

Taber, Toni

From: Paula Quezada <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, March 15, 2021 4:21 PM
To: Agendadesk
Subject: Down town San Jose

[External Email]

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Sincerely,

Paula Quezada
[REDACTED]
San Jose, CA 95112
[REDACTED]

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From: Michael Guerra <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, March 15, 2021 4:20 PM
To: Agendadesk
Subject: Al Fresco Program

[External Email]

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Sincerely,

Michael Guerra
[REDACTED]

San Jose, CA [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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From: Miyuki One Bear <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, March 15, 2021 4:04 PM
To: Agendadesk
Subject: Please support the extension of Al Fresco Dining in San Jose

[External Email]

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The COVID-19 pandemic has devastated our industry in Downtown San Jose. Empty office tower have killed our lunch business. An empty arena has killed our dinners. And capacity limits and indoor dining only allow us to just barely keep our doors open. The road to recovery will be a very long and arduous one, but we can give restaurants & small businesses a chance to earn their own income by extending the Al Fresco program.

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Miyuki One Bear
[REDACTED]
San Jose, CA 95110
[REDACTED]

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From: Teresa Higginson <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, March 15, 2021 3:59 PM
To: Agendadesk
Subject: Santa Clara County Restaurants

[External Email]

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Teresa Higginson
[REDACTED]
San Jose, CA 95123
[REDACTED]

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From: Jenneke De Vries <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, March 15, 2021 3:42 PM
To: Agendadesk
Subject: Al Fresco Dining Extension

[External Email]

Dear Clerk City Clerk,

Please vote to support Mayor Sam Liccardo's budget message (agenda item 3.3).

As a small, downtown restaurant owner I am in favor of extending the al fresco program indefinitely. An extension will aid in much needed economic recovery by (independently owned) restaurants. But a permanent installation of this program will greatly improve downtown's appeal for visitors and residents alike. Downtown San José will become a destination, and will greatly benefit economically from pedestrian- and biker-friendly expanded outdoor seating. Especially with on average 257 sunny days a year!

Sincerely,

Jenneke De Vries

[REDACTED]

San Jose, CA [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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From: Shawn Higgin <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, March 15, 2021 3:40 PM
To: Agendadesk
Subject: Keep the outdoor dining in SJ

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Sincerely,

Shawn Higgin
[REDACTED]
San Jose, CA 95136
[REDACTED]

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From: JORDAN TRIGG <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, March 15, 2021 3:37 PM
To: Agendadesk
Subject: Please extend the Al Fresco and Parklet programs.

[External Email]

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Sincerely,

JORDAN TRIGG
[REDACTED]
San Jose, CA 95112
[REDACTED]

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From: Marcia Ribeiro <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, March 15, 2021 3:32 PM
To: Agendadesk
Subject: Help our small business in downtown get back in track

[External Email]

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The city should also have an amnesty on Business Tax License fees and penalties for 2020 and 2021. That would be very helpful for our small business to get back on track.

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Sincerely,

Marcia Ribeiro
[REDACTED]
San Jose, CA [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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From: Wendy Warren <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, March 15, 2021 3:05 PM
To: Agendadesk
Subject: Support Restaurants in San Jose

[External Email]

Dear Clerk City Clerk,

My partner in our DTSJ cafe is an immigrant, and the last SIP decimated our business. We were planning to open in March 2020 but were delayed until June 2020, so we don't qualify for PPP or EIDL. We're serving the homeless and hosting the @communityfridge, and have donated over \$6000 of drinks to medical workers. Now we may not make it, we need help.

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Sincerely,

Wendy Warren

[REDACTED]
Santa Clara, CA 95051
[REDACTED]

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From: Dap Ashaolu <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, March 15, 2021 3:02 PM
To: Agendadesk
Subject: Help Small Businesses like Nirvana Soul

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Dap Ashaolu
[REDACTED]
San Jose, CA 95113
[REDACTED]

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From: David Powell <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, March 15, 2021 2:58 PM
To: Agendadesk
Subject: Extend San Jose Al Fresco Program!

