## KEEP SOUTH SAN JOSE POLICE SUBSTATION OPEN!!

Arla Van Limburg

Tue 3/20/2018 10:35 PM

To:City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>;

Sincerely, Arla Van Limburg



**Board** 

3/20/18

Deb Kramer President KCCB Executive Director

Mayor Sam Liccardo City of San Jose/City Hall

Laura Lin Treasurer Johanson & Yau

Mayor Liccardo,

Ralph Murrieta Jr Secretary Sierra Club I am writing on behalf of Keep Coyote Creek Beautiful to support the expansion of two full-time Community Activity Workers for the Anti-Litter Program to support community cleanup efforts that you included in your Budget Message.

John Delacruz Board Member San Jose State University

The Anti-Litter Program has provided many services to our organization over the nearly four years we've been working to cleanup Coyote Creek. Now, the staff are collecting trash from our creek cleanup events, and have been invaluable. However, due to the shortfall in staffing, trash is not collected the day of the cleanups (on Saturdays), and we are concerned that the trash will be strewn by pick up on Mondays.

#### **Staff** Deb Kramer

Executive Director

By adding the two additional workers on the Anti-Litter team, the community at large will stay cleaner through our combined efforts to cleanup Coyote Creek.

Mail

Keep Coyote Creek Beautiful % Laura Lin. JYAC

Thanks,

Deb Kramer Executive Director

Keep Coyote Creek Beautiful is a registered nonprofit organization

### Station 121 HOA: SJPD South Substation



Tue 3/20/2018 3:46 PM

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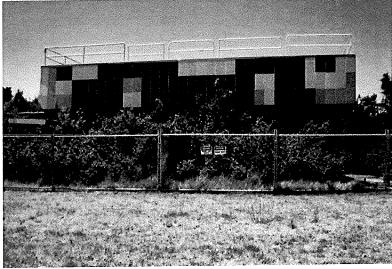
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Thanks & Regards Hardik & Mansi

## Please have working police department station near great oaks pkwy

#### taral shah

Tue 3/20/2018 3:15 PM

To: District1 < district1@sanjoseca.gov>; District2 < District2@sanjoseca.gov>; District3 < district3@sanjoseca.gov>; District4 < District4@sanjoseca.gov>; District5 < District5@sanjoseca.gov>; District 6 < district6@sanjoseca.gov>; District7 < District7@sanjoseca.gov>; District8 < district8@sanjoseca.gov>; District9 < district9@sanjoseca.gov>; District 10 < District10@sanjoseca.gov>; Liccardomayoremail@sanjoseca.gov < Liccardomayoremail@sanjoseca.gov>; City Clerk < city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>;

#### Hello there,

I am Taral Shah, resident of south san jose would request you to have working police sub station near great oak pkwy.

It would be great to have it here. It will make us feel more secured and protected.

Thank you and have a great day!

Regards, Taral Shah. From: Lisa Tilmant

**Sent:** Monday, March 19, 2018 6:21 PM

To: The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo <TheOfficeofMayorSamLiccardo@sanjoseca.gov>

**Subject:** SJ Police Department South Substation

Dear Mayor Liccardo,

Please open the San Jose Police Department South Substation back up. Crime as been at an all time high in Almaden since we moved here 21 years ago. In fact, it went up drastically right after Measure B passed and we lost many of our beloved police officers. Many good people are selling their homes and moving out of California because their homes and vehicles are being broken into. Something needs to be done and I would think more police presence would be the answer, as well as stricter laws.

Sincerely, Lisa Tilmant From: John J Bradley

Sent: Monday, March 19, 2018 3:56 PM

To: The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo <TheOfficeofMayorSamLiccardo@sanjoseca.gov>

Subject: Substation in South San Jose

My Mayor,

The substation has been completed for some time, there appears to be very little enforcement of property crimes and traffic violation in the Almaden area, we are raising a seven year old and feel that there needs to be additional resources added to the south valley for protection and enforcement.

Please Help

**Kind Regards** 

John J Bradley

From: PEGGY MORRISON

Sent: Monday, March 19, 2018 7:29 PM

To: The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo <TheOfficeofMayorSamLiccardo@sanjoseca.gov>

Subject: South San Jose police substation

Dear Mayor, I encourage you to work toward opening the South substation. Sincerely, Peggy Morrison Almaden Valley Resident From: Chunlei Jiang

**Sent:** Tuesday, March 20, 2018 12:27 PM

To: 3District3@sanjoseca.gov; 4District4@sanjoseca.gov;

6District6@sanjoseca.gov; 7District7@sanjoseca.gov; 9District9@sanjoseca.gov; District 10; District2; District5; District8; Liccardomayoremail@sanjoseca.gov;

City Clerk; District1

**Subject:** 

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From: Karthik Shivashankar

**Sent:** Tuesday, March 20, 2018 12:37 PM

**To:** Liccardomayoremail@sanjoseca.gov; City Clerk; District2

Subject: Support for San Jose Police Substation on Great Oaks Boulevard

Sir/Madam,

I want to voice my support to open San Jose Police Department substation on Great Oaks Boulevard to public and be staffed with Southern Division officers.

The area around the substation is developing rapidly with new homes, townhomes, condos and apartments coming up. It will be very helpful for the community to have the substation opened for public and will greatly help the neighborhood.

Regards, Karthik From: Chunlei Jiang

**Sent:** Tuesday, March 20, 2018 12:41 PM

To: District 10; District2; District3; District5; District8; Liccardomayoremail@sanjoseca.gov;

City Clerk; District1; District4; District 6; district7@sanjiseca.gov; District9 **Subject:** Regarding the up coming meeting for the SJPD training center

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Have a nice day

Station 121 resident (district 2)

**From:** Chia-Keng(Peter) chen

Sent: Tuesday, March 20, 2018 10:21 AM

**To:** The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo; City Clerk

**Cc:** Station121members

Subject: Station 121 HOA: SJPD South Substation

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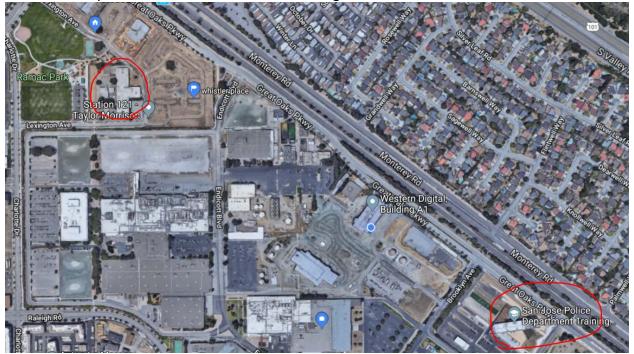
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From: Anthony Simon

**Sent:** Tuesday, March 20, 2018 1:41 PM

**To:** The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo; City Clerk

Subject: Station 121

Dear Mayor Liccardo,

Please consider the SJPD substation near Cottle road. That substation would be a great way to continue to keep our growing community safe with the growing crime rate in the area. Also, please consider the the old building next to Ramac park into the substation. A visible police presence with our involved community can do some amazing things together for the city of San Jose. Thank you for your time.

Anthony Simon
Station 121 Community Member

From: Cassie Chen

**Sent:** Tuesday, March 20, 2018 2:19 PM

To: District1; District2; District3; District4; District5; District 6; District7; District8; District9; District 10;

The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo; City Clerk; Liccardomayoremail@sanjoseca.gov

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Thank you and have a nice day!

-Station 121 Residents (District 2)

Best regards and have a nice day!

