


## 6/13/23 City Council Agenda - Item 3.4

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Letter of Support for San Jose City Council FY 2023-24 Budget Documents.pdf;

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Hello:

Please find attached a letter from Santa Clara County Supervisor Otto Lee on item 3.4 on the June 13, 2023 City Council agenda. If you have any questions about the letter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Best,  
Wendy



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June 12, 2023

Mayor Matt Mahan and San José City Council

San José City Hall

200 East Santa Clara Street

San José, CA 95113

### **RE: 6/13/23 Agenda Item 3.4: Support for Budget Documents 1, 2, and 64**

Dear Mayor Mahan and City Council Members:

As you prepare to adopt your Fiscal Year 2023-24 Budget, I would like to signify my strong support of three items included in the Mayor's June Budget Message that will benefit constituents in my district and beyond:

#### **BD 01 – Permanent ADA Ramp at Berryessa Community Center**

The Berryessa Community Center is an active hub for residents of all ages in the heart of Supervisorial District 3. To keep the Berryessa Community Center thriving as a community hub, it is important to ensure access to everyone, regardless of physical ability. The installation of this permanent ADA ramp between the Berryessa Community Center parking lot and Penitencia Creek Park Trail will allow more residents improved and safe access to the trail.

#### **BD 02 – Refunding the Senior Nutrition Program (SNP) in Alviso**

The older adult population is growing significantly throughout the county. Older adults are more vulnerable to food insecurity as they often live on fixed incomes and may have to make the difficult decision between necessities to make ends meet.

Alviso has been a historically underserved part of Supervisorial District 3. The Senior Nutrition Program provided a vital lifeline to older adults in Alviso, protecting against social isolation while providing a healthy meal and access to resources. However, since the program's closure during the pandemic, there has not been a return to in-person congregate meals. With the recommendation of \$40,000 in one-time funding to restart the Senior Nutrition Program in Alviso, I am hopeful that we can reengage and revitalize older adults in the area.

#### **BD 64 – Gun Buyback Program**

Sadly, guns are the leading cause of death for American children and teens. Annually, San Jose spends at least \$7.9 million responding to shootings.

My office continues to host annual Gun Buyback events to provide safe and secure options for individuals to dispose of unwanted guns. In 2022, we collected nearly 700 firearms through the Gun Buyback events in Milpitas and Morgan Hill.

Earlier this year, the County Board of Supervisors approved hosting two Gun Buyback events annually. We are excited to collaborate with the City of San Jose on the next Gun Buyback event and are grateful for the City's support of this important effort.

I am grateful for the collaboration with the City thus far and thank you for your consideration of my request. Please let me know if my office or the County of Santa Clara can be of any further assistance. I look forward to our continued partnership.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Otto O. Lee". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Otto" being more prominent than the last name "Lee".

Otto O. Lee