

FW: Filling Vacancies in Council Districts 8 and 10

City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 9:08 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

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From: Doug Rogers <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Monday, December 05, 2022 9:00 AM

To: Liccardo, Sam <[REDACTED]> Jones, Chappie <[REDACTED]> Jimenez, Sergio

<[REDACTED]> Peralez, Raul <[REDACTED]> Cohen, David

<[REDACTED]> Carrasco, Magdalena <[REDACTED]> Davis, Dev

<[REDACTED]> Esparza, Maya <[REDACTED]> Arenas, Sylvia <[REDACTED]>

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I am writing to express my desire for District 8 and 10 be allowed to vote for their next representative. This is the root of our democracy. I want the right to choose my representative, not have them chosen by people who live in and represent another district. It should be my option to vote, or decide not to vote. It could be my district next time. Cost should not be a factor..... or we would have no elections.

Doug and Nancy Rogers

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FW: Fill Vacancies in Council Districts 8 & 10 by Election Process

City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 9:08 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

From: Dinah Hayse <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Monday, December 05, 2022 9:01 AM

To: Liccardo, Sam <[REDACTED]> Jones, Chappie <[REDACTED]> Jimenez, Sergio
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I am extremely concerned to hear that the council is considering appointing new councilmembers rather than supporting the community's right to vote and elect their representatives. There should be an election held to fill these roles.

At a time when the democratic processes and voting rights are under siege, consider the message that it sends. It does not help to have the council downplay this right by considering appointment of new councilmembers to fill the remainder of the terms rather than holding a special election.

-Dinah Hayse

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To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

From: the pagans <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Monday, December 05, 2022 9:07 AM

To: Liccardo, Sam <[REDACTED]> Jones, Chappie <[REDACTED]> Jimenez, Sergio <[REDACTED]>
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Honorable Mayor and Councilmembers,

I am a San Jose resident that lives in District 10.

Regarding the council vacancy in CD's 8 and 10, **I support a special election**, rather than an appointment by Council. As far back as 1995, special elections have been held at least six times to fill vacancies on City Council that were eventually filled by former councilmembers Pat Dando, Nora Campos, Madison Nguyen, Kansen Chu, Pierluigi Olivario, and Manh Nguyen.

A special election is the only fair and democratic approach that upholds the right of the people to elect their representatives, and is the only option that must be considered to fill a vacancy.

Thank you.

Steven Pagan

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Mon 12/5/2022 9:11 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

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From: GREG STEIN <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Monday, December 05, 2022 9:11 AM

To: Liccardo, Sam <[REDACTED]>

Jones, Chappie <[REDACTED]>

Jimenez, Sergio

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Cohen, David

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If you respect democracy, tonight's vote to establish a special election to fill the 2 vacant seats on the City Council can only be an affirmative. We elect our representatives, not appoint them. If I lived in one of those districts, I'd want my vote.

Thank You in advance for allowing the special election to go forward.

Greg Stein

Rosegarden Resident since 1994

San Jose Resident since 1986

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City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:13 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

From: Lisa Nguyen <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Friday, December 02, 2022 9:06 PM

To: Liccardo, Sam <[REDACTED]>

Jones, Chappie <[REDACTED]> Jimenez, Sergio

<[REDACTED]> Peralez, Raul <[REDACTED]>

Cohen, David <[REDACTED]> Carrasco,

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To all Councilmembers who no longer believe in elections:

Power truly does corrupt. How in the world did you decide to deny elections to two Council districts and then recommend that only 6 Councilmembers choose who to appoint to those Council seats?

You are truly at least as corrupt as the Los Angeles City Council. Worse yet, you blatantly throw this in the face of the residents of San Jose.

We have a City Council with no Asian representation and you decide to appoint someone to District 8 which has over 60% Asian population. And, yes, of course, we know you will appoint an Asian person just to say you support racial equity. That is NOT racial equity. Racial equity would be letting the people vote for their representatives.

The San Jose City Council members who support this are an embarrassment to our city. This is what you will be remembered for? There is no amount of justification and no memos you can write that will make this ok!

You are corrupt and care nothing about democracy or the voice of the people.

You do not deserve to be on the City Council. This is what you will be remembered for.

Let Me Vote!

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FW: D8 & D10 Council Vacancies

City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:14 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

From: Joanne Cash <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Friday, December 02, 2022 9:29 PM

To: Liccardo, Sam <[REDACTED]> Jones, Chappie <[REDACTED]> Jimenez, Sergio
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There are too many Trump supporters on San Jose City Council

1. All the talk about Democracy is on the Ballot.
2. All the complaints about Election Deniers.
3. All the complaints about appointing Supreme Court Justices at the end of term.

San Jose Council,

1. YOU are denying the people their elections.
2. YOU won't let Democracy be on the Ballot.
3. YOU want outgoing Council Members to vote to appoint.

YOU are Trump!

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FW: Filling Council Vacancies - Elections Matter to the People

City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:14 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

From: Joanne Cash <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Friday, December 02, 2022 9:59 PM

To: Liccardo, Sam <[REDACTED]> Jones, Chappie <[REDACTED]> Jimenez, Sergio <[REDACTED]>
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San Jose Council Members,

Do you read what the residents of San Jose are saying or do you only care about power?

Mercury News; Letter to the Editor

<https://www.mercurynews.com/2022/12/01/letters-1066/>

Heed Lincoln. Elect council replacements

The cheapest is not always the least expensive. Many have commented that the cost of a special election to fill two upcoming vacancies on the San Jose City Council is prohibitive or asked how many potholes can be fixed with those funds. What is the cost to our democracy? How many have given their lives so that we can have this privilege to elect our leaders? How many countries have we guided to conduct fair elections?

U.S. President Abraham Lincoln, in his famed 1863 Gettysburg Address, may have best defined democracy as a "government of the people, by the people, for the people." History has shown that democracy is a particularly fragile institution, especially at this time. I still trust President Lincoln. Let's conduct a special election for the open council seats in San Jose.

by Richard Ajluni, San Jose

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FW: Vacant Council Seats (I want to Vote)

City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:14 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

From: Sandy Ling <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Friday, December 02, 2022 10:23 PM
To: Davis, Dev <[REDACTED]> Esparza, Maya <[REDACTED]> Arenas, Sylvia <[REDACTED]>
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Mayor + other Council,

When George Washington was elected as the first president in 1789, only 6 percent of the U.S. population could vote. In most of the original 13 states, only landowning men over the age of 21 had the right to vote.

Now we have a handful of Council Members who want to choose our representatives.

That's zero voter turnout! That's Voter Suppression!

Sandy in San Jose (I want to Vote)

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City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:15 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

From: Michael Delaney <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Friday, December 02, 2022 10:30 PM

To: City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Special Meeting on Filling Vacancies in Council Districts 8 and 10

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San Jose City Clerk Toni Taber,

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As a San José resident, it's clear to me that our city is currently at a critical juncture, in dire need of resources for public safety, parks, and vital infrastructure — every dollar that is unwisely spent means there is less, much needed, funding towards addressing our current housing crisis, and need for public safety and regional economic development. These are urgent issues that impact each and everyone that lives and works in San José. We need our local leaders to focus on funding and implementing solutions that make it possible for each of us to have a roof over our heads, feel safe in our neighborhoods and parks, and have access to critical infrastructure and care.

