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Sincerely,

Joanna Sun Japantown San Jose

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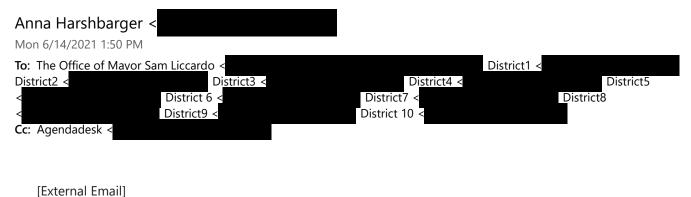
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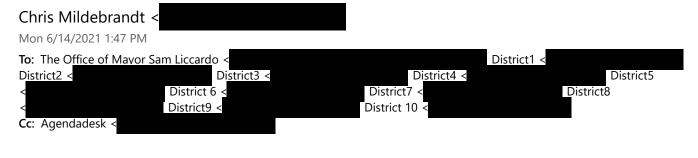
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Anna & Steve Harshbarger, Residents Japantown Senior Apartments Japantown

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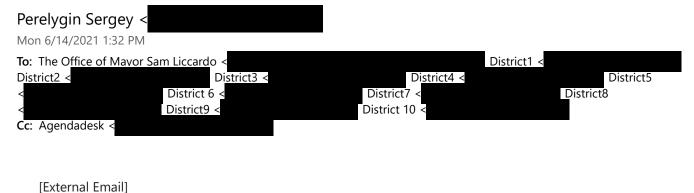
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Christopher Mildebrandt Japantown



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Sincerely,

Lisa Marquis

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Cynthia Batchelder < Mon 6/14/2021 1:08 PM To: The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo < District1 < District2 < District3 < District4 < District5 District 6 < District7 District8 District9 < District 10 Cc: Agendadesk

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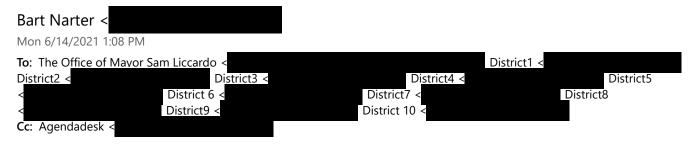
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Thank you for your consideration,

Cynthia Batchelder

Japantown Neighborhood Association

NOTE - I am representing myself, not JNA



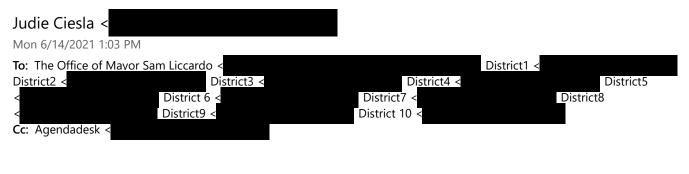
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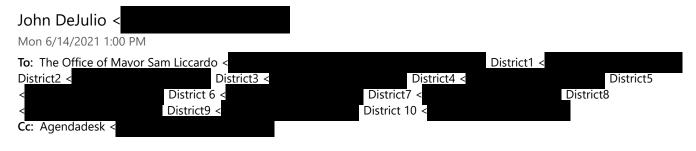
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I live just off Newhall and The Alameda, and even this far away from the tracks, there are nights when UPRR's incessant horn blowing wakes me up. This has got to stop, and I encourage you to adopt the proposed operating budget.

Sincerely,

Judie Ciesla

Newhall/Rose Garden neighborhood



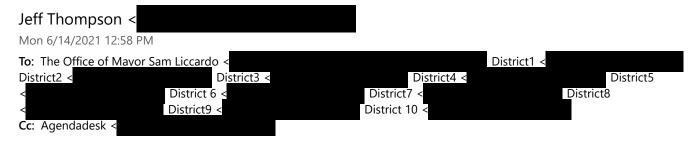
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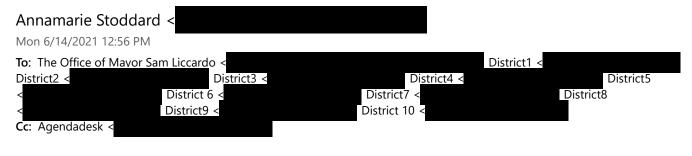
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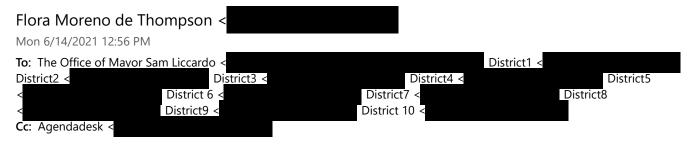
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Flora Moreno de Thompson Hensley Historic District

