



# Memorandum

**TO:** MAYOR MAHAN  
**SUBJECT:** BUDGET DOCUMENT

**FROM:** Councilmember Peter Ortiz  
**DATE:** 5-23-23

Approved: 

Date 5-25-23

## RECOMMENDATION

Modify the City Manager's 2023-2024 Proposed Budget to incorporate the following budget proposal, including any required funding allocation adjustments.

### Proposal

Program/Project Title: Mayfair Pedestrian Bridge Lighting Feasibility Study

Amount of City Funding Required: \$60,000

This change is:

One-time  Ongoing

Cost Estimate Number (if applicable): 12

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.):

Located along Kammerer Avenue, the Mayfair pedestrian bridge unifies the Dobern section of the Mayfair neighborhood to various amenities such as Lee Mathson School, Mayfair Park, Mayfair Community Center, Mayfair Community Garden and many Churches/places of worship. Unfortunately, the bridge has become a threat to safety, as stabbings, intimidation of seniors, and recruitment of youth into gangs are common occurrences on the pitch-black bridge.

To address these serious safety concerns, this BD works to produce a study that would assess how lighting can be approached. Lighting across riparian corridors is not permitted per environmental regulations. Therefore, before allocating funding to install lighting, staff recommends pursuing a feasibility study to

determine if any accommodations to the project site can be granted by permitting agencies given the challenges to safety along the corridor lighting as well as determine if the project is allowed by the agencies.

Adequate lighting will provide benefits in terms of personal security for pedestrians – *including young students* – wheelchair/mobility device users, and bicyclists, as they travel along this critical connector in the Mayfair Neighborhood.

**Funding Source**

Essential Services Reserve:

Other (Please specify program/project/fund): Council District 5 C&C (382) / Park Trust Fund (375)

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