

Memorandum

TO: Honorable Mayor &
City Council Members

FROM: Lee Price, MMC
City Clerk

SUBJECT: The Public Record
June 11-17, 2010

DATE: June 17, 2010

ITEMS TRANSMITTED TO THE ADMINISTRATION

ITEMS FILED FOR THE PUBLIC RECORD

- (a) Letter from Atlantic Aviation to San Jose City Council dated June 3, 2010 writing in support to implement modifications to the Airport Master Plan.
- (b) Letter from WMH Corporation to Councilmember Constant dated June 3, 2010 writing in support of reducing overall employee costs and balancing the budget (petition attached).
- (c) Letter from Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority General Counsel Kevin Allmand to City Clerk Lee Price dated June 4, 2010 regarding signatures collected from the county and the cities necessary for the change to VTA's Governance Structure.
- (d) Notification of Pacific Gas and Electric Company's Application to State, County and City Officials dated June 4, 2010 for its 2011 Electric Procurement Forecast Costs and other Project Costs.
- (e) Notification letter from Verizon wireless to Consumer Protection and Safety Division dated June 8, 2010 for Lincoln and Pine of GTE Mobilnet of California Limited Partnership (U-3002-C), of San Jose, CA MSA.
- (f) Petition from constituents from Districts 1, 4, 5, 6, 8 and 9 to Councilmember Constant entitled "Save our Services".
- (g) (66) Emails received by the City Clerk dated June 14-17, 2010 providing a variety of comments and suggestions regarding the current budget crisis.
- (h) Letter from David Wall to Mayor Reed and City Council dated June 17, 2010 regarding "The Ghetto Life: Update on the SCEP".

Honorable Mayor and City Council Members
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- (i) Letter from David Wall to Mayor Reed and City Council dated June 17, 2010 regarding "F/A-18 E/F Super Hornets say "Hello" to San Jose's Collaborators and Traitors".



Lee Price, MMC
City Clerk

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San José City Council
200 E. Santa Clara Street
San Jose, CA 95113

Dear Councilmember:

Atlantic Aviation recognizes the need to implement modifications to the Airport Master Plan, and fully supports these initiatives. We ask that the council respectfully consider the following brief update on the FBO industry in general and specifically the current environment at SJC.

General Aviation has not been immune to the economic downturn we have all witnessed during the past few years. Challenges such as 9/11, skyrocketing fuel prices, plummeting aircraft & property values and unfavorable media coverage have had significant impact on the viability of Fixed Base Operations. At San Jose:

- Business aircraft activity is down over 25%; resulting in a decrease of over 2.5 million gallons of transient fuel sales;
- The commercial sector at SJC is under pressure from neighboring airports such as SFO and OAK. Operators have decreased flights or downsized aircraft, requiring us to make a reduction in personnel;
- A glut of office/hangar space exists: Atlantic has 10,000 SF of available office space, 2,500 shop space, plus 8,000 SF of unfinished (build-out) space;
- Available hangar space includes 15,000 SF at Atlantic Aviation plus 30,000 SF at Avbase;

We feel that it is fair game to cast our doubt of the West Side Lands Economic Impact Study findings. Since 2008, Atlantic has had very few viable inquiries for hangar. However, we are aware of incidences where aircraft have left the state due to more favorable tax treatment elsewhere. The claim that SJC has lost aircraft to Modesto or Stockton due to lack of space has no basis.

The enormous creation of jobs is an exaggeration as well. Atlantic currently employs ninety (90), down from a peak of one hundred thirty (130). A second FBO will simply share approximately the same work force over more than one payroll.

Despite a near moratorium on airport construction in the USA, 167,000 SF of new hangar space has been erected at SJC in the past five (5) years. Atlantic Aviation's development investment at SJC is in excess of \$50 Million during this period... 300% higher than the next largest Atlantic Aviation project.

ATLANTIC

ATLANTIC AVIATION SERVICES • 4504 INTERNATIONAL DRIVEWAY SUITE 2000 • MILPITAS, CA 95035

Our two (2) recently completed hangars and terminal offer 107,000 SF and of significant importance is the fact that we essentially constructed a "second" fully capable FBO to replace the former ACM facility raised to make way for terminal expansion. Atlantic's future development plan may incorporate available land as perhaps a corporate or private hangar complex for which we envision expanding our airport leasehold, thusly generating income for the airport.

Atlantic Aviation's vast FBO network includes seventy-one (71) locations, many of which are sole operations like SJC. We have experienced first-hand how multiple facilities of less investment create only dissention and a reduction in service and quality. Long-term viability comes into question, expansion plans are thwarted and the valued customer sees little benefit.

We therefore look forward to working with the Norman Y. Mineta San Jose International Airport in a spirit of cooperation and expansion that enables Atlantic to maintain its present level of service while participating in initiatives that fulfill the financial goals of the airport.

Thank you for opportunity to present our observations.

Sincerely,

Atlantic Aviation

Richard C. Michaels
Richard C. Michaels
Director Strategic Initiatives

Jay R. Hamby
Jay R. Hamby
Regional Director of Operations

Tom Murray
Tim Murray
General Manager, San Jose

cc:
Mr. Bill Sherry
Director of Aviation
Norman Y. Mineta San Jose International Airport

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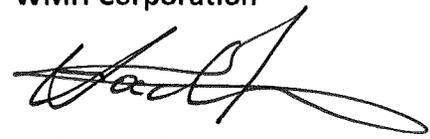
Councilmember Pete Constant
200 E. Santa Clara St, 18th Floor
San Jose, CA 95113

Dear Pete:

Thank you for your effort in developing the SOSsj.com website. Please find attached my petition in support of reducing overall employee costs and balancing the budget. I also sent the attached note to all Council Members, Employee Unions, and the Media.

Thank you for your leadership.

Sincerely,
WMH Corporation



William Hadaya, PE
President



To: City of San Jose Council Members and City of San Jose Employee Unions

The repercussions of the budget deficit have begun to take their toll on the residents of the City of San José. Critical services are being cut, leaving us questioning where our tax money is going. It is time for change. The council and the mayor pledge year after year that the problem will be fixed, and fewer cuts will be made. However, we have yet to see any positive change.

We are urging the city council and the mayor to stand up now, when real leadership is needed most. The community is relying on our elected officials to listen to us and make decisions that reflect our concerns and will benefit our city. We are asking for real and effective solutions to change our current situation and revive the economy and the services of the City of San José.

The current city employee retirement system poses a huge problem for the City's budget. Since 2000, retirement contributions by the City have gone up over 50% for Federated employees and 82% for police and fire retirement. The City cannot afford to pay this much money year after year, especially with the current financial crisis.

While no change can be made to past retirement plans, we can change the plans for future City hires. The City can still offer attractive retirement plans that do not pose such a financial burden to the City and to taxpayers. By supporting a two-tiered retirement system, new employees will receive smaller contribution rates from the City, drastically reducing the cost.

We need real solutions to this budget crisis that include real, permanent cuts so that we don't get into this situation again in a few years. The City should pursue a policy of competitive outsourcing for services currently provided by employees who are not delivering essential services. By contracting out, the City can save enough money to keep some essential services from being cut.

Business as usual will no longer work, it is time to make some real changes. Please take a stand to support policies that will save money and still get the work done!

William Hadaya, PE



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June 4, 2010

Lee Price, City Clerk
City of San Jose
200 East Santa Clara Street
San Jose, CA 95113

Dear Ms. Price:

This is to inform you that the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) has collected the signatures from the county and the cities necessary for the change to VTA's Governance Structure. A previous letter from the VTA Board Secretary dated April 12, 2010 indicated that the necessary threshold had been achieved. Since that time questions have arisen from some cities and the media about the process.

If a city has not taken action on the amendment to the Joint Powers Agreement authorizing the change, the city may do so and your city will be added to the signature list. Unless your city has adopted a resolution approving the amendment, you are not eligible to sign the amendment.

At this point, the change to the Governance Structure is enacted as described in the attached amendment. The VTA Board of Directors will next amend VTA's Administrative Code to reflect the new city groupings.

Any further revisions or adjustments to the Governance Structure as set forth in the amended Joint Powers Agreement are required to proceed through this same process; specifically, approval by the VTA Board of Directors, the Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors and a majority of cities representing a majority of the population.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter. If you have any questions or need further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kevin D. Allmand". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Kevin D. Allmand
General Counsel

cc: Mayor
City Manager
J. Lawson
S. Weymouth

**AMENDMENT TO
JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT
FOR THE ADMINISTRATION
OF THE SANTA CLARA COUNTY
CONGESTION MANAGEMENT PROGRAM**

THIS AMENDMENT TO JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT (hereinafter "Amendment") dated as of December 10, 2009 is made and entered into between Cities within the County of Santa Clara, the County of Santa Clara and the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (formerly known as the Santa Clara County Transit District).

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the parties hereto entered into a JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE SANTA CLARA COUNTY CONGESTION MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (hereinafter "Agreement") dated December 1, 1994;

WHEREAS, Section 6 of the Agreement, pursuant to California Public Utilities Section 100060, established the groupings of the Cities within the County of Santa Clara, other than the City of San Jose, for the appointment of members to the Santa Clara County Transit District (now the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority) Board of Directors;

WHEREAS, the parties now desire to amend Section 6 to reconfigure the groupings of the Cities within the County of Santa Clara, other than the City of San Jose, to include a new city group comprised of Sunnyvale, Santa Clara and Milpitas, that would appoint two Board members and one alternate;

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties hereto agree as follows:

- (1) Section 6.A.1 of the Agreement is hereby amended to read as follows:

The five (5) city council members and three (3) alternates to be appointed as Directors by all the cities in Santa Clara County except the City of San Jose shall be selected according to the following groupings:

<u>City Grouping</u>	<u>Representatives</u>
a. Los Altos	1 representative
Los Altos Hills	1 alternate
Mountain View	
Palo Alto	

CITY OF MILPITAS

By: Ron Lima 5-11-10
Date

CITY OF MONTE SERENO

By: _____
Date

CITY OF MORGAN HILL

By: J. Heller 4-20-10
Date

CITY OF MOUNTAIN VIEW

By: _____
Date

CITY OF PALO ALTO

By: _____
Date

CITY OF SAN JOSE

By: Chuck Reed 5/11/10
Date

By: _____
Date

CITY OF SARATOGA

By: Kathleen M. King 5/12/10
Date

CITY OF SUNNYVALE

By: _____
Date

CITY OF SANTA CLARA

By: Jennifer Sparacino 4/28/10
Date

COUNTY OF SANTA CLARA

By: Ken Feltzer 7-21-10
Date

SANTA CLARA VALLEY TRANSPORTATION
AUTHORITY

By: Jan Linares
Date

June 4, 2010
 To: State, County and City
 Officials

**NOTIFICATION OF PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY'S
 APPLICATION FOR ITS 2011 ELECTRIC PROCUREMENT
 FORECAST COSTS AND OTHER PROJECT COSTS**

On May 28, 2010, Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) filed an application with the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC), requesting to lower electricity rates by \$211 million, or approximately 1.7 percent on average, effective January 1, 2011.

Each year, PG&E is required to file an application that forecasts how much it will spend the following year to ensure adequate electricity supply for its customers. The CPUC carefully reviews PG&E's forecast to ensure that customers are not charged more for electricity than it costs PG&E to provide. The forecasted costs approved by the CPUC are included in PG&E's electric rates the following year. During that year, PG&E's actual costs and revenues are tracked, and any difference is allocated to PG&E customers at a later date. PG&E recovers its electric procurement costs dollar for dollar, with no profit margin.

This application requests that the CPUC adopt PG&E's 2011 electric procurement forecast of approximately \$3.9 billion for the Energy Resource Recovery Account (ERRA) and Ongoing Competition Transition Cost (CTC), as well as the Power Charge Indifference Amount (PCIA). This forecast is \$211 million lower than present 2011 revenue rates, which is primarily due to lower energy prices in 2010 and to 2011 forecasts being lower than currently reflected in PG&E rates. PG&E requests that electric rates designed to recover this amount become effective on January 1, 2011.

Will rates increase as a result of this application?

For most customers, no, although impacts for individual customers will vary. Bundled customers (those who receive electric generation as well as transmission and distribution service from PG&E) will see revenue decreases, while most direct access customers (those who purchase their energy from a non-utility supplier) will see small increases. PG&E will provide an illustrative allocation of the proposed rate decreases/increases among customer classes, in this proposal, in a bill insert to be mailed directly to customers later this month.