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Michael Delaney

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City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:15 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

From: guojing shou <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Friday, December 02, 2022 10:50 PM

To: Liccardo, Sam <[REDACTED]> Jones, Chappie <[REDACTED]> Jimenez, Sergio <[REDACTED]>
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Dear Mayor and City Council Members,

I am a San Jose resident. I demand a special election be held that authorizes citizens in San Jose to elect their represents for District 8 and District 10. I demand you uphold our civic right to elect the represenatives by people living in those districts.

Sincerely,
G Shou

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City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:15 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

From: jennsa <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Saturday, December 03, 2022 12:17 AM

To: Arenas, Sylvia <[REDACTED]> Jimenez, Sergio <[REDACTED]> Davis, Dev

<[REDACTED]> City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Cc: Esparza, Maya <[REDACTED]> Foley, Pam <[REDACTED]> Mahan, Matt

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Council Members Jimenez, Arenas and Davis,

Your recommendation to let 6 of the 2023 councilmembers decide who will be appointed to two vacant council seats is despicable.

It does not represent the people. If you wanted everyone to work together, you would recommend that a unanimous vote is needed to appoint the new council members next year.

Arenas and Davis ran for office during their term. Now you're concerned about other council members running for office during their terms. Complete hypocrisy on your part.

You say you will "handle this in a thoughtful manner." More hypocrisy when you want 6 of the council members to pick the new ones.

You say "It is important to note that mayor-elect Mahan will have a say in who is selected to represent District 10." More hypocrisy. It's only 6 of the council members who would choose the newly appointed members.

You say "not allow politicians to play kingmaker via campaign committees" and worried about "IE's buying an election." More hypocrisy. Where was your outcry when the 49ers spent \$720,000 on your Chavez' campaign? Now YOU want to play kingmaker with only 6 council votes?

You say "who sits on the Council, likely for the next 5+ years". YOU want to play kingmaker for 5+ years on two seats. That is not an interim appointment! You want to hand-pick for 5+ years. Why didn't you recommend someone who doesn't want to run for re-election? More hypocrisy.

You say "We must demand better from our politicians and our news sources." More hypocrisy. YOU are the politicians and YOU control the news sources.

You say "Elections which we are sure residents are tired of." Who put you in charge of deciding when residents are tired of elections?

Why didn't you mention the cost estimate that costs half as much if we do all-mail elections?

The people of San Jose will not forget this divisive, corrupt, hypocritical power-play. You are liars and you are stealing two council seats because you know that Labor wouldn't win in D10

and maybe not in D8. The Labor-business divide is not dead. YOU are perpetuating it! The people see what you are doing.

Randi Markwood

San Jose resident

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City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:15 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

From: Madison Wu <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Saturday, December 03, 2022 6:37 AM

To: Davis, Dev <[REDACTED]> Arenas, Sylvia <[REDACTED]> Jimenez, Sergio

<[REDACTED]> City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Cc: Esparza, Maya <[REDACTED]>

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Davis, Arenas & Jimenez,

Any Council members who vote for your plan to have the current regime appoint successors should be RECALLED.

And the successors should be RECALLED on Day One.

San Francisco did it. So can San Jose!

HERE's the CORRUPT San Jose REGIME in ACTION ...

Gerrymandering wasn't enough!

If you can't win at the ballot box, then STEAL the SEATS!

Use the current regime, along with public spin from your "broad coalition", to mandate appointments. Give 3 weeks for your comrades to submit "applications". Select only six, yes six members, of the new regime, to hand-pick successors, who as you said, will likely be in office for 5+ years.

Power has gone to your heads! How dare you say that Mahan and Arenas should have a voice in filling the new seats. This is about the voice of the people. You are trying to take away the people's voice and their right to vote!

You have disdain for the people and you exemplify politics at it's worst!

Madison Wu

For the People!

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City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:16 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

From: Donna Thurmon <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Saturday, December 03, 2022 7:42 AM

To: City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

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Donna Thurmon



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City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:16 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

From: Jesus Lorenzo Carrillo Arciniega <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Saturday, December 03, 2022 8:09 AM

To: City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

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Jesus Lorenzo Carrillo Arciniega



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Mon 12/5/2022 8:16 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

From: Rose Sullivan <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Saturday, December 03, 2022 8:58 AM

To: Liccardo, Sam <[REDACTED]> Jones, Chappie <[REDACTED]> Jimenez, Sergio
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Cc: Rose Sullivan <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Filling Vacancies in Council Districts 8 and 10

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Dear Mr. Mayor and Members of the San Jose City Council,

I request the San Jose City Council create an expedited process for a Special Election to fill the vacancies in the D8 & D10 Council positions. I oppose the current 2022 Council appointing individuals to the D8 & D10 Council positions without a vote of the citizens of these districts.

To make the assumption that the District 8 and 10 residents want to forfeit their vote and leave it up to the City Council is both unreasonable and perceived as tyrannical.

Special Elections are not new to the City of San Jose; others have been elected in this manner and set a precedent for how this process should continue. District 8 and 10 residents must have the opportunity to make the choice for themselves about who would best represent their district.

A Special Election would demonstrate to the San Jose Citizens that their Mayor and City Council represents their best interest. Thank you.

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THINK BIG!

Rose Sullivan





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FW: Filling Vacancies in Council Districts 8 and 10

City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:16 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

-----Original Message-----

From: Norina Mooney <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Saturday, December 03, 2022 9:18 AM

To: Liccardo, Sam <[REDACTED]> Jones, Chappie <[REDACTED]> Jimenez, Sergio

<[REDACTED]> Perez, Raul <[REDACTED]> Cohen, David

<[REDACTED]> Carrasco, Magdalena <[REDACTED]> Davis, Dev

<[REDACTED]> Esparza, Maya <[REDACTED]> Arenas, Sylvia <[REDACTED]>

Foley, Pam <[REDACTED]> Mahan, Matt <[REDACTED]> City Clerk

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<[REDACTED]> District 10 <[REDACTED]>

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The people have a right to vote on their councilman. You want to put you person in to push your agenda. Stop pushing your dictatorial communist ways on our society.

Sincerely,
Noreen Mooney

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City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:16 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

From: Steven Epp <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Saturday, December 03, 2022 10:30 AM

To: Cohen, David <[REDACTED]> District4 <[REDACTED]> City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Filling Vacancies in Council Districts 8 and 10

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Hi David,

I urge you to fill these vacancies through a special election.

Regards,

Steve Epp

[REDACTED]

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FW: Special Meeting on Filling Vacancies in Council Districts 8 and 10

City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:17 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

From: The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Saturday, December 03, 2022 10:49 AM

To: City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Fw: Special Meeting on Filling Vacancies in Council Districts 8 and 10

From: Michael Delaney <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Friday, December 2, 2022 10:30 PM

To: The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Special Meeting on Filling Vacancies in Council Districts 8 and 10

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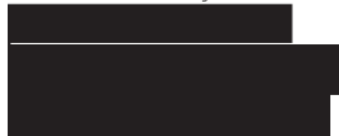
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As a San José resident, it's clear to me that our city is currently at a critical juncture, in dire need of resources for public safety, parks, and vital infrastructure — every dollar that is unwisely spent means there is less, much needed, funding towards addressing our current housing crisis, and need for public safety and regional economic development. These are urgent issues that impact each and everyone that lives and works in San José. We need our local leaders to focus on funding and implementing solutions that make it possible for each of us to have a roof over our heads, feel safe in our neighborhoods and parks, and have access to critical infrastructure and care.