Sincerely,

Xi(Cassie) Chen

From: Tamara Alvarado

Sent: Tuesday, March 20, 2018 2:59 PM

To: Agendadesk

**Cc:** Claudia Harvey

Subject: Agenda Item 3.3 18-348 Approval of the Fiscal Year 2018 - 2019 Mayor's March Budget

Message

Dear Mayor Liccardo and Members of our City Council,

Please support the allocation of resources to the AACSA. For 40 years, AACSA has supported the County of Santa Clara and most importantly the City of San Jose in providing programs and services to youth, seniors, and the homeless. As the Agency prepares to expand the programs offered, building upgrades are required to ensure safety for all users. The School of Arts and Culture at the Mexican Heritage Plaza values the existence of a diverse array of cultural and community centers such as the Plaza and AACSA. We support their work to serve the community and expect to see them continue their excellent growth under the leadership of ED, Milan Balinton.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Tamara Mozahuani Alvarado

**Executive Director** 

School of Arts and Culture at MHP

Facebook page: http://www.facebook.com/SchoolofArtsandCultureatMHP

Website www.schoolofartsandculture.org

From: Dhinesh Srinivasan

Sent: Tuesday, March 20, 2018 12:03 PM

To: The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo <TheOfficeofMayorSamLiccardo@sanjoseca.gov>; City Clerk

<city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>; District2 <District2@sanjoseca.gov>

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<district9@sanjoseca.gov>; District 10 <District10@sanjoseca.gov>

**Subject:** From Station121: Support to open Great Oaks SJPD Substation

Dear Mayor Liccardo, Council members & City clerk - I am a resident of station 121 community. I am sending this email to voice my support for opening the SJPD Substation located on Great Oaks Boulevard. I firmly believe this will certainly have a substantially positive impact on public safety and police response times in our neighborhood. Please do consider everything you can to make this Substation operational for the public.

Thanks, Dhinesh From: 贺冠男 [mailto:

**Sent:** Tuesday, March 20, 2018 12:27 PM

To: District 10 < District10@sanjoseca.gov>; District2 < District2@sanjoseca.gov>; District3

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District4 < District4@sanjoseca.gov>; The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo

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From: Appurv Jain

Sent: Tuesday, March 20, 2018 10:56 AM

To: The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo; City Clerk

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disctrict9@sanjoseca.gov; disctrict10@sanjoseca.gov; Khushboo Yadav

Subject: Support for Memorandum from Council members Jimenez & Khamis

Greetings,

I am a resident of South Sanjose near Cottle I am writing this email to express strong support for the Memorandum (attached) from Council members Jimenez & Khamis

The police substation is critical for the safety and quality of our neighborhood, There has already been a sharp rise and crimes/thefts in the neighborhood and that will also discourage new people from moving into the neighborhood which will adversely affect property values and hence property taxes (and hence government funding as well)

I urge you to consider the memorandum and its recommendations

Thank you.

Appurv Jain

COUNCIL AGENDA: 03/20/2018 ITEM: 3.3



# Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Councilmembers Jimenez &

Khamis

SUBJECT: March Budget Message for

Fiscal Year 2018-2019

DATE: March 16, 2018

Approved

Date 03/16/2018

Recommendation

1. Direct the City Manager to evaluate all potential funding sources to add \$1.5 million in one-time funding to move the Police Academy and Training Unit to a new location outside of the South San Jose Police Substation (the Substation).

2. Direct the City Manager to evaluate all potential funding sources to add \$1.5 million in on-going funding to partially occupy the Substation for its originally intended purpose: offering public police services, opening the lobby to the public on a limited basis, and deploying Southern Division patrol and Community Service Officers.

#### Background

We would like to thank Mayor Liccardo and his team for preparing a March Budget Message that balances our City's fiscal sustainability with the spending priorities and service needs of our residents. In this year's Message the number one priority, supported by 80% of residents, is "[i]mproving police response to violent crimes and property crimes, such as burglary." To achieve this essential goal, we recommend allocating resources and using a phased approach to opening the Substation.

The South San Jose Police Substation is located on Great Oaks Boulevard in City Council District 2. In 2002, voters overwhelmingly approved Measure O, which allocated over \$92 million to construct the Substation. Since the Substation was completed in 2010, it has not been utilized for its originally intended purpose as a fully operational police station. In 2013, Councilmember Khamis was successful in activating the Substation as the Police Academy and Training Unit for recruits and cadets.

A key step in opening the Substation is to relocate the Police Academy and Training Unit. With a one-time investment of \$1.5 million, we can free up the Substation for its original intended use and find a more suitable location for our recruits and cadets.

The March Budget Message directs the City Manager to identify \$300 million in capital needs, potentially including a Police Academy training facility, that could be funded through a bond measure. Though this is a creative idea, there is the uncertainty as to whether the measure will pass. Furthermore, our residents already voted for a measure to fund the Substation, and it seems superfluous to go back and ask for more money to begin using it for its already-intended purpose.

Operating the Substation under a limited and phased approach would cost approximately \$1.5 million in on-going funding. Though we are all cognizant of the projected deficits in our City's budget, this minimal investment will have a substantially positive impact on public safety and police response times. Additionally, there are financial savings and positive environmental impacts from reduced mileage and salary costs for our Officers.

The San Jose Police Department currently spends a considerable amount of money and time traveling between the Police Administration Building and its beats, particularly in the Southern division. In 2002, the City hired a consultant to conduct a cost/benefit analysis of several locations for the Substation. According to this analysis, daily deployment of Southern Division patrol officers from the SJPD administrative building costs the City an additional \$1,567.35 per day in mileage and employee time, compared to officers deployed to the Central division (see Figure 19 on attachment A).

As South San Jose continues to grow in development and population, congestion and response times to emergency calls will also increase. The 2002 report clearly shows that slow and extremely slow response times disproportionately affecting the Foothill and Southern Divisions. This applies to both Priority 1 calls ("present or imminent danger" to life and/or property) and Priority 2 calls (see Figure 12 and 13 on attachments B and C). Deploying officers from the Substation will undoubtedly reduce response times and get help to our residents more quickly.

Additionally, our police department will experience a cost savings of nearly half a million dollars per year from reduced mileage and salary expenses. These savings should be considered as a way to offset the annual operating costs of the Substation (see attachment A).

We are confident that the Mayor and our Council colleagues agree that opening the Substation is necessary and long overdue. The points of contention are how we will pay for the relocation of the Police Academy and Training Unit and where we will find the on-going funds to keep the Substation operational for years to come. We have some suggestions: first, we propose that we utilize funds from the \$15.5 million Future Deficit Reserve established in the March Budget Message. A second option is to use funds from the General Fund Budget Stabilization Reserve, which accounts for \$16.3 million of the unassigned fund balance as of June 30, 2017. If these options are not supported by Council, we suggest that the City Manager be directed to evaluate all potential funding sources necessary for the partial operation of the Substation.

We remember the days when San Jose was the safest big city in America. In the past years, we have seen an increase in juvenile crime, property crime, mail and package theft, and even rape.

Though we have seen success in rebuilding our police force, it is evident that we have a long way to go to restore public confidence in our police department and City government. Following through on our commitment to open the South San Jose Police Substation is a step in the right direction.

## ATTACHMENT A

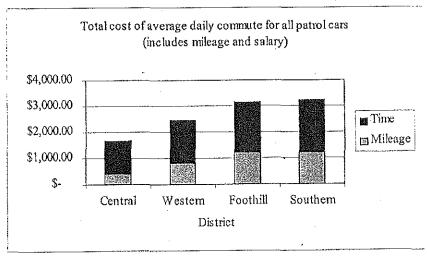
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San Jose Police Department Organizational Analysis
Phase |

As they were commuting to and from their beats, San Jose Police Department patrol officers clocked their time and trip mileage. This dataset contained 150 observations of time and trip mileage as actually measured by officers. The data was taken in February 2002.<sup>34</sup>

Figure 19: Cost of Average Daily Commute

### Mileage and Salary



Finding 1: On an average day, over all 3 watches, San Jose Police Department patrol officers spend over \$10,000 in mileage and salary time commuting to all beats. The Southern and Foothill Districts are the most costly of these. This is shown in Figure 19.

Division District	Average Gost of mileage for one patrol car	Average Mileage cost of all patrol cars	Average Cost of employee time for one patrol car	Average Cost of employee time for all patrol cars	Average Cost of commute for one patrol car (mileage plus employee time)	Total cost: mileage plus employee time for all patrol cars
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Central	\$ 6.13	\$ 419.77	\$ 18.01	\$ 1,233.86	\$ 24.14	\$ 1,653.63
Foothill	\$ 17.11	\$ 1,215.14	\$ 27.06	\$ 1,921.40	\$ 44,18	\$ 3,136.54
Southern	\$ 18.82	\$ 1,223.43	\$ 30.73	\$ 1,997.55	\$ 49,55	\$ 3,220.98
Western	\$ 11.20	\$ 806.54	\$ 22.56	\$ 1,624.35	\$ 33.76	\$ 2,430.89

<sup>34</sup> Source: Time and Trip Data for Patrol Officer Commute from Susan Cox, Document SJPD 017 in the Appendix.

