



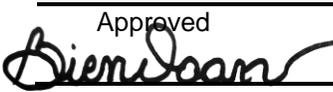
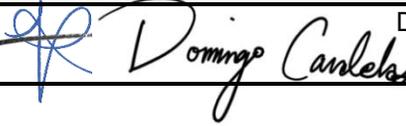
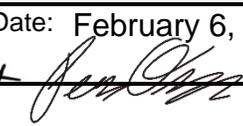
Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR
AND CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Councilmember Bien Doan
Councilmember Pamela Campos
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Councilmember Peter Ortiz

SUBJECT: 2025-2026 MID-YEAR
BUDGET REVIEW REPORT

DATE: February 6, 2026

Approved   Date: February 6, 2026 

RECOMMENDATION

1. Direct the City Manager’s Office and related departments to prepare, by February 24, 2026, an information memorandum, covering the past five fiscal years, that gives an overview of how our region has addressed homeless, including but not limited to:
 - a. The total number of housing and shelter units produced by Santa Clara County, including permanent supportive housing, interim housing, emergency shelter, and other.
 - b. The total number of housing and shelter units produced by the City of San José, including permanent supportive housing, interim housing, emergency shelter, and other.
 - c. The total amount of Santa Clara County funding expended on housing and shelter production efforts.
 - d. The total amount of City of San José funding expended on housing and shelter program production efforts.
 - e. Identification of jointly funded projects and an explanation of how units and expenditures are attribute between the City of San José and Santa Clara County.
 - f. The total amount of City of San José funds spent on homelessness service delivery.
 - g. The total amount of Santa Clara County funds spent on homelessness service delivery.
 - h. The total amount of City of San José funds spent on homelessness response, separated into categories including but not limited to cleanups, fire and law enforcement response, towing, and abatements.
 - i. During the joint City/County meeting, request information from the County of Santa Clara regarding funds spent on homelessness response. This should include as discrete categories: cleanups, fire and law enforcement response, towing and abatements
 - j. Based on the City’s Charter, clearly define the City’s obligations regarding addressing homelessness, including the provision of services and the production

of interim shelter and permanent supportive housing. Similarly, based on the County's Charter, identify County obligations regarding homelessness, including the provision of services and production of interim shelter and permanent supportive housing.

- k. Consistent with current Council direction, provide outcomes associated with these investments.
2. Direct the City administration to prioritize funding for Emergency Medical Services Field Coordination and a Mobile Integrated Health Care and Community Paramedicine pilot as part of the City's legislative advocacy program.

DISCUSSION

The City of San José and Santa Clara County both play significant roles in financing and delivering housing and shelter solutions to address homelessness. Over multiple fiscal years, both jurisdictions have committed substantial public resources toward these efforts, often through overlapping or jointly funded programs.

At present, there is no consolidated analysis that clearly compares the level of investment made by the City and the County with the number and types of housing and shelter units produced by each. A clear understanding of past investments, outcomes, and cost effectiveness will be essential to evaluating priorities, making responsible fiscal decisions, and ensuring that limited resources are deployed as effectively as possible. Directing the Housing Department and the City Manager's Office to prepare this information memorandum will provide the City Council with essential data to guide deliberations during the upcoming budget cycle.

The Housing Department has advised our office that the requested data can be compiled within approximately one week, with an additional week to prepare the information memorandum, supporting a proposed completion date of February 24, 2026. This timeline ensures the information memorandum will be completed by February 24, 2026, allowing the data to be available for Council's consideration prior to the March Budget Message.

Direct the City Manager's Office, in coordination with relevant departments, to prepare by February 24, 2026 an information memorandum covering the past five fiscal years that provides an overview of regional efforts to address homelessness, to provide the City Council with a comprehensive factual understanding of regional investments, housing and shelter production, service delivery, and municipal response activities related to homelessness. The memorandum should include, but not be limited to, the following:

Housing and Shelter Production

1. The total number of housing and shelter units produced by Santa Clara County, disaggregated by type, including permanent housing, interim housing, emergency shelter, and other relevant categories.

2. The total number of housing and shelter units produced by the City of San José, disaggregated by the same categories.
3. The total amount of Santa Clara County funding expended on housing and shelter production efforts.
4. The total amount of City of San José funding expended on housing and shelter production efforts.
5. Identification of jointly funded projects, including:
6. Total project cost
7. City and County funding shares
8. Methodology used to attribute units and expenditures between the City and the County

Homelessness Services

1. The total amount of City funds spent on homelessness service delivery, including but not limited to outreach, case management, behavioral health supports, and supportive services.
2. The total amount of Santa Clara County funds spent on homelessness service delivery, including the same categories.
3. Identification of services funded or delivered by the City that overlap with or supplement County-administered systems of care.

Homelessness Response and Impacts on City Systems

1. The total amount of City funds spent on homelessness response activities, disaggregated by category, including but not limited to:
2. Encampment cleanups
3. Fire and emergency medical response
4. Police response
5. Vehicle towing and storage
6. Code enforcement and abatements
7. Parks, libraries, and other public facility impacts
8. The total amount of County funds expended on comparable homelessness response activities, where applicable. Contextual information, where available, regarding factors associated with municipal response activities. Include any relevant methodological considerations or data limitations associated with the information provided.

Roles, Responsibilities, and Cost Alignment

1. An overview of statutory and operational roles of the City and County related to housing, shelter, service delivery, and homelessness response. An assessment of the extent to which current City expenditures align with or exceed these responsibilities.
2. Identification of areas where City spending may be offsetting County responsibilities due to gaps in County funding, capacity, or service availability.

While the responsibilities of Med 30 have been redistributed throughout the department, it is critical that we strive to bring back a resource that played an essential role in providing emergency medical services, responding to 911 calls, and saving lives. Med 30 unit served as a cornerstone of the broader emergency response system. Firefighters and paramedics worked in tandem, with Med 30's presence playing a major role in efficient coordination between fire and other resources.

Mobile Integrated Health Care and Community Paramedicine provide a patient-centered, EMS-based approach that assesses individual needs and connects patients to the most appropriate level of care, rather than defaulting to emergency department transport. The program would allow trained paramedics to utilize alternate destinations such as primary care clinics, mental health or sobriety centers, and homeless shelters, with a focus on frequent 9-1-1 callers who are not adequately served by the traditional ER model.

The signers of this memorandum have not had, and will not have, any private conversation with any other member of the City Council, or that member's staff, concerning any action discussed in the memorandum, and that each signer's staff members have not had, and have been instructed not to have, any such conversation with any other member of the City Council or that member's staff.