



Memorandum

TO: MAYOR LICCARDO

FROM: Councilmember M. Carrasco

SUBJECT: BUDGET DOCUMENT

DATE: May 27, 2021

Approved:

Date:

RECOMMENDATION

That the following recommendation be enacted.

Proposal

Program/Project Title: Renovation of PAL Stadium

Amount of City Funding Required: \$7.32 million

This change is:

One-time Ongoing

Cost Estimate Number (if applicable): #55

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.):

The Police Activities League has been a staple since 1968. The San José Police Activities League (PAL) is a 501(c)3, established in 1968, and provides a bevvvy of youth athletic programs.

PAL operates out of the City owned J.R. Blackmore PAL Stadium Complex. PAL stadium has deep roots in the City of San José, especially in East San José, and was once the “crown jewel” of District 5. In East San José, numerous sports clubs or leagues exist, and their home turf is District 5. These clubs keep our East San José youth focused on organized sports, and creates a sense of belonging and support. PAL programming promotes mutual respect and tolerance. Moreover, organized sports teach essential social and interpersonal skills. Using sports to help people, especially youth, has proven to be an effective tool in keeping them from falling into a cycle of violence, crime, and drug use - issues that have plagued our East San José neighborhoods for decades.

We know that COVID-19 exacerbated the mental health issues many teenagers face. Therefore, organized sports will contribute immensely to improving young people's physical and psychological health.

Funding Source

Essential Services Reserve:

X Other (Please specify program/project/fund): General Fund, CD 5 C&C Tax Fund and/or Park Trust Fund

Department or Organization Contact

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