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Draft: Phase I Report

## ATTACHMENT B

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San Jose Police Department Organizational Analysis
Phase I

Finding 5: If one looks at the distribution of slow and extremely slow responses, they are disproportionately in the Foothill and Southern divisions for both Priority 1 and Priority 2 calls, as shown in Figure 12 and Figure 13. These findings are calculated using the one-week data set described above.

Figure 12: Speed of Priority 1 Response by Division

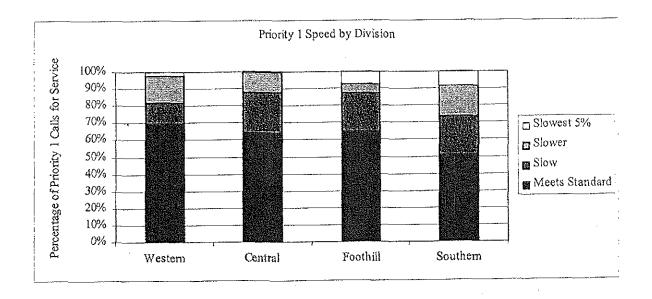


Figure 13: Speed of Priority 2 Response by Division

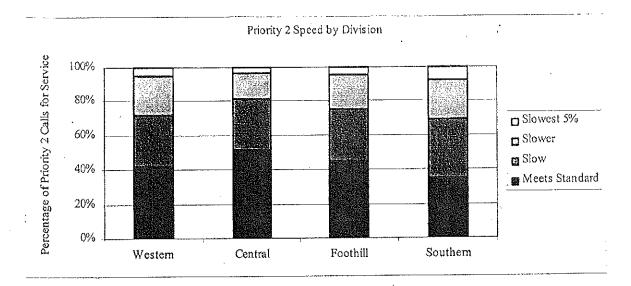
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# ATTACHMENT C

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San Jose Police Department Organizational Analysis Phase I



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Draft: Phase I Report

From: believe333

**Sent:** Tuesday, March 20, 2018 10:10 AM

To: District2; District4; District5; District6; District7; District8; District9; City Clerk; District3;

The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo; District1

**Subject:** Support Substation to OPEN

I support the **Police substation** to be opened **Immediately** for our officers to use and have more visibility to the south-bay.

It is a waste of taxpayers dollars not to be using it for it's intended use!

Sincerely,

P. Edgerton

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Peter& Rachel 858-603-6358

From: lirong shan

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To: District 10; District1; District2; District3; District4; District5; District 6; District7; District8; District9;

City Clerk; The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo

**Subject:** Open San Jose Police Department South Substation

Public safety is very important to us, and opening the San Jose Police Department South Substation is very important

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Everett Bobby Gasper | Partner, Co-Founder |

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IND Group,



3/19/18

To: Paul Pereira, Mayor's Office

From: Steve Holmes, Executive Director

Subject: Staffing increase to Anti-Litter Dept.

Let this letter act as an endorsement by SBCCC of the City's plan to increase headcount in the Anti-Litter Department. Please have this letter included in the City Council Meeting in advance of this discussion. This group has taken on the lead role within the City for trash pickup after our TEAM 222 Cleanup events and the additional cleanups we regularly conduct along the City's Waterways.

We are pleased to support local efforts working to improve trash loads along our streams but do require support for the final leg in getting all the collected trash removed in a timely manner. Even with a shorthanded staff, SBCCC has found this group to be very responsive and helpful. It is good to see that the City values clean streets, Parks and Waterways. This increase in staff is needed.

Regards,
Steve Holmes
South Bay Clean Creeks Coalition

From: Cynthia Cooper

**Sent:** Tuesday, March 20, 2018 10:29 AM

**To:** Agendadesk; Milan R. Balinton

Subject: Mayor's March 2018 -2019 budget

Please continue to support the AACSA with funds to help them continue their efforts in making our community better.

From: henry zheng

**Sent:** Tuesday, March 20, 2018 9:51 AM

To: The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo; City Clerk; District1; District2; District3; District4; District5; District

6; District7; District8; District9; District 10

**Subject:** SJPD south substation

Dear City officials,

I am a long time resident of San Jose (25+ years).

In the recent years, even though economy is very strong in silicon valley, public safety, especially in San Jose, is going downwards. There are more and more bulgary in the neighborhood. Policy staffing level is alarmingly low for the size of our city, which results in slower response time and less deterrent to criminals. The situation is getting so bad that I no longer feel safe in my own house as many of my neighbors do.

I learned that there is a possibility to open the SJPD south substation, which is currently used for training only. Such a station in the neighborhood will certainly inject confidence to SJ residents that the city is putting public safety as top priority.

I urge you to allocate proper resource, and put our tax money to the place that matters the most - our safety. Please open the SJPD south substation ASAP.

Thank you.

Henry Zheng

From: Robert Lindo

**Sent:** Monday, March 19, 2018 11:28 PM

**To:** The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo < <a href="mailto:TheOfficeofMayorSamLiccardo@sanjoseca.gov">TheOfficeofMayorSamLiccardo@sanjoseca.gov</a>>

**Cc:** Escobar, Cindy < <a href="mailto:Cindy.Escobar@sanjoseca.gov">Cindy <a href="m

Sykes, Dave < <u>Dave.Sykes@sanjoseca.gov</u>>; Maguire, Jennifer < <u>jennifer.maguire@sanjoseca.gov</u>>

**Subject:** Casino M8trix FY18-19 Feedback

Dear Mayor Liccardo,

Please see attached for Agenda Item 3.3 for tomorrow's City Council Meeting (Approval of the Mayor's FY2018-2019 March Budget Message). Thank you for your time.

Best regards,

Rob

#### **ROBERT S. LINDO**

General Counsel and Director





March 19, 2018

#### Sent Via Hand Deliver and Email Only

Mayor Sam Liccardo San José City Hall 200 E. Santa Clara Street San José, CA 95113

Dear Mayor Liccardo,

As the ownership of Casino M8trix continues to be an active partner in lifting up our community, they have asked that we share the attached information regarding our business and its impact on the city. This communication reaffirms Casino M8trix's interest in enhancing our relationship with the City of San José and provides initial feedback to the Mayor's Budget Message (Council Agenda Item 3.3 – March 20, 2018).

In addition to the attached information, we would also like to pose a few questions regarding our business and its relationship with the City of San José:

- What is city leadership's interest in a collaborative partnership with the cardrooms?
- What regulatory and fee structure is the city striving for and what is the path to meeting the city's goals?
- Is the city ready to help us grow and increase hiring, thereby providing greater revenue for the general fund?
- Finally, does the city intend to revisit prior audits and reviews of cardroom regulation?

Since 2012, our first year as the renamed Casino M8trix, our business has generated in excess of \$47 million in tax revenue for the city's general fund. We are not only a vital partner in our city's success, but we have strong support for our business across the community.

The included document and information is a chance to look at why the questions above are important. As we continue through the budget process, we look forward to additional conversations and we believe that this will be the commencement of an even better relationship between Casino M8trix, the City of San José, and our entire community.

Thank you for your attention to this matter and the enclosed information. We would like to welcome you and your staff to Casino M8trix for a tour and introductory meeting.



Robert S. Lindo – General Counsel and Director Garden City, Inc. dba Casino M8trix

cc: City Council, City Manager, Casino M8trix Ownership

Attachment



Kicking off the 2018-2019 City of San José budgeting process is the Mayor's Budget Message as Item 3.3 on the Council's agenda for Tuesday, March 20, 2018. Casino M8trix seeks to enhance its relationship with the City of San José and we are providing the following information to begin a conversation about how gaming in San José factors into the overall financial stability of the city.

Already we are participating more actively in the budgetary process, community engagement, and local investments. As a business supporting over 900 local employees, and providing over \$10 million in annual revenue to San José, it is Casino M8trix's belief that the ideal relationship between the City, our business, and its management and ownership team should be something akin to a partnership whereby positive developments are achieved collaboratively. We hope that the City of San José welcomes our outreach and future conversations.

