


Memorandum

TO: MAYOR LICCARDO

FROM: Councilmember Johnny Khamis

SUBJECT: BUDGET DOCUMENT

DATE: 05-24-16

Approved  Date 5/24/16

RECOMMENDATION

That the following recommendation be enacted.

Proposal

Program/Project Title: **Chynoweth Avenue Public Safety Improvements**

Amount of City Funding Required: **\$28,000**

Fund Type (i.e. General Fund, C&C funds, etc.): **General Fund**

This change is:

One-time Ongoing

Proposal Description, including anticipated outcomes (describe how change would affect services for San José residents, businesses, community groups, etc.):

This \$28,000 investment would give Public Works the resources to install one streetlight at the westerly end of Chynoweth Avenue to combat illegal activities and deter crime at the end of this street.

Currently, a coordinated project between the Public Works Department (P^WD), the Department of Transportation (DOT), and the Environmental Services Department (ESD) is slated for Fall 2016 for Chynoweth Avenue. Improvements include: narrowing lanes, adding a median with trees and other greenery, enhancing crosswalks, paving of pathway along Martial Cottle Park, and adding parking. This project will help alleviate blight in the area, reduce motor vehicle speeds, combat drag racing activity, improve pedestrian and traffic safety, and combat other illegal activity that presently occurs on this wide, dead-end street.

The fund dedicated to this project is not sufficient to cover the cost of a streetlight for the end of Chynoweth. The streetlight was the top request of residents who attended the community meeting held on December 1, 2015 to discuss the Chynoweth public safety improvements. The PWD, DOT, and ESD made every effort to pursue additional funds to cover the cost of a streetlight, but were unsuccessful. Therefore, we request \$28,000 to cover the cost of a new streetlight at the west end of Chynoweth.

Funding Source

Essential Services Reserve (\$2 million)

Other (Program/Project/Fund):

Department or Organization: **Public Works Department**

Department or Organization Contact (list contact information for the individual that certified cost estimates contained within your recommendation):

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