps.

Thank you again for your advocacy. I'll be sure to keep you informed of any updates.

Warmly,

Karina Castro

Council Policy and Legislative Aide

Office of Councilmember Michael Mulcahy
200 E. Santa Clara Street, 18th Floor
San José, CA 95113



----- Original Message -----

From: Iris Rodriguez [REDACTED]

Sent: 6/26/2025, 6:36 PM

To: city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov

Cc: district6@sanjoseca.gov; district5@sanjoseca.gov; mayor@sanjoseca.gov

Subject: Fwd: Urgent Concern Regarding the Misuse and Accessibility of Nitrous Oxide ("Whippets") in San Jose, CA

Dear City Clerk,

I am writing as a concerned resident of San José District 6 to formally request that an item be added to an upcoming San José City Council meeting agenda regarding:

- A ban on the retail sale of nitrous oxide (N₂O) in smoke/vape shops operating under the pretense of "culinary use"; and
- Regulations on the concentration and location of vape and smoke shops, particularly those operating near schools or residential zones.

This matter was previously reviewed under Agenda CC 25-096 by the Neighborhood Services & Education Committee on June 12, 2025. However, no action was taken, and the item was dropped for informational purposes only. Due to the escalating misuse of nitrous oxide and its impact on the community and families—including my own—I am requesting this be formally brought before the full City Council for deliberation and vote.

I've included Councilmember Michael Mulcahy in this message as the District 6 representative. I respectfully ask for his support in bringing this item forward.

Please confirm receipt of this request and advise on the next steps to have it considered by the Rules and Open Government Committee. I have also listed below past communication to District 5 & 6.

Respectfully,

Iris Jimenez Rodriguez

[REDACTED]

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From: Iris Rodriguez [REDACTED]

Date: Thu, Jun 26, 2025 at 6:27 PM

Subject: Re: Urgent Concern Regarding the Misuse and Accessibility of Nitrous Oxide ("Whippets") in San Jose, CA

To: <district5@sanjoseca.gov>, <distric6@sanjoseca.gov>

Cc: <mayor@sanjoseca.gov>

Dear Councilmember, Mulcahy

On May 10, 2025, I sent an email sharing my personal experience involving my son's use of nitrous oxide. I'm following up after seeing that on June 12, 2025, Agenda Item CC 25-096 (Flavored Tobacco Ban, Nitrous Oxide, and Regulation of Vape/Smoke Shops) was reviewed by the Neighborhood Services & Education Committee. Unfortunately, it appears the item was marked as informational only and then dropped without a clear timeline for future discussion.

I am deeply concerned and don't understand the delay in moving this issue forward. The retail sale of nitrous oxide poses a serious risk to our community. I respectfully request that this matter be brought back to the Council agenda as soon as possible with the intention of banning its sale in tobacco and smoke shops.

It is disheartening that while it is illegal for my son to use nitrous oxide recreationally, there are still stores legally selling it under the pretense of "culinary use." When my son uses it, I can call the police, but he is only held for a few days, barely enough time for him to get any real help. Meanwhile, these stores continue to profit without consequence.

I recognize that banning the sale of nitrous oxide will not cure my son's addiction, but it will at least reduce his access and possibly prevent others from falling into the same cycle.

For reference, I've included my original email from May 10th below to help provide context about what our family has experienced.

Please let me know if there is an update on this matter, and how I can assist in advancing this conversation and protecting our community.

Thank you for your time and attention.

Sincerely,

Iris

On Sat, May 10, 2025 at 11:52 AM Iris Rodriguez [REDACTED] wrote:

Dear Councilmembers,

I am writing to you as a deeply concerned citizen of San Jose regarding the growing and dangerous misuse of nitrous oxide, commonly known as "whippets." This issue has become a devastating epidemic in our community, and I am reaching out to share a personal experience that highlights its severe consequences—both for individuals and their families.

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Outlook

FW: Dangers Regarding the Misuse and Accessibility of Nitrous Oxide ("Whippets") in San Jose, CA

From City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>**Date** Wed 7/16/2025 11:45 AM**To** Rules and Open Government Committee Agendas <rulescommitteeagenda@sanjoseca.gov>

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Dangers Regarding the Misuse and Accessibility of Nitrous Oxide (Whippets) in San Jose, CA.pdf;

From: Iris Rodriguez [REDACTED]**Sent:** Wednesday, July 16, 2025 11:34 AM**To:** Castro, Karina <Karina.Castro@sanjoseca.gov>; District 6 <district6@sanjoseca.gov>; The Office of Mayor Matt Mahan <mayor@sanjoseca.gov>; City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>; senator.cortese@senate.ca.gov**Cc:** Vanessa Chavira [REDACTED]; Arthur Rodriguez [REDACTED]; Evelyn Jimenez [REDACTED]**Subject:** Dangers Regarding the Misuse and Accessibility of Nitrous Oxide ("Whippets") in San Jose, CA

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July 16, 2025

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IRIS A. JIMENEZ RODRIGUEZ

[REDACTED]
SAN JOSE, CA 95125

July 16, 2025

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Baypointe Redevelopment Site - Community Update and Public Comment Period

From Gambrell, James@DTSC <James.Gambrell@dtsc.ca.gov>

Date Mon 6/30/2025 11:32 AM

To Gambrell, James@DTSC <James.Gambrell@dtsc.ca.gov>

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Greetings,

The California Department of Toxic Substances Control encourages you to take this opportunity to review the attached Community Update at your earliest convenience.

For more information, please visit the EnviroStor online database at:

www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov/public,

Search "Baypointe Redevelopment" or "60003402" and select from the drop-down menu.

Click on the Community Involvement tab.

For additional details, please contact me at james.gambrell@dtsc.ca.gov.

In Community and Gratitude,

James Gambrell

Public Participation Specialist

Office of Environmental Equity/Berkeley

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Department of Toxic Substances Control

700 Heinz Avenue, Berkeley, California 94710

California Environmental Protection Agency



Comment on an environmental cleanup plan at 210 Baypointe Parkway

This cleanup would remove heavy metals from the 210 Baypointe Parkway site.

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) wants to know your thoughts on a proposed cleanup plan. This plan is called a Removal Action Work Plan, or RAW. It aims to protect the community, future residents, and environment from heavy metals. The cleanup site is located at 210 Baypointe Parkway, San Jose, CA 95134 (Site). DTSC invites you to comment on the proposed cleanup plan.

The soil at the Site contains arsenic, cobalt, hexavalent chromium, lead, and nickel. These heavy metals came from past farming activities.

Background

The Site was used for farming from 1939 until 1985. A commercial building and parking lot were built in 1985. The building is currently home to a television and small appliance repair company.

The Site spans an area of 4.3 acres. The City of San Jose gave the owner approval to build seven buildings. One of the buildings will be 7 stories tall with 290 apartments. The remaining 6 buildings will be 3 stories tall with 42 town homes. The launch of construction is currently slated for August 2025.

Reasons for the cleanup

The soil at the Site contains high levels of arsenic, cobalt, hexavalent chromium, lead, and nickel. These levels exceed what is allowed for homes. A cleanup plan is needed before the owner can start building on the Site. This will protect the public and the environment.