**Background:** Casino M8trix has been a part of the San José business community stretching back to the late 1940s, when Garden City was merely a beer garden on Market and Post Streets. Eventually the business grew and became a cardroom on Saratoga Avenue near Interstate 280 called Garden City Casino. Garden City was a top destination for entertainment and dining in the 1990s through early 2000s before moving in 2012 to our current location to become the dba Casino M8trix.

Casino M8trix has superseded Garden City Casino as a prime destination in San José for both residents and visitors. Additionally it is one of the top revenue sources for the City of San José. Casino M8trix is one of two cardrooms authorized to operate in the city. The cardrooms have a somewhat unique business relationship with San José because their operations are governed by a dedicated section of the San José Municipal Code –Title 16 (and the corresponding San José Police Department's ("SJPD") Minimum Internal Control Standards, Regulations 1, 2, and 3).

Casino M8trix sits at the northern end of San José's downtown – it is one of the first vibrant buildings in the city skyline that residents, visitors, and travelers witness as they pass through our international airport. Casino M8trix is nestled near the convergence of three major freeways (101, 880, and 87) and it also rests along the line of VTA's vital Light Rail, with a stop literally within steps of the business's front door. Now that the other local cardroom, Bay 101, has moved virtually next door, this area of San José is becoming an entertainment corridor, with opportunity for in-fill growth.

San José is facing several challenges; managing growth as the need for affordable housing increases, providing an ever higher number of quality jobs, and facilitating the efficient movement of a burgeoning and diverse population flocking to the city. Much of this growth and change is occurring in San José's northern portion – including the arrival of BART. The success of established businesses in this area is imperative to the success of the entire city. San José has a bright future ahead and these and many more issues will be solved. Casino M8trix wants to help see San José's success blossom.

Fees and Regulations: We are bound by federal, state, and city regulations, fees, and oversight. When reviewing years of proposed fees and charges with the City of San José, there seems to be a lack of



consistency, and at times even direction in the fluctuations of various regulatory fees. This is particularly evident in the fees attributed to cardroom work permit processing. As evidenced below, there has been a steady increase in the fees for work permit processing; fees which are intended to be cost recovery in nature.

Unlike many other cardrooms and casinos, Casino M8trix bares the costs associated with employee work permit processing. As such, it is vitally important to Casino M8trix's business interests that the basis for the perpetual, and often substantial, increases to these fees are justified and accounted for. Fees for new employee work permits processed by an SJPD officer in San José have increased from \$388 in 2012 to \$569 this year (147% increase). Fees to transfer an employee work permit from one job to another in the cardroom have gone from \$49 in 2012 to \$285 this year (582% increase). These rates are already an insurmountable barrier to entry for some prospective employees and if they continue to rise they may prevent hiring and, potentially, career advancement.

Additionally, an examination of permitting fees in similar jurisdictions highlights a substantial disparity and calls into question what determines the fee amounts. For example, in the Los Angeles Country City of Gardena\* – a city with two cardrooms and 151 tables collectively (higher than the current San José limit of 98 total tables) – a new permit and renewal permit cost \$161 and \$125, respectively. In San José, however, acquiring these same permits costs approximately four times as much. Below is a chart outlining the exorbitant cost of cardroom employee work permits in San José as compared to other jurisdictions throughout the state.

#### CARDROOM EMPLOYEE WORK PERMITS - SELECT CALIFORNIA JURISDICTIONS

City	New Permit Fee (incl. fingerprinting, etc.)	Renewal Permit Fee	Transfer	Lost/Damaged	Tables
San José	\$619	\$505 / 4 years	\$285	\$285	98
Gardena*	\$161	\$125	\$50	\$50	151
Sacramento	\$225	\$137 / yearly	\$0	\$0	56
San Diego	\$120	\$116 / yearly	\$120	\$15	12
Chula Vista	\$225	\$100 / yearly	Unknown	\$25	20
Stockton	\$161.75	\$161.75 / yearly	Unknown	Unknown	22
Emeryville	\$385	\$142	\$142	\$142	40
Turlock	\$142	\$110	Unknown	Unknown	14
Fresno	\$152	\$50 / yearly	NA	\$0	51
Pacheco	\$167	\$25 / yearly	Unknown	\$0	19
Rosamond	\$142	\$75 / yearly	\$0 (unexpired)	Unknown	30
Oceanside	\$82	\$30	Unknown	\$30	50
Compton	\$92	\$10	\$25	\$5	42

In addition to fluctuations in fees and collections, a 2012 report from the city noted that savings could be found by greater (or complete) utilization of a civilian workforce for the oversight of the cardrooms. Despite this finding, sworn officers remain responsible for the administrative and regulatory functions of cardroom



oversight, which in turn imposes higher costs for the cardrooms as well as the city. Hopefully as our dialogue develops we can highlight other issue on fees, including tracking cost recovery.

Each year the gross revenue income from Casino M8trix to the city increases: \$8.2 million in 2013, \$8.6 million in 2014, \$9.6 million in 2015, \$10.1 million in 2016, \$10.7 million in 2017, with the potential expectation of \$11 million in 2018. This money comes from a 15% gross revenue tax on Casino M8trix's gaming related revenue and does not include the annual Cardroom Regulation Fee of \$1,012,142 (up 15% from the FY12-13 \$882,755 amount). As our business thrives, the city benefits. Potential changes to how revenue is collected will not create a long term benefit for the City and would only hinder the success of the business and potentially limit the customers' interest in playing.

Cardroom Oversight: Casino M8trix and its management are fully supportive of reasonable and responsible regulation of the gaming industry. It protects customers, the jurisdiction's gaming establishments, employees, and the health and well-being of the industry overall. That support, however, is extended while noting the intense local regulation and oversight of San José cardrooms is nearly unique in the United States. Not only are there limits on authorized games, tables, seats, et cetera, but there are also federal, state and city regulations.

This overabundance of regulatory bodies results in redundant regulations, fees, and oversight. While Casino M8trix continues to thrive as a business, despite all of these regulations, unjust increases or additional regulatory restrictions and the continuous squeezing of the business will stifle it. Every business and resident in our community shares a part of the obligation to contribute to the exceptional quality of life we enjoy in Silicon Valley. Casino M8trix understands that a slice of that pie must be provided by us, which is entirely reasonable. What would not be reasonable would be making the share from the cardrooms excessively large. If such an eventuality occurred, without proper input and collaboration with the local cardrooms, the potential loss of revenue could be negative for the city as whole.

One of the most important things that is often overlooked in having regulated and licensed cardrooms in San José is that it provides a safe, monitored space for the play of legal games. As we saw with the proliferation of online gambling activities some years ago, it was easy for individuals unobserved and in isolation to wander down a path of excess and irresponsibility. Casino M8trix, which focuses on responsible gambling education and observation with our entire staff, assists those who may have a gambling problem access the plethora of resources available to them. These resources include access to free educational materials on responsible gaming and assistance programs (both through the state and locally through Asian Americans for Community Involvement "AACI"), and property self-exclusion and self-restriction options.

Title 16 provides limits on gaming and prevents San José cardrooms from stimulating gaming activity by providing anything of value to our patrons, including offering complimentary food and jackpots, which are common throughout the state. Casino M8trix also partners with AACI to promote responsible gambling and aid those in need of related mental health services. To date, Casino M8trix has donated more than \$2,750,000 to AACI for these purposes (currently that annual donation is approximately \$265,000). Oversight of these funds is pivotal – not just for the city, but also for Casino M8trix. We have developed a positive partnership with AACI and we hope we can build on the matter with the City to ensure those funds promote responsible gaming.



**More Than Gaming:** Gaming is not the only action happening at our location that brings vibrancy and entertainment, but also revenue, to San José. We have a quality food available 24/7, a popular and regionally known sports bar that fills daily for lunch and dinner (and during Sharks games and when local teams are playing!) In Casino M8trix's tower we have exclusive suites and conference areas that are rented out for private events and in partnership with nonprofits and local community groups.

We also believe in giving back to the community. 2018 will be our first year that leadership has budgeted a dedicated "Community Charitable Giving" fund. Since relocating in 2012, we have invested in our community, but generally only to groups or community leaders that were proactive in asking for our assistance. Now we will be dedicating time to seek out community engagements and find ways for our resources to help build up neighborhoods, support events, and benefit our community most effectively.

