



Memorandum

TO: MAYOR LICCARDO

FROM: Councilmember Sergio Jimenez

SUBJECT: BUDGET DOCUMENT

DATE: May 25, 2022

Approved

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RECOMMENDATION

That the following recommendation be enacted.

Proposal

Program/Project Title: Monterey Rd Wildlife Corridor Safety Improvements

Amount of City Funding Required: \$100,000

This change is:

One-time Ongoing

Cost Estimate Number (if applicable):

Proposal Description, including the reason for the need and anticipated outcomes (Please describe how the proposal will affect services for San José residents, community groups, businesses, etc.):

Monterey Rd. presents the greatest barrier to east-west wildlife movement in the Coyote Valley, primarily due to the continuous median barrier: concrete k-rails with a metal screen on top. Partners such as POST and SVOSA are exploring the feasibility of major infrastructure improvements to facilitate better wildlife movement across Monterey Rd., it is critically important to improve permeability in the shorter term. Improvements in permeability are expected to result in fewer vehicle/wildlife collisions, which would translate to greater driver safety as well as benefits to local wildlife populations. A good example of a median barrier with wildlife-friendly design can be found on Highway 17 over the Santa Cruz Mountains.

Funding Source

X Essential Services Reserve:

X Other (Please specify program/project/fund): Santa Clara Valley Open Space Authority matching funds

Department or Organization Contact

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