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Sincerely,

David Powell
[REDACTED]
San Jose, CA 95125
[REDACTED]

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From: joanne bianchi <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, March 15, 2021 2:54 PM
To: Agendadesk
Subject: Extend AI Fresco

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joanne bianchi
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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From: Gary Sunseri <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, March 15, 2021 2:52 PM
To: Agendadesk
Subject: Restaurant Al Fresco programs

[External Email]

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Sincerely,

Gary Sunseri
[REDACTED]

San Jose, CA 95110
[REDACTED]

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From: Liana Ryan Ryan <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, March 15, 2021 2:50 PM
To: Agendadesk
Subject: Asking from experience as a downtown restaurant owner

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Liana Ryan Ryan
[REDACTED]
San Jose, CA 95124
[REDACTED]

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From: Danny Qutami <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, March 15, 2021 2:50 PM
To: Agendadesk
Subject: San Jose Al Fresco program

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Sincerely,

Danny Qutami
[REDACTED]
San Jose, CA 95113
[REDACTED]

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From: Lora Price <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, March 15, 2021 2:47 PM
To: Agendadesk
Subject: San Pedro Square dining

[External Email]

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Lora Price
[REDACTED]
San Jose, CA 95110
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From: Salvador Martinez <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, March 15, 2021 2:47 PM
To: Agendadesk
Subject: Al Fresco Dining

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Salvador Martinez
[REDACTED]
San Jose, CA 95113
[REDACTED]

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From: Jenny Parham <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, March 15, 2021 2:46 PM
To: Agendadesk
Subject: Support the Mayor's Budget

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Jenny Parham
[REDACTED]
Gilroy, CA 95020
[REDACTED]

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From: Greg Price <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, March 15, 2021 2:41 PM
To: Agendadesk
Subject: Please keep the Al Fresco program for San Jose

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Sincerely,

Greg Price
[REDACTED]

Santa Clara, CA 95050
[REDACTED]

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From: Sarah Stricker <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, March 15, 2021 2:04 PM
To: Agendadesk
Subject: Please keep Al Fresco dining!

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Sarah Stricker
[REDACTED]
San Jose, CA 95133
[REDACTED]

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From: Kathryn Fairman <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, March 15, 2021 1:41 PM
To: Agendadesk
Subject: Outdoor Dining

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Kathryn Fairman
[REDACTED]
Campbell, CA 95008
[REDACTED]

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From: Shane Minnis <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, March 15, 2021 12:44 PM
To: Agendadesk
Subject: Support Local Restaurants & Small Businesses

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Shane Minnis
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San Jose, CA 95113
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From: Jon D'Angelica <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, March 15, 2021 10:49 AM
To: Agendadesk
Subject: San Pedro Street Permanent Closure

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Sent: Monday, March 15, 2021 10:31 AM
To: Agendadesk
Subject: Fw: Mayor's FY21-22 March Budget message
Attachments: SJDA Letter Mayor March Budget Memo 3.16.21.pdf

From: Scott Knies <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Friday, March 12, 2021 4:33 PM
To: Liccardo, Sam <[REDACTED]> Jones, Chappie <[REDACTED]> Davis, Dev
<[REDACTED]> Carrasco, Magdalena <[REDACTED]> Perez, Raul
<[REDACTED]> Foley, Pam <[REDACTED]> Jimenez, Sergio
<[REDACTED]> Esparza, Maya <[REDACTED]> Arenas, Sylvia
<[REDACTED]> Cohen, David <[REDACTED]> Mahan, Matt
<[REDACTED]> City Clerk <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Katia McClain <[REDACTED]> Nathan Ulsh <[REDACTED]>
Subject: Mayor's FY21-22 March Budget message

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Dear Mayor Liccardo and City Council members, please find attached our letter of support for multiple proposals in the March budget message on Tuesday's City Council agenda. Scott

Scott Knies
Executive Director
San Jose Downtown Association

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Mayor Sam Liccardo and City Council members
City of San José
200 East Santa Clara Street
San José, CA 95113

