



## Memorandum

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**TO:** Honorable Mayor &  
City Council

**FROM:** Toni J. Taber, MMC  
City Clerk

**SUBJECT:** The Public Record  
April 16, 2026 – April 23, 2026

**DATE:** April 29, 2026

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### ITEMS FILED FOR THE PUBLIC RECORD

#### Letters from Boards, Commissions, and Committees

#### Letters from the Public

1-8. Eight letters from the public, dated April 19-21, 2026, regarding: Jungle/Olinder Sweep Must be Paused.

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Toni J. Taber, MMC  
City Clerk

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**Fw: Jungle/Olinder Sweep Must be Paused**

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

Date Mon 4/20/2026 8:22 AM

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

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**From:** Kathryn Hedges [REDACTED]

**Sent:** Sunday, April 19, 2026 8:12 PM

**To:** City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>; Maguire, Jennifer <jennifer.maguire@sanjoseca.gov>; Cicirelli, Jon <Jon.Cicirelli@sanjoseca.gov>; Williams, Olympia <Olympia.Williams@sanjoseca.gov>; Solivan, Erik <Erik.Solivan@sanjoseca.gov>; Butera, Vanessa <Vanessa.Butera@sanjoseca.gov>; Maciel, Zulma <zulma.maciell@sanjoseca.gov>; CAO Main <cao.main@sanjoseca.gov>

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Dear Mayor, Councilmembers, and City Staff:

I am a member of SURJ Santa Clara County. We demand that the City of San Jose keep its promises. We demand that the City of San Jose City Attorney pause the abatement at The Jungle and leave residents in their homes until their placements are ready.

Specifically, we ask that the City pause the abatement until all residents have received confirmed written status in their spoken language, so that they can plan accordingly. The City must also ensure that residents awaiting placement (including residents set for Navigation Hub [tent city], residents on the Here4You shelter waitlist which effectively means the street, and residents who have been trying to enroll with no response) are allowed to stay in place while they await interim housing placement.

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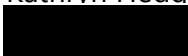
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When our neighbors are pushed out of the Jungle and there is no city housing available for them, they will experience more instability, have less access to resources, and be further criminalized by police.

Again, we ask that the City provide confirmed written status in residents' primary language and that all residents awaiting placement (including residents set for Navigation Hub [tent city] or residents with no placement) are allowed to stay in place while they await interim housing placement.

Sincerely,

Kathryn Hedges



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**From:** Deborah St. Julien [REDACTED]

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Hello,

I am a member of Showing Up for Racial Justice SCC, the Urban Sanctuary faith community and a resident of district 2.

I believe that we should treat all our neighbors with respect and dignity. I believe that our leaders need to prioritize the common good and care of all our citizens. I am saddened and angered by how our city is treating our unhoused neighbors: inadequate communication (including monolingual English outreach

workers), inadequate outreach, removing people without having anywhere for them to go, making false promises, and confiscating people's property. These issues are delineated below.

**Therefore, we ask that the city provide confirmed written status in residents' primary language and that all residents awaiting placement (including residents set for Navigation Hub [tent city] or residents with no placement) are allowed to stay in place while they await interim housing placement.**

**We demand that the City of San Jose keep its promises. We demand that the City of San Jose Leadership pause the abatement and leave residents in their homes until their placements are ready.**

Sincerely,  
Deborah St. Julien  
Urban Sanctuary San Jose  
District 2 resident  
SURJ SCC

Specifics below.

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**Date** Tue 4/21/2026 9:00 AM

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

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**From:** Karen Matsueda [REDACTED]

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I am a resident of District 3 and a member of Showing Up for Racial Justice. I am also a woman of faith, shaped by a tradition that has always called me to stand with those who have the least — not as charity, but as a matter of basic human dignity and justice.

Do not dismiss this as a pie-in-the-sky ethical stance. This is an essential civic duty that the City must fulfill.

The City of San Jose must keep its promises. The people living in the Jungle are our neighbors — and neighbors deserve honesty, respect, and a genuine offer of something better before they are asked to leave. That offer must be real, confirmed, and in writing. Until it is, the abatement must pause.