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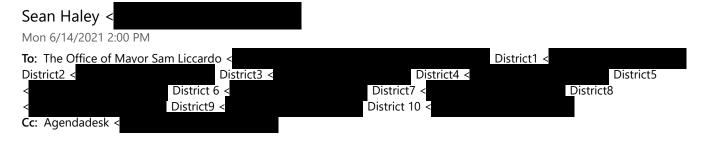
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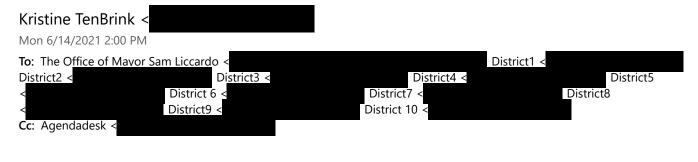
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Sean Haley Neighborhood

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Sincerely,

Kristine TenBrink Ryland Park neighborhood resident



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Jonathan Miller

Hensley Historic District



June 14, 2021

City of San Jose Mayor and City Council 200 E Santa Clara Street San Jose, CA 95113

Subject re: San Jose's FY 2021-2022 Operating and Capital Budgets and Mayor's June Budget Message

Dear Mayor Sam Liccardo and City Councilmembers,

The Guadalupe River Park Conservancy submits this letter to highlight areas of alignment of the Mayor's June Budget Message for Fiscal Year 2021-2022, and identify areas in the 2021-2022 Operating and Capital Budgets that we believe warrant additional consideration.

First, we wish to acknowledge the tremendous work by our elected officials and city staff in addressing current needs, recovering from loss service gaps, and strategic investments to improve our overall quality of life. Despite these challenges, the City continues to lead the region in many ways, and does so with more limited resources per capita. While there is much work to be improved upon, there is also much to praise.

The Conservancy uplifts the specific initiatives below the Mayor's June Budget Message that have strong alignment to the priorities and concerns of our members and neighbors.

Equitable Recovery for a Better Normal

- Resilience Corps
- Funded work plan for the Office of Racial Equity
- Data Equity Team and bridging the digital divide

We believe these efforts will support economic opportunity, educational access, and improve key equity priorities around public health, access to nature, and civic engagement.

Back to Basics: Clean, Safe City

- Consolidating and expanding the management and scope of BeautifySJ
- Launch of San Jose Abierto, and allocating six activations in the Guadalupe River Park
- Cash for Trash program
- Restoring our parks through park rangers and clean up support
- Increase foot patrol in downtown and high need neighborhoods

The full potential of parks may only be achieved if they are high quality and well-maintained. These efforts to improve clean ups, outdoor celebrations, and community stewardship are steps in the right direction.

Homeless and our Affordable Housing Crisis

Supporting SOAR sites

- Emergency housing sites
- Unhoused employment pilot programs
- Accelerating ADU production

The homelessness crisis is complex and efforts to address it are under-resourced. These initiatives support solutions to ending it through outreach and services, housing, and economic opportunity.

Other Actions and Considerations

- San Jose Parks Foundation's tree rebate program
- Citywide tree inventory initiative
- Supporting the environmental stewardship work of South Bay Clean Creeks Coalition, Keep Coyote Creek Beautiful, and The Trash Punx
- The Governor's Clean California Initiative and opportunity to expand its participation
- Restoration of the Weavers Gift public artwork at Confluence Point in Arena Green
- Arts and events support through additional funds to support arts and event producers (festivals, parades, and celebrations grant)

These initiatives support broad ecological benefits and highlight the role and collective benefits of our parks, arts, and community in nurturing our civic recovery.

The Conservancy also highlights areas that warrant additional focus in the FY 2021-2022 Operating and Capital Budgets.