Additionally, we are honored to have an incredible workforce that often volunteers time at the Second Harvest Food Bank and participates in local clean-up projects. We were humbled to be recognized by the city and Mayor earlier this year for participation in the Great American Litter Pick Up. We look forward to doing that again this year! Our staff, just like our customers, are residents of San José and contributing members of our community.

Safety: One last major issue we would like to address as we have your attention is maximizing safety and security at Casino M8trix through our relationship with the SJPD. We take the safety of our customers and staff at our facility seriously and we appreciate the positive relationship we have with the SJPD and Division of Gaming Control. Nonetheless, a cursory review of annual police reports related to the cardrooms might lead one to presume that the bad actors of our community perpetrate higher levels of crime in our parking lot and behind our doors. If you really look at the numbers, what you find is standard or even lower than expected levels of criminal activity and that Casino M8trix itself is often the victim of the crimes (e.g., counterfeit currency or vandalism). Crime detracts from our business and we are proud of our security staff that keeps our gaming and entertainment venue patrons and employees safe. We strive for the best possible customer service and proactive problem solving to prevent incidents from ever occurring. It is no easy feat, but we are effectively managing the general activity that occurs at a venue with hundreds to thousands of individuals passing through daily.

Casino M8trix is hoping to begin a conversation regarding these matters and more. Thank you.

Robert S. Lindo – General Counsel and Director

Garden City Inc. dba Casino M8trix

From: David Yang

**Sent:** Monday, March 19, 2018 4:16 PM

**To:** District1 < district1@sanjoseca.gov>; District2 < District2@sanjoseca.gov>; District 6 < district6@sanjoseca.gov>; District9 < district9@sanjoseca.gov>; District 10 < District10@sanjoseca.gov>; The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo < TheOfficeofMayorSamLiccardo@sanjoseca.gov>; City Clerk < city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>; District3 < district3@sanjoseca.gov>; District4 < District4@sanjoseca.gov>; District5 < District5@sanjoseca.gov>; District7 < District7@sanjoseca.gov>; District8 < district8@sanjoseca.gov>

**Subject:** Support for memorandum of San Jose Police Dept South Substation

Dear Mayer, Council ladies and gentlemen

I'm writing this email to strongly support Councilman Johnny Khamis and Sergio Jimenez's memorandum of Operational for San Jose Policy Department South Substation. "improving police response to violent crimes and property crimes, such as burglary."

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Best Regards, David Yang From: Carole Stuart

Sent: Monday, March 19, 2018 4:52 PM
To: City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>
Cc: District2 <District2@sanjoseca.gov>

Subject: Police Substation

The Mayor and Councilmembers need to approve the opening of the South San Jose Police Substation. When it was built, it's purpose was for South San Jose to have quick access to police services.

We used to have a small police station in the Oakridge Mall area but it was closed years ago.

The population of South San Jose has growth exponentially and so have the crimes of property, gangs, murder, etc.

Chief Garcia wants to open the Substation to serve the needs of our area. Most of our citizens in the area agree with him.

I've lived in this area since 1978 and in this house since 1986. I've seen and experienced the growth of crime.

It's now time to fund and open the Substation. If not now, when?

Carole Stuart

----Original Message-----

From: Elvera Faria

Sent: Monday, March 19, 2018 3:55 PM

To: City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>; The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo

<TheOfficeofMayorSamLiccardo@sanjoseca.gov>; District1 <district1@sanjoseca.gov>;

District2 < District2 @sanjoseca.gov>; District3 @sanjoseca.gov>; District4

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<district8@sanjoseca.gov>; District9 <district9@sanjoseca.gov>; District 10

<District10@sanjoseca.gov>

Subject: 100% SUPPORT JIMENEZ-KHAMIS MEMO

## Dear Mayor, City Clerk and Council Members:

I am writing this letter to let you know that I 100% SUPPORT the Jimemez-Khamis memo wherein they ask the Mayor to include 1.5 million dollars to relocate the academy and training unit. I see that Mayor's budget is asking for another bond measure to get the sub station operating, however this is unfair to the SJPD and the residents as we already approved Measure O for \$92 million to get the sub station in the first place. With all the new building going on in South San Jose it would behoove the city and the help the SJPD to get the sub station functioning for it's intended purpose. The budget is \$300 million and all we need is \$1.5 million to get it going. Quite frankly 1.5 million or 0.005% of the budget is a drop in the bucket to make police force more efficient and build trust in the community.

Looking at your budget maybe take away public art for 2018 and 1 million from park maintenance and there you would have the 1.5 million for the substation. In addition Oak Grove School District has had multiple school closures, maybe the city can use or rent one for the academy and the cadets.

The SJPD have been working their tails off with a limited crew for years and have just started building up the force again. Lets all show our support for Chief Garcia. We can do this! Our police force deserves it.

I would like to say that I have confidence in the Council's decisions and hopefully this will bring light to the concerns for your constituents.

Sincerely, Elvera Faria From: Janie Felix-Adams

**Sent:** Tuesday, March 20, 2018 6:11 AM

To: District1; District2; District3; District4; District5; District 6; District7; District8; District9;

District 10; The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo; City Clerk

Subject: Please Approve Police Department's South Substation

All,

I have lived at the corner of Lean/Edenvale and Chynoweth since July of 1999. Since I moved in, this area has exploded with new housing developments and subsequently, people. We have some of the only open land in the valley and LARGE complexes are rapidly being built with more being planned. Our infrastructure is not keeping pace with this growth. With the explosive growth comes explosive amounts of crime.

- Yellow lights don't mean slow down and prepare to stop, it means speed up and see how many cars can run the light
- Newly painted bike lanes mean people now have a clearly marked path to pass cars on the right and cut in front of you
- Cars are now passing me on city streets because I am going the speed limit. Hell, one car passed me on the dirt around the park that is adjacent to Hayes Mansion
- More and more homeless are moving into the area and harassing people

What do most of these all have in common? They are not reported because who would do anything? These wouldn't be a priority to an overburdened police department.

The crimes I keep hearing about on NextDoor?

- People have cameras on their front door showing thugs stealing things and nothing can be done because the police don't know the local thugs and where they are.

The one time there was a physical assault at the Chenoweth Park, where several kids were drinking and started fighting with the neighbors when nicely asked to leave (it was dark), it took the police **1 HOUR to respond!!!** Why? Because there were so many police in downtown supporting the Super Bowl festivities. There weren't enough local resources to keep the local residents safe.

If the South Substation were to be opened:

- More driving offenses would be caught and people would slow down
- More local knowledge of offenders
- More police presence which leads to a safer community

I have the utmost respect for our officers. We just need more of them.

Respectfully submitted,

Janie Adams

President, Mansion Park HOA

#### **Janie Adams**

https://www.linkedin.com/in/janieadams/
"If you are too busy to laugh, you are too busy"

From: Arun Murthy

**Sent:** Tuesday, March 20, 2018 12:06 AM

To: City Clerk; District1; District2; District3; District5; District 6; District7; District8; District9; District 10;

The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo

Subject: Letter of support for Police Substation in South San Jose(Great Oaks Blvd)

To Honorable Mayor Council Members San Jose.

I am Arun a resident of South San Jose who lives in the vicinity of the Police Substation/Costco. I have lived in this area for nearly 2 years and I have seen the crime rate rising.

I have been made aware of numerous crimes like Shootouts, House brake-ins, Vehicle theft, and uncountable package thefts, loitering and illegal activities in Ramac parks nearby.

I think we definitely need increased police presence here, otherwise this neighborhood will become safe haven for thieves. I strongly urge you to make this substation operational and open to public.

My Address:

From: Lee Ann Kempf

**Sent:** Monday, March 19, 2018 11:47 PM

**To:** City Clerk **Subject:** Substation

Please give So. San Jose police  $\ensuremath{\mathfrak{S}}$  protection. We need our substation manned and open for business

ASAP.

Thank you.

