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Viva Calle is an annual event that I have fond memories of with my parents and friends. It is a rare opportunity for families all across town to come together and bike in the streets of San Jose together enjoying the weather and company with each other. Taking this away would leave families betrayed, this is one of very few events we have in the city that are completely green.

My favorite experience in Viva Calle was actually when i was a little kid. I remember being in a little trailer attached to the back of my moms bike and we were divide around the city for a few hours. It was a really beautiful sunny day, and after we were done, we got shaved ice in japan town, where the bike party ended. It was a really fun get together and a core memory of my childhood that I won't forget. To take that experience away from other people is taking away an experience that people remember for they're lives.

Ari Snider
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I have always been an adventurous person. I am curious and enthusiastic about the surroundings around me, and I always have been. When I was younger, I used to scream in my parents' car every time we passed by a park on our way to or from somewhere, screaming "Let's go! Let me go! There's a park!". I would spend hours alone, or with friends, or random other kids I would magically become friends with on the spot. All of that was possible through the space these parks provided me and countless other children through multiple generations. I wouldn't be who I am today without the community and space offered to me by San Jose's parks, and that is not an overstatement.

It's more important now than ever to take care of San Jose's parks. Children are having trouble going outside and socializing with others, something that is clinically proven to be essential to a child's development. Parks and playgrounds let kids loose in a safe and fun environment where they can interact with new things and learn more about the world around them. I value parks because they foster a stronger sense of community and unity. They don't help just children, but also parents, young and old, to find people they can relate to. Do not cut park funding! Parks are the silent support to a community's strength. Help bring people together instead, by continuing to fund Viva Calle and Viva Parks.

Ashley Chung
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Parks are an under-funded and crucial part of the growth and development of our children. Cutting any funding to these programs not only is a mistake, but a deprivation of the land our citizens have a right to enjoy and live in. I implore you to not go ahead with any plan to cut such funding. Thank you.

Charlie Osborne
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Throughout the years, I've had the joy of being able to participate in San Jose's lovely tradition of Viva Calle. Every year there seems to be more people, so many families and individuals from all backgrounds coming to ride around town on their bikes. It's when I get to meet up with friends and spend quality time with my dad and my brother. I remember the last time I went, I ran into one of my best friends and got ice cream with her as we stopped at Baskin Robins. We talked and tried to ride our bikes while eating the ice cream (unsuccessfully). After she left with her parents to go back home, I switched bikes with my brother for fun and ended up learning how to ride a thinner bike than mine, which took different balance and a different position, as the handles were lower than the ones on my bike. That day I had a wonderful time, as I not only hung out with one of my best friends, but I also learned something new and bonded even more with my brother.

That same day, I ran into my Spanish teacher and met her lovely 3-year-old daughter. She always gushed in class about her daughter, so it was a delight to finally meet the spunky girl I always heard stories about. I have so many joyful memories from Viva Calle, and I'm positive this is true for most San Jose residents. Ending funding for Viva Calle would be robbing more beautiful memories from being made by the citizens of San Jose.

Natalie Kenyon
95112

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We need to protect these parks for a variety of reasons. The first reason is that they are beautiful parks. Alum Rock Park for example. After Covid-19 Alum Rock was a great place for my family to get back together. We would keep our distance and hike a lot of the trails. Alum Rock has an amazing trail that can take up to 3 hours which not only serves for a good cardio workout but also for a scenic route, with its amazing rivers, bridges, small ponds, thrilling heights, and wonderful wildlife. By reducing the funding that these parks receive you not only make the place more dangerous by ridding it of its maintenance, but you will also destroy its lovely image. Every time that I go to Alum Rock Park I see 100+ people, some walking, others running, and more biking. The park also serves as a great field trip spot, My summer camp took us to Alum Rock Park for a field trip and the experience was great, what made the experience great was the amount of people at the park, and by ridding the park of its funding you risk losing all of that. Thank you for your time.

Roberto Lara
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i love community events, please add more!

Stephanie Price
95112

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Having lived in San Jose and given the opportunity to be apart of its beautiful community for all of my life i've learned to have extreme gratitude for its parks and those who maintain them. To choose to reduce park funding would be to choose to strip away the joy the San Jose community experiences having clean and safe parks. If any a time to protect our outdoor spaces, it would be now. Many of the residents in our community still recovering from the COVID-19 pandemic would only be further encouraged to remain sheltered inside knowing park budgets are being cut. The basic pleasure that comes from being outside in a safe and clean place should not be taken for granted as it is those small things in life that transform our community into happier and healthier citizens.

