

# Memorandum

**TO:** MAYOR REED

FROM: Councilmember Pierluigi Oliverio

SUBJECT: BUDGET DOCUMENT

**DATE:** May 23, 2011

Approved Date 5/23/1

### RECOMMENDATION

That the following recommendation be enacted.

#### **Proposal**

Program/Project Title: Change the use of Healthy Neighborhood Venture Fund (HNVF)

Amount of City Funding Required: Please see description/options provided below

# Fund Type HNVF

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.)

#### **HNVF**

The Healthy Neighborhood Venture Fund (HNVF) began in in the late1990's/early 2000's. These monies are a result of the tobacco industry settlement. At that time, other municipalities used these funds to pay for infrastructure costs. San Jose, however, decided to use these costs on starting a new program called HNVF. For the past decade, the City has given out tens millions of dollars to non-profit/charity groups with limited oversight. Further, the majority of these monies goes to pay for the staff of the non-profits/charity's rather than to the services themselves. Instead of having these funds go to groups outside of the City's Charter, these funds should be spent within the City and used for the purposes I have listed below.

I suggest using the millions of dollars on services within the City of San Jose Charter as listed below:

- 6 police officers
- 2 Attorneys
- 2 planners (focused only on economic development)

- 1 City Clerk
- 1 Auditor
- 1 Information Technology

# **Funding Source**

Program/Project Title: HNVF

Amount of City Funding Change: Please see above

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

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.)

#### See above

Department or Organization: HNVF

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

## Not applicable

One-time	X Ongoing
This change is:	,

The City Service Area to which the change best relates:

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