We ask that the City pause the abatement until all residents have received confirmed written status in their spoken language so they can plan accordingly. Residents awaiting placement — including those assigned to the Navigation Hub, those on the Here4You shelter waitlist, and those who have attempted to enroll with no response — must be allowed to remain in place while they await interim housing.

The City's current process is falling critically short of that standard. A volunteer working on the ground describes what is actually happening:

*"There are other people who were trying to reach out to PATH and never heard anything back. One person, for example, was told 'oh I didn't reply to your text because I don't speak Spanish' by the case worker. They have been trying to reach out to PATH since the end of March... and then they got swept... all of their belongings were taken."*

While claiming to offer housing to everyone, the City is using our tax dollars to harm some of our most vulnerable residents — creating what residents themselves call "false hope." Communication is sporadic at best, and when provided, is often unclear and inaccessible to non-English-speaking residents.

This is not a minor procedural failure. Taking someone's property and shelter because they are not present is inhumane. Taking someone's shelter while they are waiting for housing through the City's own system is inhumane.

The consequences extend beyond this encampment. When our neighbors are pushed out of the Jungle with no housing available, they will experience more instability, have less access to resources, and be further criminalized by police. We will have made their lives harder — in our name, with our money — while calling it help.

I believe our City can do better — and I believe most of you do too. Do not let urgency or outside pressure lead us to something we will look back on with regret. Do the harder, right thing: make the offer first, in writing, to every resident. Then act.

We ask again, clearly: provide confirmed written status in each resident's primary language, and allow all residents awaiting placement — whether assigned to the Navigation Hub or with no placement at all — to remain in place until interim housing is ready for them.

The measure of our City is how we treat the people with the least. Right now, we have a chance to get this right. Please take it.

Sincerely, Karen Matsueda

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-Gwendolyn Brooks

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**From:** Jenna Kress [REDACTED]

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Hi,

My name is Jenna Kress from District 6 and I am a member of SURJ Santa Clara County. Over the past year, I have been volunteering to support my unhoused neighbors in this city.

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District 6

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**From:** Tyler Scott Morgan [REDACTED]

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Dear City Council Members, Mayor Mahan, and San Jose City staff,

My name is Tyler, and I am a resident in District 3 and a concerned community member. Along with many local grass-root organizations, I care that the City of San Jose helps ALL residents and keeps their promises. These social contracts are all we have.

**We demand that the City of San Jose keep its promises. We demand that the City of San Jose Leadership pause the abatement and leave residents in their homes until their placements are ready.**

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Please take of all San Jose residents, not just the wealthy and housed!

***Tyler Morgan, MSc***

*Environmental Scientist*

Pronouns: he, him, his



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**From:** Sarah Hollingsworth [REDACTED]

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Dear City Officials,

I am a member of SURJ Showing up for Racial Justice Santa Clara, an active voter, and a local 8th grade teacher. I am asking that the city

provide confirmed written status in residents' primary language and that all residents awaiting placement (including residents set for Navigation Hub [tent city] or residents with no placement) are allowed to stay in place while they await interim housing placement.

I have spent my time volunteering with my unhoused neighbors of over the past year, and have seen the City's processes during sweeps first hand. I was in coalition with other local volunteers from a variety of organizations that began working together this summer to support our neighbors through the Columbus Park sweep, through Kellogg and the VTA, and now the Jungle and Olinder. More and more grass roots organizations are building power, networking, and asking you to listen and respond to the needs of the people you serve.

As a teacher, I educate young people (and adults) about how systems work to either maintain oppression or uplift different groups of people. While the intention of many programs at the City level is to uplift, the services that are in place for unhoused folks do not achieve that goal. In fact, there are a number of systems working against the unhoused population that are abhorrent, particularly with new state laws that criminalize homelessness. Simply put, we have enough housing for everyone, but many cannot afford it. The measures to temporarily house people do not afford them independence, autonomy, longevity, or access to groceries and other services. They aren't given clear, written plans about where they will go and for how long. We continue to advocate for outreach that is in the primary language of the resident. We continue to document experiences of people following every single ask from the city and still being told they are forgotten.