Svetlana Garcia
95128

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Brianna Campuzano
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Viva Calle is the best event in San Jose for spending time with neighbors and meeting new friends. It's one of the few reasons I find to explore the city in a fun, positive way.

Edward Levie
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We must protect the Viva CalleSJ and Viva Parks programs as they bring community and health back into our beautiful city.

Jairo Ramirez
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Subject: Sept. 12th Council Agenda Item 3.4

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Attached please find a letter from the San Jose All District Leadership Group (SJADLG) regarding Item 3.4 on Tuesday's Council Agenda.

Thank you,

~Larry Ames,
on behalf of SJADLG

[Ms. Wong, Please forward a copy to each of the Parks & Rec Commissioners. Thanks!]

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Honorable Matt Mahan, Mayor, City of San José
and Members of the City Council
200 E. Santa Clara St,
San José, CA, 95113
via email, sent Sept. 10, 2023.

re: Sept. 12th Council Agenda Item 3.4; **Protect Our Parks** - Protect Viva CalleJS & Viva Parks

Dear Mayor Mahan and Councilmembers,

The San Jose All District Leadership Group (SJADLG) is a consortium of the leadership of the active San Jose leadership groups. The purpose of the SJADLG is to strengthen two-way communication between neighborhoods and government agencies and representatives and build a stronger sense of community within all Districts in the City of San Jose.

We appreciate the challenges involved in balancing budgets, but we are upset to note that most of the significant reductions hit the Department of Parks, Recreation, and Neighborhood Services (PRNS), and the Viva CalleSJ and Viva Parks programs in particular.

Parks and Recreation are critical to a healthy and vibrant community! The Viva CalleSJ and Viva Parks programs promote a healthy and vibrant community by tying various neighborhoods together, help raise awareness of other neighborhoods and communities, and make San José a more exciting and desirable place to live and work.

As noted in the budget memo,

“Each Viva CalleSJ event attracts over 100,000 people and is estimated to generate an economic impact of \$1 million per event.
Viva Parks events total more than 10,000 people annually and activate usage of public spaces that intentionally focus on serving vulnerable neighborhoods, based on staff’s use of the Healthy Places Index health equity lens.”

Viva CalleSJ and Viva Parks are much-appreciated and much-loved programs. We encourage the city to secure replacement funding, such as grants, from all sources before any cuts are considered. Please keep these programs running as originally planned!

Thank you,
Greg Peck

San Jose All District Leadership Group
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Agenda Item 3.4 -Don't Cut funding to VivaCalle and VivaParks

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Sun 9/10/2023 5:59 PM

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Dear [Recipient's Name],

I hope this email finds you well. I am writing you to express our profound disappointment and sadness to cancel Viva Calle in the future. As a youth mountain bike team (San Jose composite mountain bike team for kids 6 - 12 grade), this event has meant a lot to us, not only as an opportunity to showcase our passion for cycling but also as a means to give back to our community by assisting with traffic control. Viva Calle has been more than just a cycling event for us. It's been a platform where we could connect with a broader audience, raise awareness about our team.

This was the first time we got to help out by managing the traffic flow on second and Keyes street. It has allowed us to grow closer as a team and develop valuable skills in organizing and managing traffic flow, all while contributing to the safety and enjoyment of the event for everyone involved. We understand that circumstances can change, and difficult decisions must be made. However, we want to express our sincere hope that Viva Calle can be reinstated in the future. Its positive impact on our team and the community at large has been immeasurable, and we believe it plays a crucial role in fostering a sense of togetherness and healthy living in our city. In the meantime, we remain committed to our mission of promoting cycling and giving back to our community. If there are alternative events or initiatives where our team can contribute our traffic control expertise or if there are any ways we can continue to engage with our community, please do not hesitate to reach out to us. We are eager to stay involved and make a positive impact in any way possible. Once again, we express our deep sadness at the cancellation of Viva Calle in the future. Thank you for your understanding, and we look forward to any opportunities to continue our mission of promoting cycling and community involvement.

Sincerely,



Inge Darquennes

Board member of the San Jose composite mountain bike team for kids grades 6-12.