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Michael Delaney



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City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:17 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

From: Yusra Hussain <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Saturday, December 03, 2022 10:50 AM

To: City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Special Meeting on Filling Vacancies in Council Districts 8 and 10

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San Jose City Clerk Toni Taber,

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City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:17 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

From: The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Saturday, December 03, 2022 10:51 AM

To: City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Fw: Special Meeting on Filling Vacancies in Council Districts 8 and 10

FYI

From: Yusra Hussain <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Saturday, December 3, 2022 10:49 AM

To: The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Special Meeting on Filling Vacancies in Council Districts 8 and 10

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FW: Let your people VOTE

City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:17 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

From: Victoria Ocampo <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Saturday, December 03, 2022 11:41 AM

To: Liccardo, Sam <[REDACTED]> Jones, Chappie <[REDACTED]> Jimenez, Sergio <[REDACTED]>
<[REDACTED]> Perez, Raul <[REDACTED]> Cohen, David <[REDACTED]> Carrasco, Magdalena <[REDACTED]>
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Subject: Let your people VOTE

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Dear Mayor Liccardo, City Council Members and City Clerks:

Now that two City Council positions are left with two vacancies (Districts 8 and 10), I would like to petition/admonish that the people from these districts be allowed to **vote and choose** the representatives that will lead them. It is imperative to the democratic process that ALL voices are heard; therefore, the voters of these districts should be able to pick their representatives, not Council members who do not live in those districts.

I have faith and hope that you will listen to your constituents and preserve our democracy.

Sincerely,

Vicky Ocampo
District 7

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FW: Filling Vacancies in Council Districts 8 and 10

City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:17 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

-----Original Message-----

From: Carol Garcia <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Saturday, December 03, 2022 11:44 AM

To: Liccardo, Sam <[REDACTED]> City Clerk <[REDACTED]> Cohen, David

<[REDACTED]>

Subject: Filling Vacancies in Council Districts 8 and 10

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Let me Vote....

I do not want council members to appointing their Cronies to a position that is to represent me and I have not voted them to.

This is not China, Cuba, Russia this is supposed to be Silicone valley, USA that respect the individual citizens voice and vote.

Carol Garcia

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FW: Elect (not appoint) D8 and D10 City Council Members

City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:18 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

From: Brad Loos <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Saturday, December 03, 2022 1:41 PM

To: City Clerk <[REDACTED]> Sam Liccardo <[REDACTED]> The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo
<[REDACTED]> Jones, Chappie <[REDACTED]> District1
<[REDACTED]> Jimenez, Sergio <[REDACTED]> District2 <[REDACTED]> Peralez, Raul
<[REDACTED]> District3 <[REDACTED]> Cohen, David <[REDACTED]> District4
<[REDACTED]> Carrasco, Magdalena <[REDACTED]> District5 <[REDACTED]> Davis,
Dev <[REDACTED]> District 6 <[REDACTED]> Esparza, Maya <[REDACTED]> District7
<[REDACTED]> Arenas, Sylvia <[REDACTED]> District8 <[REDACTED]> Foley, Pam
<[REDACTED]> District9 <[REDACTED]> Mahan, Matt <[REDACTED]> District 10

Subject: Elect (not appoint) D8 and D10 City Council Members

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Honorable Mayor and City Council members,

I strongly urge you to hold a special election to select permanent replacements to fill the vacancies for D8 and D10 City Council members.

There is no principle more centrally important to San Jose (and the United States) than the foundational value that *the people should choose their public servant leaders* – not special interest groups or politicians. Not holding this election would be a denial of the democracy we enjoy and greatly erode public trust in government.

Thank you for seriously considering my position on this important topic.

Sincerely,
Brad J. Loos
San Jose Neighborhood Commissioner D9

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FW: Filling Vacancies in Council Districts 8 and 10

City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:18 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

From: ROBERT LOPES <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Saturday, December 03, 2022 2:05 PM

To: Liccardo, Sam <[REDACTED]> Jones, Chappie <[REDACTED]> Jimenez, Sergio <[REDACTED]>
<[REDACTED]> Peralez, Raul <[REDACTED]> Cohen, David <[REDACTED]> Carrasco, Magdalena <[REDACTED]>
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Between The Federal, State & Local politicians, I haven't decided if I live in China or Russia. It appears that they have assumed ALL powers over my life...I need "Permission" (Permits) for everything I do, I am FORCED to take vaccines, take away the right to gun ownership (except for criminals) and now the city council wants to ASSUME the power to vote for ME ---- NOOOOO!!!!

You want to allow "ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS" to have the privilege awarded to CITIZENS - the right to vote, and take away the right to vote from CITIZENS.

What happened to AMERICA!

Maybe its time to replace the ENTIRE city council with REAL AMERICANS...

Bob Lopes

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City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:18 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

-----Original Message-----

From: Naila Sharifova <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Saturday, December 03, 2022 2:27 PM

To: Liccardo, Sam <[REDACTED]> Jones, Chappie <[REDACTED]> Jimenez, Sergio

<[REDACTED]> Peralez, Raul <[REDACTED]> Cohen, David

<[REDACTED]> Carrasco, Magdalena <[REDACTED]> Davis, Dev

<[REDACTED]> Esparza, Maya <[REDACTED]> Arenas, Sylvia <[REDACTED]>

Foley, Pam <[REDACTED]> Mahan, Matt <[REDACTED]> City Clerk

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Hello,

I am a resident of District 9. I believe the vacancies should NOT be filled by Council members themselves, but instead should be decided via public vote. We choose council members to represent residents of the city and to assure transparency in election and having proper representation.

At the time when majority are disillusioned by their local governments, depriving citizens of their voting right may further detriment faith in transparency of our local elections.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Warm regards,
Naila Sharifova

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FW: LET US VOTE FOR Filling Vacancies in Council Districts 8 and 10

City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:18 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

From: Joanie <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Saturday, December 03, 2022 2:28 PM

To: Liccardo, Sam <[REDACTED]> City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Subject: LET US VOTE FOR Filling Vacancies in Council Districts 8 and 10

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Dear Sam Liccardo,

I hope you can fully grasp that the people in Districts 8 and 10 deserve the opportunity to elect THEIR REPRESENTATIVES!

We need a special election to fill those vacancies- not council members who don't live in those districts!

Thank you!

Joanie Murphy

[REDACTED]

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City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:18 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

From: Lee Steckmest <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Saturday, December 03, 2022 2:33 PM

To: Liccardo, Sam <[REDACTED]> Jones, Chappie <[REDACTED]> Jimenez, Sergio
<[REDACTED]> Peralez, Raul <[REDACTED]> Cohen, David <[REDACTED]> Carrasco,
Magdalena <[REDACTED]> Davis, Dev <[REDACTED]> Esparza, Maya
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Voting is fundamental to maintaining a democracy. Allow the residents of Districts 8 and 10 to vote on who represents them in City government.

T.L. Steckmest

A proud resident of San Jose since 1985 in the Almaden Valley.

