



Memorandum

TO: MAYOR LICCARDO
SUBJECT: BUDGET DOCUMENT

FROM: Councilmember Sylvia Arenas
DATE: 5/25/2021

Approved *Sylvia Arenas*

Date *5/25/2021*

RECOMMENDATION

That the following recommendation be enacted.

Proposal

Program/Project Title: Overfelt High School Summer Recreation

Amount of City Funding Required: \$100,000

This change is:

One-time Ongoing

Cost Estimate Number (if applicable):

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.):

As we approach the Summer months, safe summer recreation is critical to give our children and youth a safe place to go and immerse in positive programming such as an open pool, drop-in activities, and workforce development. Overfelt High School is located in the 95122 zip code area, which is a comparable population size as the entire City of Gilroy, and is an identified gang hotspot in San Jose.

Principal Vito Chiala surveyed students at Overfelt High School and the youth in the Overfelt/Welch neighborhood responded with enthusiastic advocacy for an open pool for the general public, particularly for young people, but requires funding for staffing and lifeguards to ensure public health and safety. In addition, drop-in services such as sports, fitness, and art expression classes and workforce and career development programs can create positive outlets for our youth as they reach pivotal identity and character development stages in their adolescence.

Funding Source

Essential Services Reserve:

Other (Please specify program/project/fund):

Department or Organization Contact

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

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