Comment on the project

You can send us your comments and concerns between **Monday, June 30,** and **Wednesday, July 30, 2025.**

1. **Online**
surveymonkey.com/r/KMGGMG8
or scan the QR code



2. **Email**
Michelle Drake, Project Manager
Michelle.Drake@dtsc.ca.gov
3. **Mail**
Michelle Drake, Project Manager
DTSC Berkeley Office
700 Heinz Avenue
Berkeley, CA 94710

We will review and respond to all public comments before we approve or deny the cleanup plan. We may edit the cleanup plan based on your comments. All information you submit will be accessible to the public.

Proposed cleanup

DTSC evaluated three cleanup plans. After careful analysis, the plan DTSC proposes will:

- Remove a small area of contaminated soil and replace it with clean soil.
- Cover the remaining contaminated soil under hardscape. Examples of hardscape are building foundations, sidewalks, and parking spaces.
- Place a Land Use Covenant or LUC onto the Site. An LUC sets legal rules for the Site that will include limits on digging and a required long-term care plan. The plan will include annual inspections and timely repairs or maintenance. A review of the long-term care plan will be conducted every five years. This measure will minimize contact with heavy metals in the soil.

Learn more about the project

1. Find the draft cleanup plan and other documents at www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov. Search for "Baypointe Redevelopment" or "60003402". Select the Site from the dropdown list.

2. Access physical copies at:

DTSC Berkeley Regional Office

700 Heinze Avenue

Berkeley, CA 94710

510-540-2212

Monday - Friday, 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Please call for an appointment

3. **Santa Clara City Library**
Northside Branch Library

695 Moreland Way

Santa Clara, CA 95054

408-615-5500

About us

DTSC's mission is to protect California's people, communities, and environment from toxic substances, to enhance economic vitality by restoring contaminated land, and to compel manufacturers to make safer consumer products.

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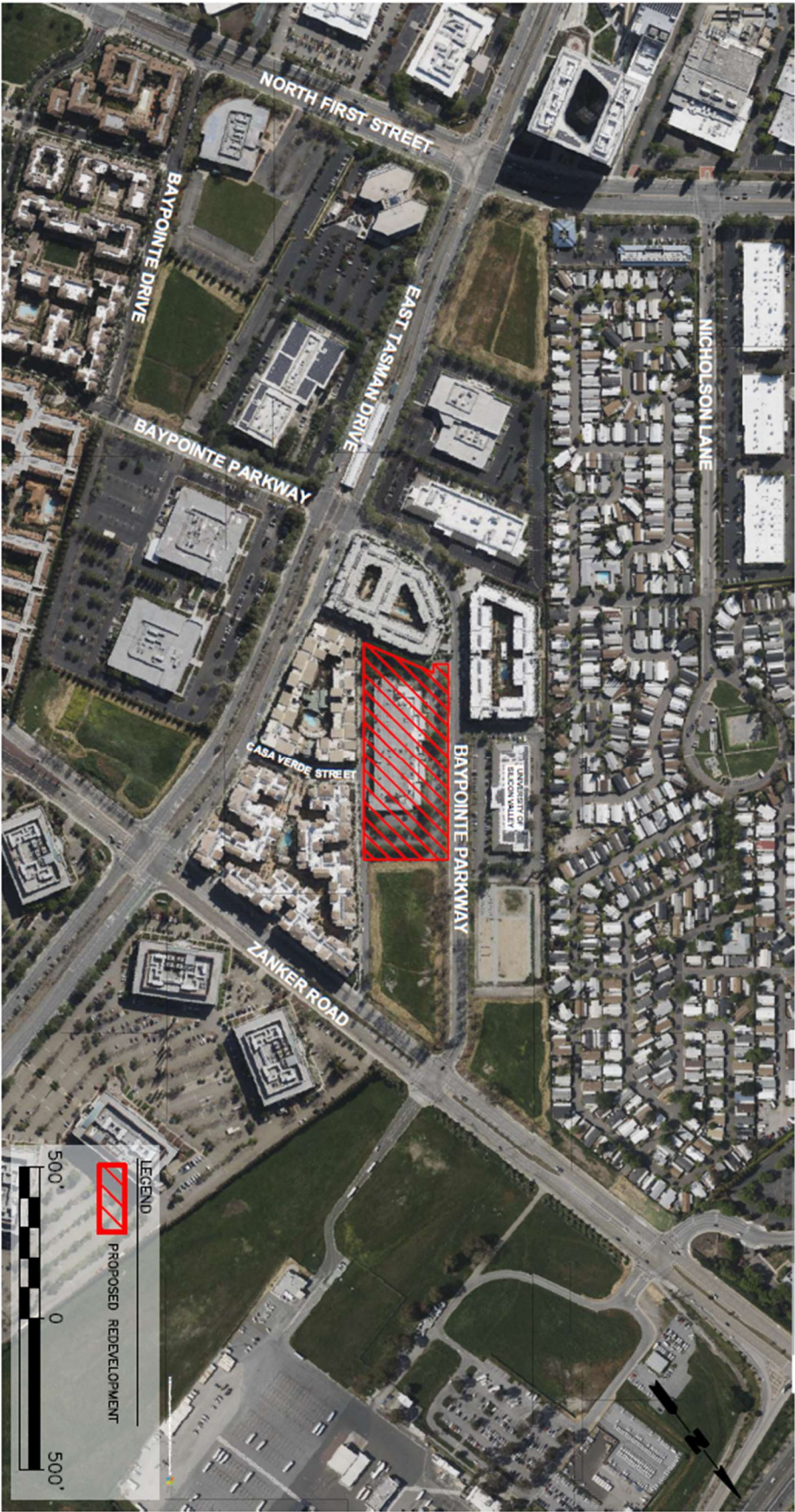
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916-214-2208

Environmental impact (CEQA)

The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires a Responsible Agency to assess and share potential environmental impacts of proposed cleanup projects. DTSC is the Responsible Agency for this project. DTSC prepared a Notice of Determination (NOD) for this project. The NOD states that the cleanup will not harm public health or the environment. DTSC will file the NOD with the California State Clearinghouse once the final RAW is approved.

Map showing the location of the Baypointe Parkway Site
(highlighted in red hash marks)



Please send your comment by Wednesday, July 30, 2025.

Michelle Drake, Project Manager
Department of Toxic Substances Control
700 Heinz Avenue
Berkeley, CA 94710

Public comment form

Name: _____

Agency or Organization (if applicable): _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Comments: _____

Comente sobre un plan de limpieza ambiental en 210 Baypointe Parkway

Esta limpieza eliminaría metales pesados del sitio en 210 Baypointe Parkway.

El Departamento del Control de Sustancias Tóxicas (DTSC, por sus siglas en inglés) quiere saber su opinión sobre un plan de limpieza propuesto. Este plan se llama Plan de Trabajo de Acción de Remoción, o RAW, por sus siglas en inglés. Tiene como objetivo proteger a la comunidad, a los futuros residentes y al medio ambiente de los metales pesados. El sitio de limpieza está ubicado en 210 Baypointe Parkway, San José, CA 95134 (Sitio). El DTSC le invita a comentar sobre el plan de limpieza propuesto.