If the CPUC approves this application, a typical bundled residential customer using 550 kilowatt-hours (kWh) per month will see the average monthly bill change from \$77.40 to \$76.92, a decrease of \$0.48 per month. A residential customer using 850 kWh per month, which is about twice the baseline allowance, will see the average monthly bill change from \$176.77 to \$173.23, a decrease of \$3.54 per month. Individual customers' bills may differ.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

To request a copy of the application and exhibits or for more details, call PG&E at **1-800-PGE-5000**.

For TDD/TTY (speech-hearing impaired), call **1-800-652-4712**.

Para más detalles llame al **1-800-660-6789**

詳情請致電 • **1-800-893-9555**

You may request a copy of the application and exhibits by writing to:
 Pacific Gas and Electric Company
 2011 ERRA Forecast Proceeding
 P.O. Box 7442, San Francisco, CA 94120.

THE CPUC PROCESS

The CPUC's Division of Ratepayer Advocates (DRA) may review this application. The DRA is an independent arm of the CPUC, created by the Legislature to represent the interests of all utility customers throughout the state and obtain the lowest possible rate for service consistent with reliable and safe service levels. The DRA has a multi-disciplinary staff with expertise in economics, finance, accounting and engineering. The DRA's views do not necessarily reflect those of the CPUC. Other parties of record will also participate.

The CPUC may hold evidentiary hearings where parties of record present their proposals in testimony and are subject to cross-examination before an Administrative Law Judge (ALJ). These hearings are open to the public, but only those who are parties of record may present evidence or cross-examine witnesses during evidentiary hearings. Members of the public may attend, but not participate in, these hearings.

After considering all proposals and evidence presented during the hearing process, the ALJ will issue a draft decision. When the CPUC acts on this application, it may adopt all or part of PG&E's request, amend or modify it, or deny the application. The CPUC's final decision may be different from PG&E's application.

If you would like to learn how you can participate in this proceeding or if you have comments or questions, you may contact the CPUC's Public Advisor as follows:

Public Advisor's Office
 505 Van Ness Avenue
 Room 2103
 San Francisco, CA 94102

If you are writing a letter to the Public Advisor's Office, please include the number of the application to which you are referring. All comments will be circulated to the Commissioners, the assigned Administrative Law Judge and the Energy Division staff.

A copy of PG&E's 2011 ERRA Forecast Proceeding and exhibits are also available for review at the California Public Utilities Commission, 505 Van Ness Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94102, Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-noon.

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1120 Sanctuary Pkwy
Suite 150
MC: GASA5REG
Alpharetta, GA 30009
(770) 797-1070

June 8, 2010

Ms. Anna Hom
Consumer Protection and Safety Division
California Public Utilities Commission
505 Van Ness Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94102
alh@cpuc.ca.gov

Re: Notification Letter for **Lincoln and Pine** of GTE Mobilnet of California Limited
Partnership (U-3002-C), of San Jose, CA MSA

This is to provide the Commission with notice according to the provisions of General Order No. 159.A of the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California ("CPUC") for the project described in Attachment A.

A copy of this notification letter is also being provided to the appropriate local government agency for its information. Should there be any questions regarding this project, or if you disagree with any of the information contained herein, please contact Chrissy Agricola of Verizon Wireless at (770) 797-1049.

Very truly yours,


Chrissy Agricola
Verizon Wireless
MTS Network Compliance

Notification Letter
GTE Mobilnet of California Limited Partnership (U-3002-C)
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Attachment A

CPUC CELL SITE REPORT GTE Mobilnet of California Limited Partnership (U-3002-C)

PROJECT LOCATION: Lincoln and Pine - Mod

SITE NAME: Lincoln and Pine
SITE ADDRESS: 1165 Lincoln Avenue
LOCATION: San Jose, CA 95125
COUNTY: Santa Clara
APN: 429-07-032
COORDINATES: 37° 18' 26.20"/121° 54' 02.4" (NAD83)

1. PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

GTE Mobilnet of California Limited Partnership (U-3002-C) proposes the addition of three (3) panel antennas and one (1) GPS antenna on the rooftop of the existing building.

ANTENNAS: Three (3) panel antennas
One (1) GPS antenna
TOWER DESIGN: N/A
TOWER APPEARANCE: N/A
TOWER HEIGHT: N/A
BUILDING SIZE: 52'
OTHER: N/A

Notification Letter

GTE Mobilnet of California Limited Partnership (U-3002-C)

June 8, 2010

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3. BUSINESS ADDRESSES OF ALL LOCAL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES:

Cc: Joseph Horwedel
Planning Director
Department of Planning and Code Enforcement
200 East Santa Clara Street
San Jose, CA 95113

Debra Figone
City Manager
City Manager's Office
200 East Santa Clara Street
San Jose, CA 95113

Lee Price
City Clerk
City Clerk's Office
200 East Santa Clara Street
San Jose, CA 95113

Don Iglesias
Superintendent
San Jose Unified School District
855 Lenzen Avenue
San Jose, CA 95126

4. LAND USE APPROVALS:

Type:	Development Permit Adjustment
Issued:	5/12/09
Effective:	5/12/09
Agency:	Department of Planning, Building, and Code Enforcement
Permit No.	AD09-455; CP96-059
Resolution No.:	N/A

PETITION TO SAVE OUR SERVICES

We, the undersigned, as your constituents, write to express our deep concern about the proposed service cuts in the City of San José.

As disturbed as we are by these challenging economic times, as San José residents who treasure the quality of life we have historically had in San José, we are even more disturbed that the city administration is proposing to slash basic, essential city services as part of the 2010-2011 budget year.

Indeed, for too many years, the City of San José has balanced the budget on the backs of its residents, continually cutting services, raising fees for services and increasing the cost of doing business in or with the City of San José. For the last 9 years the City of San José has resolved budget deficits of over \$460,000,000.00 primarily by cutting services to the residents and businesses of San José.

Rather than continue with these harmful and failed policies, we believe that the mayor and city council should pursue policies to balance the budget while maintaining vital and essential services by:

- 1) Reducing overall employee costs by:
 - a) Lowering employee salaries by 10%
 - b) Restructuring cost sharing of healthcare premiums and co-pays for active and retired employees
 - c) Establishing a 2nd tier of retirement benefits
- 2) Consolidating departments to reduce duplication of services and lower overhead
- 3) Modify council policies to allow competitive outsourcing of services currently provided by city employees

We are your constituents and we are growing in number. We are educating our friends, neighbors and fellow citizens – who are also your constituents – about the Fiscal Crisis facing the City of San José and the solutions that can be utilized to Save Our Services. We hope that you will work with us to Save Our Services and advance the interests and ideals of San José residents and businesses.



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Name/Signature	Address	District
Susan Cormier		1
MARY MONTOMAGNO		1
DR. MICHAEL CARSON		1
TONY SILVESTRI		1
PAUL DOMINIC		
Marie Suzanne Regal		1
Thomas F. Regal		1
Michelle Mackenzie		1
Marilyn E. Cheli		1
Beatha M. Fowers		1
Crystal J. Janato		1
Don Richards		1
Dorey BRAY		1
Edison Ramon		1
Marcia Richards		1
Jaylyn Thomas		1
James F. Morales		1

Please submit completed petitions to COUNCILMEMBER PETE CONSTANT:
 By Mail: 200 E. Santa Clara Street, 18th Floor, San José, CA 95113
 By Email: scan petition and send to: petition@SOSsj.com
 By Fax: (408) 333-9621

From: Rhonda Hansen n]
Sent: Monday, June 14, 2010 8:14 PM
To: Nguyen, Madison
Subject: Please Save Our Services

June 14, 2010

Councilmember Nguyen
200 E. Santa Clara Street
San Jose, CA 95113

Dear Councilmember Nguyen,

On Tuesday, the City Council will be voting on Mayor Reed's budget plan, which will restore library hours to 4.5 days per week, keep open 22 community centers slated for closure, and provide additional funding for our crossing guard, park ranger and anti-graffiti programs.

The only way to fund these services is by reducing pay and benefits by 10% for non-sworn employee groups with open contracts. Without these concessions, which total \$7.7 million in General Fund savings, you will not be able to restore most of these services listed above and you will be forced to lay off hundreds of city employees.

The City Council is going to have to make difficult decisions to close our budget deficit and preserve core city services.

I urge you to vote to support Mayor Reed and his call for employee compensation reductions and his well thought out and reasonable Budget Message. As residents and taxpayers, the people of San Jose are relying on you!

Sincerely

Rhonda Hansen

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Rhonda Hansen

From: Judy Purrington []
Sent: Monday, June 14, 2010 6:48 PM
To: Chirco, Judy
Cc: City Clerk
Subject: Budget

Dear Judy

I appreciate that you, the Mayor, and other councilmembers have been working hard to restore services that the 1st budget message would eliminate. When I saw last week's message, I was pleased to see that 22 community centers slated for closure would be kept open, along with crossing guard, park ranger, and anti-graffiti funding.

There's one more thing you need to do. That's "restore" the rest of the library hours, to at least the current level for branch libraries -- that would be what you call 5.5 days -- and better know to the community as 6 service days. Our libraries are a service important enough that the City Charter mandates those services. In these critical times we just can't let down the communities, especially the underserved communities. The vulnerable youth depend on the library as a wholesome place to do their homework, hang out, and learn. Many, many adults also depend on library services, as they're so critical to their job search activities. Community members around the Edenvale Library (the branch library in my community) depend on the computers for job searching and checking Email; and sometimes they find they can't even get to a computer that day. Often they're just all booked already!

During hot summer days, reading a book in the library is preferable to hot and stuffy apartments or homes. As you know, my community is an SNI community. The greatest part of the community served by the branch library are the folks living in the SNI area.

I've given it a lot of thought, and I think that the libraries are even the best place for "cooling centers" on hot summer days. There's nothing to set up, nothing to get ready. Libraries are ready for the using, anytime the doors are open. On days where safety of the community merits a cooling center, just keep on a skeleton staff and a management person; and keep the library doors open until 9 PM. Since there are so many library workers who are part time, you won't even incur over time pay for many folks. Services could be limited to computers, self check-out, etc. as necessary; since most would be happy to do a little surfing or just enjoy the cool place to hole up with a nice book.

Best of luck for an enlightening time at the budget hearing tonight. I have Monday night commitment with a community band rehearsal, so I'll have to make that trek to City Hall Tuesday afternoon.

Thanks for your hard work on this. Just please go that extra mile to save our libraries at current service levels, for this year. Next year we need our Sunday services back, and a look to longer services days. And, find a way to open the Bascom and Seventrees branch

libraries. \$.5 million each will do that and save all those monthly costs associated with maintaining a closed library.

Obviously you need to deal with the compensation issues, and that includes finding out how and why the City got themselves into a situation where the money required for it is not sustainable. Truly some heads should roll, since obviously some staff people recommended these compensation levels to the Council who voted on them. You should do some housecleaning. Get the dead wood out, and pare down middle management. It would also help to look for lots of little things that will help with the bloat. Start paying your vendors electronically, and Emailing them the check stub. You do this with your employees. And what about that employee suggestion program? I understand it was eliminated at some time. Bad idea. A few small checks to bright employees who bring forward money saving-ideas will reap great things.

Regards,
Judy Purrington

From: Mary Bryant [mailto:
Sent: Monday, June 14, 2010 6:23 PM
To: Herrera, Rose
Subject: Please Save Our Services

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June 14, 2010

Councilmember Herrera
200 E. Santa Clara Street
San Jose, CA 95113

Dear Councilmember Herrera,

On Tuesday, the City Council will be voting on Mayor Reed's budget plan, which will restore library hours to 4.5 days per week, keep open 22 community centers slated for closure, and provide additional funding for our crossing guard, park ranger and anti-graffiti programs.

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The City Council is going to have to make difficult decisions to close our budget deficit and preserve core city services.

I urge you to vote to support Mayor Reed and his call for employee compensation reductions and his well thought out and reasonable Budget Message. As residents and taxpayers, the people of San Jose are relying on you!

Sincerely

Mary Bryant

From: Patty Henderson [mailto:patty.henderson@cityofsanjose.org]
Sent: Monday, June 14, 2010 5:26 PM
To: Clark, William
Subject: Please Save Our Services

June 14, 2010

William Clark
200 E. Santa Clara Street
c/o City Attorney's Office
San Jose, CA 95113

Dear William Clark,

I support this effort to restore our services.

