



Memorandum

TO: MAYOR MAHAN

FROM: Councilmember Bien Doan

SUBJECT: BUDGET DOCUMENT

DATE: 5/22/2024

Approved Bien Doan Arijun Dev Batra Date 5/22/2024

RECOMMENDATION

Modify the City Manager's 2023-2024 Proposed Budget to incorporate the following budget proposal, including any required funding allocation adjustments.

Proposal

Program/Project Title: Saving Med30

Amount of City Funding Required: \$675,000

This change is:

One-time Ongoing

Cost Estimate Number (if applicable): 20

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.):

Cutting our Paramedic Supervisor position, Med30, would be a detrimental move to the residents and employees of San Jose and would hinder our ability to protect the public and our first responders. We need Med30 to maintain the safety of first responders on the job and assist our residents when disaster strikes. Disseminating the Med30 responsibilities to already overworked San Jose Fire personnel adds a burden to positions that are already dealing with being the lowest-staffed big city fire department in the country and is cost inefficient due to the need to supplement these services with over-time.

Last year Councilmembers Doan and Batra championed the effort with their colleagues on the city council to keep the Med30 position and coauthored a memorandum to include it in the City's 2023/24 budget, protecting it moving forward. The council approved that recommendation and made San Jose a safer city as a result.

This BD is requesting a 6 month stay of the Med30 position for FY 2024/25 on a one-time funding basis and a reevaluation of funding at the mid-year budget review. We have not established how to fund this yet, but an idea is to apply for the Google community benefit fund.

Funding Source

Essential Services Reserve:

Other (Please specify program/project/fund): Google Community Fund and/or other The BD process serves multiple roles, one is to provide an open forum for communication between Council offices. This form uses this tool for initiating conversation about funding Med30 and beginning the open dialogue for that process.

Department or Organization Contact

Please list the contact information for the individual that certified cost estimates contained within your recommendation:

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