El suelo en el sitio contiene arsénico, cobalto, cromo hexavalente, plomo y níquel. Estos metales pesados provienen de actividades agrícolas previas.

Antecedentes

El sitio se utilizó para fines agrícolas desde 1939 hasta 1985. Un edificio comercial y un estacionamiento fueron construidos en 1985. El edificio es actualmente usado como una empresa de reparación de televisores y pequeños electrodomésticos.

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Razones para la limpieza

El suelo en el sitio contiene altos niveles de arsénico, cobalto, cromo hexavalente, plomo y níquel. Estos niveles superan lo permitido para los hogares. Se necesita un plan de limpieza antes de que el propietario pueda comenzar a construir en el sitio. Esto protegerá al público y al medio ambiente.

Comente sobre el proyecto

Puede enviarnos sus comentarios e inquietudes entre **el lunes 30 de junio y el miércoles 30 de julio de 2025**.

1. En línea

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2. Correo electrónico

Michelle Drake, Gerente del Proyecto

Michelle.Drake@dtsc.ca.gov

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Revisaremos y responderemos a todos los comentarios públicos antes de aprobar o rechazar el plan de limpieza. Podríamos editar el plan de limpieza basándonos en sus comentarios. Toda la información que envíe será accesible al público.

Limpieza propuesta

El DTSC evaluó tres planes de limpieza. Después de un análisis cuidadoso, el plan que propone el DTSC:

- Retirá un área pequeña de suelo contaminado y la reemplazará con suelo limpio.
- Cubrirá el suelo contaminado restante con construcción sólida. Algunos ejemplos de construcción sólida son los cimientos de edificios, las veredas y los espacios de estacionamiento.
- Colocará un Convenio de Uso del Suelo o LUC, por sus siglas en inglés, en el Sitio. Un LUC establece reglas legales para el Sitio que incluirán límites en la excavación y un plan de cuidado a largo plazo requerido. El plan incluirá inspecciones anuales y reparaciones o mantenimiento oportunos. Se realizará una revisión del plan de cuidado a largo plazo cada cinco años. Esta medida minimizará el contacto con metales pesados en el suelo.

Obtenga más información sobre el proyecto

1. Encuentre el plan de limpieza en borrador y otros documentos en www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov. Busque "Baypointe Redevelopment" o "60003402". Seleccione el sitio de la lista desplegable.
2. Obtenga acceso a copias físicas en:

Oficina Regional del DTSC en Berkeley

700 Heinze Avenue
Berkeley, CA 94710
510-540-2212

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408-615-5500

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Contactos

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510-540-3832

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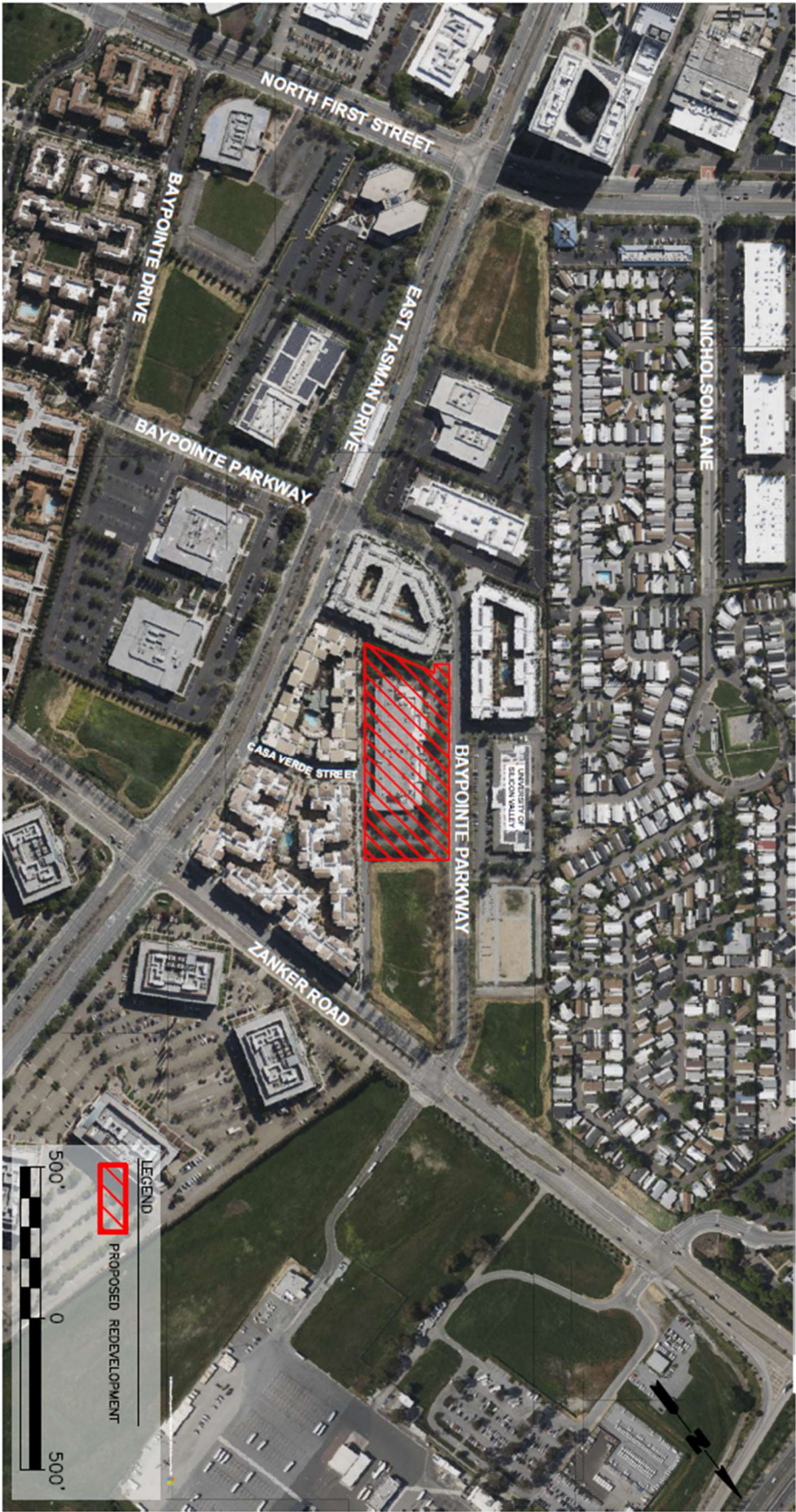
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Impacto ambiental (CEQA)

La Ley de Calidad Ambiental de California (CEQA) requiere que una Agencia Responsable evalúe y comparta los posibles impactos ambientales de los proyectos de limpieza propuestos. El DTSC es la agencia responsable de este proyecto. El DTSC preparó un Aviso de Determinación (NOD, por sus siglas en inglés) para este proyecto. El NOD afirma que la limpieza no perjudicará la salud pública ni el medio ambiente. El DTSC presentará el NOD ante la Oficina de Información del Estado de California una vez que se apruebe el RAW final.

Mapa que muestra la ubicación del sitio de Baypointe Parkway
(resaltado con líneas rojas)



Por favor, envíe su comentario antes del miércoles 30 de julio de 2025.

