

Council and Authorities Concurrent Meeting on 2022-04-19 4:00 PM

Meeting Time: 04-19-22 16:00

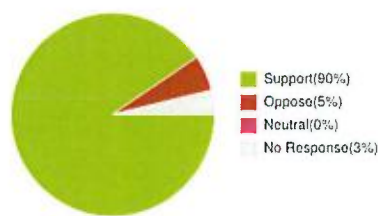
eComments Report

Meetings	Meeting Time	Agenda Items	Comments	Support	Oppose	Neutral
Council and Authorities Concurrent Meeting on 2022-04-19 4:00 PM	04-19-22 16:00	68	105	95	6	0

Sentiments for All Meetings

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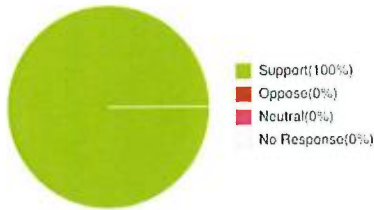
Agenda Name	Comments	Support	Oppose	Neutral
Closed Session - 4:00 PM Study Session - 7:30 PM Regular Meeting - 8:30 PM	2	2	0	0
4.E 22-225 Action on an Agreement Between the Santa Clara Unified School District and the City of Santa Clara Pertaining to the Operation, Maintenance and Improvement for Public Recreational Purposes of Buildings and Open Space Areas at Cabrillo Middle School	94	87	4	0
5.C Action on Request Submitted by Stadium Manager to Execute Agreements Execute Second Amendment to Agreement with Bear Electrical Solutions Inc., for Levi's Naming Rights Existing Signage Lighting and Driver Repair CapEx Project and Agreements with HY Floor and Gameline Painting, Inc. for Club Space Flooring CapEx Project and Bear Insulation, Inc. for Stadium Insulation CapEx Project and Approve Related Budget Amendment	1	0	1	0
5.D Action on Request Submitted by the Stadium Manager to Incur Charges for the June 15-18, 2022 Event and Arena Marketing Conference in Minneapolis, MN and Travel for the May 28-29 Grupo Firme Concerts at SoFi Stadium in Inglewood, CA	1	0	1	0
8. 22-480 Action on a Response to a Written Request to Cover the Costs of City Services in Support of the Santa Clara Parade of Champions and the Cost of Facilitron Parking Fees	1	1	0	0
9. 22-531 Action on a Written Petition (Council Policy 030) Submitted by Nick Valencia Requesting to Place an Agenda Item at a Future Council Meeting to Discuss the future of the BMX track located on city property at 5451 Lafayette Street	2	2	0	0
10. 22-532 Action on a Written Petition (Council Policy 030) Submitted by Mary Grizzle on behalf of the Members of Reclaiming our Downtown are Requesting to Place an Agenda Item at a Future Council Meeting to Discuss and Vote on the Current Downtown Urban Planning Firm WRT to Study the following 4 Financial Benefits of Moving City Hall to a Location within the 8 Blocks of the Original Downtown (Lafayette Benton Monroe Homestead): 1. The financial benefits and construction savings of moving city hall to an 8+ story mixed-use (offices) building; 2. An updated and complete analysis of the advantages of selling the acreage used by city hall on its current location on Warburton; 3. The substantial increase in private investment after a city hall has been brought back to Downtown as evidenced by several other American cities studied by Reclaiming our Downtown; 4. Financial benefit of a "completed Downtown" to the tax revenue of Santa Clara	4	3	0	0

Sentiments for All Agenda Items

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Jo Molina

Location:

Submitted At: 3:50pm 04-19-22

Re: Closure of the Youth Activity Center building: Where will these kids go after school? Has research been conducted to determine the ramifications to youth development, crime rates, test scores, etc when crucial facilities like the YAC goes away?

Carter Fulhorst

Location:

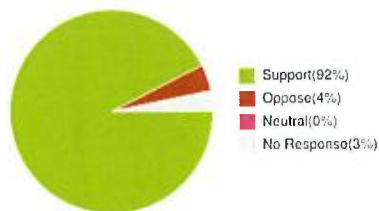
Submitted At: 8:21am 04-19-22

PLEASE READ THIS OUT-LOUD

The way I see it, we are just asking you to "know what you don't know." These folks found Six American cities that have benefitted from moving their City Halls back to their Downtowns. If tonight, you pass or vote no on putting this on the next agenda, you are telling us that you don't want to know. Voting "no" on putting this on the next agenda is voting yes for ignorance on what is the best location for our future City Hall.