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Sincerely

Patty Henderson

From: Katherine Mason [mailto:
Sent: Monday, June 14, 2010 5:14 PM
To: BudgetComments
Subject: Please Save Our Services

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Debra Figone
200 E. Santa Clara Street
San Jose, CA 95113

Dear Debra Figone,

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Sincerely

Katherine Mason

From: Ann Garino [mailto:]
Sent: Monday, June 14, 2010 5:14 PM
To: Liccardo, Sam
Subject: Please Save Our Services

June 14, 2010

Councilmember Liccardo
200 E. Santa Clara Street
San Jose, CA 95113

Dear Councilmember Liccardo,

Message for Councilmember Pyle,

We STRONGLY SUPPORT your position in your June 11, 2010 Memo re Mayor's June 10 budget message and we appreciate your support for City Employees.

Especially, since my 75 yr old husband is a retired SJPD officer who had to medically retire in 1981. His retirement base pay is around 51% of his **1981** ending salary. We realize we will probably never see another year ending check. That check helped with cost increases and inflation since my husband's retirement in 1981, but we do understand why we didn't receive it last year and why we probably can't depend on that check again in our lifetimes.

In 1960 when he was sworn in to the SJPD, my husband was assured and paid into his future retirement benefit, including beneficial changes to the retirement plan the City contracted over his 21 yrs of service. With all we too have been hit with financially in the last couple years, it is now difficult for us on limited income to also face accepting a 10% cut to his relatively small (in today's dollars) retirement, and to face increased medical costs on his retirement medical benefits.

We respectfully suggest that the City of San Jose needs to support their employees, current and retired, BEFORE speculating on a new baseball stadium, and before they worry about the expense of remodeling San Pedro Square, to name just two items.

In addition we are residents of SC County (for 40 yrs with a Campbell address) in an area partially bordered by Campbell but slated for annexation soon by San Jose. Campbell is willing to annex our Cambrian 36 area, and had been in talks (with our neighborhood's support), with Vice Mayor Judy Chirco, who has refused to release our Cambrian 36 area from San Jose's sphere of influence to allow our annexation by Campbell.

Our area's annexation by Campbell would save San Jose the cost of providing fire, police and other services to our 300+ residences plus additional businesses NOT now served by San Jose. We understand services to us will cost San Jose more than the

income San Jose will receive from our area. Additionally, our annexation by Campbell would not dilute the San Jose services for current San Jose residents.

Therefore we would appreciate any support you can give our neighborhood association in our quest for Campbell Annexation, which in our opinion, would be a win-win for our neighborhood and San Jose's budget, current residents, and employees.

Thank you Councilmember Pyle for your support of City employees. Also for consideration of our annexation issue and any help you can give our Cambrian 36 neighborhood with the Mayor and the other Councilmembers. Sincerely,
(Mrs. K) Ann Garino

Sincerely

Ann Garino

From: Heather Sutton [mailto:]
Sent: Monday, June 14, 2010 5:13 PM
To: Kalra, Ash
Subject: Please Save Our Services

June 14, 2010

Councilmember Kalra
200 E. Santa Clara Street
San Jose, CA 95113

Dear Councilmember Kalra,

Dear City of San José Honorable Mayor, Councilmembers, Staff, and Union Leadership,

My name is Heather Sutton; I am a life-long San José resident and mother of three young San Jose residents. I am also a Moreland School District Board Member, and as such truly appreciate the difficult decisions you are facing with regard the coming years' operating budget and would like to thank you in advance for your time and service.

That said, I am writing to you today simply as a concerned San José resident and active community organizer and volunteer in support of the Mayor's message.

I am a co-founder of the San Tomas West Neighborhood Association, and last but not most applicable to this letter, I am the Chair of the District 1 Leadership Group. The D1LG is comprised of leadership from almost 30 organized neighborhood groups, representing nearly all of District 1, who work consistently, collaboratively, proactively, and creatively (within our prevue) to address identified areas of need and in doing so take the steps necessary to improve the quality of life in D1 and San José as a whole.

Over the years of being an active San Jose resident, I have gained the utmost appreciation for our city, its staff and employees, and for the community it and as such, you serve. All of us work tirelessly and from a volunteer's perspective, for free to support the Mission and Vision of the City in a very basic, grassroots way for the benefit of all residents.

My experiences in each of these roles has provided me a well rounded view of the challenging times our City is facing and the undoubtedly complicated and vast number of variables you are sure to be considering when contemplating your vote.

I support Mayor Reed's June message and urge you to as well. While we all wish reductions of this magnitude were not needed, my fear is for the unintended consequences that are surely to be realized if the city is forced to further reduce city resources and services that keep our community healthy, safe, and engaged. One of the reasons I believe we are such a phenomenal city is because of the community support and

involvement. The partnership between residents and the city that has been developed is priceless and I worry, at risk.

I believe cutting additional ties between City Hall and its neighbors can only result in an increased need and expense further down the road.

There are no easy decisions during these tough economic times. We are all feeling the pressure and limitations imposed by a deficit. I ask that we all handle these tough time as equitably as is possible. I applaud the Council's leadership in accepting a reduction in compensation and hope that all can come together for a big picture resolution.

I believe that you are standing at a fork in the road. The road you choose will be felt by the residents you represent for years to come. I hope that you will strongly consider supporting the Mayor's message and ensuring that the vote you cast truly represents your priority, what is in the best interest of the San Jose residents.

Best Regards,

Heather Sutton

San Jose, CA 95130

Sincerely

Heather Sutton

From: Carl Jones [mailto:]
Sent: Monday, June 14, 2010 4:44 PM
To: Pyle, Nancy
Subject: Support two-tiered retirement

June 14, 2010

Councilmember Pyle
200 E. Santa Clara Street
San Jose, CA 95113

Dear Councilmember Pyle,

Every City, County, State and Federal financial crisis is pending on the solution to the unsustainable deficits each has encountered due to the over generous benefits and entitlements for which you politicians are responsible and you refuse to do your duty and cut the spending. Who is running these facilities? Use Common Sense and join Mayor Reed to give the government back to sane responsible politicians and NOT THE UNIONS. New York is due to close down over the excessive spending and corruption tomorrow and who will help them? San Jose and California CANNOT afford your term in office one more year -- join Mayor Reed and save the City as well as individuals who need the work.

The current city employee retirement system poses a huge problem for the City's budget. Since 2000, retirement contributions by the City have gone up over 50% for Federated employees and 82% for police and fire retirement. The City cannot afford to shovel out this much money year after year, especially with the current financial crisis.

While no change can be made to past retirement plans, we can change the plans for future City hires. The City can still offer attractive retirement plans that do not pose such a financial burden to the City and to taxpayers. By supporting a two-tiered retirement system, new employees will receive smaller contribution rates from the City, drastically reducing the cost.

Sincerely

Carl Jones

From: kristine nguyen [mailto:]
Sent: Monday, June 14, 2010 4:42 PM
To: Washington, LaVerne
Subject: Please Save Our Services

June 14, 2010

LaVerne Washington
200 E. Santa Clara Street
c/o City Attorney's Office
San Jose, CA 95113

Dear LaVerne Washington,

I ask that you encourage city employees to agree to a 10% cut in pay. City residents and employees are all in this together and we all need to be a part of the solution to the budget crisis.

How can we encourage our children to learn when libraries are closed? If there are fewer police officers and firefighters, then who will protect us? Laying off employees to balance the city budget is a disastrous idea that will lead to higher unemployment and fewer city services.

We need real solutions to this budget crisis that include real, permanent cuts so that we don't get into mess again in a few years.

Sincerely

kristine nguyen

From: Wall Christopher [mailto:]
Sent: Monday, June 14, 2010 4:38 PM
To: yolanda.cruz@sanjoseca.gov
Subject: Please Save Our Services

June 14, 2010

Yolanda Cruz
150 E. San Fernando St
c/o Dr. MLK Jr. Library
San Jose, CA 95112

Dear Yolanda Cruz,

Simply put, when expenses are larger than revenues, cuts must be made. Most families and business owners I come in contact with have experienced a reduction in their personal income or business revenues. They have made individual, tough choices on what expenses needed to be cut. When their income or revenue increases, they will bring back some of what was cut, some will likely never return. The interesting lesson learned by many was difference between necessary and desired. Keep up the great efforts you are all giving to work through this very difficult budget process.

Sincerely

Wall Christopher

From: Ryan Benech [mailto:
Sent: Monday, June 14, 2010 3:53 PM
To: MacKenzie, Cay Denise
Subject: Please Save Our Services

June 14, 2010

Cay Denise MacKenzie
855 N. San Pedro, Room 404
c/o OES
San Jose, CA 95110

Dear Cay Denise MacKenzie,

San Jose is not immune to the recent economic downturn. The city employees who we rely on service MUST accept this difficult reality and join the millions of others who have had similar pay cut in the private sector. I have been working for the same company for 10 years as a IT professional. In the past 5 years I have had NO bonus, NO raise, and a reduction in benefits. This last year I have had to loan from my personal retirement to the company to keep us afloat. I have also taken a 10% pay cut like everyone else in the company - CEO and technician alike.

I ask that you encourage city employees to agree to a 10% cut in pay. City residents and employees are all in this together and we all need to be a part of the solution to the budget crisis.

How can we encourage our children to learn when libraries are closed? If there are fewer police officers and firefighters, then who will protect us? Laying off employees to balance the city budget is a disastrous idea that will lead to higher unemployment and fewer city services.

We need real solutions to this budget crisis that include real, permanent cuts so that we don't get into mess again in a few years.

I appreciate Union activism, but it has GONE TOO FAR! Please don't allow administrative costs to bring down our great city!

Sincerely

Ryan Benech

From: Albert Buenrostro [mailto:
Sent: Tuesday, June 15, 2010 8:18 PM
To: BudgetComments
Subject: Support a 10% pay reduction for all employees

June 15, 2010

Debra Figone
200 E. Santa Clara Street
San Jose, CA 95113

Dear Debra Figone,

I applaud the city council's leadership in agreeing to take a 10% pay cut and I urge all city employees to agree to the same pay cut in order to Save Our Services. Fewer employees mean fewer city services. Services have already been cut enough.

Higher unemployment due to layoffs, closed libraries and longer wait times at City Hall are not solutions - they are the byproducts of failed leadership. Please do not fail the people of San José by closing our libraries and slashing our other services.

City employees have enjoyed generous salaries and benefits over the years, but San José can no longer afford to pay them. Everyone should shoulder some of pain as the City makes cuts. It is simply not fair to ask San José residents to give up their services and not ask employees to give up a small portion of their pay.

We are one community and unless employees can come to the table with real concessions, it's the residents who are once again being asked pay the price.

Sincerely

Albert Buenrostro

From: Ron Olson [mailto:]
Sent: Tuesday, June 15, 2010 6:15 PM
To: MacKenzie, Cay Denise
Subject: Please Save Our Services

June 15, 2010

Cay Denise MacKenzie
855 N. San Pedro, Room 404
c/o OES
San Jose, CA 95110

Dear Cay Denise MacKenzie,

I believe that cutting employee pay by 10% is the right answer. I worked for HP for over 30 years and when we had some tough times we all shared in the solution. The top executives took some big pay cuts. The employees took every other Friday off with out pay. This seemed better solution because everyone still had a job and could take care of their families. It was good for the company, because we didn't have to hire replacements to retrain when things picked up. It is selfish of unions and employees to fight this kind of thing. It is also good to have the top management set the example.

Sincerely

Ron Olson

From: varsha patel [mailto:
Sent: Tuesday, June 15, 2010 5:42 PM
To: District1; District2; District4; District7; Office of Councilmember Nancy Pyle
Cc: City Clerk
Subject: Creative Solutions Can Save Services

Address: 33825 Capulet Circle, Fremont, CA 94555
Phone: 5105122669

Councilmembers Nguyen, Chu, Pyle, Chirco, Kalra:

I am a proud employee of the City for the past 19 years, currently being represented by OE3. I would request that you allow my bargaining unit to come to the bargaining table, along with the coalition, (in case this union is not considered part of the coalition).

I am currently at work, tuning in to the council meeting. From the bottom of my heart, I thank you for supporting a postponement of this decision until next week.

As you acknowledge, the decisions you make today will have long term, far-reaching reverberations in many, many people's lives, and a decision should not be taken lightly!

Thanking you,

Varsha

From: John Chauncy [mailto:john.chauncy@cityofsanjose.org]
Sent: Tuesday, June 15, 2010 5:13 PM
To: sventura@ibew332.org
Subject: Please Save Our Services

June 15, 2010

Sal Ventura
2125 Canoas Garden Ave, Suite 100
San Jose,, CA 95125

Dear Sal Ventura,

I support Mayor Reeds pro posal to fix the budget by reducing by 10% Employee compensation and benifits, which includes city management. It seem that Councilmember Nancy Pyle favors some city empolyees over others.

