



Memorandum

TO: MAYOR LICCARDO

FROM: Councilmember Sergio Jimenez

SUBJECT: BUDGET DOCUMENT

DATE: May 22, 2019

Approved

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RECOMMENDATION

That the following recommendation be enacted.

Proposal

Program/Project Title: **Graffiti Free Monterey Road Sound wall**

Amount of City Funding Required: \$30,500

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

This change is:

One-time Ongoing

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

The sound wall along the Union Pacific Rail Road tracks along Monterey road from Branham Lane to Blossom Hill road is plagued by graffiti, much of it contributed by gang activity in the area.

Last year, the City Council voted unanimously to seek an MOU with Union Pacific railroad for access to clean up litter, abate homeless encampments, and remove graffiti. As that MOU progresses and is finalized it is important to allocate the financial resources necessary to paint the sound wall and maintain it graffiti free.

Without this investment from the City, the community will continue to see the cycle of blight, graffiti, and safety concerns that currently exists along this stretch of the Monterey Corridor.

Funding Source

■ Essential Services Reserve (\$4 million):

Other (Program/Project/Fund):

Department or Organization: Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services

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

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