RULES COMMITTEE: 1-30-13

ITEM: D.1



Memorandum

TO:

RULES & OPEN GOVERNMENT

FROM:

Councilmember Xavier

Campos

SUBJECT:

PRIORITY SESSION TOPICS

DATE:

January 24, 2013

APPROVED:

DATE:

1/24/13

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Rules Committee adds the following action item to the priority list as part of the February 11 priority setting session:

• Develop Land Use regulations for all new school developments.

OUTCOME:

Given the number of potential new school opportunities being considered, I find that it is in the City of San José's best interest to help educational entities select sites that would compliment existing neighborhoods while taking into account the city's land use policies and guidelines.

The discussion I bring forth attempts to guide the city's planning department by requiring several important factors that should be considered in selecting particular school sites; such as minimum site size, accessibility, soil contamination, traffic impacts on neighborhoods, air quality and noise impacts in addition to being consistent with the 2040 General Plan.