Michelle Drake, Gerente del Proyecto
Departamento del Control de Sustancias Tóxicas
700 Heinz Avenue
Berkeley, CA 94710

Formulario de comentarios públicos

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Góp ý về kế hoạch dọn dẹp vệ sinh môi trường tại 210 Baypointe Parkway

Hoạt động dọn dẹp vệ sinh này nhằm loại bỏ các kim loại nặng khỏi địa điểm 210 Baypointe Parkway.

Ban Kiểm Soát Độc Tố (Department of Toxic Substances Control, DTSC) mong muốn lắng nghe ý kiến của quý vị về kế hoạch dọn dẹp vệ sinh đã được đề xuất. Kế hoạch này được gọi là Kế Hoạch Hành Động Loại Bỏ (Removal Action Work Plan, RAW). Mục tiêu kế hoạch là bảo vệ cộng đồng, cư dân tương lai và môi trường khỏi các kim loại nặng. Địa điểm dọn dẹp ở tại 210 Baypointe Parkway, San Jose, CA 95134 (Địa điểm). DTSC trân trọng mời quý vị đóng góp ý kiến về kế hoạch dọn dẹp vệ sinh được đề xuất.

Đất ở Địa Điểm này có chứa asen, coban, crom hóa trị sáu, chì và niken. Những kim loại nặng này bắt nguồn từ các hoạt động canh tác trong quá khứ.

Bối cảnh

Địa Điểm này từng được sử dụng cho mục đích canh tác từ năm 1939 cho đến năm 1985. Năm 1985, người ta đã xây dựng một tòa nhà thương mại và bãi đậu xe. Tòa nhà hiện là trụ sở của một công ty sửa chữa tivi và thiết bị nhỏ.

Địa Điểm có diện tích 4,3 mẫu Anh. Thành Phố San Jose đã chấp thuận cho chủ sở hữu xây dựng bảy tòa nhà. Trong đó, một tòa nhà sẽ cao 7 tầng với 290 căn hộ, 6 tòa còn lại sẽ cao 3 tầng, gồm 42 căn nhà phố liền kề. Hiện tại, công trình dự kiến sẽ khởi công vào tháng 8 năm 2025.

Lý do cần dọn dẹp vệ sinh

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Góp ý cho dự án

Quý vị có thể gửi góp ý và mối lo ngại tới chúng tôi cho từ **Thứ Hai, ngày 30 tháng 6 đến Thứ Tư, ngày 30 tháng 7 năm 2025**.

1. Trực Tuyến

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Michelle Drake, Quản Lý Dự Án
Văn Phòng DTSC Berkeley
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Berkeley, CA 94710

Chúng tôi sẽ xem xét và phản hồi tất cả những góp ý của công chúng trước khi phê duyệt hay từ chối kế hoạch dọn dẹp vệ sinh. Chúng tôi có thể chỉnh sửa kế hoạch dọn dẹp vệ sinh dựa trên những góp ý của quý vị. Công chúng có thể truy cập tất cả thông tin quý vị gửi.

Kế hoạch dọn dẹp vệ sinh được đề xuất

DTSC đã đánh giá ba kế hoạch dọn dẹp vệ sinh. Sau quá trình phân tích kỹ lưỡng, DTSC đề xuất kế hoạch bao gồm các hoạt động sau:

- Loại bỏ một khu vực nhỏ có đất bị ô nhiễm và thay bằng đất sạch.
- Phủ phần đất bị ô nhiễm còn lại dưới cảnh quan cứng. Ví dụ về cảnh quan cứng gồm móng tòa nhà, vỉa hè và không gian đậu xe.
- Thiết lập Thỏa Ước Sử Dụng Đất (Land Use Covenant, LUC) cho Địa Điểm. LUC thiết lập các quy định pháp lý cho Địa Điểm bao gồm giới hạn đào bới và kế hoạch chăm sóc dài hạn bắt buộc. Kế hoạch sẽ có các đợt kiểm tra thường niên và các đợt sửa chữa hoặc bảo trì kịp thời. Cơ quan chức năng sẽ duyệt xét kế hoạch chăm sóc dài hạn cứ năm năm một lần. Biện pháp này sẽ hạn chế tối đa khả năng tiếp xúc với các kim loại nặng trong đất.

Tìm hiểu thêm về dự án

- Vui lòng tìm bản thảo kế hoạch dọn dẹp vệ sinh và tài liệu khác tại www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov. Tìm kiếm “Baypointe Redevelopment” (Tái Phát Triển Baypointe) hoặc “60003402” Chọn Địa Điểm từ danh sách thả xuống.
- Xem bản sao in tại:

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695 Moreland Way
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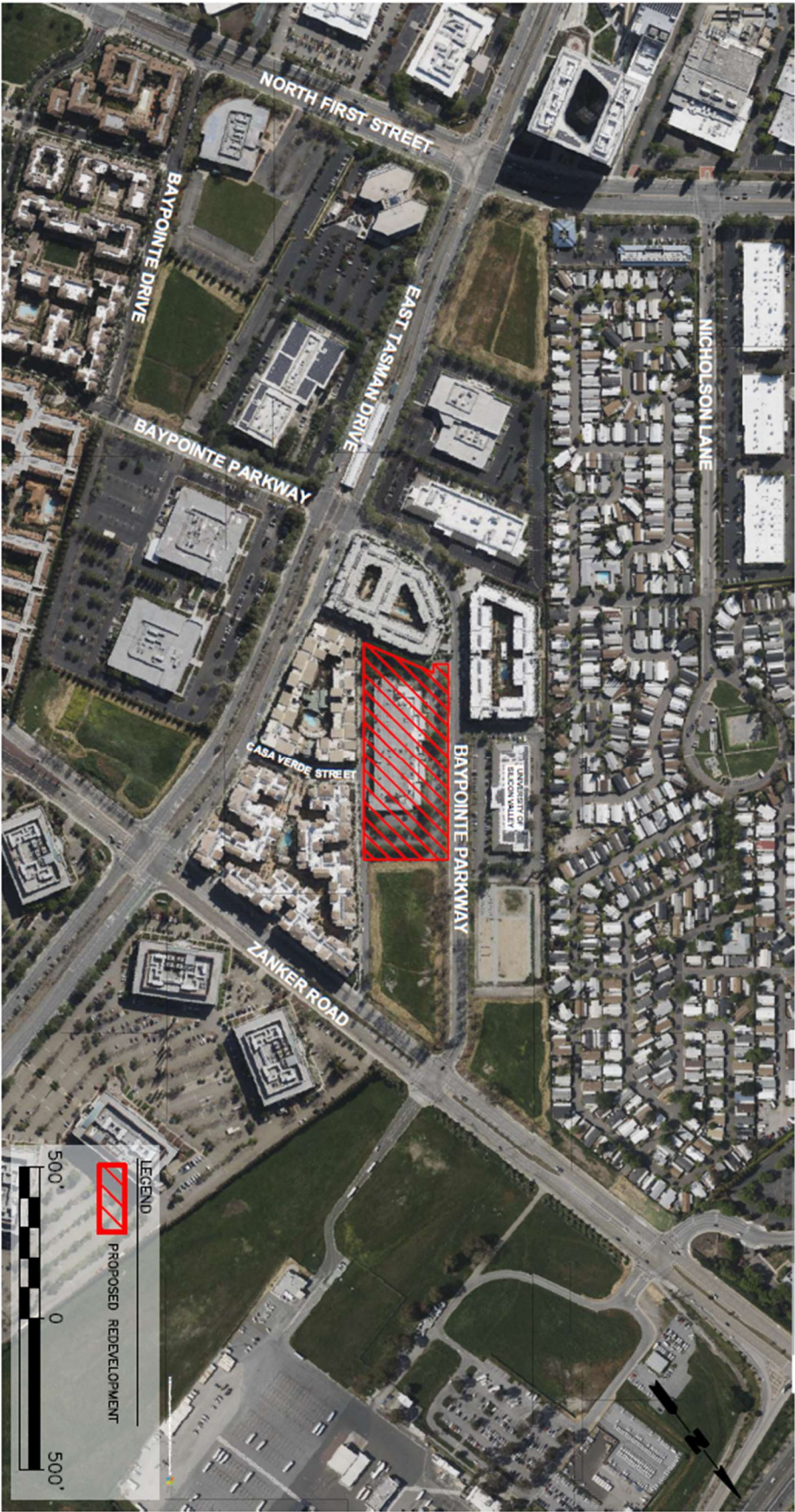
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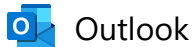
Theo Đạo Luật Chất Lượng Môi Trường California (California Environmental Quality Act, CEQA), Cơ Quan Chủ Trì cần phải đánh giá và công bố những tác động môi trường tiềm ẩn của các dự án dọn dẹp vệ sinh được đề xuất. DTSC là Cơ Quan Chủ Trì dự án này. DTSC đã chuẩn bị Thông Báo Quyết Định (Notice of Determination, NOD) cho dự án. Trong NOD, DTSC khẳng định rằng hoạt động dọn dẹp vệ sinh sẽ không ảnh hưởng tiêu cực đến sức khỏe công chúng hay môi trường. Sau khi phê duyệt bản RAW cuối cùng, DTSC sẽ nộp NOD lên Trung Tâm Thanh Toán Bù Trừ Tiểu Bang California.

