

**b.beekman. sj city council. Item 3.9. June 23, 2020.**

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Dear community of San Jose, and city govt.,

To speak to, city budget issues.

While I fully agree, with the need, to bridge the digital divide. And with some ideas, of digital inclusion.

The ideas, of more open and responsible, surveillance & data collection practices, and overall minimal use policies - simply has to become, a more regular dialogue, in the future of tech. in San Jose.

These are the ideas, of more open and transparent, local democratic practices.

And that are meant to ask, how to leave 20 years, of u.s. continual war, and it's shock doctrine, disaster capitalism practices.

Good tech. accountability practices, at the local level, at this time, can help open up, many important concepts

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including, human rights, civil protections, health & safety concerns, and the initial idealism, of equity and equality.

To practice & teach ideas, of good public policy, and civil protections, is relatively low cost, to a city budget.

Yet, it gives lifelong lessons, in community, and good democratic practices.

These are vibrant, good minded examples, of innovation, sustainability, and peace, that should be able, to walk hand-in-hand, with the future of technology needs, of a community.

Yet, current San Jose digital inclusion, and its technology ideas, continually eschew & exclude, the language & good purpose, of more open, public practices.

And is continually excluding, how tech. accountability, can be, some of the most interesting & innovative ideas of local community democracy, and long-term sustainability, at this time.

sincerely,  
blair beekman