



# Memorandum

**TO:** MAYOR MAHAN

**FROM:** Councilmember Jimenez

**SUBJECT: BUDGET DOCUMENT**

**DATE:** May 23, 2024

Approved

Date: 5/23/2024

## RECOMMENDATION

Modify the City Manager's 2024-2025 Proposed Budget to incorporate the following budget proposal, including any required funding allocation adjustments.

### Proposal

Program/Project Title: **Coyote Valley Monterey Road Design & Safety Study**

Amount of City Funding Required: **\$150,000**

This change is:

One-time       Ongoing

Cost Estimate Number (if applicable): 27 (revised)

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.):

The City is currently working closely with regional partners on multiple planning efforts focused on realizing the vision for Coyote Valley as an open space and agricultural area of statewide significance. These include the Coyote Valley Conservation Areas Master Plan (CVCMAP), focused on planning the future use and restoration of recently protected open space lands on the valley floor, the Coyote Valley Wildlife Connectivity Planning Project focused on increasing wildlife permeability and improving safe paths of travel for wildlife and reducing wildlife-vehicle collisions along the Union Pacific Railroad, Monterey Road and US 101, and the Coyote Valley Corridor Study (CVCS), which is investigating economically viable land uses on the east side of Monterey Road that are compatible with the broader conservation vision for Coyote Valley. However, a notable gap in the scope of all these planning efforts is creating an appropriate streetscape plan focused on placemaking and safe mobility on Monterey Road. This study would complement other active planning efforts in the area by studying streetscape improvements, including safety measures, that improve the road as a destination for recreational open space and agricultural uses and create a safer environment for both people and wildlife traveling through Coyote Valley.

**The Coyote Valley Monterey Road Design & Safety Study would be co-funded with matching funds from the Santa Clara Valley Open Space Authority who would serve as project partners.**

This approach builds upon and leverages the millions of dollars in State and local funds already invested in planning improvements to Monterey Road for wildlife connectivity and will facilitate seamless and timely coordination with restoration, public access, wildlife connectivity and land use planning underway along the corridor. The CVCAMP team has already begun studying existing transportation conditions and traffic patterns on Monterey Road as part of larger existing conditions studies for transportation corridors in the region. This budget request would allow that work to continue at a greater level of detail and be integrated into upcoming design phases of CVCAMP.

**Funding Source**

- Essential Services Reserve: \$150,000
  
- Other (Please specify program/project/fund): \$150,000 contribution from the Santa Clara Valley Open Space Authority

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