

# Memorandum

**TO:** MAYOR LICCARDO **FROM:** Councilmember Esparza

SUBJECT: BUDGET DOCUMENT DATE: 5/25/2022

Approved Maya Esparza Date 5/25/2022

### **RECOMMENDATION**

That the following recommendation be enacted.

#### **Proposal**

Program/Project Title: Parking Compliance: Special Operations

Amount of City Funding Required: \$20,700

This change is:

X One-time Ongoing

Cost Estimate Number (if applicable): 92

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.):

This proposal continues funding for DOT to use toward enhanced parking compliance efforts, allowing for additional focus on abandoned vehicles near residential addresses, as well as areas such as Seventh Street where our industrial zone has been impacted by abandoned cars. Beyond mere inconvenience, the congestion caused by these vehicles has resulted in accidents, especially in our industrial areas, in confrontations between residents over parking, unsafe parking on sidewalks, parkstrips, and red zones, and placement of trash cans in roadways. This will continue providing relief to residents who often have difficulty parking in front of their own homes, as well as businesses that face challenges due to abandoned vehicles.

The Vehicle Abatement program relies on active participation from communities to report abandoned or inoperable vehicles, and for many neighborhoods, particularly those with gang activity or other conditions that make retaliation a concern, this can result in these vehicles being underreported, and in turn, underserved. As we have learned from the previous two years of our hybrid approach to vehicle investigations, the number and geographic distribution of vehicles located through proactive investigation often does not align with community complaints.

## **Funding Source**

☐ Essential Services Reserve:

■ Other (Please specify program/project/fund): Existing Program Funding in Proposed 22-23 Budget

## **Department or Organization Contact**

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