Agenda Item: eComments for 4.E 22-225 Action on an Agreement Between the Santa Clara Unified School District and the City of Santa Clara Pertaining to the Operation, Maintenance and Improvement for Public Recreational Purposes of Buildings and Open Space Areas at Cabrillo Middle School

Overall Sentiment



Gabriel Dominguez

Location:

Submitted At: 10:19pm 04-19-22

To this day I still have connections with staff that I made growing up. Wonderful people and wonderful organization, the YAC is a role model after-school program for the youth. It is both a fun and safe place for kids to learn and grow, and it would be a shame if that were to end.

Colin Lim

Location:

Submitted At: 9:36pm 04-19-22

Most of my fondest childhood memories were made at the YAC. I spent most summers of my childhood there, and it would be a shame for such a vital community treasure to be let go.

The YAC was one of the few places in my life where I felt I had a community I could always return to and visit and feel welcomed, and I think every child growing up in Santa Clara should have the chance to benefit from the YAC. I still keep in touch with some of the people I met at the YAC 14 years ago. Save the YAC!

Daryl Vergonio

Location:

Submitted At: 8:44pm 04-19-22

The Youth Activity Center aka YAC has been here for many years and serves the community with many programs for kids to enjoy. Most of the programs lean toward bettering today's youth. Location is key and is why many flock to these facilities. Easy access. If taken away, you are basically taking away the future of our youth. The YAC needs to stay!

Sonia Souza

Location:

Submitted At: 8:14pm 04-19-22

The community at the "YAC" is a place that parents trust and send their children knowing they are in a safe space. The YAC staff is part of my family and has been for almost 20 years. My children now attend the Youth Activity Center, and my hope is that they will be able to continue to attend "Kids Rock" and "Summer Camps". The community is dependent on the YAC and their wonderful staff!

Brian Camarao

Location:

Submitted At: 7:55pm 04-19-22

Great people and location. It would be sad to see this come to an end.

Alexander Rios

Location:

Submitted At: 7:51pm 04-19-22

My family has worked and participated in many of the programs and events the YAC/Teen Center has provided. Much of our programs have and still create a positive impact on our youth participants and the community of Santa Clara. Many of the comments you here today will prove how the YAC has created a safe and memorable place, which has shaped our lives today. Taking our facility away is a step closer to eliminating our programs entirely.

Kirby Exciminiano

Location:

Submitted At: 6:59pm 04-19-22

I've been going to the YAC since I moved to Santa Clara from the Philippines. I've made so many friendships throughout my time as a YAC/ Teen Center participant. I'm currently part of the Recreation Staff there and I love giving back the same love and energy as my former leaders did back then. Removing the YAC/ Teen Center is definitely a slap in the face to the children and their families and everyone who loves this place

Amira Is

Location:

Submitted At: 6:55pm 04-19-22

We need miss places like this for our youth!

Mary Jane Sager

Location:

Submitted At: 6:51pm 04-19-22

I attended the YAC programs and classes a youth in Santa Clara as did my daughters. The YAC has always been an integral part of our community for youth and adults! I am in support of keeping the YAC and it's programs!

Deanne Martin

Location:

Submitted At: 6:50pm 04-19-22

We love The YAC. My kids went there every summer. Don't know what I would have done without it. Great facilities. Great staff. Great location. Easy to get to. I would hate to see Santa Clara kids miss out on this resource.

Michael Cruz

Location:

Submitted At: 6:33pm 04-19-22

I worked at & attended the YAC for 16 years. A father of 2 now, I can't emphasize how beneficial the after school program is. It impacts many families' lives daily. That doesn't include additional programs, & events, or the bonds that are created among employees. I am fortunate enough to have been impacted by the leaders of my youth, & to have been one of them. If an agreement can't be made from a city in the heart of SV to foster future generations of youth, then clearly something is wrong.

Rebecca Contreras

Location:

Submitted At: 6:30pm 04-19-22

Starting as a participant in the program to becoming a part of the staff, the YAC has molded me into the person I am today. Considering the constant changes in the world around us, it is SOOO important to provide a safe space for the youth in our community. Getting rid of the YAC would be such a disservice to our kids.