**Bản đồ vị trí của Địa Điểm Baypointe Parkway
(được đánh dấu bằng gạch màu đỏ)**



Vui lòng gửi góp ý trước Thứ Tư, ngày 30 tháng 7 năm 2025.

Michelle Drake, Quản Lý Dự Án
Ban Kiểm Soát Độc Tố
700 Heinz Avenue
Berkeley, CA 94710




LWV Comments on the Community Forest Management Plan and Urban Forestry Annual Report 2025

From Diane McNutt [REDACTED]

Date Thu 6/26/2025 9:35 PM

To Mahan, Matt <Matt.Mahan@sanjoseca.gov>; District1 <district1@sanjoseca.gov>; District2 <District2@sanjoseca.gov>; District3 <district3@sanjoseca.gov>; District4 <District4@sanjoseca.gov>; District5 <District5@sanjoseca.gov>; District 6 <district6@sanjoseca.gov>; District7 <District7@sanjoseca.gov>; District8 <district8@sanjoseca.gov>; District9 <district9@sanjoseca.gov>; District 10 <District10@sanjoseca.gov>

Cc Ristow, John <John.Ristow@sanjoseca.gov>; Davis, Sara <Sara.Davis@sanjoseca.gov>; City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>

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The League of Women Voters of San Jose/Santa Clara has reviewed the CFMP Annual report and written a letter (attached) with our comments about the report.

Thank you for your continued emphasis on this project important for helping to create a healthy environment for the residents of San Jose.

Diane McNutt
President, League of Women Voters of San Jose/Santa Clara
lwsjsc.org

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P.O. Box 5374
San Jose, CA
lwvsjsc.org
June 26 2025

To: Hon. San Jose Mayor Matt Mahan and Councilmembers
cc: John Ristow, director, DOT; Sara Davis, City Forester, DOT; and City Clerk
(sent via email)

Subject: **Community Forest Management Plan and Urban Forestry Annual Report 2025**

The League of Women Voters of San Jose/Santa Clara commends the city for work achieved to meet goals identified in the Community Forest Management Plan, passed in 2022 which strategically moves the City toward a more proactive and coordinated effort to both preserve and increase the city's tree canopy.

We applaud progress made:

1. to streamline governance with increased collaboration between the Department of Transportation (DOT) and Planning on issues around landscape and stormwater management, and development reviews; and between DOT and the Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services to increase trees in park, inventory trees and execute shared contract services around tree management.
2. to ensure urban tree sustainability with more planning and scheduled pruning, and 3) progress on recommendations from the City Auditor. There is more to be done.

The League urges the City to complete the inventory of the 78 census tracts which have deficits of trees, and which all tend to be in those communities which house lower income San Jose residents. Today we know and value the ecosystem benefits of trees, and the impacts of urban trees to combat climate change, and provide significant health benefits. (See this article about how 8000 trees in Louisville, Kentucky lowered health diseases:

<https://www.nature.org/en-us/magazine/magazine-articles/tree-planting-human-health-louisville/>)

While we recognize that the DOT resources are now necessarily being diverted to fighting Invasive Shothole Borer infestation, the City must continue to meet goals and commitments toward the Community Forest Master Plan. Often overlooked, the urban

tree forest is an integral part of the City's climate resistance strategy. Trees represent important "infrastructure" for San Jose.

Further, we urge the City to work in coordination with the Santa Clara County Urban Forest Master Plan, and pursue opportunities to collaborate on increasing tree coverage in those County-identified areas in San Jose, largely on the East Side.

Sincerely yours,

A solid black rectangular box used to redact the signature of Diane McNutt.

Diane McNutt
President, League of Women Voters of San Jose and Santa Clara



Good Samaritan Hospital Transfers Radiation Oncology Care to OneOncology

From Eddie Truong [REDACTED]

Date Fri 6/27/2025 11:15 AM

To Eddie Truong [REDACTED]

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Dear Mayor Mahan and City Council Members:

Good Samaritan Hospital, LP doing business as Good Samaritan Hospital (the "Hospital"), located at 2425 Samaritan Drive, San Jose, CA 95124 (License No. 070000048) will close its radiation oncology outpatient clinic located at 15400 National Ave, Suite 100, Los Gatos, CA 95032 (the "Clinic") and voluntarily eliminate its radiation therapy service (and cancel the corresponding radiation therapy special permit) on or about September 30, 2025 (the "Closing Date").

Please note that although Good Samaritan Hospital will no longer operate the Clinic after the Closing Date, the Clinic will be operated by Monterey Bay Oncology, a California medical corporation d/b/a/ Pacific Cancer Care ("Pacific Cancer Care") with administrative support from OneOncology West, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, ("OneOncology"). **Accordingly, the community will still have access to outpatient oncology services at the same Clinic location following the Closing Date.**

This transition allows for the service line to continue to be offered to the community. We understand that OneOncology plans to strategically invest in new equipment and infrastructure and efficiently maintain operations at the radiation oncology center.

