

Attachment C: FY 2026 Federal Community Project Funding (Earmark) Member Requests

The following funding requests are pending and have been included in the draft FY 2026 federal appropriations bills.

Congressman Sam Liccardo

- \$2,000,000 for Seismic and Climate Resiliency Rental Unit Preservation Financing Program: This funding request would provide for the development of a low-interest financing program, targeting owners of naturally affordable multi-family rental units to comply with the City-mandated Seismic Retrofit Program. This would enable the financing program to also be used for energy efficiency and other climate resiliency projects in buildings covered by the City's Seismic Retrofit Ordinance, which would benefit both property owners and the mostly lower-income renters.
- \$1,000,000 for Copper Theft and Wire Vandalism Surveillance System: This funding request would help procure and install approximately 80-100 surveillance camera systems in locations around the City most impacted by copper theft and vandalism. The surveillance camera system would include a camera for video surveillance, streetlight controllers that would provide network communications for the cameras, operational notices to indicate if streetlights in the immediate area of the video camera have lost power due to theft or vandalism, and upgraded streetlight fixtures to accommodate the streetlight controllers as needed.

Congressman Jimmy Panetta

- \$2,000,000 for Yerba Buena Bridge Construction Project: This funding request would support the development of construction plans for the Yerba Buena Bridge, including project management, permitting, inspection services, environmental monitoring, demolition, construction, and improvements to the existing hillside. The Yerba Buena Bridge was originally constructed in the early twentieth century and has been a staple of the community, linking neighbors to recreational access and educational centers. However, the bridge has fallen into disrepair and requires removal and replacement. The bridge serves as a crossing over Yerba Buena Creek and connects neighborhoods to high-use areas, including parks, Evergreen Community College, transit stops, bike lanes, workforce opportunities, and abundant open space. Without this vital connection, employment, education, and physical health opportunities are reduced.

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- \$1,000,000 for Guadalupe River Trail Construction from Branham to Chynoweth Project: This funding request would enable construction of the next segment of the Guadalupe River Trail, connecting to the existing alignment that travels from Lake Almaden Park north to Chynoweth Avenue. This next phase of trail construction would include 0.54 miles from Chynoweth Avenue north to Branham Lane. This trail project will fill an existing gap in one of the core trails in the City's trail network, which consists of dedicated, off-street class 1 bike lanes which helps meet the City's goal of a 100-mile trail network.
- \$500,000 for Ending Sideshows in South San José Project: This funding request would enable quick-build installation and hardscape enhancements to deter illegal and dangerous speeding exhibitions, known as sideshows, and street racing, which would improve traffic and pedestrian safety. Illegal sideshows and street racing are an ongoing major public safety issue in San José and throughout California. Sideshows are unauthorized events that draw large crowds of spectators, with drivers performing dangerous stunts in the public right of way. This often results in property damage, blocked roadways impacting emergency services, and risk of severe injuries and death, both to spectators and to the surrounding community.