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Dear City Council,

I am a member of SURJ Santa Clara County and an active voter. I am writing in support of this resolution on "Restricting Civil Immigration Enforcement Activities on Certain City Properties and Facilities."

I urge you to adopt a policy now (not when/if things escalate). It sends an important message that your constituents are waiting to hear before more raids reach our city. We have all been on high alert for months. I am a school teacher and a volunteer with our local rapid response network. I spent a week of my summer patrolling the block around Sacred Heart Community Center as families with children came to pick up backpacks for school because they feared for their safety. Children should NOT have to be afraid to pick out their Disney backpacks on a Tuesday morning and parents should not fear that they'll be snatched off the street while walking their children to do back to school shopping. That is a family's worst nightmare...and it's already happening across the country, here in our state, and here in the Bay.

We are a sanctuary city, so let's be sure our community knows they can trust that commitment. It is imperative that San Jose is prepared to say "no" if and when federal agents try to use city resources to terrorize our community.

Thank you,
Sarah Hollingsworth (she/her)

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My name is Jennette Holzworth from District 6. I'm a member of several community organizations including SURJ Santa Clara County as well as a volunteer responder with the Rapid Response Network. I appreciate you taking my comment in absentia, as I am a primary caregiver for my children during council meetings.

As you know many of our neighbors are terrified by escalating, brutal immigration enforcement. We should not allow city properties and resources to facilitate even more widescale enforcement operations. Doing so would shatter the community's trust in our local government.

I urge you to adopt a policy proactively, before more widespread raids reach our city, so that we are prepared to say "no" if and when federal agents try to commandeer city resources to terrorize our community.

Please direct the City Manager and City Attorney to conduct an inventory and assessment and draft a strong ordinance with a clear reporting protocol as soon as possible.


Thank you,

Jennette Holzworth
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October 28, 2025

San José City Council
c/o Office of City Clerk
200 East Santa Clara Street
San José, CA 95113

Dear Members of the San Jose City Council Rules Committee,

I am writing to urge your strong support for two items on the Oct 28th City Council agenda:

- 3.9 [Restricting Civil Immigration Enforcement Activities on Certain City Properties and Facilities](#) from the memo by Councilmembers Ortiz, Campos, Candelas, Cohen, and Kamei
- 4.1 [Ordinance Prohibiting Law Enforcement Officers from Concealing their Identities in the City of San José](#) from the memo by Councilmembers Ortiz, Candelas and Kamei

These policies are important to me, my organization, and my community because it helps ensure that all residents—regardless of immigration status—can access essential city services and spaces without fear, fostering trust and safety within the community.

Our community needs the City Council to provide strong leadership to support the most vulnerable people, not only in words but also in policy and action.

Re. 3.9, we applaud the coordination between the City and County to preserve City and County property for City, County and local community purposes and to restrict use by federal immigration enforcement. We urge other jurisdictions in our county and region to follow this leadership to protect our community across the Bay Area.

Please direct the City Manager and City Attorney to conduct an inventory and assessment and draft a strong ordinance with a clear reporting protocol as soon as possible.


Re. 4.1, the City Council unanimously approved the memo on Sept 30. Now we need you to approve the ordinance developed by the City Attorney to prohibit all law enforcement

operating in San Jose from concealing their identities. ICE and other federal agents have conducted immigration enforcement without wearing masks for many years. Masks are not essential for their work, and they have only recently started wearing masks.

Both of these ordinances will also strengthen community trust in local government at a time when many residents are experiencing heightened threats and fear, so it is especially critical that they know they can trust and utilize City services.

We hope we can count on your support for both items and your strong leadership to protect the safety and wellbeing of all members of our community so that San Jose is truly a Welcoming City.

Law Foundation of Silicon Valley



Cynthia Chagolla
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Re: Item 3.9 Addition

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We appreciate the forward thinking actions under consideration as part of Item 3.9 and the protections it provides people on city property. We agree wholeheartedly that “the success of our city depends on the ability of all residents, regardless of immigration status, to engage fully in civic life...all residents should be able to access City facilities and properties for services without fear.”

As advocates for unhoused people, we ask that concerns specific to undocumented unhoused people be taken into consideration. It is precisely large numbers of this subpopulation who fight to keep their RVs, refuse to move into shelters and do their best to sleep wherever they can late at night and disappear by morning. It is also this population that makes up substantial portions of assistance queues, leaving them vulnerable on the sidewalk.

As organizations concerned about the safety and welfare of unhoused undocumented people, we ask for a six month pause on all sweeps, including from no re-encampment areas. We also ask for a six month pause on the enforcement of the towing of vehicles with expired registration. Removing undocumented people’s homes only makes them more susceptible to ICE.

As aid groups, we ask that we not be cited or harassed by SJPd, for at least six months, when providing aid or sustenance to undocumented and or unhoused people in city parks. Not extending these protections inhibits peoples’ access to city services and makes them lose touch with aid groups, case managers and others they depend on.

We ask that entrances at all shelters be reinforced, that WELL TRAINED security staff entrances 24/7, and that gates outside shelters be strengthened, never left open or unstaffed. It is the duty of the city to protect the undocumented people they have forced into these shelters, not following these recommendations inhibits residents’ ongoing access to city services.

We ask that all shelters post signage in multiple languages for resource agencies like SIREN, Amigos de Guadalupe, RRN as well as having red cards, yellow cards and the LGBTQ cards always available in abundance in multiple languages.

We ask that vehicles traveling on park trails not be cited. The city can easily create window placards for verified groups working directly with unhoused undocumented people hiding along trails to provide them food, safe passage to appointments and away from ICE. Forbidding advocates from utilizing these trails inhibits residents’

access to city services.

We ask that people in line for any facility serving unhoused undocumented people be given protections, perhaps areas within 500 feet can be considered an extension of the aid location? We all expect the size of the lines to grow between federal funding cuts and the government shutdown, not extending these protections inhibits residents' access to city partner services.

We, the undersigned, respectfully ask that you include all of these safeguards and protections for unhoused and undocumented people and those that aid them, in item 3.9.

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Hi Shaunn Cartwright,

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Thank you for reaching out!

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Please consider adding these recommendations to 3.9.

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Regards,
Shaunn Cartwright
REST (Rapid Encampment Support Team)
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