



Memorandum

TO: MAYOR LICCARDO

FROM: Councilmember Johnny Khamis

SUBJECT: BUDGET DOCUMENT

DATE: May 21, 2019

Approved

Date 05/21/19

RECOMMENDATION

That the following recommendation be enacted.

Proposal

Program/Project Title: **Project Hope for Hoffman-Via Monte Neighborhood**

Amount of City Funding Required: **\$0.00 per Cost Estimate 35**

Fund Type (i.e. General Fund, C&C funds, etc.): **General Fund**

This change is:

One-time Ongoing

Proposal Description, including anticipated outcomes (Please describe how change would affect services for San José residents, businesses, community groups, etc.):

The Hoffman Via Monte (HVM) neighborhood – a diverse, low-income, neighborhood - is identified by the Mayor’s Gang Prevention Task Force as a recognized gang hot spot. In the last two months it has ranked #2 and #3 as having the most active gang activity within the City of San José.

Over a year ago, we piloted the SJPD Safe Communities program within HVM and it was extremely successful at engaging residents and reducing gang activity and gang graffiti. Because it was a one-time-funded program, it did not continue after the pilot period. Since the pilot program expired, there has been a significant reversal of the gang prevention momentum that had been achieved, with increases in both gang activity and gang graffiti.

The proposed budget contains an expansion of Project Hope to three additional locations, in addition to three existing locations. The HVM neighborhood should be one of these neighborhoods so that we reinforce the gains from the Safe Communities pilot that were made and are now being eroded.

Funding Source

Essential Services Reserve (\$4 million):

Other (Program/Project/Fund):

Funding for three new Project Hope sites is already included in the base 2019-2020 Proposed Operating Budget; however, designation of those sites has yet to be determined.

Department or Organization: Department of Parks, Recreation, and Neighborhood Services

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