Many residents of the Jungle are being told that they have no place to go now, but their shelters and belongings will be destroyed anyway. This is inhumane. If you cannot create safer spaces for this community to reside, then leave them alone until they have established a place to go. Destroying their property and belongings only creates further harm and displaces them again. You are only perpetuating the "problem" you seek to resolve by repeating short term solutions. Cerone is not ready and the Navigation Hub is a step backwards from the Jungle, forcing residents to lose larger shelters, autonomy, and the majority of their belongings.

I stand with my community by saying -- "We demand that the City of San Jose keep its promises. We demand that the City of San Jose Leadership pause the abatement and leave residents in their homes until their placements are ready."

Thank you,  
Sarah Hollingsworth  
(she/her)



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**From:** Kayla Cuvelie, [REDACTED]**Sent:** Tuesday, April 21, 2026 7:46 AM**To:** City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>**Subject:** Jungle/Olinder Sweep Must be Paused

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Dear San Jose City Council,

My name is Kayla from District 3 and I am a member of SURJ Santa Clara County.

I have faced housing challenges ever since I moved to San Jose 7 years ago. This area is so expensive and good housing is hard to find. I know I am one emergency away from being houseless myself.

There is a current sweep in the Jungle/Olinder area. There are many folks that don't have housing placements set. I ask that the city provide confirmed written status in residents' primary language and

that all residents awaiting placement (including residents set for Navigation Hub [tent city] or residents with no placement) are allowed to stay in place while they await interim housing placement.

Sincerely,  
Kayla Cuvelier  
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Hello-

My name is Alison George, I am a resident of District 10 and a member of SURJ Santa Clara County.

I am writing to express my concerns regarding the execution of current sweeps at The Jungle in San Jose. I am deeply disturbed by the lack of transparency and unjust treatment of these San Jose residents. The residents of the Jungle are members of our community and deserve support and clear

communication. As a community we need to be addressing the concerns of all of our residents - we need to do and be better! I want my tax dollars to be used to support and find permanent housing solutions for our vulnerable residents -not to disenfranchise and criminalize them.

Prior to starting the sweeps, the city of San Jose promised interim housing to residents of the Jungle. However, dozens of residents are hearing that they do not yet have a placement in interim housing while sweeps are actively happening. Residents are being displaced to the street or to the city's "Navigation Hub" (tents on concrete slabs where people are unable to bring their belongings). This is a disturbing and unjust step backwards for these residents, on top of a broken promise.

Specifically, we ask that the city pause the abatement until all residents have received confirmed written status in their spoken language, so that they can plan accordingly. The city must also ensure that residents awaiting placement (including residents set for Navigation Hub [tent city], residents on the Here4You shelter waitlist which effectively means the street, and residents who have been trying to enroll with no response) are allowed to stay in place while they await interim housing placement.

"There are other people who were trying to reach out to PATH and never heard anything back. One person, for example, was told 'oh I didn't reply to your text because I don't speak Spanish' by the case worker. They have been trying to reach out to PATH since the end of March... and then they got swept... all of their belongings were taken." - Volunteer

While claiming to be offering housing to everyone, the city of San Jose is using our tax dollars to harm some of our most vulnerable residents, creating, according to the residents, "false hope". The city is not being clear with residents about what or when things will happen to them or their property. Written communication is sporadic, at best. When it is provided, the language is unclear and often inaccessible to non-English speaking residents.

Taking someone's property and shelter simply because they are not present is inhumane. Taking someone's shelter while they are waiting for housing through the city's own system is inhumane.

When our neighbors are pushed out of the Jungle and there is no city housing available for them, they will experience more instability, have less access to resources, and be further criminalized by police.

Again, we ask that the city provide confirmed written status in residents' primary language and that all residents awaiting placement (including residents set for Navigation Hub [tent city] or residents with no placement) are allowed to stay in place while they await interim housing placement.

Respectfully,  
Alison George

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