Lee Ann Kempf

From: Cheri Peabody

**Sent:** Monday, March 19, 2018 11:34 PM

To: City Clerk

**Subject:** open Substation in south San Jose

Please I et my voice be heard. I have lived in my home on Snell Ave since 1975. This was a lovely place to live until the recent invasion of homeless, arm robbers, murderes, car jackers, Sec 8 housing and all other crimes being comitied here every day. Lots of my neighbors have sold their hours and moved away due to the crime. We need the substation to be opened as a police station. Thank you-Cheri Peabody

From: Lani Lee Ho, Esq.

Sent: Monday, March 19, 2018 10:24 PM

To: District1; District2; District3; District4; District5; Disstrict6@sanjoseca.gov; District7; District8;

District9; District10@sanjsoeca.gov; The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo; City Clerk

Subject: Letter of Support for Opening the San Jose Police Department South Substation

Dear Mayor and San Jose Council members:

We are writing in support of the South San Jose Police Substation. We respectfully request the City Council to consider all potential funding sources to open the Substation. We appreciate your time, in advance, to listen to our concerns and we hope that this letter persuades you to consider this request.

We are proud to call District 2 our home. We enjoy walking to the San Jose Public library, Saturday Farmer's Market, and Santa Teresa County Park with our dogs. We also utilize the VTA light rail system to get to work. However, over recent years, we have noticed an increasing amount of crime in our community. This includes graffiti, vandalism, car racing, and property theft. We are concerned for the safety of our family and neighbors.

Despite being built in 2010, the Substation on Great Oaks Boulevard has not been used for its intended purpose. Instead of functioning as a police station, it has served as a police academy and training unit. As outlined in a memo prepared by Councilmember Jimenez, the police academy and training unit can and should be relocated to allow for the Substation to reopen as a police station. There would be many benefits in doing this, including:

- 1) Shorter response times;
- 2) Cost savings estimated at half a million dollars per year from reduced mileage and salary expenses associated from deploying officers from outside the Southern Division; and
- 3) Less crime due to a greater presence of law enforcement in our District.

Additionally, this action would restore public confidence in government because voters have already spoken on this issue. Our residents already voted for a measure to fund the Substation in 2002. We have heard over and over that safety is top concern and a priority. Thus, opening of the Substation makes common sense and is long overdue. It is time to follow through with your promise to us, the voters.

Please take the time to evaluate all potential funding sources necessary to operate the Substation. We join with Councilmembers Jimenez and Khamis to ask you to direct the City Manager to add \$1.5 million in one-time funding to move the Police Academy and Training to a new location.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Lani and Aaron Ho District 2 Residents From: Jane Fry

Sent: Monday, March 19, 2018 10:11 PM

To: The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo; City Clerk; District1; District2; District3; District4; District5; District

6; District7; District8; District9; District 10

**Subject:** San Jose Police Department South Substation

I am in support of the memorandum that goes before the City Council Meeting on Tuesday, March 20, 2018 regarding the San Jose Police Department South Substation. Please, keep our neighborhoods safe. How can you improve the city without improving the safety of the people that live here? if we aren't safe on our streets our quality of life in San Jose is poor....no matter how many large accompanies, new homes, parks, centers, etc. are built. Lets get back to being a safe (and hopefully clean; the graffiti is terrible) city.

Jane Fry

From: Rania Maalouf

**Sent:** Monday, March 19, 2018 9:56 PM

To: City Clerk

**Subject:** SJPD South Substation

# Dear City Clerk,

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> I would like to support the opening of the San Jose Police Department South Substation in district 10. It's very important that we improve the safety of our neighborhoods and increase the patrols and services offered through the Substation.

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> We value the safety of our city, our families, and we know the important role that the police plays in this regard.

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- > Regards,
- > Rania Boulos

From: Bob Shoberg

**Sent:** Tuesday, March 20, 2018 8:32 AM

**To:** The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo; District1; District3; District4; District5; District 6;

District7; District8; District9; City Clerk

Cc: District 10

Subject: Open the San Jose Police Department South Substation

As the numbers of street-ready officers increases, you need to have the Southern Division officers deployed from the San Jose substation cutting response time and saving money so officers won't have to drive all the way back downtown to the Mission Street station at shift changes. The counter there will also be opened to serve the public so that people in the south part of San Jose won't have to travel to Mission Street to interact with the Department.

I urge you to support opening the south substation.

Thanks and have a great day

Bob Shoberg ......><)))o> .. ><)))o> ...><)))o>...><)) From: Tibor Horvath

**Sent:** Monday, March 19, 2018 9:47 PM

To: District1; District2; District3; District4; District5; District 6; District7; District8; District9; District 10;

The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo; City Clerk

**Subject:** Support for San Jose Police Department South Substation

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

I am a resident of District 10, and I support the memorandum of Councilmembers Johnny Khamis and Sergio Jimenez to fight for resources to open the San Jose Police Department South Substation. Please support opening the Substation in order to improve police response to violent crimes and property crimes, such as burglary in our area.

Thank you, Tibor Horvath From: Jennifer Moyen-Logan

**Sent:** Monday, March 19, 2018 8:44 PM

To: District1; District2; District3; District4; District5; District 6; District7; District8; District9; District 10;

The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo; City Clerk

**Subject:** Support for San Jose Police Department South Substation

Dear Mayor Liccardo and San Jose Councilmembers:

I have lived in Almaden Valley for over 28 years and we have seen a dramatic rise in property crimes, including burglaries and, in some cases, violent crimes in South San Jose.

I strongly support opening a San Jose Police Department South Substation. Please make this a priority for South San Jose and support the memorandum that Councilmember Johnny Khamis and Councilmember Sergio Jimenez have authored.

Best Regards,

Jennifer Moyen-Logan

From: BARB

**Sent:** Monday, March 19, 2018 7:58 PM

To: City Clerk

**Subject:** South San Jose police substation

As San Jose grows, South SJ needs a closer connection to police services. I look forward to the goal of deploying more police from that station...presence is prevention! and my area has certainly had a rash of burglaries, car thefts, and vandalism.

Barbara MacNeil

From: David Putnam

**Sent:** Monday, March 19, 2018 6:56 PM

To: District1; District2; District3; District4; District5; District 6; District7; District8; District9;

District 10; The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo; City Clerk **Subject:** Support the San Jose Police Dept South Substation

Dear Elected Representatives,

Our fight against crime continues in South San Jose. Our streets continue to see speeders in beat up cars, suspect individuals walking the neighborhoods, abandoned cars (love the SJ app because it is helping get them cleared faster), and stolen property. It is essential that we do all we can to make our neighborhoods safe, and all that we work for in our homes safe while we are away.

The South Sub Station is important to us as residents for response time, presence in the area, and reducing overhead related to shift changes.

Thank you for your support!

David Putnam

From: Nuria Root

**Sent:** Monday, March 19, 2018 8:36 PM

To: District1; District2; District3; District4; District5; District 6; District7; District8; District 10;

The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo; City Clerk **Subject:** South San Jose Police Substation opening

Hello City Council members and Mayor Liccardo,

Please see my attached letter from our neighborhood association supporting the opening of the South San Jose Police Substation this budget cycle.

Thank you, Nuria Root President- SLNA March 19, 2018

Hon. Mayor San Liccardo and Members of the San Jose City Council

Re: City Council Agenda Item: COUNCIL AGENDA: 03/20/2018 ITEM: 3.3

Dear Mayor Liccardo and Members of the City Council:

The Silver Leaf Neighborhood Association (SLNA) has been actively engaged in promoting the opening of the SJPD Southside Substation. We are pleased to see that Councilmembers Jimenez and Khamis have taken the leadership and initiative to open the Police Substation in South San Jose.

We urge the Mayor and City Council to support and adopt Councilmembers Jimenez and Khamis' memorandum into the Mayor's Budget Message and 2018-2019 Budget Cycle.

Together with the Mayor and City Council's support, the City can carry out the promise that was made to Measure O voters, to open up a fully functioning Police Substation in South San Jose. We support efforts to be fiscally responsible in funding a phased-in approach to open the substation--offering services that are financially accessible to the many residents that make up San Jose.

We also applaud the efforts of the San Jose Police Department to recruit and increase the number of patrol officers. A functioning and operational Subtation will not only boost the uprising morale of our Police Department, but also ensure that our neighborhood and residents feel secured and safe. We note with concern the projected budget deficiet that the City faces in the next fiscal years, but we believe that our safety is a priority worthy of investment.