As we approach this closure, rest assured that our team is committed to working with each impacted colleague and patient to ensure a seamless transition for all affected parties.

We are happy to set up time with Good Samaritan Hospital CEO Patrick Rohan and Francesca Petrucci, Good Samaritan's Government Relations team, to answer any questions you have.

Regards,

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EDDIE TRUONG

Partner

Unite Strategies LLC



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June 27, 2025

VIA OVERNIGHT DELIVERY

California Department of Public Health

San Jose District Office

1741 Technology Drive, Suites 130 and 150

San Jose, CA 95110

Re: Notice of Radiation Oncology Outpatient Clinic Closure (License No. 070000048)

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter serves as notification pursuant to Cal. Health & Safety Code § 1255.251 that Good Samaritan Hospital, LP doing business as Good Samaritan Hospital (the "Hospital"), located at 2425 Samaritan Drive, San Jose, CA 95124 (License No. 070000048) will close its radiation oncology outpatient clinic located at 15400 National Ave, Suite 100, Los Gatos, CA 95032 (the "Clinic") and voluntarily eliminate its radiation therapy service (and cancel the corresponding radiation therapy special permit) on or about [September 30], 2025 (the "Closing Date").

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Approximately 7 employees will no longer be employed by Good Samaritan Hospital as a result of these service closures. Certain employees of the outpatient radiation oncology department maybe given the opportunity to transition employment to Pacific Cancer Care.

¹ Please note that at issue in this letter is the closure of the Hospital's radiation oncology outpatient clinic located at 15400 National Ave, Suite 100, Los Gatos, CA 95032 and the elimination of its radiation therapy service and the corresponding voluntary cancellation of its radiation therapy special permit. There is no change to the hospital's inpatient beds or service offerings, including perinatal services and psych. If CDPH would like information about perinatal services and psych, please let us know.

Beyond the Clinic site, the three nearest available comparable service providers offering outpatient radiation oncology services to Medicare and Medi-Cal patients in the community include the following:

1. Stanford Health Care Cancer Center in South Bay located at 2589 Samaritan Drive, San Jose, CA 95124
2. Cancer Center Los Gatos – El Camino Health located at 815 Pollard Road, Los Gatos, CA 95032
3. Stanford Cancer Center Palo Alto located at 875 Blake Wilbur Drive, Stanford, CA 94305

The three nearest hospitals offering comparable radiation therapy services to Medicare and Medi-Cal patients in the community include the following:

1. Santa Clara Valley Medical Center located 751 S Bascom Avenue, San Jose, CA
2. O'Connor Hospital located at 2105 Forest Avenue, San Jose, CA 95128
3. El Camino Health located at 2500 Grant Road, Mountain View, CA 94040

Interested parties may direct comments to the following:

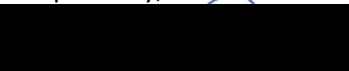
Good Samaritan Hospital: (408) 559-2011, 2425 Samaritan Drive, San Jose, CA 95124, dawn.bussey@hcahealthcare.com

Parent entity:

The general partner of Good Samaritan Hospital, LP is Samaritan, LLC. (408) 559-2011, One Park Plaza, Nashville, TN 37203, dawn.bussey@hcahealthcare.com

Patrick Rohan, Chief Executive Officer: 2425 Samaritan Drive, San Jose, CA 95124; (408) 559-2315; patrick.rohan@hcahealthcare.com

Respectfully,



Patrick Rohan
Chief Executive Officer

cc:
Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors

70 West Hedding Street
East Wing, 10th Floor
San Jose, CA 95110

San Jose City Council
200 E. Santa Clara St.
San Jose, Ca 95113



Fwd: Request for Transparency and Community Engagement on Proposed Housing Development in Alviso

From James Canova [REDACTED]
Date Thu 7/3/2025 11:38 AM
To Burton, Chris <Christopher.Burton@sanjoseca.gov>
Cc Cohen, David <David.Cohen@sanjoseca.gov>; Richard Santos <rsantos@valleywater.org>; Bonnie Lieberman [REDACTED] City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>

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Please read my attached email. Thank You!

Jim Canova

Vice President & Governing Board Member TA1

Santa Clara Unified School District

And MetroEd Governing Board Member

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From: James Canova [REDACTED]
Date: Thu, Jul 3, 2025 at 11:21 AM
Subject: Request for Transparency and Community Engagement on Proposed Housing Development in Alviso
To: <city.council@sanjoseca.gov>, Cohen, David <David.Cohen@sanjoseca.gov>, <planning@sanjoseca.gov>
CC: Richard Santos <[REDACTED]> Bonnie Lieberman [REDACTED]

Dear City Council members and Planning Staff,

My name is Jim Canova, and I represent the Alviso area as a member—and currently Vice President—of the Santa Clara Unified School District Governing Board.

I write today not on behalf of the school district, but as an individual who is deeply invested in the well being and future of the Alviso community.

I am reaching out regarding the recently proposed high density housing development in North San Jose, particularly in the Alviso area.

As you know, Alviso is a unique and historic treasure within our city, and any development in this area must be approached with the utmost care and respect for its heritage and character.

I strongly urge all parties involved—including city staff, developers, and elected officials—to ensure that the planning and approval process for this project is fully transparent and inclusive.

It is essential that community members and local leaders are engaged at every stage, so that their voices are heard and their concerns addressed.

The goal should be to protect and preserve Alviso's historical significance, while also considering the needs and aspirations of current and future residents.

I am not opposed to new housing or thoughtful development. Rather, I believe that by working collaboratively and openly with the community, we can achieve outcomes that benefit both Alviso and the broader city.

I echo the call for transparency and partnership that Council member David Cohen has expressed, and I encourage you to prioritize these values as you move forward.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter. I look forward to seeing a process that honors Alviso's past while planning responsibly for its future.

Sincerely,

Jim Canova

Vice President, Santa Clara Unified School District Governing Board
(TA1 Representing Alviso area; writing as an individual)

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Fw: Follow-up: Urgent Concerns Regarding Proposed High-Density Development in Alviso (File No. AD25-275)

From Agendadesk <Agendadesk@sanjoseca.gov>

Date Mon 7/7/2025 9:47 AM

To Rules and Open Government Committee Agendas <rulescommitteeagenda@sanjoseca.gov>

From: City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>

Sent: Monday, July 7, 2025 8:24 AM

To: Agendadesk <Agendadesk@sanjoseca.gov>

Subject: FW: Follow-up: Urgent Concerns Regarding Proposed High-Density Development in Alviso (File No. AD25-275)

From: James Canova [REDACTED]

Sent: Thursday, July 3, 2025 7:25 PM

To: Burton, Chris <Christopher.Burton@sanjoseca.gov>

Cc: Cohen, David <David.Cohen@sanjoseca.gov>; City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>; Bonnie Lieberman <blieberman@scusd.net>; Richard Santos <rsantos@valleywater.org>

Subject: Follow-up: Urgent Concerns Regarding Proposed High-Density Development in Alviso (File No. AD25-275)

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Dear San Jose City Council Members and City Planning Staff,

I am writing to follow up on my previous correspondence regarding the proposed high-density housing development in the Alviso area.