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To:Agendadesk <Agendadesk@sanjoseca.gov>

From: scott wilson [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, September 11, 2023 9:19 AM
To: City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>
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City Leaders –

On September 10, 2023, I spent the afternoon with my partner exploring different areas in the city of San Jose, where we identified new eateries and places to shop. This was a direct result of Viva Calle San Jose routing us through these neighborhoods in a non-motorized way. The streets were safe, no speeding cars, no cars running red lights or failing to stop at intersections, no distracted drivers, simply people out enjoying the afternoon on foot, by bike and many other forms of movement. After the Viva Calle event, as we frequently do after these events, we sat down at a local restaurant, in this case it was Jtown pizza and enjoyed food and beverage, spending money in the community supporting the local economy.

Later that day, I read the report that San Jose is looking to reduce the number of events per year. This is outrageous, the city should be looking to increase the frequency of these events, getting people out and enjoying what our communities have to offer. Understanding the city does not have a bottomless budget, the solution of cutting events like these needs to be avoided at all costs. Events that encourage the community to gather, enjoy the outside and patronize the small businesses that contribute to the success of San Jose needs to be preserved.

While the unions represent the employees, City Leaders represent the Citizens. As a citizen of San Jose, **I do not support the reduction of Viva Calle events as a tool to meet the union demands.**

Regards,

Scott Wilson

I love VivaCalle! Please do not cut funding...DO NOT CUT FUNDING to Viva Calle. VivaCalle is more than just a street closure; it's a celebration of our community's vitality, diversity, and shared spirit. Here are some of the remarkable benefits it brings to our city: 1. Promoting Active Lifestyles: VivaCalle encourages physical activity and healthy living. Closing streets to cars opens them up for pedestrians, cyclists, and skaters, making it easier for everyone to enjoy the outdoors. 2. Fostering Social Connections: Our community thrives when people come together. VivaCalle provides a unique opportunity for residents to connect, engage in conversations, and build meaningful relationships with their neighbors. 3. Showcasing Local Culture: It's a platform for showcasing the rich tapestry of cultures that make up our city. From food vendors to live performances, VivaCalle celebrates our diverse heritage and the arts. 4. Boosting Local Economy: Local businesses benefit from increased foot traffic during VivaCalle events. It's a chance for our neighborhood shops and eateries to shine and for residents to discover new favorites. 5. Inspiring Environmental Awareness: By temporarily reducing car traffic, VivaCalle promotes eco-friendly transportation options and raises awareness about reducing our carbon footprint. 6. Strengthening Community Bonds: Events like VivaCalle strengthen our sense of community. When we come together to enjoy our city's public spaces, we reinforce our commitment to creating a more vibrant and connected community. 7. Creating Lasting Memories: For families, individuals, and friends, VivaCalle is an opportunity to create lasting memories. It's a day filled with laughter, exploration, and a shared appreciation for our city's beauty. 8. Supporting Health and Well-being: The open streets and recreational activities promote mental and emotional well-being. Taking a break from our busy lives to enjoy VivaCalle can be incredibly rejuvenating.

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FW: Save Viva Calle funding

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From: Sally Teeple [REDACTED]

Sent: Friday, September 08, 2023 5:59 PM

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

Subject: Save Viva Calle funding

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To:Agendadesk <Agendadesk@sanjoseca.gov>

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From: Noosha Toolami <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Saturday, September 09, 2023 7:02 AM
To: City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>
Subject: Please keep Viva Calle alive!

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To whom it may concern,

I just read about potential budget cuts for Viva Calle! My friends and I love going to these events. We especially love seeing and supporting all the local vendors and small businesses. They're so much fun. Please don't vote to cut the funding. The Viva Calle events are already so sparse and spread out throughout the year!

Thank you for listening,
Noosha

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FW: Regarding Viva Calle Funding

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From: Erica Waligore [REDACTED]

Sent: Saturday, September 09, 2023 8:59 AM

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

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Good Morning,

It's come to my attention that the city is considering cutting funding for Viva Calle and Viva Parks. While I can't attend Tuesday's meeting, I wanted to add my thoughts in regards to this valuable program.

I have yet to see a city funded program bring together so many people from different walks of life together as Viva Calle. These regular events don't just promote the physical health of residents, but our identity as a community too. I and so many I know are grateful for this opportunity to explore the city and meet others. Please maintain funding for these events.

Thank You,
Erica

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FW: monica alvarado 95127 - 9/12/23 item 3.4: Strategic Support, proposed Viva Parks & Viva CalleSJ budget cuts

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Sent: Saturday, September 09, 2023 10:14 PM

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Subject: monica alvarado 95127 - 9/12/23 item 3.4: Strategic Support, proposed Viva Parks & Viva CalleSJ budget cuts

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monica alvarado
95127

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I'm so disappointed that budget reductions for Viva Calle and Viva Parks are up for consideration. More shameful is that we are one of the wealthiest places in the world and the City narrative is pitting workers' wages against community vibrancy, especially in our most under resourced communities. We talk about vibrant communities that foster belonging, uplift diversity and spur economic development and then proposals like this come up. We can do better San Jose!