Bella Jimenez

Location:

Submitted At: 6:24pm 04-19-22

The YAC is a crucial part of the lives of many in Santa Clara. The YAC provides services for the youth including homework support, exercise opportunities, and community service events. Also, there are many opportunities for volunteering within the programs. Individuals may be leaders in training or participate in volunteering through the various events held by the YAC. Overall, it is crucial that the YAC remains available for the future generations to thrive in a safe and supportive environment.

Sara Alim

Location:

Submitted At: 6:14pm 04-19-22

The YAC is safe place for the children, please keep the program up.

Stephanie Barnes

Location:

Submitted At: 6:10pm 04-19-22

As a Santa Clara native, I've had the tremendous opportunity to have experienced the YAC and Teen Centers as a participant, and also as a part of the the Recreation staff. The influence the "YAC family" and it's programs on me has been immeasurable and has ultimately driven me towards a continued career in civil service. Now as a new parent, I've looked forward to my son also having the same opportunities and memories. A loss in these facilities would be a huge loss to our community.

Morgan Yee

Location:

Submitted At: 5:46pm 04-19-22

The YAC supports the families of our city, provides a great place for our community to come together.

JP Atchade

Location:

Submitted At: 5:38pm 04-19-22

The YAC supports families. This is especially true for the families with busy parents who work around the clock to

provide for their young ones. The YAC provides active support for our youth. Turning our back on the YAC is turning our back on the future. Support the YAC.

Kenneth Gan

Location:

Submitted At: 5:36pm 04-19-22

The YAC and it's staff are an integral pillar of the community. As a Santa Clara resident, former LIT, and former recreation leader, I know first hand about the impact of YAC on the community. The programs and services provided to the residents by the YAC, Teen Center, and skate park are vital to the development of the city's youth. It provides a opportunity for young kids to learn and grow in a safe and stable environment. Working for the YAC and Teen Center shaped me into the person I am today

Johnny Carmack

Location:

Submitted At: 5:19pm 04-19-22

The YAC, and its staff, were instrumental and foundational in my upbringing. Starting as a 3y in YAC programs to being a 22Y employee. For almost 20 years, the YAC has been a second home for me. The programs and people of the YAC helped instill the positive and healthy values I have Today. The YAC is more than a building, its a family. No matter who you are, the staff, namely Gayle and Oba, treat everyone with love and care. The YAC is the responsible for shaping me into the person I am today.

Edgar Navarro

Location:

Submitted At: 5:16pm 04-19-22

I went to the yard all 3 years of my middle school and it's a great place and I don't understand why they wanna take it away. It has everything for everyone from sports to help with homework and so much more. It's always a fun place to be and I don't understand why they want to take it away. Keep the yac/teen center open !!

PAM CEE

Location:

Submitted At: 5:04pm 04-19-22

The world needs more of what the YAC provides - a safe, positive, fun and supportive environment for the youth. This is what the Youth Activity Center and the staff provide to the kids and families in our community. It would be a travesty to take this away. The services and the current location of the YAC should be expanded to continue to nurture our youth as they are the key to the future of the city and community!

Victor Padron

Location:

Submitted At: 4:54pm 04-19-22

The YAC was such a pivotal part of my life. Not only did I grow up going to the YAC every year as a kid, but as soon as I could, I started to work there as an after school program leader for 7 years. The YAC leaders were always role models and mentors to me and I wanted to return the favor. The YAC is a safe haven for so many kids who otherwise wouldn't have anywhere to go after school. We must preserve and continue to support the impact the YAC has had on our youth community for so many years.

Hannah Lane

Location:

Submitted At: 4:51pm 04-19-22

Please keep the YAC and teen center open. I have been coming to the YAC and teen center since 6th grade and I love it here. I can make friends and talk to leaders when I need help. I feel safe at the yac and like to come here after school. I can also do my homework or activities that they have here. I can't imagine not being able to come here to hang out after school. Please keep the Yac and teen center open for all of us kids. It's a really good place. Please keep it open.

Alexandra Murillo

Location:

Submitted At: 4:44pm 04-19-22

As the first chair of Santa Clara's youth commission back in 1995 the YAC was a only a vision at the time, the dream being advocated by the youth of Santa Clara that finally came to reality years after my term. 30 years later, It is now the home away from home for my own kids who spend their after school time there and count down the time until they can work there as a leader in training. The YAC is a sacred space - it was developed for youth, by youth, serving youth. YAC shouldn't be attacked.