Hopefully the council will include requirements to use health and vacation benefits and not save them for retirement pay which increases their retirement pay out. Keep the city employees healthy, use these benefits, while working, or loose them.

Sincerely

John Chauncy

From: Lisa Logan [mailto:
Sent: Thursday, June 17, 2010 12:46 PM
To: Beattie, George
Subject: Please Save Our Services

June 17, 2010

George Beattie
1151 N. Fourth Street
San Jose, CA 95112

Dear George Beattie,

On Tuesday, the City Council will be voting on Mayor Reed's budget plan, which will restore library hours to 4.5 days per week, keep open 22 community centers slated for closure, and provide additional funding for our crossing guard, park ranger and anti-graffiti programs. The only way to fund these services is by reducing pay and benefits by 10% for non-sworn employee groups with open contracts. Without these concessions, which total \$7.7 million in General Fund savings, you will not be able to restore most of these services listed above and you will be forced to lay off hundreds of city employees. The City Council is going to have to make difficult decisions to close our budget deficit and preserve core city services. I urge you to vote to support Mayor Reed and his call for employee compensation reductions and his well thought out and reasonable Budget Message. As residents and taxpayers, the people of San Jose are relying on you!

I had written before the election supporting Mayor Reed's plan. I had mentioned that the economy had hit me and my coworkers hard as well. Everyone in my company had to take HUGE paycuts (20% was the minimum) in order to save jobs. I did here back from some of you. The letter I received from Tom Brim was nothing but self-serving whinning. The same goes for the union spot I keep hearing on the radio. (By the way, do either of these guys even live in San Jose? Neither say nothing about that.) I was very polite when writing to you last time but appearantly I was too nice. All of the crap being spouted by the union supporters have left me with practically zero simpathy for them. Oh no, some guy's savings will be stressed and therefore he can't send is daughter to college. I call BS on that one! The same thing happened to me when I went t o college. I was the first on my mother's side of the family to go. I was gifted in mathmatics and wanted my Physics degree. Well, my stepfather got laid-off my freshmen year and my family could not help pay for school anymore. Did I give up? Absolutely Not! I got a job and paid for college myself. It wasn't easy but it was also no different than what other hard working Americans do when times get tough and they want something bad enough.

All of you of think it is better to cut programs, services, and jobs are just dead wrong. The way to get to get out of a bad economy is to *grow* out of it. These unions are overvalued at this time and they know it. They like the position they are in and are holding on tooth and nail to keep it, regardless of who it hurts. Whomsoever supports them in that endeavor should be ashamed. I don't know if the unions made contributions to your election campaign but if you are one of those who support them over the people of this city it sure makes it look like that you are in their pockects. The people spoke volumes with the election. Maybe you should think of listening.

Regards, Lisa Logan - Voter

Sincerely

Lisa Logan

From: Connie Balson [mailto:
Sent: Thursday, June 17, 2010 11:17 AM
To: Beattie, George
Subject: Please Save Our Services

June 17, 2010

George Beattie
1151 N. Fourth Street
San Jose, CA 95112

Dear George Beattie,

As a citizen of San Jose, I know that on Tuesday the City Council will be voting on Mayor Reed's budget plan, which will restore library hours, keep community centers open which were slated for closure, and provide additional funding for various programs.

I ask that you keep our police and fire services intact, and not reduce these vital public safety programs. Instead, I agree with the Mayor, that the only way to fund these services is by reducing pay and benefits by 10% for non-sworn employee groups with open contracts. As an employee of a private school, we just did the same for this past school year, and were able to keep all of our staff and the services we provide to our students. My employer is proof positive that by everyone sharing a bit of the pain, we are all able to keep our jobs and serve our community.

I realize that the City Council is going to have to make difficult decisions to close our budget deficit and preserve core city services.

I urge you to vote to support Mayor Reed and his call for employee compensation reductions and his well thought out and reasonable Budget Message. Please do not force layoffs of vital community employees and that would have an adverse effect on our services. As a San Jose resident (who also works in San Jose) and taxpayer, I am counting on you to do the right thing for the people of San Jose.

From: Mack Johansen [mailto:]
Sent: Thursday, June 17, 2010 11:10 AM
To: Campos, Nora
Subject: Please Save Our Services

June 17, 2010

Councilmember Campos
200 E. Santa Clara Street
San Jose, CA 95113

Dear Councilmember Campos,

Esteemed Council members,

Please seriously and exidatiously review all the avenues proposed. The Mayor's poposed budget has been developed with **extensive input from all interested parties** and presents the most **fair and comprehensive** avenue to enact the required City budget in the legislated and mandated time frame.

Please do not let late, partial and incomplete alternative proposals derail the reasonable action required of you.

Sincerely

Mack Johansen

From: Theresa Petredis [mailto:theresa.petredis@sanjoseca.gov]
Sent: Thursday, June 17, 2010 10:45 AM
To: yolanda.cruz@sanjoseca.gov
Subject: Please Save Our Services

June 17, 2010

Yolanda Cruz
150 E. San Fernando St
c/o Dr. MLK Jr. Library
San Jose, CA 95112

Dear Yolanda Cruz,

I am a resident of downtown San Jose, living in Naglee Park, in Sam Liccardo's district. I was going to begin this email by stating that I am a proud resident of downtown San Jose, however, lately that statement would not be accurate.

These are tough economic times and I see the people in my community coming together and making sacrifices. Services are being cut, lines are longer, libraries are closing, and as a whole, we are doing more to insure that our neighborhood continues to thrive by pitching in - happily, sharing the tough times as a community. What I see though, is that while we are doing our best, without complaint, others are not willing to do the same and that is infuriating. Let me be blunt so that you understand my frustration. I work in East San Jose for an attorney. This year I was not given a bonus (which I deserve and have gotten annually), this year I did not receive a raise, this year my pay was cut. Was I consulted? No. Did I have an opportunity to plead my case? No. Am I willing to accept this knowing that my family and I will be affected, making yet more sacrifices, rearrange our budget and be glad that I'm still employed? YES!! Can you see how infuriating it is to be reading about the unions and labor refusing to work with the City of San Jose? I am so tired of hearing how this is inequitable!! We are all sharing the pain and paying the price of the economy. The numbers don't lie, we must be practical and responsible. If you are a parent, how do you explain the attitude of the unions to your children? Why are those employees more entitled? This should not be about politics, Democrat or Republican, pro-labor or pro-union. This decision should be about what is best for OUR city and what is good for the majority of the people, not the special interests, but the people that live and work here and vote for the Mayor and the San Jose City Council members.

I support Mayor Chuck Reed and his proposed budget. I am so proud of Councilmembers Pete Constant, Pierluigi Oliverio for their unwavering stand as to what is best for the City of San Jose, and think that Rose Herrera has taken a brave and

courageous stand in realizing that supporting Mayor Reed's budget is in the best interest of our city, our people, though she has been pressured tremendously by the unions. As to Councilmember Nancy Pyle, I am appalled at her divisiveness, lack of team play, and complete disregard for what is best for the people of San Jose. The arrogance of assuming that WE must accept the realities of the current economic crises but others are exempt, shows me that the special interests and the unions are more important than the regular people of San Jose.

Theresa Petredis, 181 South 13th Street, San Jose.

Sincerely

Theresa Petredis

From: Mark Brading [mailto:
Sent: Thursday, June 17, 2010 10:25 AM
To: Dapp, Dale
Subject: Support a 10% pay reduction for all employees

June 17, 2010

Dale Dapp
200 E. Santa Clara Street
c/o DOT
San Jose, CA 95113

Dear Dale Dapp,

I am a small business owner who is struggling to keep my business running while carrying the city, county, state, and federal government on my back. I just can't keep doing this. Government must operate like I must operate and they can't continue to spend more than they receive. If I did that I would be bankrupt. It is not easy, but cuts must be made. You can't keep asking people like myself to continue to give more and more. Salaries, health benefits, and retirement packages for government employees are out of control. If I had it to do all over again, I would become a government employee. But, then we wouldn't have a private sector anymore. Cuts to salaries, health benefits, and retirement packages must be made, and made now!

With the given state of the economy, it is only right that city employees share in the repercussions of the current budget crisis. The mayor and city council have already taken pay cuts, and it is about time that city employees be forced to do the same. The mayor and the council should be pressuring the unions to allow for these cuts, given that if a pay reduction is not made soon, more employees will be laid off.

By laying-off city employees, we will be doing exactly what we are trying to avoid—reducing services. City employees are necessary in providing the services we have now, whatever of them are left. By reducing the number of city employees, there will be less services and less efficiency. The City of San Jose has provided generous pay and benefits to city employees for years, and it is about time the employees joined in the sacrifice. We urge you to reduce city employee pay by 10%, in an effort to save our services!

Sincerely

Mark Brading

From: Kenneth Nordheim [mailto:
Sent: Thursday, June 17, 2010 9:58 AM
To: Clark, William
Subject: Please Save Our Services

June 17, 2010

William Clark
200 E. Santa Clara Street
c/o City Attorney's Office
San Jose, CA 95113

Dear William Clark,

As we all know, San Jose is facing a budget crisis. We are in jeopardy of losing vital services. The only way to fund these services is by reducing pay and benefits by 10% for non-sworn employee groups with open contracts. Without these concessions, which total \$7.7 million in General Fund savings, you will not be able to restore most of these services listed above and you will be forced to lay off hundreds of city employees.

The City Council is going to have to make difficult decisions to close our budget deficit and preserve core city services.

I urge you to vote to support Mayor Reed and his call for employee compensation reductions and his well thought out and reasonable Budget Message. As residents and taxpayers, the people of San Jose are relying on you!

Sincerely

Kenneth Nordheim

From: Carol Lindsay [mailto:
Sent: Thursday, June 17, 2010 9:09 AM
To: sventura@ibew332.org
Subject: Please Save Our Services

June 17, 2010

Sal Ventura

Dear Sal Ventura,

Dear Honorable Mayor Reed and San Jose City Council Members,

Here at the 11th hour in your negotiations to come to a budget agreement, it is my hope that the seriousness of your task is taken to heart. I was in the audience Monday evening and listened to the comments of the various citizens. I was struck by the tenor of many of the messages, particularly the city employees who expressed their commitment to \"public service\" as though it were a sacrifice they'd made, whereby, in reality the salaries and benefits are some of the very reasons many sought out City jobs. Many expressed how they're struggling to survive with both spouses working full-time jobs, sometimes one spouse working two jobs in addition to their own full-time job.

This begs the question, how far have they extended their financial commitments to find themselves in that position? Given the salaries and benefits they're presently receiving, what will they do when jobs are cut and they are without one of those full-time incomes?

Today, it seems the malady of our times is greed and self-centeredness and these motivations have permeated all levels of government, corporations, and many individuals. There doesn't seem to be concern for the common good. The Unions are doing their members a disservice by not coming to grips with the reality of our finite budgetary resources. I think that if agreement to a 10% cut is not reached, you should make the necessary layoffs to reach budgetary goals. Threats do not work. President Reagan had the courage to fire 11,000 air controllers for staging an illegal strike and sent a message.

Arguably, we have made many improvements in the quality of life here in San Jose, We have opened many new and beautiful librarys that are seeing record attendance and use. It will be criminal to have these facilities open only three days a week after the investment we've made to build them. Parks are filled with people enjoying the respite from the

stress and routine of their daily lives. Closing restrooms will only have a detrimental effect on the health and sanitation of our citizens.

Please, have the best interest of the City of San Jose in your minds and hearts as you vote.

Respectfully,

Carol Lindsay

Sincerely

Carol Lindsay

From: Verna Davis [mailto:
Sent: Thursday, June 17, 2010 8:45 AM
To: sventura@ibew332.org
Subject: Please Save Our Services

June 17, 2010

Sal Ventura

Dear Sal Ventura,

Today, the City Council will be voting on Mayor Reed's budget plan, which will restore library hours to 4.5 days per week, keep open 22 community centers slated for closure, and provide additional funding for our crossing guard, park ranger and anti-graffiti programs.

I feel the only way to fund these services is by reducing pay and benefits by 10% for non-sworn employee groups with open contracts. Without these concessions, which total \$7.7 million in General Fund savings, you will not be able to restore most of these services listed above and you will be forced to lay off hundreds of city employees.

The City Council is going to have to make difficult decisions to close our budget deficit and preserve core city services. We cannot continue to pay more in taxes and "fees" to support irresponsible governing in the midst of a fiscal disaster such as we have now.