Since my initial letter, I have received extensive feedback from Alviso community leader Richard Santos, who has faithfully served the residents of Alviso for many decades. He has highlighted several critical concerns that I believe require immediate and serious consideration.

Please note that these views are my own and do not represent the official position of the Santa Clara Unified School District.

1. Violation of the Alviso Master Plan

The proposed development appears to directly conflict with the Alviso Master Plan, adopted by the San Jose City Council in 1998. This plan, created by a diverse committee of community members, clearly designates the area for commercial and industrial use—not residential housing. The community's investment in this plan should be honored and respected.

2. Environmental and Wildlife Impact

The development would pose significant environmental threats, particularly to the South Bay Restoration project—the second-largest wildlife restoration project in the country after the Everglades. Adding over 3,000 new residents to a community of 2,000 would:

- Disrupt the Guadalupe River wildlife habitat
- Contradict the intent of Measure AA, passed by 69% of voters to protect the South Bay
- Block essential South Bay winds that regulate temperature
- Compromise water quality and wildlife habitat
- Increase pollution and runoff
- Threaten native species, including burrowing owls and jackrabbits

3. Public Safety and Infrastructure

Alviso already faces significant public safety and infrastructure challenges:

- Police response times are currently 45–60 minutes—the longest in San Jose
- The local police substation remains unstaffed and non-operational
- Existing traffic congestion and speeding would worsen with increased population

4. Community Character and Equity

The proposed high-rise buildings would fundamentally alter Alviso's historic character, creating a visual impact inconsistent with the community's heritage as the gateway to Santa Clara County since 1852.

5. Request for Alternative Solutions

I am not opposed to all development. Rather, I encourage exploring alternatives that address housing needs while preserving the community's well-being and adhering to the Alviso Master Plan.

6. Call for Meaningful Community Engagement

Transparency and community involvement are essential. The concerns raised go beyond process—they touch on environmental protection, public safety, and respect for a community that has already absorbed significant development pressure.

I respectfully urge you to:

1. Review the project's compliance with the Alviso Master Plan
2. Conduct a comprehensive environmental impact assessment, with a focus on the South Bay Restoration project
3. Address existing public safety and infrastructure deficiencies before considering population increases

Alviso has been part of San Jose for over 50 years, yet residents often feel their voices are overlooked. This is an opportunity to show that San Jose values all its communities equally and will not sacrifice one neighborhood's well-being for expedient development.

Thank you for your attention to these important concerns. I look forward to your thoughtful consideration and to a planning process that truly honors both Alviso's Master Plan and its residents' future.

Respectfully,

Jim Canova

Vice President

Santa Clara Unified School District

Governing Board Member, TA1 (Representing the Alviso area; writing as an individual)

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FW: Cal Cities Action Alert SB 445 (Wiener) Oppose

From City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>

Date Thu 7/3/2025 1:01 PM

To Rules and Open Government Committee Agendas <rulescommitteeagenda@sanjoseca.gov>

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Action Alert SB 445 (Wiener) Transportation permitting OPPOSE.docx;

From: Montana Cruz [REDACTED]
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To: Montana Cruz [REDACTED]
Subject: Cal Cities Action Alert SB 445 (Wiener) Oppose
Importance: High

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Dear Peninsula Division members,

As an FYI, please see attached "Action Alert" from Cal Cities opposing SB 445 (Wiener). Please circulate as necessary, and please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,

Montana Cruz

Regional Public Affairs Manager, Peninsula

League of California Cities

Office: 415 298 4940

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Cal Cities Action Alert

OPPOSE

SB 445 (Wiener) Transportation Projects: Permitting.

Action requested: Call or text your Assembly Member **today** to **OPPOSE SB 445 (Wiener)**, which was amended this week to remove local discretion on infrastructure projects. SB 445 is currently in the [Assembly Committee on Transportation](#), awaiting a hearing.

What the bill does: SB 445 makes sweeping changes to the state's process for permitting local projects and significantly impairs local governments' ability to manage public infrastructure, ensure worker and public safety, and coordinate across infrastructure sectors. Most concerning, the bill grants project proponents—public or private—the authority to advance projects that could significantly alter or relocate critical infrastructure such as water, wastewater, and power, without consulting the affected city.

Why this is important to Cal Cities members:

- **Erodes local control over critical infrastructure that cities are obligated to maintain on behalf of their communities.** The bill transfers key decision-making authority from local governments to external entities, including transit districts and the California State Transportation Agency (CalSTA), sidelining cities in the planning and delivery of infrastructure projects within their own jurisdictions.
- **Drastically alters the approval and coordination process of transportation projects and mandates several complex, prescriptive, and impractical timeframes.** The bill imposes several onerous notification requirements on cities that do not reflect the complexity of infrastructure coordination, environmental review, and public engagement necessary for responsible project delivery.
- **Requires local agencies to reimburse project applicants for review activities.**

How to contact your Legislator: [Find Your California Representatives](#)

Supporting documents: [Cal Cities Opposition Letter](#); [Sample SB 445 City Opposition Letter](#)

Questions? Montana Cruz mcruz@calcities.org or Damon Conklin, Legislative Advocate, dconklin@calcities.org



Public Record: 76

Fw: From VTA: MBCOC Member Recruitment

From Boards and Commissions Support <commissions@sanjoseca.gov>**Date** Fri 7/11/2025 11:03 AM**To** Rules and Open Government Committee Agendas <rulescommitteeagenda@sanjoseca.gov> 1 attachment (90 KB)

JAN-FEB 2025 Request_V2.pdf;

From: Agendadesk <Agendadesk@sanjoseca.gov>**Sent:** Friday, July 11, 2025 11:00 AM**To:** Boards and Commissions Support <commissions@sanjoseca.gov>**Subject:** Fw: From VTA: MBCOC Member Recruitment**From:** City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>**Sent:** Friday, July 11, 2025 10:14 AM**To:** Agendadesk <Agendadesk@sanjoseca.gov>**Subject:** FW: From VTA: MBCOC Member Recruitment

From: VTA Board Secretary <Board.Secretary@vta.org>**Sent:** Friday, July 11, 2025 9:09 AM**To:** VTA Board of Directors <VTABoardofDirectors@vta.org>; VTA Advisory Committee Members <VTAAdvisoryCommitteeMembers@vta.org>; VTA Board Secretary <Board.Secretary@vta.org>**Subject:** From VTA: MBCOC Member Recruitment

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VTA is actively recruiting members for the 2016 Measure B Citizens' Oversight Committee (MBCOC). We would like to ask for your assistance in disseminating the attached information to your network and/or constituents. The attached document provides comprehensive details about the 2016 MBCOC and the application process. The committee plays a crucial role in overseeing the expenditure of 2016 Measure B funds, ensuring transparency to voters and that the funds were used in accordance with the ballot measure.

You can find the online application and more information about the MBCOC's responsibilities and the 2016 Measure B Program through the links provided in the attached document.

Thank you for your time and assistance in helping us recruit qualified individuals to serve our community.

Office of the Board Secretary
Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority
3331 North First Street, Building B
San Jose, CA 95134-1927
Phone **408-321-5680**



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Community Members Needed for MBCOC

Help Santa Clara County build transportation solutions that move the community! Make your voice heard and ensure that your transportation dollars are spent appropriately by serving on the 2016 Measure B Citizens' Oversight Committee (MBCOC). Multiple committee vacancies are available – apply online ([MBCOC Application](#)) today!