Jordan Lane

Location:

Submitted At: 4:39pm 04-19-22

During middle school I would go to the Yac everyday after school, it was always a good and fun place to be. Whether it is playing sports with friends, participating in the mini games the yac leaders set up, or just hanging out, the yac/teen center has got something for everyone to be apart of. The Yac is an amazing place and should definitely remain open.

Dylan Lane

Location:

Submitted At: 4:36pm 04-19-22

The yac is a great place with great staff that gave me the opportunity to have fun and make friends all 3 years of middle school. Whoever is trying to close it needs to be fired from their job. Keep it open!

Stacy Lane

Location:

Submitted At: 4:30pm 04-19-22

My 3 kids have all gone to the YAC after school for the last several years. It's such a great place with amazing leadership and a healthy & safe place for teens to hang out. Santa Clara is supposed to be a family town and our kids are supposed to be a priority. I can't imagine why you would even consider closing the YAC! It keeps our kids off the streets after school & healthy place to hang out/do homework etc. We're grateful for the YAC - it needs to remain open. Put our kids first! Stay open!!

Kelly Greenia

Location:

Submitted At: 4:19pm 04-19-22

It's super important for kids to have a safe space they can call their community. It's a place that they can learn, grow connections, and great positive memories.

Conner Leachman

Location:

Submitted At: 4:10pm 04-19-22

The YAC is an integral part of the Santa Clara community. Having worked at the YAC, I have personally seen the impact the YAC has on youth participants and how many participants look forward to attending all of the YAC events and programs. Former participants come back to work volunteer at the YAC because they want to make an impact just like their former Rec Leaders did for them. Working parents know their kids are having a safe and positive experience at the YAC too. The YAC is like family!

jack leung

Location:

Submitted At: 4:02pm 04-19-22

Please keep funding the YAC. The YAC was a part of my childhood growing up. I think its important because it is a recreational center that provides a safe space for children to work, play, and socialize after school.

Kevin Luu

Location:

Submitted At: 3:59pm 04-19-22

I support to keep this center open and funded.

Keila Mah

Location:

Submitted At: 3:59pm 04-19-22

The YAC is invaluable to the community, plain and simple. There are so many programs throughout the year that provide children with a fun, safe space, and nothing can come close to replacing what they've done for the last 30 years. I was fortunate enough to work as a recreation leader at the YAC for five years and I learned skills that helped me become the teacher I am today.

Jo Molina

Location:

Submitted At: 3:45pm 04-19-22

The Youth Activity Center has been a cornerstone to the Santa Clara community for thousands of kids across multiple generations. The dedicated staff and vital programs of the YAC have provided kids a safe place to get support for their school work, foster their love for activity, and most importantly, has kept these young people off the streets.

Esmeralda Navarro

Location:

Submitted At: 3:30pm 04-19-22

I can't image not having the YAC & Teen Center be part of the community! As a kid it was a place my siblings and I were able to go to after school since both our parents would work late. And now, working as a leader I can say that the YAC really is a important place for a lot of kids and their families. We're here to bring joy, happiness and a lot of fun to a lot of people and taking it away would be devastating! Please consider supporting !

Philip Bangot

Location:

Submitted At: 3:30pm 04-19-22

The YAC and Teen Center are pillars of our Santa Clara Community. As a participant, former staff member and now parent I cannot express how grateful I am for the youth programs that are being offered to the community. The free after school program is the only, the best and the safest place where all Santa Clara children have access to recreational play, homework support, and overall care. PLEASE provide for the community and our youth by supporting the YAC! It is integral to our community.

Justin Fujihara

Location:

Submitted At: 3:27pm 04-19-22

The Youth Activity Center/Teen Center have a distinguished identity and service to the community. Their programs reflect the positive impact on our neighborhoods. Their staff provide a fun and safe environment. Their events draw enormous popularity that the community attends annually. We must preserve what they have offered over the years. This is a commitment to our community. It will also provide jobs and opportunities of these programs. We must support the YAC/TC so our community may thrive.

Kyle Stern

Location:

Submitted At: 3:27pm 04-19-22

Please continue to allocate resources and to fund these much needed programs.