I urge you to vote to support Mayor Reed and his call for employee compensation reductions and his well thought out and reasonable Budget Message. As residents and taxpayers, the people of San Jose are relying on you! Remember that you are supposedly representing us, the citizens of San Jose, not the unions and others that want more and more in our fragile economy. Everyone has to give up something for the good of our community--we have too much debt and we have to reign in spending.

Thank you,

Verna Davis

Jack Davis

From: Felicidad Ocegüera [mailto:
Sent: Thursday, June 17, 2010 7:51 AM
To: Pyle, Nancy
Subject: Please Save Our Services

June 17, 2010

Councilmember Pyle
200 E. Santa Clara Street
San Jose, CA 95113

Dear Councilmember Pyle,

I urge you to vote to support Mayor Reed's budget proposal. As a resident and taxpayer, I am relying on you!

Sincerely

Felicidad Ocegüera

From: james hunt [mailto:
Sent: Tuesday, June 15, 2010 2:30 PM
To: Beattie, George
Subject: Please Save Our Services

June 15, 2010

George Beattie
1151 N. Fourth Street
San Jose, CA 95112

Dear George Beattie,

Dear Mayor Reed and SJ City Council,

I fully support Mayor Reeds pertinent steps toward fiscal responsibility, agree with Pete Constant's message below and want to add my ire toward Councilmember Pyle's actions to do the right thing. All politicians are paid to be public servants not obstacles toward doing the right thing. Nancy, as a voter and taxpayer I deplore your actions, comments and unfortunate political moves that bite the hands that feed you which is totally unacceptable and not worthy of someone in your position. We, the public are of course very wary of politicians in general; history tells us we must be. We were taught to question authority. You provide the ammunition and all the evidence as to why we should feel this way. We are all in this together so how can you possibly continue to support keeping the servants so far above those you are supposed to serve, Main Street. Public employees including our firefighters abuse the system right in front of our eyes with a huge percentage retiring early on disability with lifetime pensions when indeed they are not disabled. This has happened in our own family so we've seen it first hand and have found it to be rampant. **WE CAN'T AFFORD TO CONTINUE THESE PENSIONS AND NON PARTICIPATION IN THIS HUGE FINANCIAL CRISIS!** Unions have a history that speaks for itself. As servants you should be taking the BRUNT of necessary measures to help obtain fiscal responsibility and not demonstrate your own "hostile act" by standing in the way of the right thing to do. You tell on yourself by doing so and of course will not get my vote. It's easy Nancy, Councilmembers and Unions, do the right thing. We are really getting tired of waiting for you to do so especially when we pay for all of this!

Respectfully,

James Hunt

Message for Councilmember Pyle,

I recently read your budget memo dated June 11, 2010.

The City has been negotiating in good faith for months with several of the employee unions. Now is time for the City to implement the Last, Best and Final Offers that have been provided to the unions.

I have to tell you I am shocked that in your memo you refer to imposing contract terms as a "hostile act." This is the only option left for the city to take, since we are out of time and the budget must be balanced. This "hostile act" that you refer to has long been codified in state law and is the proper action for the City Council to take after being unable to negotiate terms with the unions.

I am also concerned that you refer to modest employee concessions of 10% as "inequitable" and a "burden." I hope you are aware that many residents in San Jose have seen their paychecks reduced by far more than that - if they even still have a job to give them that paycheck!

At a time when San Jose families have seen their income fall and their retirement saving evaporate, you are telling us that City employees should remain insulated from this economic crisis. That is unreasonable!

Need I remind you that for many years the City budget has been balanced on the backs of the residents and taxpayers of San Jose. We have seen our services continually reduced and the fees and taxes you charge us go up and up!

Enough is enough! Please remember who you represent: THE RESIDENTS OF SAN JOSE, not the employee unions!

Sincerely,

james hunt

From: Beate Gruenewald [mailto:]
Sent: Tuesday, June 15, 2010 10:01 AM
To: bpope@oe3.org
Subject: Please Save Our Services

June 15, 2010

Bill Pope

Dear Bill Pope,

As a citizen of the City of San Jose I fully support the proposed budget plan and urge the council to support it. Please do not forget who you represent and work for - the citizen's of San Jose! don't be hold hostage to the unions!

Today, the City Council will be voting on Mayor Reed's budget plan, which will restore library hours to 4.5 days per week, keep open 22 community centers slated for closure, and provide additional funding for our crossing guard, park ranger and anti-graffiti programs.

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The City Council is going to have to make difficult decisions to close our budget deficit and preserve core city services.

I urge you to vote to support Mayor Reed and his call for employee compensation reductions and his well thought out and reasonable Budget Message. As residents and taxpayers, the people of San Jose are relying on you!

Best regards.

B.

Sincerely

Beate Gruenewald

From: Mary Tanner [mailto:
Sent: Tuesday, June 15, 2010 8:50 AM
To: Kalra, Ash
Subject: Please Save Our Services

June 15, 2010

Councilmember Kalra
200 E. Santa Clara Street
San Jose, CA 95113

Dear Councilmember Kalra,

To all,

We support Mayor Reed's budget plan. It is our understanding that benefits for San Jose employees are excessively generous. Asking for a 10% reduction in pay and benefits is not a hostile act, it is a necessity.

Thank you,

Brian and Mary Tanner

District 1

Sincerely

Mary Tanner

From: Laurie Fleck [mailto:
Sent: Tuesday, June 15, 2010 8:46 AM
To: Oliverio, Pierluigi
Subject: Please Save Our Services

June 15, 2010

Councilmember Oliverio
200 E. Santa Clara Street
San Jose, CA 95113

Dear Councilmember Oliverio,

On Tuesday, the City Council will be voting on Mayor Reed's budget plan, which will restore library hours to 4.5 days per week, keep open 22 community centers slated for closure, and provide additional funding for our crossing guard, park ranger and anti-graffiti programs. As a former exercise instructor for Older Adults and as a middle school teacher, I know the importance of both community centers and libraries for all groups of people. Both of these places are safe, nurturing environments and both employ a variety of people. The community centers keep seniors active and give children of all ages a fun place to meet friends or take enrichment classes.

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I urge you to vote to support Mayor Reed and his call for employee compensation reductions and his well thought out and reasonable Budget Message. As residents and taxpayers, the people of San Jose are relying on you! Thank you for considering my views.

Sincerely,

Laurie Fleck

Sincerely

From: Cynthia Porter [mailto:
Sent: Monday, June 14, 2010 9:32 PM
To: BudgetComments
Subject: Please Save Our Services

June 14, 2010

Debra Figone
200 E. Santa Clara Street
San Jose, CA 95113

Dear Debra Figone,

Dear Mayor Reed,

I agree that the increase in City costs need to be reigned in. I don't see how we can continue to proceed on the same financial path we have for the last several years. Like all of us, the City must live within its means. The choices aren't easy or popular. Please continue with your leadership and fiscal prudence.

Sincerely,

Cynthia Porter

Sincerely

Cynthia Porter

From: too joe [mailto:
Sent: Wednesday, June 16, 2010 1:51 PM
To: Beattie, George
Subject: Please Save Our Services

June 16, 2010

George Beattie
1151 N. Fourth Street
San Jose, CA 95112

Dear George Beattie,

I am writing to urge you to take action today to reduce employee costs in the City of San José. In the last 10 years, the cost of employees has gone up 72% while the actual number of employees has gone down! This is unacceptable and doesn't make sense.

City employees have been receiving generous salary and benefits increases over the years when the economy was good. We can no longer afford to pay such high wages and pensions. Employee costs are going to bankrupt the City of San José.

We need strong leadership from the city council, city manager and union leadership to help navigate San José through this current crisis and to put measures in place to ensure that this doesn't happen again down the road. We need real solutions, not one-time quick fixes that will just push the problem off to the next year.

I ask that you work on real solutions that involve permanent cuts of at least 10% to employee wages and benefits – now, not later!

Sincerely

too joe

From: Debbe Angelillis [mailto:

Sent: Wednesday, June 16, 2010 11:42 AM

To: The Office of Mayor Chuck Reed; District1; District2; District3; District4; District5; Oliverio, Pierluigi; District7; Herrera, Rose; Chirco, Judy; Office of Councilmember Nancy Pyle

Cc: City Clerk

Subject: Creative Solutions Can Save Services

The future of San Jose rests in your hands. You and other members of the City Council will choose whether to save critical services such as police, fire, community centers, libraries and parks or decimating the quality of life in San Jose.

City workers have offered millions of dollars in concessions and community leaders have proposed creative ideas such as eliminating vacant positions, reducing low priority spending, and saving millions in unemployment payments by avoiding layoffs. With these budget solutions, you have the opportunity to resolve the budget shortfall without cutting essential services.

I am worried that some City officials want to pass up this opportunity and choose a path that will lead to massive cuts to vital services. I am counting on you. Our City's youth, seniors and families are counting on you! Please support a global solution on June 15th.

From: Ronald Lindsay [mailto:
Sent: Tuesday, June 15, 2010 8:21 AM
To: Nguyen, Madison
Subject: Take a stand and fix the budget

June 15, 2010

Councilmember Nguyen
200 E. Santa Clara Street
San Jose, CA 95113

Dear Councilmember Nguyen,

Councilmember Oliverio District 6 Case # 00006580: Supports Mayor Budget

I attended the Council session last evening (Monday) and I will admit that there were some very touching and gut-wrenching stories from city employees regarding the hardships they will encounter with any reduction in salary and benefits. But lets face reality! I personally have \$500 less per month because of the health care costs that is now deducted from my pension check. I have simply adjusted my living style.

I will reiterate one of the statements that I made yesterday in my e-mail to each of you.

The City of San Jose has provided more than generous pay and benefits to city employees for many years. The threat of laying-off city employees and cutting back of services is not the answer. With the given state of the economy, it is only right that city employees share in the repercussions of the current budget crisis and its long term solution. It is also only right that our city council have the courage to "bite the bullet" and take whatever long term action is necessary to reduce current employee salaries to an equitable and affordable level and eliminate the costly retirement of new city employees and make city government once again affordable.

What you heard last evening is what I am sure all the previous City Councils also heard but they refused to do what was right for the long term growth of our city. It will not get any easier next year nor the year after to make the decisions that are absolutely necessary to fix the \$116 million budget deficit. Why can you not become

From: kcampisi@aol.com [mailto:

Sent: Tuesday, June 15, 2010 2:22 PM

To: Campos, Nora; Chu, Kansen; Herrera, Rose; Kalra, Ash; Nguyen, Madison; Pyle, Nancy; Constant, Pete; Liccardo, Sam; Oliverio, Pierluigi; Chirco, Judy; Reed, Chuck; City Clerk

Subject: Support Mayor Reed's Budget on June 15

I support Mayor Reed's budget priorities to maintain services - vote for MAYOR REED'S BUDGET ON JUNE 15.

Kathy Campisi

From: hrcarole@pacbell.net [mailto:

Sent: Tuesday, June 15, 2010 1:44 PM

To: Pyle, Nancy

Cc: Campos, Nora; Chu, Kansen; Herrera, Rose; Kalra, Ash; Nguyen, Madison; Constant, Pete; Liccardo, Sam; Oliverio, Pierluigi; Chirco, Judy; Reed, Chuck; City Clerk

Subject: Request your support for Mayor Reed's budget proposal

Importance: High

Dear Nancy Pyle (my district's Councilmember) and to all other Councilmembers,

As a long time resident of San Jose (currently in Almaden, previously in Evergreen and North San Jose locations), I want to add my strong support for Mayor Reed's budget proposal to save city services and agree to the other required changes to adjust budgets to necessary levels. This may not be an easy decision, but it is the right decision for the City to make, in light of economic realities.

Nancy, we have met a number of times at the Almaden Business Association. As an active member of the community, I am asking you to please vote for Mayor Reed's budget today. Your constituents' wishes in this matter should take priority over any personal agendas. I believe the large majority of citizens in San Jose feel it is important for you to vote on our behalf in favor of the Mayor's proposal.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Carole Edman

Carole C. Edman, SPHR

From: Cynthia Jensen [mailto:
Sent: Thursday, June 17, 2010 7:46 AM
To: Mukhar, John
Subject: Support a 10% pay reduction for all employees

June 17, 2010

John Mukhar
170 W. San Carlos Street
c/o ESD
San Jose, CA 95113

Dear John Mukhar,

With the given state of the economy, it is only right that city employees share in the repercussions of the current budget crisis. The mayor and city council have already taken pay cuts, and it is about time that city employees be forced to do the same. The mayor and the council should be pressuring the unions to allow for these cuts, given that if a pay reduction is not made soon, more employees will be laid off.

