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## **City Council Unanimously Adopts Mayor's Budget Message**

*Mayor's final budget proposal prioritizes public safety, street repair, disaster preparedness and flood recovery, while also preparing for future budget challenges*

SAN JOSE, CALIF. – The San Jose City Council has unanimously approved Mayor Sam Liccardo's June Budget Message, the final major step in adopting a balanced budget for the 2017-18 fiscal year.

*"With this budget, we have charted a prudent and strategic approach that focuses our attention on impactful investments that will help improve public safety and quality of life for our residents," said Mayor Sam Liccardo. "I'd like to thank all of my colleagues on the City Council for supporting my budget proposal and for their thoughtful input throughout the budget process. Together, we continue to make progress in our efforts to restore and improve core services throughout the community."*

In approving the Mayor's spending blueprint, the City Council has endorsed a budget proposal that recognizes fiscal challenges in the years ahead and targets new investments on a few key priorities, including:

- **Funding critical Emergency Preparation and Flood Recovery efforts**, that will help the City respond to impacts of the recent Coyote Creek floods and prevent incidents in the future. This includes spending proposals that will: hasten the development of multi-language disaster alert systems, facilitates vegetation removal in Coyote Creek, and incentivize landlords to renew the Rock Springs neighborhood.
- **Enhancing the City's Road Repair and Maintenance program**. Given the significant increase in funds available for this program, the City will pave approximately 250 miles next year – 3x the amount paved during Mayor's Liccardo's first year as mayor. The budget message also recommends maintaining this funding commitment for the next five years.
- **Expanding programs that address trash, graffiti and other sources of blight in the community**. This includes expanding the City's illegal dumping rapid response team (to improve the average response time to 48 hours), enhancing street clean-up and landscaping on 30 major City corridors, and expanding neighborhood beautification days and the neighborhood beautification grant program to better leverage the energy of local residents.

To learn more about the Council-approved budget, please view the [Mayor's March Budget Message](#), the [City Manager's Proposed Budget](#), the [Mayor's June Budget Message](#) and a supplemental memo including the [Mayor's final budget recommendations](#).

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