• Parks maintenance budget remains stagnant, despite growing needs

We applaud the expansion of BeautifySJ's work, yet acknowledge that there still remains a \$400 million backlog of parks maintenance that needs to be addressed. With increased use through the pandemic, and growing interest in outdoor events and dining as part of our economic and health recovery, it is imperative that we attach anticipated use of parks with appropriate maintenance levels, and give us all hope that this practice will eventually close the maintenance backlog gap.

Additional consideration needed around drought, wildfires, and climate change

Our current drought has exacerbated the number of wildfires *already* seen in parks and open spaces in our City. The Guadalupe River Park has already seen a number of fires, with some re-igniting due to the depth of dry biomass. Additional resources to factor in these concerns, along with the work by the Resilience Corps, would be necessary steps in minimizing the impacts of our now annual wildfire season, and our overall climate resilience.

Traffic calming, pedestrian safety, and vehicle abatement must include parks and trails

The increased presence of cars and other motorized vehicles have made trail use conditions more dangerous, and negatively impact nearby wildlife. We need to consider mitigation measures (speed limit signs, bollards at trail entrances, cameras, trail use violation citations, etc.) to discourage this dangerous behavior. We also need a strategy to address the number of abandoned, unused, and unlawfully parked vehicles in parks and open space.

• Improving safety for our unhoused residents

We have heard from both unhoused and housed residents in and around the Guadalupe River Park that improving personal safety is a shared concern. We believe there are ways to improve public safety collectively, and use the shared concern as common ground for broader community uplift.

Civic Recovery through Transformative Projects

We propose that the City consider completing the buildout of the Guadalupe River Park and Guadalupe Gardens Master Plan as part of our broad recovery efforts. The Guadalupe Gardens rests in the middle of the city, is limited by the flight path on many use options, and is the last thing arriving passengers to the Mineta San Jose International Airport sees. There is a compelling opportunity to meet multiple community priorities: enhance urban agriculture, create more platforms to showcase our arts and culture, enrich and expand the adjacent ecology, offer employment and workforce development opportunities, offer additional education and recreation options, and create a destination for residents and visitors alike.

It would be a milestone for San Jose to finish the build out of the "Grand Park" as designated in San Jose's Envision 2040 General Plan, and do so in a way that supports many other priorities. As we plan to use these funds to provide significant relief to our city and community, we can also accelerate transformative projects that can redefine our triumph.

Sincerely,



Jason Su, Executive Director

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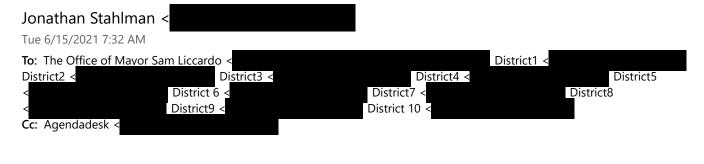
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Sincerely, Jasmine Rast Resident of Japantown Owner of Roy's Station

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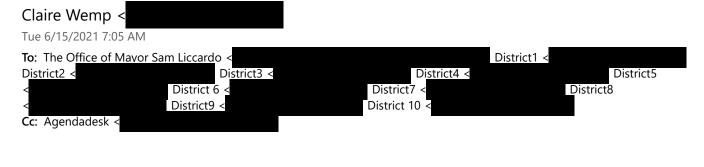
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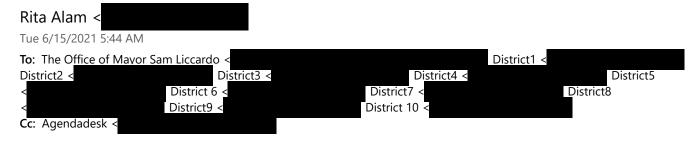
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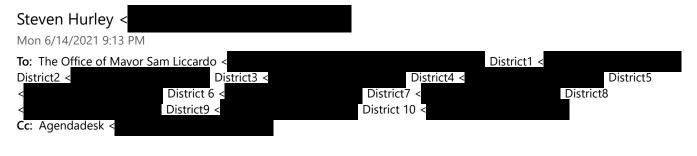
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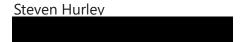