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City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:19 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

From: Jan Soule <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Saturday, December 03, 2022 2:53 PM

To: Foley, Pam <[REDACTED]> District9 <[REDACTED]> City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Filling Vacancies in Council Districts 8 and 10

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Dear Pam:

If you were to decide to leave office before your term is up, I would expect to have the opportunity to vote for your replacement. You have taken the time to know your district and the challenges that need to be faced. As a resident and a voter, I would expect to be given the opportunity to review those who wished to replace you and select the one who I believe most understands District 9.

Likewise, the residents of D10 and D8 deserve the opportunity to vote for their new representative on the San Jose City Council.

PLEASE support a special election to fill the vacant seats.

Regards,
Jan Soule

[REDACTED]

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City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:19 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

From: Jerry Mungai <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Saturday, December 03, 2022 3:10 PM

To: Liccardo, Sam <[REDACTED]> District1 <[REDACTED]> Jimenez, Sergio
<[REDACTED]> District3 <[REDACTED]> District4 <[REDACTED]> District5
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It is critical that Districts 8 and 10 voters should select their Council Members NOW; and should NOT appointed by Council members who may or not have the voters in those districts' best interests in mind.

Yes, a special election may cost several millions, but the cost is minimal compared to the millions the city spends on addressing homelessness, for example, with little success in eliminating the problem or significantly eliminating the problem.

Jerry Mungai

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City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:19 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

From: Rich Crowley <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Saturday, December 03, 2022 3:20 PM

To: Liccardo, Sam <[REDACTED]> Jones, Chappie <[REDACTED]> Jimenez, Sergio <[REDACTED]>
<[REDACTED]> Perez, Raul <[REDACTED]> Cohen, David <[REDACTED]> Carrasco, Magdalena <[REDACTED]>
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Mayor & City Councilmembers -

As a District 10 voter I SUPPORT A SPECIAL ELECTION to replace our current Councilmember when he moves on to the Mayor's office at the beginning of 2023. I VEHEMENTLY OPPOSE ANY PLAN WHERE YOU WOULD APPOINT HIS REPLACEMENT and I hope that you won't take away my right to select my next representative.

The most basic tenant of our Democratic Republic is our right to select those who represent us at every level of government. The only true way to accomplish this is through a fair and free election. Without an election we are merely surfs serving a political class that rules us through edicts feeling that they know what is best for us. This is a direct threat to our Democracy, and it cannot be allowed to stand. Ask any combat veteran, "What is the value of Democracy?" they will tell you from their hearts.

Past City Councils have chosen to fill these vacancies via the Special Election because it relies on the voters in the affected district to make the choice. By Appointing my representative, you will have broken that long term precedent in favor of political expediency, no matter what criteria you put in place to make your choice seem fair and transparent. I caution you, DON'T DO IT! It will come back to haunt you when the shoe is on the other foot.

REMEMBER: as Abraham Lincoln said in his Gettysburg Address: "we are a government of the people, by the people, and for the people." Not for the political class and their next career positions.

Thank you for your consideration

RICH

Rich Crowley
D10 Resident since 1970

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City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:19 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

From: Yumiko Fukiage <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Saturday, December 03, 2022 8:55 PM

To: Liccardo, Sam <[REDACTED]> Jones, Chappie <[REDACTED]> Jimenez, Sergio
<[REDACTED]> Peralez, Raul <[REDACTED]> Cohen, David <[REDACTED]> Carrasco,
Magdalena <[REDACTED]> Davis, Dev <[REDACTED]> Esparza, Maya
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Subject: Filling Vacancies in Council Districts 8 and 10

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Hello Mayor Liccardo and San Jose council members,

Please let District 8 and 10 residents vote for their council members. They should decide their representative in a special election, not by other council members. I live in District 4, but I believe that only residents in these districts should choose their council members and we should have a special election.

Please vote yes for the special election.

Thank you
Yumiko Fukiage

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City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:19 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

From: Peggy Londre <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Saturday, December 03, 2022 10:24 PM

To: Liccardo, Sam <[REDACTED]> Jones, Chappie <[REDACTED]> Jimenez, Sergio
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Magdalena <[REDACTED]> Davis, Dev <[REDACTED]> Esparza, Maya
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To whom it may concern,

It is important for the people of San Jose to have a voice in who fills the City Council vacancies for Council Districts 8 and 10.

We need to vote on this. I look forward to our City doing the right thing.

Respectfully submitted

Peggy Londre

Citizen of San Jose for over 40 years.

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FW: Vacancies for D8 and D10

City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:19 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

From: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Saturday, December 03, 2022 11:18 PM

To: Liccardo, Sam <[REDACTED]> Jones, Chappie <[REDACTED]> Jimenez, Sergio <[REDACTED]>
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Subject: Vacancies for D8 and D10

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To: Mayor Liccardo and the San Jose City Council Members.

Appointment in lieu of election to an elected office is unethical, immoral, and undemocratic.
Candidates are elected, through the vote of the people, as their representative.

In our recent mayoral election Ms.Chavez was endorsed by all of the Council Members except for the Mayor.
The council appointment to mayor would most certainly be Ms, Chavez.
The people's choice for mayor was Mr. Mahan.
Clearly this exemplifies the disparity between appointment and election and the necessity for special election.

I sincerely hope that the Council Members do what is right for the residents by giving them the voice in who should represent them in their district.

Respectfully,
Seigi Tadokoro, San Jose resident of D10

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FW: Filling Vacancies in Council Districts 8 and 10

City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:20 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

-----Original Message-----

From: Jim Nordhoff <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Sunday, December 04, 2022 9:26 AM

To: Liccardo, Sam <[REDACTED]> Jones, Chappie <[REDACTED]> Jimenez, Sergio

<[REDACTED]> Perez, Raul <[REDACTED]> Cohen, David

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Subject: Filling Vacancies in Council Districts 8 and 10

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I'm a San Jose resident and am appalled that the council is considering appointing representatives for the vacancies in districts 8 and 10. They are called representatives for a reason and the constituents in those districts should be allowed to choose who will represent them. It Democracy 101.

Let the people vote!!!!

Jim

Sent from my iPhone

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FW: Please Appoint for the D8 and D10 open council seats

City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:20 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

From: Jacquie Heffner <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Sunday, December 04, 2022 10:12 AM

To: The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo <[REDACTED]> District1 <[REDACTED]> District2 <[REDACTED]> District3 <[REDACTED]> District4 <[REDACTED]> District5 <[REDACTED]> District6 <[REDACTED]> District7 <[REDACTED]> District8 <[REDACTED]> District9 <[REDACTED]> District10 <[REDACTED]> City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Please Appoint for the D8 and D10 open council seats

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Dear Honorable Mayor and City Councilmembers,

As a resident of D10 I am asking you to appoint for the upcoming vacancies in D8 and D10.

There is an election scheduled for March of 2024 which will garner much higher voter turnout, at no additional cost to our city. Spending \$11 million on up to four elections, at a time when we have thousands of unhoused people on our street is misguided priorities.

Our city Charter allows for appointments, if appointing city council members is so egregious we should have long ago removed that means of replacement from the Charter. We have not removed appointments from the Charter, and as such we can legally and prudently follow the Charter by making appointments for the city council vacancies.

And we should not forget that the City of San Mateo is currently filling a vacancy (two year term) on their city council via appointment. Many cities in the Bay Area fill vacancies with appointments.

