



Memorandum

TO: RULES AND OPEN
GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

FROM: Mayor Chuck Reed

SUBJECT: SAMSUNG DINNER EVENT

DATE: October 22, 2012

APPROVED: *Chuck Reed* **DATE:** 10/22/12

RECOMMENDATION

Agendize the following item for Council consideration:

Approve the receipt of gifts received in official capacity in accordance with Municipal Code section 12.08.040.

BACKGROUND

On August 16, 2012, the City of San José joined the Governor and Samsung in a signing ceremony reflecting Samsung's commitment to invest in San Jose for a major expansion of its facilities on North First Street. After the ceremony, Samsung invited the Mayor and City staff to a dinner with the Governor to commemorate the occasion. The Mayor and several members of the staff attended the dinner in their official capacity. Samsung paid for the dinner. While the City could reimburse Samsung for the city staff who attended, it would be somewhat inappropriate to do so since it was done as a gesture of appreciation.