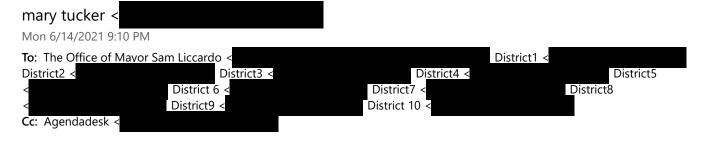
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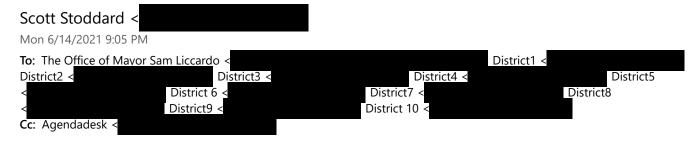
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Sincerely,

Mary Tucker Hensley Neighborhood



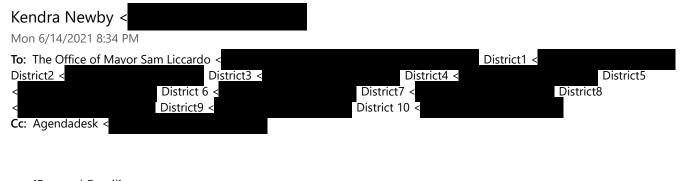
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Scott Stoddard Hensley district



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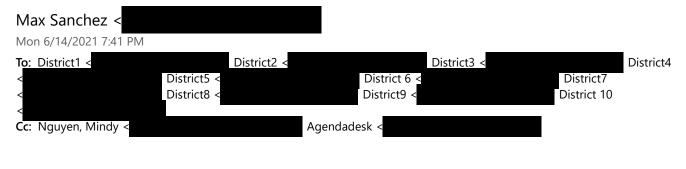
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Japantown neighborhood



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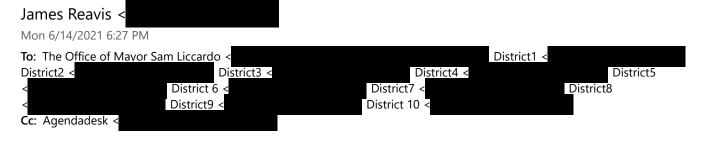
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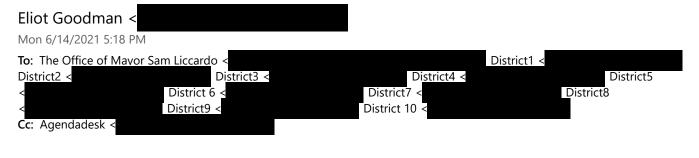
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James Reavis

President

Viridian Homeowners Association

Regarding CC Item 3.8: DOT Quiet Zone Funding



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Eliot Goodman Northside - District 3

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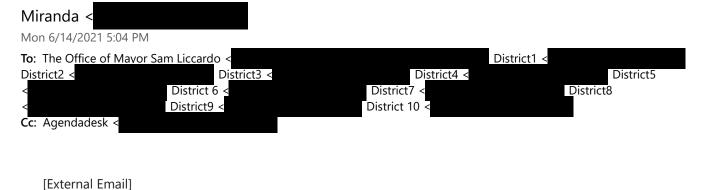
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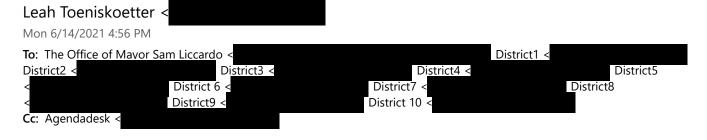
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Hensley Historic District



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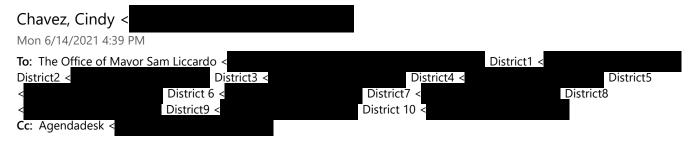
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Sincerely,

Leah Toeniskoetter Japantown neighborhood

San Jose City Council Item 3.8: Support for DOT's Quiet Zone Funding



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For some time, Councilmember Peralez and I have been working with Assemblymember Kalra, Congresswoman Lofgren, and neighborhood leaders to craft a solution to the excessive noise generated by the increasing number of Union Pacific trains traversing through the Downtown corridor on a nightly basis. That is why I urge you to adopt the Proposed 2021-2022 Operating Budget in full, which includes funding for the necessary improvements needed to establish a Quiet Zone on the Warm Springs line which runs through several neighborhoods in Downtown San Jose.