By laying-off city employees, we will be doing exactly what we are trying to avoid—reducing services. City employees are necessary in providing the services we have now, whatever of them are left. By reducing the number of city employees, there will be less services and less efficiency. The City of San Jose has provided generous pay and benefits to city employees for years, and it is about time the employees joined in the sacrifice. We urge you to reduce city employee pay by 10%, in an effort to save our services!

Sincerely

Cynthia Jensen

From: Romolo Barbieri [mailto:
Sent: Thursday, June 17, 2010 7:15 AM
To: bpope@oe3.org
Subject: Support a 10% pay reduction for all employees

June 17, 2010

Bill Pope
1654 The Alameda, Suite 110
San Jose, CA 95126

Dear Bill Pope,

I applaud the city council's leadership in agreeing to take a 10% pay cut and I urge all city employees to agree to the same pay cut in order to Save Our Services. Fewer employees mean fewer city services. Services have already been cut enough.

Higher unemployment due to layoffs, closed libraries and longer wait times at City Hall are not solutions - they are the byproducts of failed leadership. Please do not fail the people of San José by closing our libraries and slashing our other services.

City employees have enjoyed generous salaries and benefits over the years, but San José can no longer afford to pay them. Everyone should shoulder some of pain as the City makes cuts. It is simply not fair to ask San José residents to give up their services and not ask employees to give up a small portion of their pay.

We are one community and unless employees can come to the table with real concessions, it's the residents who are once again being asked pay the price.

Sincerely

Romolo Barbieri

From: Lee Myers [mailto:
Sent: Thursday, June 17, 2010 6:57 AM
To: Kalra, Ash
Subject: Please Save Our Services

June 17, 2010

Councilmember Kalra
200 E. Santa Clara Street
San Jose, CA 95113

Dear Councilmember Kalra,

On Tuesday, the City Council will be voting on Mayor Reed's budget plan, which will restore library hours to 4.5 days per week, keep open 22 community centers slated for closure, and provide additional funding for our crossing guard, park ranger and anti-graffiti programs.

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&n bsp; I urge you to vote to support Mayor Reed and his call for employee compensation reductions and his well thought out and reasonable Budget Message. As residents and taxpayers, the people of San Jose are relying on you!

Sincerely

Lee Myers

From: Dale Anderson [mailto:
Sent: Thursday, June 17, 2010 6:36 AM
To: Pyle, Nancy
Subject: Please Save Our Services

June 17, 2010

Councilmember Pyle
200 E. Santa Clara Street
San Jose, CA 95113

Dear Councilmember Pyle,

For years now, I've watched San Jose taxpayers be forced to pay for budget items that are wasteful and sometimes offensive. During that time, I've watched as friends and family have left California to avoid the punitive taxation, expense and overcrowding that is life in San Jose. We've seen co-workers laid off and been forced ourselves to accept salary cuts all the while being forced to pay an ever increasing tax burden.

So now we are threatened with the prospect of decreased city services even though we are paying more out of our diminished income. This picture is so not right. How can public employees be insulated from the consequences of habitual governmental over spending? The rest of us aren't. I believe it is time that public employees share the burden and a 10% cut in their compensation is reasonable.

The City Council is going to have to make difficult decisions to close our budget deficit and preserve core city services.

I urge you to vote to support Mayor Reed and his call for employee compensation reductions and his well thought out and reasonable Budget Message. As residents and taxpayers, the people of San Jose are relying on you!

Sincerely

Dale Anderson

From: David Kowal [mailto:
Sent: Thursday, June 17, 2010 12:27 AM
To: Chirco, Judy
Subject: Please Save Our Services

June 17, 2010

Vice Mayor Chirco
200 E. Santa Clara Street
San Jose, CA 95113

Dear Vice Mayor Chirco,

Mayor and City council:

Please do not cut employee compensation and benefits. Balancing the budget on the backs of employees is wrong, not a long term solution, and does not address the problem. The problem is that Council has approved services above what the tax payers are willing to support. Services must be reduced to a level at which revenue will pay for. Over the years the city has instituted many non-essential services without identifying long term funding to support those non-essential services. Simply put, the citizens, taxpayers, of San Jose do not want to pay for services such as community centers, senior and youth programs, etc.

The only right solution to the budget problem is to reduce services. If in the future, tax payers vote to restore those services. and vote taxes to pay for them, then reinstate non-essential services. It is long past time that council starts listening to tax-paying citizens and stop spending money that that does not exist.

Close those community centers, discontinue non-essential services, and then let the tax paying, voting, public decide what they wish to fund. Like it or not, voting tax paying citizens hold the purse, and will stop excess spending with their vote. So be proactive and represent the public by cutting services. Remember, each year will bring another budget crisis until services are cut.

From: j muller [mailto:]
Sent: Wednesday, June 16, 2010 10:59 PM
To: Campos, Nora
Subject: Please Save Our Services

June 16, 2010

Councilmember Campos
200 E. Santa Clara Street
San Jose, CA 95113

Dear Councilmember Campos,

Council members,

10% pay cut is too much. City workers dont deserve such drastic measures. It is completely unfair for the mayor and other self serving council members to force this ridiculous proposal. You hire these people to work for the city and promise them certain benefits that are modestly comparable to the rest of the silicon valley work force. Benefits, pay, and retirement are then negotiated for over the years, only to ripped away because certain peoples think its too much now. These same employess were making a modest income during the boom in the economy, not making hand over fist incomes like some city council people. City employees have families who are suffering due to ecomony just like everyone else in this country. They deserve to keep what they have already worked hard for. This proposal is a slap in the face to city workers, hope they go on strike if you force this upon them. City services are not more importa nt than loyal city employees who have served our community for years.

Sincerely

j muller

From: Patrick Hall [mailto:
Sent: Wednesday, June 16, 2010 10:48 PM
To: Washington, LaVerne
Subject: Please Save Our Services

June 16, 2010

LaVerne Washington
200 E. Santa Clara Street
c/o City Attorney's Office
San Jose, CA 95113

Dear LaVerne Washington,

I support the votes of Council District 1 & 6 councilmen 100%. We in the private sector have had to learn to get by with less in hard times, and it's only fair that the city employees share the experience. Government will be more efficient in the end.

Sincerely

Patrick Hall

From: Chris P [mailto:
Sent: Wednesday, June 16, 2010 10:54 PM
To: Liccardo, Sam
Subject: Please Save Our Services

June 16, 2010

Councilmember Liccardo
200 E. Santa Clara Street
San Jose, CA 95113

Dear Councilmember Liccardo,

To All Concerned:

Mayor Reed's budget proposal is a fair approach to resolve a problem that each one of you are active participants.

I work for a small, private company of about 15 employees. Over the last couple of years we have had to make some difficult decisions. Layoffs are always the most difficult. Pay cuts from the top down to the bottom are not only fair, but balanced.

I noticed healthcare was a portion of the budget problem. In my opinion government organizations are investing far too much capital in individual plans. Employees should be active participants in their healthcare. It is time that each employee, union or otherwise, invest in their own healthcare. The small company I work for has saved a great deal of money by turning to HSA's (health savings accounts). In fact we actually saved 20% of our jobs and no longer show massive losses on our monthly income statements. I urge the city to consider HSA's as an option. Personally I feel proud to invest in my own healthcare.

In the end, do the right thing and tighten your belts. We're doing it at home with our money; you should do the same with our money.

Sincerely,

Chris P.

P.S. I found it quite disturbing that amongst all of these budget issues the city council took \"company\" time to condemn another state for protecting their citizens. Shame on each one of you for voting in favor of condemnation. The two individuals who voted against condemnation, thank you for your courage and wisdom.

Sincerely

Chris P

From: Shirley Worth [mailto:]
Sent: Wednesday, June 16, 2010 10:36 PM
To: Kalra, Ash
Subject: Please Save Our Services

June 16, 2010

Councilmember Kalra
200 E. Santa Clara Street
San Jose, CA 95113

Dear Councilmember Kalra,

Please vote to restore library hours, keep open more community centers and fund our crossing guard, park ranger and anti-graffiti programs.

It is unfortunate that a pay/benefit cut cannot be imposed on all city employees, but the proposed 10% reduction program will save services and jobs and help preserve quality of life in San Jose.

This is a difficult decision, but it must be made -- and further, steps need to be taken in the near future to control city salary/benefit expenses for all employees.

I believe Mayor Reed's budget proposal, including compensation reductions, is the best possible step right now. I urge you to vote to support Mayor Reed.

Sincerely

Shirley Worth

From: Al Todd [mailto:]
Sent: Wednesday, June 16, 2010 10:36 PM
To: Constant, Pete
Subject: Please Save Our Services

June 16, 2010

Councilmember Constant
200 E. Santa Clara Street
San Jose, CA 95113

Dear Councilmember Constant,

You will either do your job and stop the Unions from bankrupting the City of San Jose or you will be replaced.

The wages and benefits of San Jose City Employees are far beyond what the average working taxpayer (who pays their wages and benefit packages) earns or receives for equivalent jobs. None of this makes any sense and reflects that all the political leaders have been asleep at the wheel for many years. Hello, Earth is calling - San Jose City Leaders come back and do what you were elected to do.

Save the City from being bankrupt by Union Greed!

Sincerely

Al Todd

From: Dennis Nitschke [mailto:]
Sent: Wednesday, June 16, 2010 10:27 PM
To: Reed, Chuck; City Clerk
Subject: Fw: Please support the Mayor's budget proposal, and reject the union's latest

--- On **Wed, 6/16/10, Dennis Nitschke** <dennis_n@sbcglobal.net> wrote:

From: Dennis Nitschke
Subject: Please support the Mayor's budget proposal, and reject the union's latest
To: nora.campos@sanjoseca.gov
Date: Wednesday, June 16, 2010, 9:55 PM

Dear Ms Campos:

I still support the Mayor's budget proposal. The latest union proposals are too little too late, and are typical of stalling tactics. I believe the union proposal only buys time and gives the city the sleeves off their vest, allowing them to get well or get back what they have temporarily given up. Please don't trade our future tax dollars for near term convenience giving into the latest union proposal.

I know you have supported the unions in the past, but the pay and benefits are just not in line with the current budget realities and economic conditions of the country, state, county and city.

Please vote for the Mayor's budget, and reject the unions latest proposal.

Lets get this behind us and move on.

Dennis Nitschke

--- On **Sun, 6/13/10, Dennis Nitschke** <dennis_n@sbcglobal.net> wrote:

From: Dennis Nitschke <
Subject: SAVING CITY SERVICES CALL
To: nora.campos@sanjoseca.gov
Date: Sunday, June 13, 2010, 4:23 PM

Dear Ms Campos:

Just a short note to say I support Mayor Reeds budget initiative.

Please vote for it.

I know you are a supporter of the unions in San Jose, however I believe a reality check is needed by all. The total economy has been reshaped downward over the last several years and everyone needs to understand that.

Also, I understand the police and fire unions may not be included in the proposed cuts due to existing contracts. If that is so, then I support future negotiations that will bring the police and fire salaries and benefits in line with budget realities. Although they have tough jobs, and have fought for their wage and benefit package, they are not in line with what is affordable. They as well as all public servants need a reality check.

Also note, that I am not a resident of your district, but feel strongly the budget crisis can't be solved on the backs of the citizens and residents of San Jose. San Jose employees are the largest part of the city budget and their compensation needs to be brought in line with the realities of the current economy.

Thank you for your positive support for Mayor Reeds budget initiative.

Dennis Nitschke (South San Jose Resident)

From: lisa hill [mailto:;
Sent: Wednesday, June 16, 2010 10:23 PM
To: Beattie, George
Subject: Support a 10% pay reduction for all employees

June 16, 2010

George Beattie
1151 N. Fourth Street
San Jose, CA 95112

Dear George Beattie,

With the given state of the economy, it is only right that city employees share in the repercussions of the current budget crisis. The mayor and city council have already taken pay cuts, and it is about time that city employees be forced to do the same. The mayor and the council should be pressuring the unions to allow for these cuts, given that if a pay reduction is not made soon, more employees will be laid off.

By laying-off city employees, we will be doing exactly what we are trying to avoid—reducing services. City employees are necessary in providing the services we have now, whatever of them are left. By reducing the number of city employees, there will be less services and less efficiency. The City of San Jose has provided generous pay and benefits to city employees for years, and it is about time the employees joined in the sacrifice. We urge you to reduce city employee pay by 10%, in an effort to save our services!