In 2016, voters overwhelmingly approved Measure B with nearly 72% support. Measure B, a 30-year half-cent countywide sales tax, will fund projects that enhance transit, highways, expressways and active transportation (bicycles, pedestrians, and complete streets). While the VTA Board of Directors sets policy decisions for 2016 Measure B, voters entrusted the MBCOC to provide oversight to ensure that the 2016 Measure B funds are spent according to the ballot language and to keep voters informed about Program compliance.

The VTA Board of Directors is responsible for all policy decisions on Program implementation. Detailed information on the 2016 Measure B Program and its status is available at the [Transparency Website](#).

The MBCOC is comprised of eight (8) membership positions representing specific areas of expertise needed to assist the Committee in fulfilling its responsibilities. Key factors of membership and the appointment process are:

- Online application process is open and competitive.
- Selection process seeks a balance of relevant professional experience.
- Candidates must be registered to vote in Santa Clara County
- Term is four years, with a maximum of two consecutive terms
- Committee generally meets 5 times per year

The online application is available at: [MBCOC Application](#), and more information on the Committee, its responsibilities, and the 2016 Measure B Program is available at: [MBCOC Website](#).



County Mental Health and Addiction Treatment

From Thomas Wilson [REDACTED]

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Tom, what you wrote is more than a feeling, its fact. The (HTLC) community. Hard working, Tax paying, Law abiding, Contributors are being cast aside for the welcoming of an ongoing mass invasion of homeless into San Jose. Public officials and advocates for the homeless, who profit from the crises, have placed the HTLC community beneath the homeless and homeless criminals. Thank you, Robert and Sandra Mickanen

Sent from Samsung Galaxy smartphone.

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DATE: July 17, 2025

TO: STATE, CITY AND LOCAL OFFICIALS

NOTICE OF PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY'S REQUEST TO CHANGE RATES FOR 2027 INCOME QUALIFIED PROGRAMS BRIDGE FUNDING (A.25-06-024)

Acronyms you need to know

PG&E: Pacific Gas and Electric Company
CPUC: California Public Utilities Commission
IQP: Income Qualified Programs
CARE: California Alternate Rates for Energy
FERA: Family Electric Rate Assistance
ESA: Energy Saving Assistance

Why am I receiving this notice?

On June 30, 2025, Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) submitted an application to the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) to recover approximately \$133 million in 2027 to continue offering state-required support to customers through its Income Qualified Programs (IQP). **This reflects a decrease from current funding levels of \$190 million in 2025.** These programs—including the California Alternate Rates for Energy (CARE), Family Electric Rate Assistance (FERA) and Energy Savings Assistance (ESA)—help lower energy bills and provide no-cost energy saving measures for eligible customers. The funding will allow PG&E to maintain these assistance programs while completing evaluations that will strengthen and improve these programs in the future. If approved, this request may result in a change to the rates you pay for energy.

Why is PG&E requesting this rate change?

PG&E is requesting this rate change to continue providing energy assistance programs that help income-qualified customers manage their energy use and lower their monthly bills. PG&E is asking the CPUC to approve one year of bridge funding for 2027.

This funding would allow PG&E to maintain current levels of support and services while it completes important studies and program evaluations in 2025 and 2026. These evaluations will help shape program improvements for 2028 and beyond, ensuring that PG&E continues to meet the needs of the communities it services with safe, reliable, clean, affordable energy. By requesting this funding, PG&E is working to ensure there's no interruption in assistance for customers who rely on these programs.

How could this affect my monthly electric rates?

Many customers receive bundled electric service from PG&E, meaning they receive electric generation, transmission and distribution services. A typical residential non-CARE,¹ bundled electric customer using 500 kWh per month would see a decrease from \$214.93 to \$214.88, or 0.02% in 2027.

Direct Access (DA) and Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) customers receive electric transmission and distribution services and select CPUC-ordered services from PG&E. If this application is approved, on average compared to current rates, rates for services provided by PG&E to these customers would decrease by 0.01% in 2027. DA providers and CCAs set their own generation rates. Check with your DA provider or CCA to learn how this would impact your overall bill.

Another category of nonbundled customers is Departing Load. These customers do not receive electric generation, transmission or distribution services from PG&E. However, these customers are required to pay certain charges by law or CPUC decision. On average, existing Departing Load customers would see a rate decrease of 0.25% in 2027.

Actual impacts will vary depending on usage and are subject to CPUC regulatory approval.

¹ CARE is an income qualified discount program. Electric CARE customers are exempt from certain charges and receive a 35% discount on nonexempt charges for an overall average discount of approximately 38%.

How could this affect my monthly gas rates?

Bundled gas customers receive transmission, distribution and procurement services from PG&E.

Based on rates currently in effect, the bill, including the average monthly climate credit, for a typical non-CARE, bundled residential gas customer averaging 31 therms per month would decrease from \$83.86 to \$83.48, or 0.4% in 2027.

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How does the rest of this process work?

This application will be assigned to a CPUC Administrative Law Judge who will consider proposals and evidence presented during the formal hearing process. The Administrative Law Judge will issue a proposed decision that may adopt PG&E's application, modify it or deny it. Any CPUC Commissioner may sponsor an alternate decision with a different outcome. The proposed decision, and any alternate decisions, will be discussed and voted upon by the CPUC Commissioners at a public CPUC Voting Meeting.

Parties to the proceeding may review PG&E's application, including the Public Advocates Office which is an independent consumer advocate within the CPUC that represents customers to obtain the lowest possible rate for service consistent with reliable and safe service levels. For more information about the Public Advocates Office, please call **1-415-703-1584**, email: **PublicAdvocatesOffice@cpuc.ca.gov** or visit **PublicAdvocates.cpuc.ca.gov**.

Where can I get more information?

CONTACT PG&E

If you have questions about this joint filing, please contact PG&E at **1-800-743-5000**. For TTY call **711**. Para obtener más información sobre cómo este cambio podría afectar su pago mensual, llame al **1-800-660-6789** • 詳情請致電 **1-800-893-9555**.

If you would like a copy of the filing and exhibits, please write to the address below:

Pacific Gas and Electric Company
2027 Income Qualified Programs Bridge Funding Application (A.25-06-024)
P.O. Box 1018
Oakland, CA 94604-1018

CONTACT CPUC

Please visit **apps.cpuc.ca.gov/c/A2506024** to submit a comment about this proceeding on the CPUC Docket Card. Here you can also view documents and other public comments related to this proceeding. Your participation by providing your thoughts on PG&E's request can help the CPUC make an informed decision.

If you have questions about CPUC processes, you may contact the CPUC's Public Advisor's Office at:

Email: Public.Advisor@cpuc.ca.gov

Mail: CPUC
Public Advisor's Office
505 Van Ness Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94102

Call: 1-866-849-8390 (toll-free) or **1-415-703-2074**

Please reference the **2027 Income Qualified Programs Bridge Funding Application A.25-06-024** in any communications you have with the CPUC regarding this matter.

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