As a D10 resident I do not want to wait until June or July to have representation, nor do I want to see someone elected in a special election, having campaigned for months only to continue to campaign for the March 2024 election.

Jacquie Heffner
[REDACTED]

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FW: Right to Vote - Vacancies in Council Districts 8 and 10

City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:20 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

-----Original Message-----

From: Sushma K <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Sunday, December 04, 2022 11:30 AM

To: Liccardo, Sam <[REDACTED]> Jones, Chappie <[REDACTED]> Jimenez, Sergio

<[REDACTED]> Perez, Raul <[REDACTED]> Cohen, David

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Subject: Right to Vote - Vacancies in Council Districts 8 and 10

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Hello Me.Mayor and Council Members ,

I oppose the idea of having a representative picked by you to represent my district D10. I would like to have special election to choose our representative.

Thanks,

-

Sushma

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FW: Dec. 5 Special Meeting on Filling Vacancies in Council Districts 8 and 10 [22-1824]

City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:21 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

From: David Heindel <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Sunday, December 04, 2022 12:07 PM

To: Liccardo, Sam <[REDACTED]> Jones, Chappie <[REDACTED]> Jimenez, Sergio <[REDACTED]>
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Subject: Dec. 5 Special Meeting on Filling Vacancies in Council Districts 8 and 10 [22-1824]

Importance: High

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We submitted the attached Op.Ed (written Nov. 27) to the San Jose Mercury News last Monday. They chose not to run it, as they felt their Thursday 12/1 Editorial - supporting an Election - included all, or most, of the points in our Op-Ed.

We are herein submitting it to you as you and your fellow council members deliberate on how to proceed, and so that it can be part of the public record.

David Heindel - Pat Waite

How much do you value democracy? What is your vote worth? What is protecting your right to elect your City Council member worth to you and your family? On Monday, December 5th, the San Jose City Council will begin considering who represents the 200,000 San Jose residents of Districts 8 and 10 for the next two years. The city charter provides three options for doing so: hold a special election, appoint a temporary councilperson pending the results of a special election, or appoint people to fulfill the remainder of the terms. Conducting special elections has been the norm for over twenty years, having been employed in the seven most recent vacancies. One recent example was in 2005 when now Senator Dave Cortese advocated for a special election.

Some City Council members, six of whom leave office in a few of weeks, have cited the cost of a special election, a break in representation and expected low voter turnout as key concerns. Those in favor of a special election counter that the fundamental principles of America's representative democracy require a vote of the people, that any break could be handled by a temporary appointment, and an appointment would be zero voter turnout.

LetMeVoteSJ.org is a grass roots group of San Jose citizens that has come together to advocate for a special election. We believe that our right to vote is too important for us to remain silent. We believe that a special election is the best way to replace our outgoing representatives. Our website will post information from all sides of the issue, as we believe the citizens should be as well informed as possible, and the voters should decide who represents them. We are not affiliated with any elected person and have membership from all ten San Jose council districts.

Currently, it appears that the City Council is leaning toward appointing people to fill out the terms, which end in January 2025. District 8 council member Sylvia Arenas, vacating her seat after being elected to the Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors, has stated she favors appointments for the remaining terms, with no vote by the people she currently represents. Councilmember David Cohen wants to review the data and analysis. District 10 Councilmember Matt Mahan, who is vacating his seat to become Mayor, favors a special

election, as does Councilmember Pam Foley of District 9. As of this writing, no other council member has stated a position. As this process unfolds it will be difficult to determine what role, if any, special interests have in the outcome.

“A Republic if you can keep it” and **“of the people, by the people, for the people”** are sentiments expressed in America many years ago. They are powerful words that moved people and should still move us today. The highest priority of our representative, democratic form of government is elections – which means that citizens vote, and the majority selects their representative. To employ any system other than an election is fundamentally wrong and incompatible with our democracy. This is even more so when it involves two council seats, 20% of the total. Any other process disenfranchises the residents of districts 8 and 10, no matter the voter turnout.

Senator Cortese put it best. **“BEWARE. Any movement in the direction of a quick appointment should be met with a huge public outcry. That may well be the only thing that will stop it.”** We urge you to become informed about this issue and contact your council representative to advise them of your views.

David Heindel is the Chair of the District 10 Leadership Coalition and a founding member of LetMeVoteSJ. Pat Waite is President of the District 8 Community Round Table Steering Committee. The authors are solely responsible for this content.

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FW: SUBJECT: Dec. 5, 2022 Council Meeting, Filling Vacancies, Democracy Under Pressure

City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:21 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

From: Dave Poeschel <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Sunday, December 04, 2022 12:31 PM

To: The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo <[REDACTED]> District1 <[REDACTED]> District2

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<[REDACTED]> City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Cc: Bill James <[REDACTED]>

Subject: SUBJECT: Dec. 5, 2022 Council Meeting, Filling Vacancies, Democracy Under Pressure

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Dear San Jose Mayor and Council Members,

Please stand up for democratic rule. As Winston Churchill said, *“democracy is the worst form of government – except for all the others that have been tried.”* Certainly we can improve our democracy. Culture needs to change so that voters choose to be informed and engaged in civic life. Public funding of elections is needed to reduce the undue influence of “special interests”, redistricting needs to be taken out of the hands of the legislative body of those districts, balloting should be reformed to better reflect the public sentiment and with transparency and efficiency as with rank-choice instant runoff. Expectations of civility for campaigns and the quality of public debate needs to rise above identity and parochialism. These reforms would be but a starting point needed to create the environment necessary to attract our truly brightest and most thoughtful individuals with integrity to public policy making bodies.

Now is the time for you to begin the effort to encourage those individuals to run for public office who will focus on the peer reviewed, scientifically supported policy studies to solve problems and make the *“rapid, far-reaching and unprecedented changes in all aspects of society”* that the IPCC says is needed to prevent the worst effects of climate change and even collapse of civilization.^{[\[1\]](#)}

It goes without saying that we have been regressing in healthy democratic affairs at a national level but, locally, the recent redistricting and special interests’ campaign “literature” has also been a regression as well. And, it would be a further regression of our local electoral culture for the San Jose City Council to appoint the positions to its body beyond a short-term temporary caretaker role.

Response to Councilmember Jimenez, Davis, and Arenas’ memorandum:

- The Labor/Chamber divide has always been a shorthand term for a more complex relationship between Council Members and undue influence from those special interests whose funding and long term relationships are required for continued political success of both parties – whether good or bad for the public interests of the governed. Those of us concerned solely with the public commons, for now and the future, for us as individuals and as a species, for future generations and the diversity of species on the planet, and with a broad systemic economic and ecological perspective have long viewed the division as superfluous – flip sides of the same, often irresponsible growth inducing coin of the self-interested who use -- and often abuse - the public commons to maximize their own narrow interests. Regardless of the jersey the competitors wear, the outsized influence remains.
- It is unfortunate that public interest in voting is so low. But to claim that an election with a turnout of 11 individuals (or possibly 9) is better than thousands of residents is undemocratic and a cynical affront to the residents of our city. By rejecting rank-choice instant-runoff elections you chose to continue low turnout primary elections.
- As for the timeline, a rank-choice instant-runoff could have settled the matter in one election in May but you chose to preclude that possibility a few months ago.

