

To: Sunshine Task Force  
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There are three remaining public subsidies proposals that I intend to bring forward at the next meeting.

1) For every project that receives a subsidy over \$1 million dollars, staff should provide the public with the following information:

- a) the number of housing units constructed or demolished as part of the project, categorized by level of affordability
- b) an estimate of the number of ELI (Extremely Low Income) housing units that would be required for employees of the project.

ELI housing is defined as housing affordable to people at 30% of median income or less. Providing ELI housing is the greatest challenge facing the city's housing department as it seeks to increase the supply of affordable shelter in San Jose.

2) For every project that receives a subsidy of \$1 million dollars, staff should provide the public with information describing the source of funds and restrictions on the use of funds.

For example, a report on a subsidy using city general fund resources would indicate that the general fund could be used to pay for any service that the city is lawfully authorized to provide. A report on a subsidy using redevelopment funds would indicate the restrictions on the use of these resources (such as the project must be in an RDA project area or provide primary benefit to a project area).

3) For every project that receives a subsidy of \$1 million dollars, staff should provide the public with information regarding neighborhood impacts.

Information on environmental impacts can be provided through a reference to an Environmental Impact Report. Information on traffic impacts can be provided through a reference to an existing traffic study. Information on impacts on other public infrastructure such as parks, community centers, and libraries, may have to be generated specifically for the staff report on the subsidized project.