Harleigh Perry

Location:

Submitted At: 3:25pm 04-19-22

I spent every summer at the YAC since I was 5 years old. Not only did I make lifelong friends, but I was also given access to the support system created by the leaders at the YAC. Walking into the YAC I was always greeted with overwhelming love from the staff, making me want to in turn provide that for others. When I became of age, I was an LIT then a leader. The YAC Staff are a family. They make genuine differences in the lives of others, please let them continue to work their "YAC magic"

Stephanie Bangot

Location:

Submitted At: 3:21pm 04-19-22

As a Santa Clara resident, 1) I grew up attending youth programs at the YAC- to learn and connect with my peers, 2) and it had such an impact that I started my career at the YAC- learning professionalism, empathy and hard work, and 3) now as a working parent I send my child to after school program and special events/youth programming in order to develop and play in a safe environment. The YAC is a huge part of the community and a special place for the participants and their families.

Sharlyn David

Location:

Submitted At: 3:11pm 04-19-22

As a participant, I remember being in awe that the YAC provided great resources and activities to children of wide age ranges. The YAC is where I had the best childhood memories and ended up working there for about 6 years. I have met some of the best people who are still in my life today.

Christian Fitzpatrick

Location:

Submitted At: 3:05pm 04-19-22

Growing up in Santa Clara the yac and teen center have always been an important place. It has helped so many families and has such a positive impact on the community. Please keep the program up and running!

David Sanchez

Location:

Submitted At: 3:03pm 04-19-22

The YAC and Teen Center have served as fundamental pillars within the Santa Clara community. Both have been a safe haven for kids throughout several generations.

Both buildings have served as vital resources to the development of our youth. Living my whole life in Santa Clara, I've seen more and more resources being ripped away from our youth, who in all, are the future we must invest in.

The financial-forward agenda the city has becomes more and more apparent. Please consider our youth!

Greg Yee

Location:

Submitted At: 2:58pm 04-19-22

The Santa Clara Youth Activity Center and Teen Center is a great and critical aspect to our community. The staff is outstanding and ensures there is a safe and nurturing afterschool environment that is crucial to the positive development of our children. Additionally the YAC provides outstanding extracurricular and summer programs that further enhances the community relationships and provides motivation for much needed physical activity for our kids. Please keep the program funded and running.

Patty Atherton

Location:

Submitted At: 2:56pm 04-19-22

The YAC/Teen Center is a great program that needs to continue. Both of my kids went there and received help on homework, had a great time interacting with the YAC leaders and other students.

The Leaders and Staff were awesome, very respectful and worked with the kids keeping them safe and making sure they had a great time. As a working parent , I truly appreciated both the YAC and Teen Center.

Please don't take this away from the kids!

Jimmy Nguyen

Location:

Submitted At: 2:50pm 04-19-22

YAC has always played an important role in my life. I have a lot of good memories and learned some life lessons. It was a secure place for me to be myself, a place where I could hang out with all of my friends. I would not be where I am now if it weren't for YAC and the role models who were like family.

Kim Briseno

Location:

Submitted At: 2:40pm 04-19-22

I don't understand why this would even be something that is being taken away. This place has helped the community in so many different ways

Tyler Furusho

Location:

Submitted At: 2:34pm 04-19-22

The YAC and Teen Center was always a second home to me growing up in Santa Clara. Years later as a current employee I see firsthand the joy and positive influence it brings to these kids and community. It would be a travesty to take that away from them. Keep the YAC and programs alive!

Kris Gabriel

Location:

Submitted At: 2:20pm 04-19-22

The YAC has been around ever since I was a kid. It's a place for kids to interact with friends and socialize with one another. It has offered programs and services that benefited the community throughout the years. I can't imagine it being gone. Please keep the program running!

Jason de Runa

Location:

Submitted At: 2:16pm 04-19-22

The Santa Clara Youth Activity Center has fostered strong connections and belonging in our neighborhood. When we moved to Santa Clara ten years ago, the center provided invaluable support and activities for our kids and family. Without the YAC, we would lack a safe environment for our children, we would lose a place for our youth to extend their learning beyond the classroom, and so much more.

Andrew Knaack

Location:

Submitted At: 1:54pm 04-19-22

So many of my primary life skills have had formative moments at the YAC/Teen Center, from teamwork in youth basketball to leadership skills I learned planning events at the Teen Center. The City staff, including Rich, Gayle, and Jon, puts tireless energy into providing these quality programs to students, accessible to all. This is a win-win partnership. I felt supported as a resident and a student when I found my second home at the YAC/Teen Center. Please support the new agreement.