Sincerely

lisa hill

From: Lori Katcher [mailto:
Sent: Wednesday, June 16, 2010 10:15 PM
To: Liccardo, Sam
Subject: Please Save Our Services

June 16, 2010

Councilmember Liccardo
200 E. Santa Clara Street
San Jose, CA 95113

Dear Councilmember Liccardo,

On Thursday, the City Council will be voting on Mayor Reed's budget plan, which will restore library hours to 4.5 days per week, keep open 22 community centers slated for closure, and provide additional funding for our crossing guard, park ranger and anti-graffiti programs. These programs and services are necessary for keeping thriving communities. Every school day my children have safer passage to school thanks to crossing guards. We and many other families utilize the libraries and community centers to instill a love of learning and offer wholesome activity options for our children, who are the future of our city.

This is a time to be strong leaders, and do what is right for the city as a whole. The only way to fund these services is by reducing pay and benefits by 10% for non-sworn employee groups with open contracts. Without these concessions, which total \$7.7 million in General Fund savings, you will not be able to restore most of these services listed above and you will be forced to lay off hundreds of city employees.

The City Council is going to have to make difficult decisions to close our budget deficit and preserve core city services. But these are the responsible decisions to make.

I urge you to vote to support Mayor Reed and his call for employee compensation reductions and his well thought out and reasonable Budget Message. As residents and taxpayers, the people of San Jose are relying on you! Please take this action!

Sincerely,

Lori Katcher

Sincerely

From: Mike Jardin [mailto:
Sent: Wednesday, June 16, 2010 10:13 PM
To: Reed, Chuck
Subject: Please Save Our Services

June 16, 2010

Mayor Reed
200 E. Santa Clara Street
San Jose, CA 95113

Dear Mayor Reed,

The new concessions by the Unions are too late to be adequately digested and understood by all involved. The Unions should have put their best offers on the table weeks ago and should have not opted for the \"last minute\" tactical approach.

I support the Mayor's Budget Message and urge the council to follow the Mayor's direction with no further delays. The Mayor's plan is our best approach to preserving our city services at this critical time. We need to adopt his structured action plan now!

mike jardin

Sincerely

Mike Jardin

From: John Bozsony [mailto:
Sent: Wednesday, June 16, 2010 10:04 PM
To: BudgetComments
Subject: Please Save Our Services

June 16, 2010

Debra Figone
200 E. Santa Clara Street
San Jose, CA 95113

Dear Debra Figone,

On Tuesday, the City Council will be voting on Mayor Reed's budget plan, which will restore library hours to 4.5 days per week, keep open 22 community centers slated for closure, and provide additional funding for our crossing guard, park ranger and anti-graffiti programs.

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The City Council is going to have to make difficult decisions to close our budget deficit and preserve core city services. The days of uncontrolled pay raises and less than adequate employee contributions to their own retirement plans are over. Taxpayers are losing their jobs and retirement benefits and yet the city unions feel entitled to continued pay raises and rapidly increasing retirement benefits. This is an unsustainable burden for the taxpayers to bear.

I urge you to vote to support Mayor Reed and his call for employee compensation reductions and his well thought out and reasonable Budget Message. As residents and taxpayers, the people of San Jose are relying on you!

Sincerely

John Bozsony

From: Nancy Vierra [mailto:
Sent: Wednesday, June 16, 2010 9:55 PM
To: Reed, Chuck
Subject: Please Save Our Services

June 16, 2010

Mayor Reed
200 E. Santa Clara Street
San Jose, CA 95113

Dear Mayor Reed,

Please when you consider voting on Mayor Reed's budget plan, understand the importance of restoring library hours to 4.5 days per week, keeping open 22 community centers slated for closure, and providing additional funding for our crossing guard, park ranger and anti-graffiti programs.

I understand that the only way to fund these services is by reducing pay and benefits by 10% for non-sworn employee groups with open contracts. Without these concessions, which total \$7.7 million in General Fund savings, you will not be able to restore most of these services listed above and you will be forced to lay off hundreds of city employees.

From: Daniel Sahagun [mailto:
Sent: Wednesday, June 16, 2010 9:32 PM
To: Dapp, Dale
Subject: Support a 10% pay reduction for all employees

June 16, 2010

Dale Dapp
200 E. Santa Clara Street
c/o DOT
San Jose, CA 95113

Dear Dale Dapp,

With the given state of the economy, it is only right that city employees share in the repercussions of the current budget crisis. The mayor and city council have already taken pay cuts, and it is about time that city employees be forced to do the same. The mayor and the council should be pressuring the unions to allow for these cuts, given that if a pay reduction is not made soon, more employees will be laid off.

By laying-off city employees, we will be doing exactly what we are trying to avoid—reducing services. City employees are necessary in providing the services we have now, whatever of them are left. By reducing the number of city employees, there will be less services and less efficiency. The City of San Jose has provided generous pay and benefits to city employees for years, and it is about time the employees joined in the sacrifice. We urge you to reduce city employee pay by 10%, in an effort to save our services!

It is time for all of us to recognize that in difficult economic times, we must all tighten our belts. Union members should be no different. Stand your ground and have the layoffs and reduction in services if that is what it takes. When my salary doesn't cover my expenses, I must reduce my expenses. The city must do the same.

I stand with fiscal responsibility and prudent choices.

Sincerely

Daniel Sahagun

From: joe winter [mailto:
Sent: Wednesday, June 16, 2010 9:30 PM
To: MacKenzie, Cay Denise
Subject: Please Save Our Services

June 16, 2010

Cay Denise MacKenzie
855 N. San Pedro, Room 404
c/o OES
San Jose, CA 95110

Dear Cay Denise MacKenzie,

To: All City Employees

Re: Eating habits

From: The BOSS

VIA

City Council Members,

I know you all work hard, so do I.

You like to be paid for what you do, so you can eat well, so do I.

You like eating steak, so do I.

Up to this point we agree.!

But that's where the problem lies. ?

Because of what I have to pay YOU I now eat chicken while you, still eat steak.

This does not make the BOSS happy -I do not like chicken.!!!

Thanks.

The Boss.

From: Earl Rice [mailto:
Sent: Wednesday, June 16, 2010 9:30 PM
To: bpope@oe3.org
Subject: Please Save Our Services

June 16, 2010

Bill Pope
1654 The Alameda, Suite 110
San Jose, CA 95126

Dear Bill Pope,

I support Mayor Reed's call for employee compensation reductions. This is a put-up-or-shut-up point for all you elected people who need to remember why you are in office. You are here to serve the people who voted for you, not just whoever paid to help you get elected. I have nothing against unions, it's just time to recognize that we have to cut back. In the true spirit of a union, members would consider it an act of solidarity to share a burden rather than throw brothers and sisters onto the street.

A ten percent cut is not a good thing, but it is a lot better than layoffs.

Sincerely

Earl Rice

From: Cathy Davis [mailto:
Sent: Wednesday, June 16, 2010 9:30 PM
To: sventura@ibew332.org
Subject: Please Save Our Services

June 16, 2010

Sal Ventura
2125 Canoas Garden Ave, Suite 100
San Jose,, CA 95125

Dear Sal Ventura,

Message for Councilmember Pyle,

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From: Jacqueline Price [mailto:
Sent: Wednesday, June 16, 2010 9:19 PM
To: bpope@oe3.org
Subject: Please Save Our Services

June 16, 2010

Bill Pope
1654 The Alameda, Suite 110
San Jose, CA 95126

Dear Bill Pope,

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From: TIM LADBURY [mailto:
Sent: Wednesday, June 16, 2010 8:56 PM
To: Campos, Nora
Subject: Please Save Our Services

June 16, 2010

Councilmember Campos
200 E. Santa Clara Street
San Jose, CA 95113

Dear Councilmember Campos,

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i AGREE WITH EVERYTHING THAT IS ON THIS E-MAIL. WE NEED TO GET THIS SITUATION UNDER CONTROL. I WOULD BE UNABLE TO BUY ANY TAX INCREASE THAT YOU MIGHT WANT TO SADDLE ME WITH. I GOT NO RAISE LAST YEAR AND A 1% INCESS THIS YEAR THAT WAS \$500.00 AFTER EVERY THING WAS TAKEN. I WILL CLEAR 425.00 FOR THE YEAR. YOU DO NOT NEED A RAISE AND NEITHER DO ANY OF THE UNIONS.

Sincerely

TIM LADBURY

From: Mary Ellen Genovese [mailto:
Sent: Wednesday, June 16, 2010 8:53 PM
To: Dapp, Dale
Subject: Please Save Our Services

June 16, 2010

Dale Dapp
200 E. Santa Clara Street
c/o DOT
San Jose, CA 95113

Dear Dale Dapp,

I urge you to support the Mayor's budget. I realize salary cuts are unpopular but most San Jose families have been impacted by this recession and are living on less. Most of us make less today than we did a few years ago and we have seen significant reductions in our retirement savings. Many are still unemployed. If we continue to cut services we will impact the safety, health & welfare of our residents. In addition our property values will continue to decline as prospective buyers look elsewhere for homes due to the lack of services in San Jose. Please support the residents of San Jose, balance our budget, and maintain services in San Jose.

Sincerely

Mary Ellen Genovese

From: Emily Ray [mailto:
Sent: Wednesday, June 16, 2010 8:22 PM
To: Constant, Pete
Subject: Support a 10% pay reduction for all employees

June 16, 2010

Councilmember Constant
200 E. Santa Clara Street
San Jose, CA 95113

Dear Councilmember Constant,

This budget crisis means that everyone must work together and share in the pain. The mayor and every member of the city council should support a 10% pay reduction for all city employees and should be working to get the unions to agree.

No one wants to see city employees get pink slips. It is up to the leadership of each union to get their members to agree to a 10% pay reduction. City employees have been compensated well for years and now that the economy has turned, they need to be a part of the solution.

It's hard to believe that city employees would rather see hundreds of their co-workers laid off than take a small pay cut! For those who are left with jobs, they will inevitably be saddled with greater work loads. It just doesn't make sense that the unions are more focused on protecting employees' salaries rather than their jobs.

Sincerely

Emily Ray

From: mike angles [mailto:
Sent: Wednesday, June 16, 2010 8:14 PM
To: Chu, Kansen
Subject: Please Save Our Services

June 16, 2010

Councilmember Chu
200 E. Santa Clara Street
San Jose, CA 95113

Dear Councilmember Chu,

I am writing you to express my opinion and concerns regarding the City of San Jose's budget issues. This letter is being sent to elected officials, union and city management.

I implore the San Jose City Council and our Mayor to step up to the plate and secure our city's financial future by owning the complex decisions and setting a course for smoother waters in the future. We must have balanced budget pay-as-you go decisions. Go, no-go decisions must make business sense and create taxpayer returns.

Past city management and elected officials have failed to understand basic economic cycles and cash flow principles. Poor decisions in our past have burdened us with debt obligations and employee related commitments that are impacting our potential prosperity.

Past decisions have been made by selecting the "easy solutions" and those advancing personal agendas. The mayor and council members must change the way they conduct business to better match today's economic reality. We can see our past elected officials lacked a sound understanding of financial planning by not creating adequate reserves for capital needs (infrastructural replacements and improvements), and by limiting our future options by committing tomorrows' taxpayers to yesterdays promises to the unions and trophy projects.

Elected officials should be held accountable for their budgets. Proactive budgets and decisions that pay for themselves should be acknowledged. Deficit expanding proposals should be killed. Services and other endeavors must become self-funding. As an example, a new city hall or fire station must provide a financial return to the city and taxpayer. Monies invested in public transit should be seed funding, not operational, which must be generated from those that benefit. Seed funding should be returned to the fund it originated from per the project proposal plan.

Decisions must benefit the taxpayer, not burden them with obligations. Expense and investment decisions should never advance personal objectives such as helping one get reelected or securing tenure.

Unions negotiate to advance their membership. Union negotiators want fairness plus trophies for their membership. Most elected officials lack the skill set to negotiate with unions. The parties at the negotiating table seek a praising news story and outcome advancing their agenda. In the 30 years I have lived in San Jose, I have seen few agreements acknowledging taxpayer limitations. Granted, it is difficult to place a value on some services such as police and fire protection. However, the numerous reports of high retirement settlement payouts, disability claims, pension returns and medical coverage are clearly disrespectful to the taxpayer. Union benefits secured by future taxpayer burdens is not right – These yet to be determined, high cost obligations will drive residents away to more affordable and better managed communities.