RE: Approval of the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Mayor's March Budget Message, [Item 3.3](#)

Dear Mayor Liccardo and Members of the City Council:

On behalf of San Jose Downtown Association (SJDA), I am writing to express our strong support for the Mayor's March Budget Message and the recommendations put forth. We are at a watershed moment for our city and our members are in dire need of support and fiscal aid. Moreover, we understand that in order to support business, we also need the proper infrastructure to continue bolstering our endeavors. We understand the obstreperous budget leaves little recourse to fully fund much needed city obligations and priorities. Therefore, we would like to make brief comments to support several items in the March Budget Message that we believe would bring downtown and the city back to life.

- *Al Fresco* - an imperative initiative that was once a pilot and now a successful operation at San Pedro street. Extension and expansion of this program has been requested by several members of our district and residents of our downtown community.
- *Storefront Activation Program* - In tandem with Al Fresco, we have heard our members positive feedback related to defraying permit costs and reimagine downtown that is inclusive of other businesses and nonprofits that can serve our downtown.
- *San José Small Business and Manufacturing Recovery Initiative* - As a partner in this initiative, a needed stopgap funding measure as such would leverage this EDA grant to provide more support for reopening not only for downtown but our greater downtown business corridor partners and manufacturing economy.
- *Downtown Foot Patrols* - There is a consistent and justifiable concern from our members and residents that require additional public safety resources. A routinely-assigned, walking patrol in Downtown is warranted.
- *Resilience Corp* - Empowering and employing transitional age youth is necessary for economic recovery. Paying these young adults livable wages and providing them with valuable job training in partnership with local nonprofits has the potential to lift up many San Jose residents out of poverty, and we proudly offer our Groundwerx program as a potential partner.

- *Data Equity* - Measuring the city's progress is paramount while leveraging funding with partner Knight Foundation and hiring a technical lead. A "data-driven culture" at the city would behoove our city's future planning and implementation process.
- *Restoring our Parks* - GRP is truly the foundation of our city's open space amenities and we need to service our underutilized urban park to the extent possible. Hiring park rangers is a profound necessity to maintain service and safe parks.
- *San Jose Abierto* - By encouraging people to "safely retake our public spaces," this is an opportunity to activate events and festivals as the pandemic subsides.
- *Expansion of SOAR* - Increasing the capacity of the SOAR program to support unhoused individuals as they transition from living in encampments to housing is urgently needed. Communities with encampments are in need of the increased sanitation and social services SOAR brings, and unhoused individuals need services that have low barriers to entry, like the case management in SOAR.
- *Airport Connector RFP* - A crucial component of our connectivity to the airport. This is also seeking private funded capital investment with no public dollars. An RFP or RFQ as noted is a feasible first step.

We believe that these programs and fiscal support for aforementioned programs are much needed and kindly request that council votes to pass this item.

Sincerely,



Scott Knies

Executive Director

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From: City Clerk
Sent: Monday, March 15, 2021 10:26 AM
To: Agendadesk; Rules and Open Government Committee Agendas
Subject: Fw: Commercialized Property Crime In San Jose

From: Nedim Novakovic <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, March 14, 2021 1:02 AM
To: City Clerk <[REDACTED]> CouncilMeeting <[REDACTED]>
Subject: Commercialized Property Crime In San Jose

[External Email]

To Mayor Sam Liccardo and the City Council,

Hi. I write on behalf of myself and a growing group of professionals in San Jose who are becoming increasingly tired and angry over the rise in property crime in the city and our representatives' complete disregard of it. San Jose is now home to what at best can be described as commercialized property crime. Repeat offenders break into cars, residences, and storage units, freely steal and damage property, and face no consequences because the law is too lenient for property crimes and law enforcement refuses to investigate them. We demand that you take concrete action to address this growing crime, as it's getting increasingly difficult for professionals to live in San Jose.

