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Maribel Cruz

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From: San Jose United <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Saturday, March 18, 2023 7:39 PM

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Sent: Sunday, March 19, 2023 6:48 PM

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Thu 3/23/2023 9:55 AM

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

From: Vince Zapata <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Wednesday, March 22, 2023 9:39 AM
To: City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>
Subject: Support a San Jose budget for All!

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San Jose City Clerk Toni Taber,

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Vince Zapata

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San Jose, California 95120-5313

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Sent: Thursday, March 23, 2023 8:21 AM

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From: Juan Turner <[REDACTED]>

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Juan Turner



San Jose, California 95138

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Fw: Support for the Arts - City Council Item 3.5 - March 21, 2023

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Thu 3/23/2023 9:55 AM

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

From: Esther Young <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Wednesday, March 22, 2023 12:54 PM

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Honorable Mayor and City Council,

My name is Esther, and I am an Arts Advocate. I am writing to you today regarding Item 3.5 on your agenda for Tuesday, March 21, Approval of the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Mayor's March Budget Message.

As an Arts Advocate, I believe that arts and culture are essential to the economic, social, and civic wellbeing of our city. I appreciate the Mayor's intention in his March Budget Message to explore additional funding to support our arts community and other initiatives to improve the vibrancy and quality of life in San José (p. 25).

In order to achieve the Mayor's goals and create a more sustainable arts and cultural community in San José, I call on you to take the following actions:

1. Direct the City Manager, beginning in Fiscal Year 2023-2024, to reapportion the current General Fund allocation from the City's Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT) equally across the remainder recipients of TOT funding: the Office of Cultural Affairs — including Cultural Grants Programs — the Convention and Visitors Bureau (Team San José), and Convention and Cultural Facilities;
2. Direct the City Manager to work with local stakeholders including SJAA to identify budget policy

strategies to guide the long-term investment of the TOT to better serve the arts, culture, entertainment, and hospitality industries — which play a large role in generating the TOT — and return to Council within the next fiscal year with strategies for consideration and implementation;

3. Direct staff from the Office of Economic Development and Cultural Affairs to develop a framework for a Private Percent for Art policy, common in other Bay Area cities, which has been on the City Council's priority list for more than three years; and

4. Direct staff to explore a pilot program to employ Artists in Residence within City departments to apply a creative, problem-solving lens to some of the City's intractable challenges and help build deeper civic engagement in the policy making process.

I am proud to stand with San José Arts Advocates to support these priorities for preserving, protecting, and promoting our creative community, which collectively generates hundreds of millions of dollars of economic impact for our city, creates thousands of jobs, inspires us to engage, and improves the quality of life for all of our residents.

Thank you for your service and for your consideration.

Regards,
Esther Young
San Jose 95112

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