



Memorandum

TO: MAYOR LICCARDO

FROM: Councilmember Tam Nguyen

SUBJECT: BUDGET DOCUMENT

DATE: May 25, 2016

Approved

Date

5.25.16

RECOMMENDATION

That the following recommendation be enacted.

Proposal

Program/Project Title: Homeless Encampment and Service Coordination & Bio Waste

Amount of City Funding Required: \$177,000

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

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.):

We have significant complaints about coordination of encampment reports, dumping related to homeless individuals, bio-waste problems, and other related issues. Constituents would like to see better coordination when they call various hotlines or email different offices and departments. Additionally, a better response is needed for bio-waste and other dumping and hazardous materials left behind by homeless individuals. This has been an issue at several D7 business parks, and has created confusion between City departments in who can coordinate clean-up efforts. This should include a position to permanently coordinate calls and responses between various departments or to assist with encampment surveys and prioritizing abatement.

This position and services would allow Housing to better respond to resident, business, and other requests for services related to homeless issues. This could span from following up on calls, emails, and other means of contact to providing a greater presence at community events, neighborhood meetings, or housing meetings.

Funding Source

X Essential Services Reserve (\$2.5 million)

Other (Program/Project/Fund):

Department or Organization: Housing Department

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

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