A few examples of commercialized property crime are in order. One individual had his car window broken into in a downtown parking lot run by the City of San Jose. His credit card and car registration, among other things, were stolen. The thief used his credit card at various establishments nearby. One of the establishments reported that they had camera footage. The management of the parking lot informed him that, from their experience, they suspect it's the same individual or small group of individuals repeatedly returning to the parking garage in the middle of the night, breaking car windows, and stealing property. They even had specific days they preferred to do the crime. This was reported to the police, who essentially told the individual he should investigate it himself and if he solves the crime they will step in at that point. They did not even send a police officer to spend an hour or so just one night to see if the repeat offenders returned, essentially giving the green light to the thief who commercialized their theft by repeatedly breaking in and stealing at that garage. The individual tried visiting the garage a few nights in hopes of catching someone. But they, along with others, ultimately had to cancel the parking permits and permanently leave that garage.

As another example, someone entered the 360 Residences high rise in downtown San Jose, went up to the second floor, broke into a locked bike storage unit, cut the lock cable from an individual's bike, and took the bike. The building management has camera footage and was preparing it. The individual called the SJPd, but they didn't take in a report, essentially saying the individual should investigate it, put evidence together, and only then they might step in. The individual found his bike being sold online on Craigslist in Modesto, CA, while he was out of town. He obtained the seller's name, address, and telephone number. His friends went to the seller and took pictures of the bike and the serial number. They matched the serial number to the one the individual had, showing it was his bike, and provided pictures, documents, and their own eye-witness testimony to the Modesto police, irrefutably proving the bike being sold was stolen and belonged to the individual. The Modesto police went to the seller's home to confiscate the stolen bike, but needed SJPd to first process a stolen bike police report before they could take the bike. SJPd refused because it was the weekend (Saturday), even though the SJPd dispatcher was on the phone with the individual and listened to his report of the crime.

Instead of spending 3 minutes entering into her system the information the individual already shared with her (on which the Modesto police officer was waiting), she rather have the Modesto police officer and the individual's friends who drove 1.5 hours to get to the seller's house leave until Monday, at which point the individual could finally file the report too late because the seller would've gotten rid of the bike. The individual tried filing the report online, but the SJPd rejected the report, again saying to call on Monday. The bike seller had been reported to Modesto police as a seller of stolen bikes/goods and is being tracked by Modesto for such activity. The seller had many bikes in his garage and did that as a "side business." SJPd's embarrassing disregard for the individual's situation as well as the Modesto police department essentially gives a green light to property thieves in San Jose to break in and enter private residences, steal property, sell them to repeat buyers of stolen goods outside of San Jose who then resell them on Craigslist, Facebook Marketplace, etc. This city's leader's disregard for property crime is the backbone of this commercialized theft business.

There are many additional examples we can provide. Together, this growing amount of bold property crime (including breaking and entering high rise buildings in downtown) shows that it's no longer one-off criminal activity here or there. It has become commercialized. Criminals are doing it freely on a repeated basis within a commercial-like organization.

I'm hoping that you care about your constituents, including the attorneys, teachers, consultants, and many other professionals who are experiencing an increased amount of property crime with no response from police or the city leadership. We demand that you take concrete legislative action to address the growing property crime in San Jose by pushing for stricter criminal penalties for property crime and investigating property crime. Surely, an individual can only be so carefree to break and enter into cars repeatedly night after night at the same location, or break and enter into a second-floor indoor bike storage unit in a downtown high rise (where cameras and concierge and security are present), if he or she knows there won't be any consequences for it. We refuse to accept that San Jose is turning into something akin to a third-world country in that people can freely rob, burglarize, and damage property on a commercialized level with nothing your constituents can do about it except hear SJPd tell them to resort to self-help.

Please respond to the request herein with your thoughts on how this issue can be addressed, including where else we have to assert pressure with your help to make improvements. We will remember your response when it comes to deciding whom we vote for and where we donate our political contributions. Thank you.

Best,

Nedim Novakovic, Esq.