Ryan Miceli

Location:

Submitted At: 1:52pm 04-19-22

How can we be considered one of the greatest city's in the world if this is even a topic of conversation.

The skills and development the youngsters get at these centers help create an umbrella of growth of success for not only themselves but our community.

Chris Gan

Location:

Submitted At: 1:47pm 04-19-22

As a Wilcox alumnus from 2009, the YAC/Teen Center provided a safe and reliable spot for myself and classmates after-school. I believe the facilities should continue to be used to provide events, camps, and after-school activities for the community.

Chris Hosoda

Location:

Submitted At: 1:36pm 04-19-22

Growing up as a regular participant of the Teen Center and YAC, the place becomes like a second home and the staff are family. Immediately after graduating high school I was hired and worked at these facilities for 13 years. I know first hand how important these places are for the development and support of the youth in our city. Every year there are countless new and returning kids who look forward to the positive interactions and support from the staff. It would be a true tragedy to let it go.

Ross Campo

Location:

Submitted At: 1:36pm 04-19-22

The YAC has always been a safe and fun place for the youth to attend. I worked at the YAC for 6 years and met a lot of incredible people. Personally, I can tell you the positive impacts that the YAC has on the youth. I support the YAC and please let the YAC continue to run it's programs!

Eva Rosa

Location:

Submitted At: 1:36pm 04-19-22

The YAC is a staple in the community. It is a safe place for kids to go to after school where they have supervision and help with homework. The YAC provides several activities and help children gain valuable friendships and teaches them good sportsmanship. We are lucky to have a place like this where are children can go while we are at work and know that they are safe and well cared for. The community will not be the same with out our youth activity center.

Roger Chung

Location:

Submitted At: 1:33pm 04-19-22

The Santa Clara Youth Activity Center and the Teen Center is a staple in the community. It is now being stripped away by the Santa Clara Unified School District. The City of Santa Clara has provided a safe space for the kids after school, events for families, sports camps during the summer, and programming for all-ages in the community for years. We are an inclusive and diverse city and to not have the Youth Activity Center or Teen Center be available would be a shame. Do better and support.

Samia Abbasi

Location:

Submitted At: 1:29pm 04-19-22

I was a Santa Clara Youth Commissioner from 2012-2016, and the Teen Center/YAC has been such an important part of my life. They provide fun, creative, and enriching programs for teens of all backgrounds, a safe place to be after school, and an irreplaceable sense of belonging at such a crucial time in young adults' lives. I am so grateful for the staff's passion and dedication throughout the years and truly hope this resource continues on for many teens to come.

Don Pablo

Location:

Submitted At: 1:26pm 04-19-22

Wtf we gotta vote for this? This programs help kids with their developmental processes and taking this away is plain stupid. Part of human development is interacting with others and playing with others. Many parents bring their kids to places like for social interacting and support from the school district.

Victor Ngo

Location:

Submitted At: 1:15pm 04-19-22

The need to feel secure and stable at home is important to everyone, but children especially. Having a place like the YAC where they are socially, physically and emotionally secure is essential for healthy development.

Desirae Pica

Location:

Submitted At: 1:09pm 04-19-22

The YAC is a safe and essential space for children and families. After school program provides homework help, activities, and care for working families. Without the YAC, our community would lose a major resource, and it would hurt families who truly need it most. The YAC has also been impactful to our city by providing classes for youth, jobs for our local community, and traditions. As a life long resident, it would be detrimental to our community to lose the space.

Conner Young

Location:

Submitted At: 1:08pm 04-19-22

Most parents nowadays work and are unable to take the summer off. The YAC provides a safe place where parents can drop there kids off for the day to play games, socialize, go on field trips, be creative, be active, and most importantly have fun. The YAC is crucial to the development of kids in the community and it has helped shape me into the man I am today and if it weren't for the YAC i would not have met some of my closest friends today.

Molly Aufdermauer

Location:

Submitted At: 1:05pm 04-19-22

Please support the agreement and extend the YAC and Teen Center programs. Our kids have loved the services provided by these centers, and we are proud to live in a city that offers these kinds of programs to the community children. If anything, the program should be expanded to include sites near other schools as well.