- And as for the cost, you just created this situation with an even more expensive mayoral election for the same 2 year period. And again, you also recently required primary elections for all 10 districts and mayor by rejecting the citizens' commission recommendation for rank-choice instant-runoff elections. Your concern about the cost is another cynical affront to residents.

While we should never be satisfied until turnout is 100% and with all voters well educated, still 1/4 of a million ballots were cast in the mayoral race with voters choosing a different candidate than your preferred candidate. Right or wrong, in democracy, their will is supreme; we have no better solution. Council Members Jimenez, Davis, and Arenas, you do not live in my district and you do not know better than me who should represent me and my district. Let the voters decide for themselves.

Sincerely,

David Poeschel, San Jose District 10

[1] IPCC Summary for Policy Makers, <https://www.ipcc.ch/2018/10/08/summary-for-policymakers-of-ipcc-special-report-on-global-warming-of-1-5c-approved-by-governments/#:~:text=Incheon%2C%20Republic%20of%20Korea%2C%20October,said%20in%20a%20new%20assessment.&text=For%20instance%2C%20by%202100%2C%20global,compared%20with%202%C2%B0C>.

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FW: filling vacancies in Council District 8 and 10 must happen by special election

City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:21 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

From: Pat Blevins <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Sunday, December 04, 2022 4:33 PM

To: City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Subject: filling vacancies in Council District 8 and 10 must happen by special election

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It is imperative that the residents of District 8 and District 10 are able to vote for their council member.

A special election MUST be called to allow the people to choose their representative on the SJ City Council. It is NOT OK that this important choice is taken out of their hands. The City Council may have the right under the City Charter to choose these replacements but it is unconscionable in this day of election interference and doubt in the overall election process that the City Council over ride the rights of the residents of District 8 and District 10 by taking away their choice to elect the person they want to represent them.

Patricia Blevins

SJ District 9

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FW: I SUPPORT AN ELECTION

City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:21 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

From: Tina Steckmest <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Sunday, December 04, 2022 4:38 PM

To: Liccardo, Sam <[REDACTED]> Jones, Chappie <[REDACTED]> Jimenez, Sergio
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PLEASE HOLD ELECTIONS IN DISTRICTS 8 & 10 TO REPLACE VACANT COUNCIL SEATS.

Christina Steckmest
District 10



Tina Steckmest
408-406-4966



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FW: Filling Vacancies in Council Districts 8 and 10

City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:21 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

From: Phalarine Yauy <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Sunday, December 04, 2022 6:20 PM

To: City Clerk <[REDACTED]> Llicardo, Sam <[REDACTED]> Jones, Chappie

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Cohen, David <[REDACTED]> Carrasco, Magdalena <[REDACTED]> Davis, Dev

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<[REDACTED]> Mahan, Matt <[REDACTED]> District7 <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Filling Vacancies in Council Districts 8 and 10

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Dear Mayor Llicardo and City Council Members

I strongly believe that we, as citizens, should elect our own representatives in every aspect of government especially in regards to city council. As a strong advocate for individual choice, it highly concerns me to hear the vacant spots in Districts 8 and 10 are going to be filled through City Council's appointing.

As a result, I urge you to expedite the Special Election process as to follow previous customs while prioritizing the voice of the people.

Sincerely,
Phalarine Yauy

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FW: Filling Vacancies in Council Districts 8 and 10

City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:21 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

-----Original Message-----

From: Mark Santoro <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Sunday, December 04, 2022 7:00 PM

To: Liccardo, Sam <[REDACTED]> Jones, Chappie <[REDACTED]> Jimenez, Sergio

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Subject: Filling Vacancies in Council Districts 8 and 10

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Mayor Liccardo and all city council members,

I strongly oppose your un-democratic and un-American plans to appoint rather than allow voters to choose the people to fill the two vacant city council seats.

But then, based on your socialist histories, I am not surprised.

From:

Another disenfranchised San Jose citizen

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FW: Special Election On Filling Vacancies, D8, D10

City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:22 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

From: Cindy Fulk <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Sunday, December 04, 2022 7:15 PM

To: Liccardo, Sam <[REDACTED]> Jones, Chappie <[REDACTED]> Jimenez, Sergio <[REDACTED]>
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Honorable Mayor & City Council Members

Let the people vote!

Approving the recommendation memo from the 3 council members is the first step in “ending democracy as we know it” as it cements the idea that voting by the people shouldn’t be allowed if the council doesn’t want to rearrange their spending priorities or voting is cancelled because of low voting turnout. Nor should anyone be swayed by their fear tactics that money would be diverted from community services if a special election is held. Remember, the city council approved their \$6 billion budget knowing of 2 possible vacancies.

Stating that the memo was written with political diversity is not entirely true. During the recent election process 9 councilmembers came out against the mayor elect and now 3 have written a memo recommending canceling voting rights in D8 & D10 which the mayor elect won. Apparently, their new approach is to avoid the people voting and let the council choose their own colleagues. Then justify their action by stating they are spending money in more appropriate areas, all in the interests of the people, of course.

This would be a step in the wrong direction.

A representative is only a representative if voted in by the people they serve.

Keep democracy flowing, continue to let D8 and D10 vote!

Cindy Fulk

San Jose

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FW: Filling Vacancies in Council Districts 8 and 10

City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:22 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

-----Original Message-----

From: Nicolae B. Lapustea <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Sunday, December 04, 2022 7:23 PM

To: Liccardo, Sam <[REDACTED]> Jones, Chappie <[REDACTED]> Jimenez, Sergio

<[REDACTED]> Peralez, Raul <[REDACTED]> Cohen, David

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Subject: Filling Vacancies in Council Districts 8 and 10

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To all Council Members:

Please hold an election for the two districts 8 and 10 to fill the vacancies. This is our right to vote who we want representing our people.

Thank you,
Nicolae Lapustea

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Filling Vacancies in Council Districts 8 & 10....

John Hansen <[REDACTED]>

Sun 12/4/2022 7:28 PM

To: Liccardo, Sam <[REDACTED]> Jones, Chappie <[REDACTED]> Jimenez, Sergio
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To the Mayor and City Council representatives:

I heard about the plan/opportunity for the council to appoint representatives for Districts 8 & 10.

I seriously object to this practice.

The voters of these districts need to pick their own representatives, not Council members who don't live in those districts.

Please do not ignore the will of the people.

John Hansen
[REDACTED]

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Filling Vacancies in Council Districts 8 and 10

Cindy <[REDACTED]>

Sun 12/4/2022 7:37 PM

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Please vote to have a special election for the open seats. Thanks
Cindy Braley

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Filling Vacancies in Council Districts 8 / not to appointing Council member

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Sun 12/4/2022 7:45 PM

To: Liccardo, Sam <[REDACTED]>

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Jimenez, Sergio

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Hi,

I'm live in district 8 and I want to elect/vote to select my City Council representative. I'm oppose to the idea of the current council member select my representative,

Ana Pareja

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FW: Filling Vacancies in Council Districts 8 and 10

City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:23 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

From: Brenda Ely <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Sunday, December 04, 2022 7:49 PM

To: Liccardo, Sam <[REDACTED]>

Jones, Chappie <[REDACTED]> Jimenez, Sergio

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As a resident of District 10, I want to see voters of Districts 8 and 10 choose their representatives in a special election. This is an important decision that should not be usurped by Council members who don't even live in those districts.