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From: City Clerk
Sent: Monday, March 15, 2021 10:25 AM
To: Agendadesk
Subject: Fw: In support of Resilience Corps

From: Brett Bymaster <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Saturday, March 13, 2021 8:22 PM
To: City Clerk <[REDACTED]> Webmaster Manager <[REDACTED]> The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo <[REDACTED]> District1 <[REDACTED]> District2 <[REDACTED]> District3 <[REDACTED]> District4 <[REDACTED]> District5 <[REDACTED]> District6 <[REDACTED]> District7 <[REDACTED]> District8 <[REDACTED]> District9 <[REDACTED]> District10 <[REDACTED]>
Subject: In support of Resilience Corps

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Dear Mayor Liccardo and City Councilmembers,
I am writing in **support of the Resilience Corps** as a part of the 21/22 Budget Proposal.

Healing Grove believes it is imperative to create job opportunities for young people living in extremely low income families. While we're grateful for the influx of rent assistance; rent assistance is not a long term solution. **But jobs are a long term solution.** Healing Grove is committed to continuing to partner with the City of San Jose to create jobs for low income families. **We would strongly encourage you to support this budget initiative.**

Healing Grove Health Center was the largest distributor of funds through the grassroots Covid Emergency Homelessness Prevention Program (CEHPP). Through that program as well as private donations, Healing Grove has distributed more than \$5 million in rent aid to more than 800 extremely low income families. Over and over, what we hear from families is, "thanks for the check, ***but what I really need is a job.***"

In the quest to create jobs for displaced workers, Healing Grove applied and won the San Jose Impact Grant. In partnership with Cathedral of Faith's Reaching Out Program, **we hired 33 workers behind on their rent** who lost their job because of the COVID shutdown. Those workers have distributed more than 60,000 grocery boxes to hungry San Jose families between Oct 2020 and today, all while providing for their families through the City sponsored program.

Now Healing Grove is expanding that work through the **United Against the Poverty Pandemic** (<https://povertypandemic.org/>) in partnership with the Mayor's office, the D10 office, as well as a number of churches and nonprofits and Work2Future. Through that initiative, we've raised \$400,000 to create an employment program, with a goal of raising more than \$1 million this year. **Our first cohort of 10 workers will start next week. All of these workers are behind on their rent and lost their jobs because of COVID.** But we're not giving them a rent check. Instead, **we're giving them the dignity of a job.** For two months they'll be providing free janitorial sanitizing to local nonprofits as well as cleaning filthy streets in low income neighborhoods, all the while receiving a living wage paycheck. Through the program they will receive a number of trainings and certificates and finally help with finding a permanent job placement.

I would encourage you to advocate in support of this critically important program!!

Healing Grove's SJ Impact Grant Staff Team, helping to provide >60,000 grocery boxes to San Jose Families. Each of these lost their jobs because of COVID, but was provided employment through the SJ Impact Grant.



Brett Bymaster
Executive Director, Healing Grove Health Center



<https://www.healinggrove.org/>

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From: Tera Saucedo <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, March 15, 2021 9:53 AM
To: Agendadesk
Subject: San Jose Al Fresco Program

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Sincerely,

Tera Saucedo
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San Jose, CA 95123
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From: Nick Stagnaro <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, March 15, 2021 9:42 AM
To: Agendadesk
Subject: Al fresco

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San Jose, CA 95125
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From: Ryan Vance <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, March 15, 2021 8:19 AM
To: Agendadesk
Subject: Outdoor dining in San Jose

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Ryan Vance
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Burlingame, CA 94010
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From: Rachel Kaisr <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, March 14, 2021 10:55 PM
To: Agendadesk
Subject: Extending Al Fresco program in Downtown SJ!

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Rachel Kaisr
[REDACTED]
San Jose, CA 95110
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From: John Barrett Jr <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, March 14, 2021 9:46 PM
To: Agendadesk
Subject: extending the San Jose Al Fresco program

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Sent: Saturday, March 13, 2021 3:19 PM
To: Agendadesk
Subject: Support local businesses

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Nathan Emmett
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San Jose, CA 95117
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From: Sway Soturi <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Saturday, March 13, 2021 8:21 AM
To: Agendadesk
Subject: Want good food? Support Mayor Sam!

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