Our neighborhood association looks forward to the forthcoming adoption of Councilmembers Jimenez and Khamis' memorandum and a fully functioning police Substation in the near future. Thank you for considering our recommendations.

Sincerely,

Silver Leaf Neighborhood Association

District 2

From: Alfonso Flores **Sent:** Monday, March 19, 2018 2:59 PM To: The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo; District1; District2; District3; District4; District5; District 6; District7; District8; District9; District 10; City Clerk Subject: San Jose Southside Police Substation > Members of the City Council, > > Please support Councilmembers Jimenez and Khamis' 3/16/2018 memo in allocating resources in converting the Southside Police Substation for its originally intended purpose. > > With the growth of our area with the Oak Grove Urban Development by Cottle Road, we have seen a growth in issues related to safety and crime in our area, a lot of which are not being reported to the police. > When I personally went through a safety issue in my neighborhood, I had to go to downtown to file a police report, and I spent 3 hours going and coming back to my area to get a copy of my police report (drive time, search for parking, wait in line for an hour). > Respectfully yours,

> Alfonso Flores

> San Jose Constituent

From: Debbie Luu

Sent: Monday, March 19, 2018 3:28 PM

To: District2; The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo; City Clerk

Cc: District1; District3; District4; District5; District 6; District7; District8; District 10

**Subject:** SJPD South Substation opening ---My Support for this Memorandum

Hi Everyone,

This email is to voice the fact that I am in support of this following memorandum to re-open the substation.

https://sanjose.legistar.com/View.ashx?M=F&ID=5884700&GUID=AC2461C7-E615-4D32-BE4B-60EE80280BFEndum, and would like to re-open this substation.

Best,

Debbie H. Luu

From: Nico Santino

**Sent:** Monday, March 19, 2018 2:21 PM

To: City Clerk

Subject: SJ South Sub Police Station

Open up the Sub Station. We need police visibility out here in the Almaden Area.

From: San Jose Residents for Housing Solutions

Sent: Monday, March 19, 2018 9:21 AM

To: The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo; Jones, Chappie; City Clerk; District 6; District9; Diep, Lan;

Magdalena Carrasco; Peralez, Raul; Jimenez, Sergio; District8; District7; District 10

Cc: Karen Lattin; Jacquie Heffner; Greg Peck; Brian Gurney; Trish Carlin; Amy Georgiades

Subject: Agenda Item 3.3 Memorandum March Budget Message for Fiscal Year 2018-2019 (Jimenez,

Rocha)

Mayor Liccardo and Council Members,

We are writing to you in support of appropriating funding to open the South San Jose Police Substation on Great Oaks Blvd.

South San Jose has seen an undeniable spike in serious crime recently. A murder took place near the Ascent Apartments and Safeway off Cottle Road. Several recent domestic stand-offs with Special Operations Police occurred in the Los Paseos neighborhood. A stun-bomb was used during the apprehension of a suspect near Cottle & Santa Teresa last week, just to mention a few incidents.

For several years, South San Jose residents have been aware of the relatively large geographic area of the Southern Subdivision of which we are a part, and the increased response times due to the lack of staffing as the Police Department worked to resolve staffing issues. We are supportive and hopeful regarding the positive direction that is currently taking place in the SJ Police Department, that the increased numbers of officers being hired and trained will lead to decreased response times and the ability to respond to a broader range of crimes in a more timely manner.

Now that more staff are being added, we support Councilman Jimenez and Councilman Rocha in their Memorandum to open the Substation for its originally intended purpose: "offering public police services, opening the lobby to the public on a limited basis, and deploying Southern Division patrol and Community Service Officers" from the South San Jose Substation on Great Oaks Blvd.

San Jose Residents for Housing Solutions represents about 40-50 residents of South San Jose.

Sincerely,

San Jose Resident for Housing Solutions represented by Karen Lattin Jacquie Heffner Patricia Carlin Amy Georgiades Greg Peck Brian Gurney From: Nathan Ho

Sent: Monday, March 19, 2018 1:24 PM

To: The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo; District1; District2; District3; District4; District5; District 6;

District7; District8; District9; District 10

Cc: City Clerk

**Subject:** SVLG Support Letter, RE: Approval of Mayor's March Budget Message

Dear Mayor Liccardo, Vice Mayor Carrasco, and Honorable Councilmembers,

Please find attached a letter from the Silicon Valley Leadership Group supporting the recommendation included in the Housing section of the Mayor's March Budget Message to add two additional Planners to the San Jose Planning Department to focus on development proposal and projects in North San Jose, Berryessa, and Downtown.

We are very encouraged by this recommendation that emphasizes the City's commitment and ambitious goal of 25,000 new housing units over the next five years, of which 10,000 will be affordable housing. Dedicating resources and staff is an appropriate step forward in this commitment.

Please feel free to reach out to me with any questions and thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

### Nathan

Nathan Ho Senior Director, Housing & Community Development Silicon Valley Leadership Group



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Mayor Sam Liccardo and Honorable Members of the City Council City of San Jose 200 East Santa Clara St, 18<sup>th</sup> Floor San Jose, CA 95113

RE: March 20, 2018 City Council Meeting, Agenda Item 3.3
Approval of Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Mayor's March Budget Message

Dear Mayor Liccardo, Vice Mayor Carrasco, and Honorable Councilmembers,

On behalf of the Silicon Valley Leadership Group, I express our support for the recommendation included in the Housing section of the Mayor's March Budget Message to add two additional Planners to the San Jose Planning Department to focus on development proposal and projects in North San Jose, Berryessa, and Downtown.

The Silicon Valley Leadership Group, founded in 1978 by David Packard of Hewlett-Packard, represents more than 375 of Silicon Valley's most respected employers in issues, programs and campaigns that affect the economic quality of life in Silicon Valley. Collectively, Leadership Group members provide nearly one out of every three private sector jobs in Silicon Valley.

The Leadership Group fully supports the Mayor's housing plan to add 25,000 new housing units in the next five years of which 10,000 will be affordable housing. We have heard from developers that a major obstacle to moving forward housing projects is the time delay in having applications processed and reviewed by the understaffed Planning Department. We are encouraged by the Mayor's Budget Message to dedicate funding for additional planning staff to ensure that San Jose is in the best position to meet our ambitious housing production goal.

Focusing on North San Jose, Berryessa, and Downtown makes perfect sense to tap into the potential for those areas of 17,000 additional new housing units. We support the principle and smart growth strategy to build transit-oriented development and leverage the public transit investment in the upcoming BART stations in Berryessa and Downtown, as well as situating housing near jobs in North San Jose.

The Leadership Group is committed to supporting the City's effort to increasing the housing opportunities and affordable housing stock for current and future residents of San Jose. We appreciate that the Mayor's Budget Message demonstrates commitment to making housing production a priority for the City.

Sincerely,



Nathan Ho Senior Director, Housing and Community Development Silicon Valley Leadership Group From: Stephen Chen

Sent: Monday, March 19, 2018 12:33 PM

To: District1; District2; District3; District4; District5; District 6; District7; District8; District9; District 10;

The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo; City Clerk **Subject:** I support the SJPD South Substation!

Council members, mayor, and city clerk:

I strongly support the opening and operation of the SJPD south substation. This is a facility that is badly needed to improve response times and maintain a deterrent to criminals (especially property crimes!) in south SJ.

In particular, I want to see more police presence in Almaden Valley, where I myself live. Because of our relatively low crime, it allows some criminals to operate here freely, breaking into homes.

If SJPD is not able to provide sufficient response time and deterrent to criminals here in Almaden Valley, it is only a matter of time before residents take up arms and do it themselves. I would rather see trained professionals from SJPD do this instead of myself and my neighbors in order to protect our property and families.

Regards, Stephen Chen From: Joseph Dubois

Sent: Monday, March 19, 2018 12:47 PM

To: City Clerk; District2; District3; District5; District 6; District7; District4; District8; District9; District 10

Cc: The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo

Subject: Memorandum

Sent from:

D2 Councilmember, Sergio Jimenez, San José City Council AGENCY March 16, 2018

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Dear District 2 Neighbors,

Public safety is very important to our neighbors and to me, and opening the San Jose Police Department South Substation is a top priorities. As representative Sergio Jimenez stated in this alert; "I believe it is time to follow through on our promise to open the Substation for its originally intended purpose: offering public police services, opening the lobby to the public on a limited basis, and deploying Southern Division patrol and Community Service Officers."

