

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

City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Tue 12/6/2022 7:46 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

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

**Sent:** Monday, December 05, 2022 4:55 PM

**To:** City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

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

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**From:** Brad De Young <[REDACTED]>

**Sent:** Monday, December 5, 2022 3:27 PM

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

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**From:** Joanna Xing <[REDACTED]>

**Sent:** Monday, December 05, 2022 4:58 PM

**To:** City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

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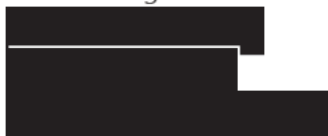
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**Sent:** Monday, December 05, 2022 5:20 PM

**To:** Jones, Chappie <[REDACTED]> Jimenez, Sergio <[REDACTED]> Perez, Raul

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

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Foley, Pam <[REDACTED]>

Mahan, Matt <Matt

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HI ALL:

I am a long-time resident of District 8 and reside in the Evergreen community.

I firmly believe that residents in these Districts should be given the opportunity to vote for their new representative(s) on San Jose City Council when the current representatives leave office to move on to their new positions in the community.

As a resident of District 8, I believe that the residents should be allowed to choose a new City Council Member that will actively represent our local community and the issues and needs in our neighborhoods.

Thanks and best regards,

Best regards,

Liz Holtz

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**FW: To vote or not to vote?**

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

**Sent:** Monday, December 05, 2022 5:56 PM

**To:** City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

**Subject:** Fw: To vote or not to vote?

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**From:** Karen Oie <[REDACTED]>

**Sent:** Monday, December 5, 2022 4:58 PM

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

**Cc:** District 6 <[REDACTED]>

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Dear San Jose City Officials-

I will keep this short and sweet. I understand tonight you will be voting on whether or not to have the people vote or you to vote on who will represent them filling the vacant city council seats. Last time I checked, we - The United States of America are a constitutional Republic. It is written in the Constitution that we have the right to vote on who represents us. It is not for you to pick. I like many San Jose/US residents I am tired of our rights being thrown out and the laws and rules of this country trampled by power hungry politicians overstepping their bounds.

I as a long time taxpaying resident of San Jose respectfully demand that you let the people vote on who will represent them.

Sincerely,

Karen Oie  
District 6

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Sent: Monday, December 05, 2022 8:04 PM

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

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<[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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Do not take my right to vote for my councilmember.

If money was really a concern, we should never even down the road to entertain this idea.

Laura Munguia

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Tue 12/6/2022 10:28 AM

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**From:** Carol Garvey <[REDACTED]>

**Sent:** Monday, December 5, 2022 4:02 PM

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**From:** james kim <[REDACTED]>

**Sent:** Monday, December 5, 2022 4:15 PM

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**To:** City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

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**From:** Carla Griffin <[REDACTED]>

**Sent:** Monday, December 5, 2022 4:31 PM

**To:** The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo <[REDACTED]> District2 <[REDACTED]> District3 <[REDACTED]> District4 <[REDACTED]> District5 <[REDACTED]> District 6 <[REDACTED]> District1 <[REDACTED]> District7 <[REDACTED]> District8 <[REDACTED]> District9 <[REDACTED]> District 10 <[REDACTED]>

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Please vote to call a Special Election. Voters in Districts 8 & 10 deserve the right to vote for their representative. An appointment is NOT an appropriate way to fill a vacancy of 2 years.

Thank you.

Carla Griffin

Resident in District 8

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**Fw: Elect Districts 8 & 10**

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David Byam

District 8

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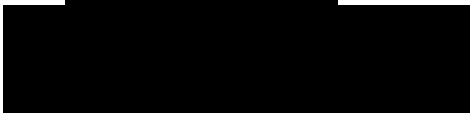
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The people who reside in these districts should be allowed to vote for who they want to represent them ... not appointed by other council members ... who think they may know better than the residents!

Thank you  
Laura Poncia  
District 6

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## Fw: Special Election Support

City Clerk [REDACTED]

Tue 12/6/2022 10:29 AM

To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>

📎 1 attachments (138 KB)

SVCC - letter-to-san-jose-on-2-vacant-city-council-seats-12-02-22.pdf;

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**To:** City Clerk [REDACTED]

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**From:** James Salata <[REDACTED]>

**Sent:** Monday, December 5, 2022 4:51 PM

**To:** District1 [REDACTED]; District2 [REDACTED]; District3 <[REDACTED]>; District4  
<[REDACTED]>; District5 <[REDACTED]>; District7 <[REDACTED]>; District8  
[REDACTED]; District9 <[REDACTED]>; District 10 <[REDACTED]>; District 6

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

**Subject:** Special Election Support

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Dear Mayor Liccardo and Members of the San Jose City Council:

As a businessman and as a citizen who condones common sense, there is no way I agree with the Memorandum signed by Dev Davis, Sergio Jiminez, and Sylvia Arenas as attached. The elections should be by the people and for the people. This letter drips with special interest and We the People would love to know who crafted it for them. There is no way you SHOULD NOT rally in favor of a SPECIAL ELECTION and as the keepers of our taxpayers money it's your responsibility to make it as efficient and cost effective as possible. This is democracy, and what is proposed in the letter is misleading and is meant to manipulate folks which is by no means democratic. Do the right thing for the Citizens of San Jose and vote for a Special Election.

James A. Salata

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# SILICON VALLEY CENTRAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

December 2, 2022

The Honorable Mayor Sam Liccardo and City Council  
City of San Jose  
200 E. Santa Clara St., Suite 18  
San Jose, CA 95113

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

Dear Mayor Liccardo and City Council:

On behalf of the Silicon Valley Central Chamber, a regional chamber of commerce encompassing the geographical territory affectionately known as Silicon Valley (and beyond), we strongly urge the San Jose City Council members to hold a 'special election' to fill the District 8 and 10 vacant council seats. Allowing citizens to elect their representatives is the most fundamental governmental function - more important than any other, including police & fire, health & welfare – and the cost of the election should not be considered a constraint or relevant factor.

Historically, the City of San Jose, the 10<sup>th</sup> biggest city in America and the metropolitan center of our community, has held 'special elections' to fill vacant seats so that the citizens of the affected districts select their replacement Council member in fair and timely elections.

Preserving every citizen's voting right requires that they be allowed to elect their representatives (Council members). The highest priority of our representative democratic form of government is elections – which means that citizens have voted for and a majority have selected the person that represents them.

Thank you for your consideration. Please contact me at [President.CEO@SVCentralChamber.com](mailto:President.CEO@SVCentralChamber.com) or (408) 244-8244 with any questions.

Respectfully,

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