



Memorandum

TO: MAYOR REED

FROM: Councilmember Rose Herrera

SUBJECT: BUDGET DOCUMENT

DATE: May 25, 2011

Approved

Date

5/25/11

RECOMMENDATION

That the following recommendation be enacted.

Proposal

Program/Project Title: Restore library services by one half-day

Amount of City Funding Required: \$1,744,000

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

Anticipated Outcomes: Requested funding changes would affect benefits or services for San José residents, businesses, community groups, etc., as described below: (Use as much space as required.)

Restore an additional half-day of service from 3 days a week to 3.5 days a week. The Library Department's mission is to "foster lifelong learning and by ensuring that every member of the community has access to a vast array of ideas and information." Practically, residents rely on the library for a safe place to send their children after school, to study, look for work, and of course, read. Reducing library hours is repeated as an unacceptable reduction by users and non-users of the library. It is my hope that by restoring at least one half of service, we will be able to continue providing the wrap around services that are vital to the overall success of our community.

Funding Source

Program/Project Title: Projected revenue from the Marijuana Business Tax

Amount of City Funding Change: \$ 1,744,000

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

Anticipated Outcomes: Requested funding changes would affect benefits or services for San José residents, businesses, community groups, etc., as described below: (Use as much space as required.)

By earmarking the Marijuana Business Tax revenues, the City will ensure that library services will, until the economy improves, restore the service level to 2010-11.

Department or Organization: Library

Department or Organization Contact (Please list contact information for the individual that certified cost estimates contained within your recommendation.)

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This change is:

One-time Ongoing

The City Service Area to which the change best relates:

- Community and Economic Development Services
- Environmental and Utility Services
- Neighborhood Services
- Public Safety
- Strategic Support
- Transportation and Aviation Services