We have been residents of Makati Circle for 32 years and up until a couple years ago considered it to be a safe and well maintained neighborhood. Now we have cars(ours have been many times), trucks and home break-ins several times a week. Homeless encampments that are removed just to return within a short time. Obviously people that truly belong in a mental facility pooping on the sidewalks, peeing in our bushes (God only knows what else), not to mention profanity being screamed at the top of their lungs for all to hear including young children.

We need our Southern Division patrol, Community Service Officers and Substation. Please direct the funds we voters are paying for back into the intended purpose.

Thank you for your consideration, Mrs. J.L.DuBois

From: John A. Mai

Sent: Saturday, March 17, 2018 9:28 AM

To: District1; District2; City Clerk; The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo; District3; District4; District5; District

6; District7; District8; District9; District 10

Cc: Issa Ajlouny

**Subject:** Opening the San Jose Police Department South Substation

#### To All:

## It's Time (!)

As a resident in South San Jose (Los Paseos), I have waited a long time for the Opening the San Jose Police Department South Substation as base of community support here in South San Jose and San Jose 'as a whole'.

It is time to put this 'vegetation covered mausoleum' into functional use to ensure police coverage in the area(s) that it was originally built to serve.

The lack of support infrastructure for the politically and profit motivated slam dunk of the 'Low Income/Affordable Housing' concept in South San Jose is bordering on another concept of 'White Collar Crime' ... in comparable theory.

I realize that political issues and reality are many faceted and very complicated, but you have to put a 'stake in the ground' somewhere along the line and do what is prudent and right.

Soooooo, **Please Fund and Open the San Jose Police Department South Substation** and let's move forward as a total community. With **IBM** gone ... well, it just seems that unfettered development is all that anyone cares about anymore.

Thank You,



The EGO is a perception of self-worth. Meaningful Reality only lies in the memory, or evaluation, of others.

From: Kevin DeBella

Sent: Saturday, March 17, 2018 2:33 PM

To: City Clerk

**Subject:** Safety in our communities

Safety in our community doesn't rely on a New Police Station. Especially when they have policies not to enforce the law.

How can our mayor talk about safety when they have policies to be a sanctuary city and release undocumented workers back into the community and not to the federal agents.

These criminals are back in the city committing many crimes. How do these policies make our city safer? I support our police and community leaders working with the federal agents to get rid of these illegal criminals in our community.

I'm a fourth generation San Josen and our family wants safety from the criminal elements. City council members should do what they can to protect the families that follow the laws, pay taxes and work every day.

From: Vic Urzi

**Sent:** Sunday, March 18, 2018 1:54 PM

To: District1; District3; District4; District5; District 6; District7; District8; District9; District 10; The Office

of Mayor Sam Liccardo; City Clerk

**Subject:** San Jose Police Department South Substation

Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Councilmembers,

With the increase in burglaries, crime, vandalism and lawlessness that has happened in southern San Jose it is absurd that the San Jose Police Department, South Substation is not being opened and staffed.

All you have to do is to look at the crimes occurring in South San Jose and it should be obvious to you that something has to be done. We have seen a massive increase in burglaries and chaos caused by lawbreakers in our neighborhood. I have lived here for 39 years and up until the past 5 years the neighborhood was peaceful and everyone had a feeling of security. Now everyone is concerned every time we leave the house. My street has had 5 burglaries in the past 5 years and more losses due to package and mail theft. It is atrocious that we have to feel this way.

Police response is slow and even non-existent. When our house alarms go off we can not get police response anymore.

We need that Substation opened and staffed and our homes and streets being made safe again. You can find all kinds of other things to spend the cities money on but the essentials, like neighborhood safety, are being ignored.

Sincerely,



From: Kumarasamy

Sent: Monday, March 19, 2018 10:59 AM

To: The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo; City Clerk; District1; District2; District3; District4; District5; District

6; District7; District8; District9; District 10

Subject: Letter of support for memorandum to open the San Jose Police Department South Substation

Dear San Jose City Mayor, City Clerk, and the Council members,

I believe that opening San Jose Police Department South Substation will help in improving public safety in San Jose greatly, I support the memorandum to open the San Jose Police Department South Substation.

I kindly request you to approve opening of San Jose Police Department South Substation.

Thank You.

Kumarasamy Palanisamy

From: Mila Heally

Sent: Monday, March 19, 2018 11:00 AM

To: City Clerk

**Subject:** Fwd: Support for councilmen Sergio Jimenez and Johnny Khamis Memo

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To: <a href="mailto:district1@sanjoseca.gov">district2@sanjoseca.gov</a>, <a href="mailto:district3@sanjoseca.gov">district3@sanjoseca.gov</a>, <a href="mailto:district4@sanjoseca.gov">district4@sanjoseca.gov</a>, <a href="mailto:district4">district4@sanjoseca.gov</a>, <a href="mailto:district4">mailto:district4@sanjoseca.gov</a>, <a href="mailto:district4">district4@sanjoseca.gov</a>, <a href="mailto:district4">mailto:district4@sanjoseca.gov</a>, <a href="mailto:district4">mailto:district4@sanjoseca.

Dear City Leaders,

I am writing to express my support for the memo written by councilmen Jimenez and Khamis.

I support their memo because of the following reasons:

- It is a wasteful use of resources to have an underutilized building not being used for what was originally proposed and equipped.
- Another location for the Police Academy seems to be a more cost effective solution since it will eliminate the cost of deploying patrol from downtown to Southern districts.
- These Southern Districts have been having a continuous population growth because of the new developments and more residents sharing housing. And will be extremely helpful to have faster response times and more police services are needed locally to serve this population.
- It is more cost effective to find a new location that matches the needed capacity for the Police Academy instead of expending funds with long police commute from downtown to Southern Districts.

It is obvious that evaluating funding sources for councilman Jimenez and Khamis request will generate savings in a long run and pay for itself. Their request should be included into the City Budget and sources should be identified.

Not considering funds for moving the Police Academy to another site is not cost effective and it is not solving the issues found in these Southern Districts.

Respectfully,

Mila Heally
District 2 resident

From: Ryan Bushek

Sent: Monday, March 19, 2018 10:57 AM

To: City Clerk

**Subject:** Support for South San Jose Police Substation

Dear City Clerk,

I am a District 2 resident and writing to express my strong support for opening the South San Jose police substation on Great Oaks! As the largest district by area, we have a compelling need for a more localized police presence, particularly in light of ongoing residential development and a recent surge in transient activity.

Thank you in advance for your advocacy of providing the necessary funding to open this facility ASAP.

Ryan Bushek

From: Stacey Crespo

Sent: Monday, March 19, 2018 11:34 AM

To: District1; District2; District3; District4; District5; District 6; District7; District8; District9; District 10;

The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo; City Clerk

**Subject:** In Support of The South Bay Substation Memorandum

Dear Mayor Liccardo, Vice Mayor Carrasco, and Councilmembers,

I am a resident of District 2, writing to express my support of the memorandum authored by Councilmembers Jimenez and Khamis regarding the South San Jose Police Substation being discussed during the 3/20/18 City Council Meeting.

Having lived in San Jose for 35 years and a D2 resident of Blossom Valley for 10 years, I have had a front-row seat to the evolution of our community and the need for additional Police support. With the large scale residential developments happening in South San Jose, I'm proud of D2 being a leader in addressing our housing crisis. However, with this increase in population, our neighborhoods have seen a dramatic increase in violent crime and property crime. Knowing the City's general plan calls for development of multiple urban transit villages in my surrounding neighborhoods, I am concerned that this problem will only continue to get worse without proper supporting infrastructure like the Police Substation.

I ask that you please consider my feedback and the overwhelming voter support of Measure O when it passed in 2002 and allocate the necessary funds to make the Police Substation fully operational during **this** budget cycle.

Thank you in advance for your consideration and continued service to our community.

Regards,

Stacey Crespo Kellogg