Camille Llanes-Fontanilla
95127

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Also, Lake Cunningham another vital park to our Eastside community is in urgent need of major maintenance care! It's time to demonstrate to the city of San Jose residents that Eastside community is valued.

Yolanda Amaro
95148

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Christine Azzopardi
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Our parks are vital to our mental health and for the physical development of our children.

Living on the East Side, we have less parks but are heavily condensed by apartments, homeless and blight. Taking away our parks only adds to our already unhealthy environment.

Our families need parks to restore mental health.

Maria Reyes
95122

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Seriously? Our neighborhood parks?

Maybe it's cheaper to take recreation and play from children and deal with their mental or social issues later

Thomas Haney
95127

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Our parks are particularly important on the east side of San Jose where many people of color and those of lesser means live. How can you cut the budget for Viva Parks when our parks already suffer from poor maintenance.

Penny Pollock
95127

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From: Peggy Prendergast <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, September 10, 2023 9:37 AM
To: City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>
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Hello City Councilmembers,

I love VivaCalle! It allows people from all over the Bay Area to visit San Jose and ride through the city's unique neighborhoods. I have been taking my children to Viva for many years and it allows residents from other cities to learn about San Jose other than driving through the city via vehicles.

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Keep it green we need a beautiful large space for our families and our community also now that raging water is close we can place a wonderful play.water area like hellyer park .

Monica Salas
95127

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From: Deborah Torrens - [REDACTED]

Sent: Sunday, September 10, 2023 12:23 PM

To: Jimenez, Sergio <sergio.jimenez@sanjoseca.gov>; City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>

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From: Brian Rathjen [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, September 10, 2023 1:08 PM
To: City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>
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I have ridden this many times. It brings the community together, encourages a healthy lifestyle thru exercise, and is a great networking opportunity for people and to make new friends.

Sincerely,
Brian Rathjen
[REDACTED]

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From: Karen Schuler [REDACTED]

Sent: Sunday, September 10, 2023 1:23 PM

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

Subject: Agenda Item 3.4 -Don't Cut funding to VivaCalle and VivaParks

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Dear City Council Member,

I am writing to ask you NOT to cut funding for Viva Calle. VivaCalle is more than just a street closure; it's a celebration of our community's vitality, diversity, and shared spirit. Our family, and several others I know, look forward to VivaCalle. It's a very special event that fosters connection and active lifestyles.

Please don't cut funding for this this important, community building event.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ray and Karen Schuler
San Jose, CA

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FW: Proposed Viva Calle funding cuts

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To:Agendadesk <Agendadesk@sanjoseca.gov>

From: Michael Schneider [REDACTED]

Sent: Sunday, September 10, 2023 2:48 PM

To: District3 <district3@sanjoseca.gov>; City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>

Subject: Proposed Viva Calle funding cuts

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Councilmember Torres,

I ***strongly oppose*** the proposed Viva Calle funding cuts that will be discussed in Tuesday's city council meeting. Viva Calle is my favorite city sponsored event. I find that it fosters a sense of community and lets me explore parts of the city that I would have otherwise not seen. I encourage you and the rest of the city council to explore alternatives to cutting its budget, as I think it would be a great loss to the city if it were to get cut.

Thank you for your time,

Michael Schneider
[REDACTED]

San Jose, CA 95131

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FW: Liz Eng 95148 - 9/12/23 item 3.4: Strategic Support, proposed Viva Parks & Viva CalleSJ budget cuts

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From: District 5 United [REDACTED]

Sent: Sunday, September 10, 2023 4:08 PM

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Subject: Liz Eng 95148 - 9/12/23 item 3.4: Strategic Support, proposed Viva Parks & Viva CalleSJ budget cuts

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Our parks have seen recent decline due to not being maintained. It's so sad because our neighborhoods reflect this shortcoming and vice versa. Being proud of our parks makes us proud of our community and city.

Liz Eng
95148

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Sent: Sunday, September 10, 2023 5:18 PM

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Viva Calle is on of the best San Jose community building events San Jose has. Please continue the family events and Viva Parks.