Brenda Ely

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FW: Let Us Vote for Our Open Council Seats!

City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:23 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

From: Julie Clarke <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Sunday, December 04, 2022 8:21 PM

To: Liccardo, Sam <[REDACTED]> Jones, Chappie <[REDACTED]> Jimenez, Sergio
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I fully support the ongoing initiative to allow Districts 8 & 10 to hold elections to replace the vacant council seats. Allowing our politicians to make this decision on our behalf is against the democracy of the United States and does not allow us to choose with our vote.

Thank you,

Julia Lane Clarke

[REDACTED]
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FW: Filling Vacancies in Council Districts 8 & 10

City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:23 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

From: Diana Muzyka <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Sunday, December 04, 2022 8:36 PM

To: Liccardo, Sam <[REDACTED]> Jones, Chappie <[REDACTED]> Jimenez, Sergio <[REDACTED]>
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Mayor Liccardo and San Jose City Councilmembers:

I urge you to vote to hold SPECIAL ELECTIONS to fill the council vacancies in Districts 8 & 10.

It is imperative that the voters in these districts choose their council representatives via a free and fair election. Special elections are the only way to ensure that the council is not negating the rights of voters to select their representatives. Our system of representative government must be maintained.

The cost of the special elections is small compared to the importance of ensuring that the rights of voters in these council districts are honored.

Do the right thing! Vote to hold SPECIAL ELECTIONS to fill these vacant council seats.

Sincerely,

Diana & Perry Muzyka
District 2 Residents
(Former residents of District 10)

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City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:23 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

-----Original Message-----

From: Michelle Leavitt <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Sunday, December 04, 2022 9:03 PM

To: Liccardo, Sam <[REDACTED]> Jones, Chappie <[REDACTED]> Jimenez, Sergio

<[REDACTED]> Perez, Raul <[REDACTED]> Cohen, David

<[REDACTED]> Carrasco, Magdalena <[REDACTED]> Davis, Dev

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Subject: Filling Vacancies in Council Districts 8 and 10

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Dear Mayor Liccardo and the San Jose City Council Members,

Please vote for the special election so the constituents of San Jose can see your respect for our most basic right—the right to vote for our elected representatives.

Thank you,
Michelle Leavitt

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FW: Open San Jose Council Seats

City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:23 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

From: Herb Bowen <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Sunday, December 04, 2022 9:05 PM

To: Liccardo, Sam <[REDACTED]> Jones, Chappie <[REDACTED]> Jimenez, Sergio
<[REDACTED]> Perez, Raul <[REDACTED]> Cohen, David <[REDACTED]> Carrasco,
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San Jose Leadership,

As a resident of District 10 and have been living in the Los Paseos Neighborhood in San Jose for almost 40 years, would like to have the opportunity to vote for our next district leader. Changes and challenges in our city are increasing, the people in our city need to have a voice in selecting who represent them.

Would like to keep the cost down by having mail ballots sent out, also have voting at the libraries in the district.

Please give the voters the opportunity to pick our new council person.

Thank you.

Herb Bowen

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City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:23 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

From: Jennifer Mena <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Sunday, December 04, 2022 9:14 PM

To: Liccardo, Sam <[REDACTED]> Jones, Chappie <[REDACTED]> Jimenez, Sergio
<[REDACTED]> Peralez, Raul <[REDACTED]> Cohen, David <[REDACTED]> Carrasco,
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Good evening San Jose Elected Officials,

I am adamantly opposed to the two new city council vacancies being filled any other way than via a vote by we the people, whom you all have been elected to represent.

I strongly urge you to not break a long-standing precedent of Special Elections to fill vacant Council seats. We the people do not want our voices eliminated from being heard now or in the future, which is what will happen should you decide to appoint individuals to these vacancies. Appointments would be a real threat to our Republic.

Thank you,
Jennifer Mena

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City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:24 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

From: Linda Escobar <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Sunday, December 04, 2022 10:02 PM

To: Liccardo, Sam <[REDACTED]> Jones, Chappie <[REDACTED]> Jimenez, Sergio
<[REDACTED]> Perez, Raul <[REDACTED]> Cohen, David <[REDACTED]> Carrasco,
Magdalena <[REDACTED]> Davis, Dev <[REDACTED]> Esparza, Maya
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To whom this may concern;

We live in District 3. We voted for whom we wanted as our representative. Our city needs you!
We are writing to you to ask to please let the people decide to choose their own representatives on district 8 and 10.
We are counting on your support for those who have elected you.
Thank you for reading our email.
We pray for each one of you and the decisions you need to make.
Sincerely,

The Escobar family

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Sun 12/4/2022 10:18 PM

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Dear Mayor and City Council Members,

Due to the recent election, the District 8 and 10 positions have become vacant. As a resident of District 10, I believe the people within these districts should be able to determine who they want representing their district. I urge you to vote on having a special election to fill these vacancies. Thank you.

Best Regards,
Romina Sorisho-Braley

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City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:24 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

-----Original Message-----

From: J Chen <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Sunday, December 04, 2022 10:50 PM

To: Liccardo, Sam <[REDACTED]> Jones, Chappie <[REDACTED]> Jimenez, Sergio

<[REDACTED]> Peralez, Raul <[REDACTED]> Cohen, David

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Hi, San Jose Mayor and council members:

It is the US citizens's basic right to vote for their representative.

If the city council members worry about cost, they can save cost on \$800k per unit homeless housing, they can save on welfare for illegal immigrants who did not contribute, etc. If cost is your primary concern, CCP's one party regime does not even need election, is that what we want?

It is simply illegal to get officials appointed.

Best Regards,

Jing

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FW: Filling Vacancies in Council Districts 8 and 10

City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:24 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

-----Original Message-----

From: Greg Braley <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Sunday, December 04, 2022 11:02 PM

To: Liccardo, Sam <[REDACTED]> Jones, Chappie <[REDACTED]> Jimenez, Sergio

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Dear Mayor and City Council Members,

I would like to strongly urge you to hold a special election to fill the vacancies in districts 8 and 10 on the San Jose City Council. Residents of these districts deserve the right to vote for their own representatives. The point of having representatives from each district is to have someone representing the will and interests of the people in that district. How can that happen if residents are not even allowed to select their own council member?

Cost is not a reason to disenfranchise voters. In recent years, we have dramatically increased election costs in a desire to increase voter turnout and make it easier to vote. Are we now going to completely change directions and eliminate people's ability to vote altogether in the name of cost?

Please let us vote and select our own representative.

Thank you,
Greg Braley
District 10 Resident

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FW: Let Me Vote SJ City Council!!

City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:24 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

From: Tami Sell <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Sunday, December 04, 2022 11:26 PM

To: Liccardo, Sam <[REDACTED]> Jones, Chappie <[REDACTED]> Jimenez, Sergio
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Cc: Dan Sell <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Let Me Vote SJ City Council!!

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Dear Mayor Liccardo, Mayor-Elect Mahan and San Jose City Council Members,

Please allow for a "special election", so constituents in Districts 8 and 10 can vote for the new council member. Let Democracy prevail and allow voters their constitutional right to vote!