These regular disturbances over the last three years have gravely affected the sleep of thousands of families and children. The exposure to a high decibel sound of train horns on a nightly basis adversely affects our residents' mental and physical well-being.

I thank Councilmember Peralez for taking the lead on this important project and the City Council for its recognition of the many health issues caused by the sounds from the numerous nightly trains. I appreciate your consideration to approve the budget necessary to establish a Quiet Zone for the Warm Springs line corridor.

Be Well, Cindy

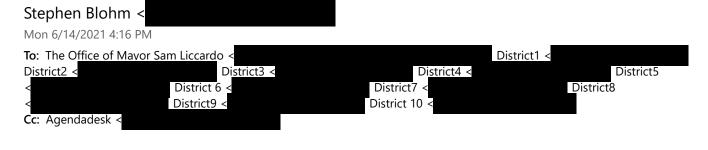
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Stephen Blohm Hensley Sent from Mail for Windows 10

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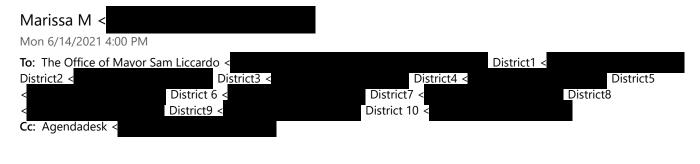
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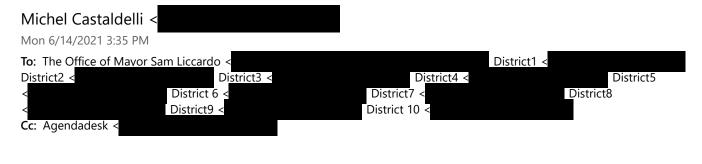
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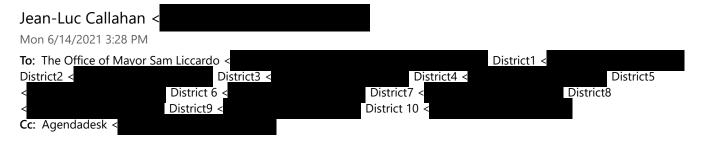
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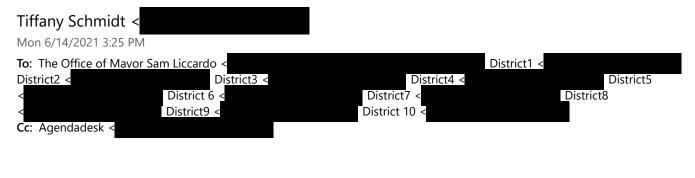
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Sincerely,

Jean-Luc Callahan

Viridian at Bernal Park townhouse complex, Japantown.



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Sincerely, Tiffany Schmidt Japantown Neighborhood

Rebecca Elizondo < Mon 6/14/2021 3:08 PM To: The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo < District1 < District2 < District3 < District4 < District5 District 6 < District7 District8 District9 < District 10 Cc: Agendadesk

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Northside/Japantown Neighborhood

Tamiko Rast <

Tue 6/15/2021 10:34 AM

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Without a doubt, the changes to UPRR service has had a deleterious effect on our historic neighborhood's residents and businesses. Many of Japantown's small businesses are operated by families that live in the community, and the pervasive noise has caused many families complete frustration – not only due to lack of sleep, but losing our neighbors and friends to guieter communities. We have witnessed a major turnover in residences and subsequent business "regulars" because of the trains.

We respectfully request that City Council pass this budget to help bring respite to our community.



Alex Storer <

Tue 6/15/2021 1:29 PM

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Alex Storer Hensley Historic District

Posey, Bob <

Tue 6/15/2021 7:19 PM

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