Jacqueline Marcoida
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From: Brian Medower <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Sunday, September 10, 2023 5:58 PM

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

Subject: Agenda Item 3.4 -Don't Cut funding to VivaCalle and VivaParks

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Dear City Council Members,

My family and I attended Viva Calle San Jose this morning for the first time. Riding through the city without having to worry about vehicle traffic was such a great experience, and it opened my eyes to several San Jose neighborhoods that I was completely unfamiliar with. In addition to being a great way to bridge the diverse communities in San Jose, Viva Calle gives unique exposure to local businesses along the route - I have 5 new restaurants and shops and a new brewery on my list to visit after today. I truly hope this fantastic event gets the continued support that it deserves!

Best regards,
Brian Medower
San Jose, District 9

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Subject: Gloria G Lechuga 95122 - 9/12/23 item 3.4: Strategic Support, proposed Viva Parks & Viva CalleSJ budget cuts

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***Please keep the park and green areas
The best you can. THANK YOU***

Gloria G Lechuga
95122

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Viva Calle has been a huge success in community building, bringing thousands of people together from neighborhoods across the city, while supporting street activation, arts, and small businesses. Viva Calle has been important to my family because it gives us a great way to be active together and experience parts of the city that are outside our normal routines. We have shared Viva Calle with friends and visitors to the city, both from other parts of the Bay Area and from across the world- what a great introduction to San Jose! It is critical to preserve funding for Viva Calle!

Alison Cingolani
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Please don't take funding away from the event. We love biking in the streets and exploring the city without worrying about cars. I am able to explore new neighborhoods and local restaurants. Please don't change it. I've attended all 3 events last year and this year.

Best
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FW: Agenda Item 3.4 -Don't Cut funding to VivaCalle

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From: Krystine [REDACTED]
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If you need to make cuts please consider cutting viva parks and NOT viva calle. Parks is not very well promoted and attendance to those are light and is not very inclusive since you have to get tickets online ahead of time. Viva Calle on the other hand is a fantastic event that is open to all. My family loves the event and my nieces will always ask when the next one is. Their favorite part is exploring parts of the city up close which they don't normally get to do.

Adding food trucks and maybe vendor good spots would make it even more attractive and may reduce the cost to put it on. Perhaps partnering with organizations like Google, SJmade, and mvbl feast too.

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Subject: Agenda Item 3.4 Viva Calle Funding - Support Memorandum of Cohen, Foley, and Jimenez

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Dear Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Councilmembers:

I have lived in Downtown San José since 2016, and I am also a bicyclist. One of my favorite civic events is Viva Calle because I enjoy riding on car-free streets and seeing people from all over the city enjoying themselves too. Families, teens, students, couples, older people. People with fancy bikes, lowrider bikes, Playa art bikes, and everyday bikes they might have found at La Pulga. Everyone comes together to explore the city and enjoy a day in the sunshine on a bike (or skates or scooters). You don't have to pay admission or buy anything to have a good time. You don't have to stand in line for entry. Just find the closest part of the route and ride.

It's also a good opportunity to meet staff from your Councilmember's office or city/county departments, nonprofits, etc. Local small businesses can sell food, drinks, or bike-related merchandise too.

Viva Calle is an important part of San José culture. We need to support Viva Calle and fund positions to coordinate these events instead of asking other employees to contribute unpaid overtime on top of their regular job duties. The Mayor and the 10 districts can afford to share this cost from their district allocations.

And we should not be cutting Viva Calle from the budget to pay for the negotiated labor settlement. That reminds me of the dirty tricks my department at Cal Poly Humboldt would play during budget season: they'd insist the only way they could balance the budget was to fail to renew the contract of the most popular adjunct instructor. She taught non-major biology, so she didn't do research and was in a non-tenured position. But generations of students across the campus who thought they were going to fill a general education requirement discovered a sense of wonder about the natural world through her teaching. After some tense discussions at department meetings, suddenly the other faculty would decide they could do without a new computer or whatever if it meant she could be rehired. If the Mayor is going to play this game, he can contribute the lion's share of Viva Calle funding.

Sincerely,

Kathryn Hedges

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Subject: trudy ellerbeck 95127 - 9/12/23 item 3.4: Strategic Support, proposed Viva Parks & Viva CalleSJ budget cuts

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Dear City Council,

Thank you for having previously approved park funding for the current fiscal year. Our community needs parks and urban green space, both of which are a basic need that promote physical and mental health. Many parks still require repair and maintenance and staff are needed for either to occur. Thank you in advance for not reducing park funding this fiscal year. Now is the time to protect our essential parks and public services like Viva Calle and Viva Parks.

trudy ellerbeck
95127

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