Going forward, I propose that the city charter specify that a special election will always be held to replace an outgoing council member mid-term, within 7 months of departure, and have this election be at the same time as the June primary. Then residents don't have to fight for their right to vote again!

Congratulations to Matt!! We look forward working with Matt to improve this city, and we hope that all city council members who endorsed Cindy can set aside their differences and work together professionally to make the quality of life better for all living in San Jose!

Thank you, Tami Sell - District 10 resident and voter in every election!

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City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:24 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

From: Mike Boden <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, December 05, 2022 12:04 AM
To: Liccardo, Sam <[REDACTED]> Jones, Chappie <[REDACTED]> Jimenez, Sergio
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City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:25 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

-----Original Message-----

From: Wendy Brukwinski <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Monday, December 05, 2022 12:40 AM

To: Liccardo, Sam <[REDACTED]> Jones, Chappie <[REDACTED]> Jimenez, Sergio

<[REDACTED]> Peralez, Raul <[REDACTED]> Cohen, David

<[REDACTED]> Carrasco, Magdalena <[REDACTED]> Davis, Dev

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Please allow citizens of Districts 8 and 10 to elect their own representatives.

Wendy Brukwinski

D10 constituent

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City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:25 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

-----Original Message-----

From: Dexter Goody <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Monday, December 05, 2022 2:32 AM

To: Liccardo, Sam <[REDACTED]> Jones, Chappie <[REDACTED]> Jimenez, Sergio

<[REDACTED]> Peralez, Raul <[REDACTED]> Cohen, David

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I'm in favor of electing (by voting) city council members. These positions represent the citizens of San Jose and should be elected by them NOT appointed

I live in district 4

Dexter Goody

[REDACTED]

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City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:25 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

-----Original Message-----

From: Thomas Sorrentino <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Monday, December 05, 2022 6:39 AM

To: Mahan, Matt <[REDACTED]> District 10 <[REDACTED]> City Clerk

<[REDACTED]>

Subject: Filling Vacancies in Council Districts 8 and 10

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Please let us, the people vote to fill the vacancies for the city council and DO NOT let the city council members appoint who they think is best to fill the vacancies. Thank you, Thomas Sorrentino

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FW: Filling Open Vacancies in District 10 & 8

City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:25 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

From: Greg Holsen <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Monday, December 05, 2022 7:34 AM

To: Liccardo, Sam <[REDACTED]> Jones, Chappie <[REDACTED]> Jimenez, Sergio <[REDACTED]>
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Dear SJ Council and Mayor,

As you head into today's vote to decide if you will muzzle democracy or do what has made this country a world leader through the voice of the people. I urge you to move to the side of democracy. San Jose needs passionate leadership, it doesn't need a politically motivated stocking of open seats. I live in District 10 and will announce that I am happy to fill the seat of Matt Mahan as someone who has an important stake in the outcomes and decisions the city makes. The city wants change, and changemakers are people who come in with plans and visions they see as providing a better experience for residents. Honestly allowing the Council to bypass democracy should not even be an option.

As some of you seek other offices once you have served your term, what will your legacy be? Will it be that you stole the voice of your constituents for your favor, or will it be that you believe and exercise the freedoms of the vote that put you into office?

So I urge you to vote in favor of allowing the citizenry to vote and not steal this opportunity from us to make sure we have representation that fits our community by our community instead of stealing democracy in your self-serving appointments.

Sincerely,

Greg Holsen
District 10 Resident

Greg Holsen
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City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:25 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

From: Amy Cody <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Monday, December 05, 2022 7:45 AM

To: Liccardo, Sam <[REDACTED]> Jones, Chappie <[REDACTED]> Jimenez, Sergio <[REDACTED]>
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Subject: Filling Vacancies in Council Districts 8 and 10

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Mayor Liccardo, Vice Mayor Jones & Councilmembers:

I'm a resident of District 1, but feel compelled to speak out about the need to **allow voters in Districts 8 and 10 to decide** who will represent them on the San Jose City Council over the next TWO YEARS.

In our representative democracy, it's imperative that citizens be allowed to choose the people who make vital decisions on their behalf. We value and protect the right to vote. This is our highest priority. We commit public dollars to ensure fair elections, to make voting convenient and accessible, and to encourage participation. We pay for elections, we don't suppress them.

Please move forward as quickly as possible to hold a special election to fill these two vacant council district seats.

Sincerely,

Amy Cody
San Jose Resident

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City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:25 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

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From: Ronald Orlando <[REDACTED]>

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Good morning I have been a citizen of San Jose for 79+ years and believe that as a citizen I have the right to vote to fill any City Council vacancies as they become open.

Thank you

Ronald Orlando

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December 5, 2022

Mayor Liccardo
City of San Jose
200 E. Santa Clara St.
San Jose, CA 95113

Re: **San Jose City Council Vacancies**

Honorable Mayor and Councilmembers,

On behalf of the Silicon Valley Biz PAC, we respectfully request that you allow the voters of San Jose City Council Districts 8 and 10 to decide who their next representative will be.

Democracy. A word conveniently tossed around by many politicians, including some if not all that sit on this City Council, and as an organization that focuses on elections, voter participation and **democracy**, we are pleased to have heard those words. At hand are two moderate city council seats vacated by two current city council members who won elections. How did they win those elections you may ask? By allowing our citizens to vote. Now it's time for you to stand for democracy and support an open and transparent election for the residents of District 8 and 10.

The last five times the council has had a vacancy, dating back nearly 30 years, voters have picked their replacement via a very fair and open special elections process, not by allowing other politicians to pick new politicians. What is the argument made by those Council members who don't want voters to decide? The cost. A cost that we now see is minimal considering the rights of citizens to participate in the democratic process. Unfortunately for those Councilmembers who want to strip away voter rights, that argument works against them. So why don't we just stop all elections and just allow politicians to pick new politicians every general election cycle? Because it's undemocratic.

Some others may argue that a special election will leave the seats unfilled for too long. Unfortunately for them, that argument also lacks credibility since the Council can still appoint a temporary replacement until the voters decide via a special election. Another not very well thought through argument against democracy is that the elections for 2024 open in September of 2023 and that its "only a few months after a special election result", as if that's the date that the terms will end for the special elections victors. Again, another baseless and undemocratic argument.

With that said, we respectfully request that you allow democracy to run its course and let San Jose City Council District 8 and District 10 voters decide who their voice on the Council will be.

Sincerely,

Victor Cuauhtémoc Gomez
Executive Director
Silicon Valley Biz PAC

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City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Mon 12/5/2022 8:26 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

From: Ann Wolfe <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Monday, December 05, 2022 8:15 AM

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San Jose City Council members, Mayor Liccardo, and San Jose City Clerk,

I am a resident of District 10 San Jose. I want to vote for the person who will represent me on the city council, not have a handful of people who don't represent me choose for me. How is it legal for you to decide this on my behalf? Why would you even consider this?

Do not choose for me. The people from the two districts must choose. Thank you for respecting my right and not disenfranchising me.

Ann Wolfe
[REDACTED]

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To our “elected” officials

Elections mater! Please allow for a special election to fill the empty District 8 and 10 chairs.

Just appointing people is just another reason people have such a low opinion our of “officials”.

On a side note, why does it take over 8 months to get a building permit for adding a room to my daughter’s house in downtown.

Thank you,

Robert P. Howell
President



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