My disappointment with the city staff and elected officials is shared by many of my neighbors. Years ago I was a manager in high-tech. My job and many of those around me were outsourced to local and distant 3rd parties. The City of San Jose has failed to embrace the economic realities that the private sector did over 10 years ago. Our city has been under significant financial pressure for years and has lacked the leadership for a proactive solution. Reactive solutions have become the soupe du jour.

City management must change their mind-set to that of a business for the benefit of the taxpayer. This message MUST be delivered to all that derive monetary benefit from city managed funds. The taxpayer should NOT be viewed a deep-pocket monetary source.

I implore the San Jose City Council and our Mayor to step up to the plate and secure our financial future by making the difficult decisions that will create balanced budgets. We must have affordable pay-as-you go decisions.

I implore the San Jose City Council and our Mayor to secure our financial future by taking the a proactive approach to our financial security by forcing union concessions, reducing new-hire benefits, out-sourcing, and forcing cost-benefit analysis for all decisions with full disclosure, etc.

Regards, Mike Angles

Sincerely

From: Linda Rose [mailto:
Sent: Wednesday, June 16, 2010 7:55 PM
To: Constant, Pete
Subject: Please Save Our Services

June 16, 2010

Councilmember Constant
200 E. Santa Clara Street
San Jose, CA 95113

Dear Councilmember Constant,

I believe that the value of our city can be found in the services offered to the residents. Keeping libraries and community centers open is crucial. Services to Seniors and to the Youth of our community are important, as these are the groups least able to independently obtain those services they need on a consistent basis.

Although I would prefer that employees not be required to take further cuts in pay and benefits, I also know that failure to pass a budget that maintains services will only cost more in the long run. Without the cuts, unfortunately, layoffs are likely and services will suffer.

I am not inclined to blindly follow the Mayor's path, but with respect to this budget this year, I encourage you to support him and his budget and get on with the business of running this city. 2010-06-16

Sincerely

Linda Rose

From: Paul Stewart [mailto:
Sent: Wednesday, June 16, 2010 7:35 PM
To: Herrera, Rose
Subject: Please Save Our Services

June 16, 2010

Councilmember Herrera
200 E. Santa Clara Street
San Jose, CA 95113

Dear Councilmember Herrera,

I am a resident of District 7 and grew up in District 1. As a lifelong resident of San Jose, saving our services is of paramount importance. On Thursday, the City Council will be voting on Mayor Reed's budget plan and the recently announced 'concessions' from employees. Between the two, we can restore library hours to 4.5 days per week, keep open 22 community centers slated for closure, and provide additional funding for our crossing guard, park ranger and anti-graffiti programs.

We cannot keep doing things the same old way. Even thge employees seemingly recognized the dilemma. Budget challenges lead to innovation and that's why I am urging you to support Mayor Reed and his call for employee compensation reductions and the proffered concessions from the employees. As a resident and taxpayer of San J ose, I am relying on you to the right thing.

Respectfully, Paul Stewart

Sincerely

Paul Stewart

From: Harvey Kingery [mailto:
Sent: Wednesday, June 16, 2010 7:28 PM
To: Kalra, Ash
Subject: Please Save Our Services

June 16, 2010

Councilmember Kalra
200 E. Santa Clara Street
San Jose, CA 95113

Dear Councilmember Kalra,

I live in District 1 but this message is for the whole City Council.

I urge you to vote to support Mayor Reed and his call for employee compensation reductions and his well thought out and reasonable Budget Message. As residents and taxpayers, the people of San Jose are relying on you!

Sincerely

Harvey Kingery

From: Jennifer Nakata [mailto:
Sent: Wednesday, June 16, 2010 7:24 PM
To: Campos, Nora
Subject: Please Save Our Services

June 16, 2010

Councilmember Campos
200 E. Santa Clara Street
San Jose, CA 95113

Dear Councilmember Campos,

I am writing to urge you to take action today to reduce employee costs in the City of San José. In the last 10 years, the cost of employees has gone up 72% while the actual number of employees has gone down! This is unacceptable and doesn't make sense.

City employees have been receiving generous salary and benefits increases over the years when the economy was good. We can no longer afford to pay such high wages and pensions. Employee costs are going to bankrupt the City of San José.

We need strong leadership from the city council, city manager and union leadership to help navigate San José through this current crisis and to put measures in place to ensure that this doesn't happen again down the road. We need real solutions, not one-time quick fixes that will just push the problem off to the next year.

I ask that you work on real solutions that involve permanent cuts of at least 10% to employee wages and benefits – now, not later!

Sincerely

Jennifer Nakata

From: Therese Murphy [mailto:]
Sent: Wednesday, June 16, 2010 6:57 PM
To: Washington, LaVerne
Subject: Please Save Our Services

June 16, 2010

LaVerne Washington
200 E. Santa Clara Street
c/o City Attorney's Office
San Jose, CA 95113

Dear LaVerne Washington,

On Tuesday, the City Council will be voting on Mayor Reed's budget plan, which will restore library hours to 4.5 days per week, keep open 22 community centers slated for closure, and provide additional funding for our crossing guard, park ranger and anti-graffiti programs. The only way to fund these services is by reducing pay and benefits by 10% for non-sworn employee groups with open contracts. Without these concessions, which total \$7.7 million in General Fund savings, you will not be able to restore most of these services listed above and you will be forced to lay off hundreds of city employees.

AS A LONG-TIME RESIDENT OF SILICON VALLEY I HAVE PERSONALLY BEEN THROUGH TWO SUCH COST CUTTING PERIODS AT LOCAL HIGH TECH FIRMS. EACH TIME ALL OF US AT THE COMPANY RECOGNIZED THAT IT WAS CRITICAL TO THE SUCCESS OF THE COMPANY AND OUR ABILITY TO KEEP OUR JOBS THAT WE ALL TAKE THE 10% PAY CUT. I DID THIS WILLINGLY BECAUSE I RECOGNIZED THAT DIRE SITUATIONS REQUIRE THAT TOUGH DECISIONS BE MADE AND HARSH REALITIES BE FACED AND DEALT WITH. IT IS CLEAR TO ME THAT THE CITY OF SAN JOSE IS NOW IN EXACTLY THE SAME SITUATION. IT IS TIME TO STEP UP AND MAKE THE TOUGH DECISIONS. SUPPORT THE MAYOR'S BUDGET. MAKE THE 10% PAY AND BENEFIT CUTS.

The City Council is going to have to make difficult decisions to close our budget deficit and preserve core city services.

I urge you to vote to support Mayor Reed and his call for employee compensation reductions and his well thought out and reasonable Budget Message. As residents and taxpayers, the people of San Jose are relying on you!

From: Ron marfil [mailto:
Sent: Wednesday, June 16, 2010 5:53 PM
To: BudgetComments
Subject: Please Save Our Services

June 16, 2010

Debra Figone
200 E. Santa Clara Street
San Jose, CA 95113

Dear Debra Figone,

I am writing to urge you to take action today to reduce employee costs in the City of San José. In the last 10 years, the cost of employees has gone up 72% while the actual number of employees has gone down! This is unacceptable and doesn't make sense.

Implement pay and retirement cuts NOW. But, do it as a tiered system Everyone cannot afford 10%. A person making 20k cannot afford 2k but a person making 200k+ can afford 40k. So 150k and up 20%, 100 to 149, 15%, 75 to 100 10%, 45 to 75 10%, and perhaps 2% below that.

ALSO VERY VERY important. get overtime under control Don't let union workers make up for lost pay with unchecked overtime!! Enact some very tight rules for overtime or you will lose everything you think you gain with pay cuts

Sincerely

Ron marfil

David S. Wall
P.O. Box 7621
San José, California 95150

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June 17, 2010

Mayor Reed and Members San José City Council
200 East Santa Clara Street
San José, California 95113-1905

Re: THE GHETTO LIFE: UPDATE ON THE SCEP

On Monday, (06.14.10), I ventured over to North Tenth Street @ Horning Street to "take the pulse" of the SCEP (Shopping Cart Entitlement Program). I arrived on station at approximately 1428 hours and found fifteen (15) stolen and abandoned shopping carts. *A 50% increase as to the number of stolen and abandoned shopping carts from last week is hereby recorded.*

The perennial garbage pile (PGP) is growing again along with its contemporary, the perennial growing debris field" (PGDF) along the railroad tracks. Again, I did not visit the established encampments that have reestablished themselves with their corresponding open sewers, rotting food, and nondescript garbage accumulations.

Ownership of the stolen and abandoned shopping carts is as follows;

"Unmarked" (4), Safeway (3), WalMart (1), Walgreens (1), Longs Drugs (1), **Mercado Suvianda (1)**, Chaparal Supermarket (1), FoodMaxx (1), Dal Thanh Supermarket (1), Fry's Electronics (1) and (1) 96-gallon, blue, "Allied Waste Services" garbage container with garbage.

*"Unmarked stolen and abandoned shopping carts have been "purposefully altered" to shield true identity.

*****special note***** the overall cleanliness of shopping carts picked up off the streets and returned to stores should be addressed by some governmental agency. Unsuspecting customers may use excrement coated shopping carts without their knowledge. Shopping carts picked up off the street are "filthy" and are potential reservoirs of microbial agents waiting to spread contagion(s).

Perhaps the one (1) Mercado Suvianda shopping cart should be retrieved and held ransom by the City of San José until Mercado Suvianda pays back the \$500,000 it received from the "Catalyst Fund" doled out by the Office of Economic Development.

Respectfully submitted,

David S. Wall
06.17.10

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Cc: City Attorney / City Auditor / City Manager

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San José, California 95150

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2010 JUN 17 P 12: 23

Mayor Reed and Members San José City Council
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San José, California 95113-1905

Re: F/A-18 E/F Super Hornets say "Hello" to San José's Collaborators and Traitors.

How many Arizona service men and women have died or have been wounded to protect us?

Were the pilots of the "Super Hornets" who "buzzed Downtown S.J." from Arizona? I sure hope so.

Councilmembers Constant and Oliverio proved their loyalty to our Nation, did not vote against AZ.

I do not like "illegal aliens". They represent a criminal class of immigrants who are of "no value" to this nation. I like the politicians who pander to this sector of humanity by several orders of magnitude less. This class of politician is, in my opinion, the virtual scum of the earth.

The City of San José's pathetic group of four Council members; who either authored and or endorsed a Memorandum entitled, "**ARIZONA BOYCOTT**", dated (05.05.10) as it appeared on the Rules and Open Government Committee (05.12.10) Agenda (Item A.1(a)) should be utterly ashamed of themselves. They have joined a chorus of others, who have raised their hands against fellow Americans, during a time of war.

How many service men and women from Arizona are currently under arms to protect our freedom and liberties? The Arizona service men and women are out defending our nation while foreign nationals, predominately from Mexico, wreak havoc in their state and no one comes to their aid. Why is this allowed?

The "**ARIZONA BOYCOTT**" is nothing but a political pandering device to misrepresent Arizona's SB 1070 by whipping up the red herring issue of "racial profiling" as cause célèbre to garner as many votes as possible from the Americans of Mexican descent.

The "**ARIZONA BOYCOTT**" as set forth and fully contained in the aforementioned memorandum, was significantly "watered down" before it was passed on a vote of 9-2. The "watering down" occurred after a short period of "reflection and discernment" as to the significant economic loss of **Arizona dollars** to the financially strapped City of San José if the "**ARIZONA BOYCOTT**" was passed in its' entirety.

Was there a degree of "whoring" by the San José City Council "vote" on the AZ. Boycott?

You bet your rear end there was. There was a lot of "whoring" for those **Arizona dollars**. The "Allied Waste" contract for about \$13.5 million, the contract for the Tasers for the cops and the biggest hypocrisy for bucks the issue raised, are the **Arizona dollars** connected with the Oakland A's baseball team whose training camp is in Arizona. Blatant hypocrisy of values whored for what? The **Arizona Boycott** is plain wrong.

But the biggest issues concerning The "**ARIZONA BOYCOTT**" are the abject abandonment of patriotism, the preferential treatment of Mexican Nationals and other pernicious attacks on our values as a nation are the orders of the day in San José. Not so at my house. *I fully support Arizona in all regards.*

As to the "Super Hornets"; from my vantage point, using a landmark of known height, I approximate a height of planes as they "rocketed by", between 250-300 feet off the deck, at an approximate speed of 390 knots while executing 35 degree starboard turn towards the airport. I sure hope the pilots were from Arizona.

Respectfully submitted,

Cc: City Attorney / City Auditor / City Manager / Gov. Jan Brewer

David S. Wall
06-17-10