



Memorandum

TO: MAYOR LICCARDO

FROM: Vice Mayor Jones

SUBJECT: BUDGET DOCUMENT

DATE: May 25, 2021

Approved

Chappie Jones

Date May 25, 2021

RECOMMENDATION

That the following recommendation be enacted. Separate Disability Services from the Human Services Commission to operate independently.

Proposal

Program/Project Title: Disability Services Commission

Amount of City Funding Required: \$167,819

This change is:

_____ One-time ___X___ Ongoing

Cost Estimate Number (if applicable): 62

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.):

With a population of 1.028 million, San Jose residents would benefit from a dedicated commission whose purpose is to formulate, evaluate, and approve goals, objectives, plans and programs as well as set policies to assist adults with disabilities and their families; ensuring access to city services, programs, and all community processes. The Mayor’s Budget Message includes direction to serve our community members with disabilities through creating a separate office to address issues related to disabilities. Separating Disability Services from the Human Services Commission would work in alignment with this office, complementing the effort and providing a forum of communication for the disabled population of San Jose. The Disability Services Commission would work to maximize their self-sufficiency, safety, health and independence. This Disability Services Commission would provide oversight on specific policies related to adults with disabilities aiding them so they can remain living in our community for as long as possible with the highest quality of life.

Funding Source

Essential Services Reserve:

Other (Please specify program/project/fund): General Fund (Personal Services)

Department or Organization Contact

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