



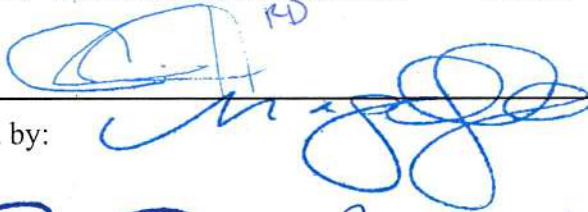
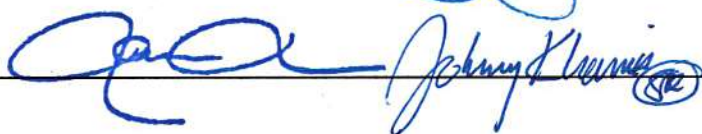
# Memorandum

**TO:** HONORABLE MAYOR AND  
CITY COUNCIL

**FROM:** Councilmember Raul Peralez  
Vice Mayor Magdalena Carrasco  
Councilmember Chappie Jones  
Councilmember Johnny Khamis

**SUBJECT:** Vacant Storefront Ordinance

**DATE:** April 27, 2018

Approved by:  Date: 4/27/2018  


**RECOMMENDATION**

Accept staff recommendation and approve an ordinance amending Chapter 17.38 of Title 17 of the San Jose Municipal Code to establish mandatory registration within the vacant building monitoring program for Downtown buildings and vacant storefronts that have been vacant for 30 days.

**BACKGROUND**

Thank you to staff for their work in the past two and half years on bringing forth this policy to address blighted, vacant storefronts. While we are seeing more ground-floor retail spaces being occupied, there remain certain chronic properties that continue to negatively impact business corridors by the lack of a tenant presence. We look forward to seeing the results of this program and continue discussions on how we can further activate ground-floor spaces for an improved pedestrian experience while attracting positive commercial entities into our respective communities.