Jerry Nguyen

Location:

Submitted At: 1:03pm 04-19-22

YAC has always been part of my life. I had great memories and life-learning experiences. It was a place where I felt safe to be who I am, a place where I can hang out with all my friends. I always believe that there were many mentors that have helped me get to who I am. If it wasn't for YAC and the role models I would have not gotten to be where I am. Because of YAC I am now working in the Recreation Field and graduated with a BA in Recreation. YAC was not only a place but it is a FAMILY.

Deion Willcox

Location:

Submitted At: 12:56pm 04-19-22

Growing up in Santa Clara, the YAC has been down the street my entire life. I would go after elementary school, middle school, and in high school they gave me my first job. I still go there to this day to maintain the relationships I made as a young adult. To rob others of that opportunity would be an injustice to Santa Clara. You don't need to go there as often as I did to see how special that place and their employees are to the community.

Angela Chastain

Location:

Submitted At: 12:49pm 04-19-22

The YAC and Teen Center has been a huge staple that has always brought together the Santa Clara Community. Students and alumni alike have all been affected by the positive influence and experiences both centers have provided. Not only has both centers helped thousands of individuals both past and present, they also provided once in a lifetime experiences and assistance that no one can learn in a book or classroom. To close both centers down is to close the future generation's potentials.

Eleazar Manalo

Location:

Submitted At: 12:36pm 04-19-22

I grew up in Santa Clara and frequented the YAC throughout my middle school and high school years. I later joined the YAC as a rec leader immediately after high school and witnessed first hand other generations continue

to enjoy the YAC just as I did. I honestly can say that the experiences and friendships I gained there has shaped who I am today.

Tyler Young

Location:

Submitted At: 12:33pm 04-19-22

I grew up going to the YAC every summer as a kid / teen. The YAC was formative to my development as it kept me out of trouble while my parents had to work, it taught me social skills, kept me active, and gave me life long friends that became family. I hope the YAC is around when I have Kids so that they can have the same experiences that I had.

Nicolas Cabrera

Location:

Submitted At: 12:28pm 04-19-22

As a former SCUSD and YAC employee, I have seen first hand how the YAC has positively impacted the life of children from all around the community. The YAC is a safe space for children to open up with the encouragement of positive role models. It's an environment where children can create friendships and transition into a social space that may not available elsewhere. The YAC is a place kids could go to for supported. Let's not take away a program that positively impacts our community's children!

Takashi Makino

Location:

Submitted At: 12:27pm 04-19-22

The Santa Clara youth activity center has and will always play a pivotal role in the community. Over the years as a former employee, I have seen the youth grow to be amazing young adults through the support of the youth center. Everything from after school programs, summer camps, and mentorship. Truly this facility supports the youth community in such a way where children/teens have a safe space and an environment to grow and learn.

Rose Partolan

Location:

Submitted At: 12:07pm 04-19-22

As a former YAC employee (20 yrs), I witnessed first hand participants become employees, then parents of future YACsters. YAC after school program & open gym is a fun, safe place for kids of all ages & abilities. It also provides volunteer & job opportunities for SC youth. The City & SCUSD always had a good working relationship that included mutual respect for program needs; good communication was a priority. I hope that relationship will continue for the benefit of SC youth.

Michael Carson

Location:

Submitted At: 12:01pm 04-19-22

The Santa Clara Youth Activity Center is a great place for kids. It provides kids with a fun and safe environment to participate in activities and connect with others after school. The YAC is a wonderful asset to the community of Santa Clara.

Sevrina Ciucci

Location:

Submitted At: 11:57am 04-19-22

The YAC has been a community staple for years. Both my daughter & grandson have utilized their facilities. As a single working parent the YAC was a crucial need for my family years ago & still is for my grandson. He looks forward to going to the YAC after school & always wants to be signed up for kids rock. Their community activities from Halloween to Christmas are amazing and we need them to continue providing safe after school spaces for kids.

Brian Pacheco

Location:

Submitted At: 11:54am 04-19-22

Growing up with a single mother, the YAC and Teen Center were incredible programs that were not only affordable for someone in my position but also built a positive environment for many. I would stay late at school until 7pm or later to get picked up. These programs gave me a safe place to wait, introduced me to activities that I still love and practice today and helped me meet amazing staff and friends that curved my life toward a positive path. Closing this program would be a mistake.

Brian Chan

Location:

Submitted At: 11:53am 04-19-22

I volunteered at the YAC and watched hundreds of kids come to participate in sports and summer camps, dances, and other social and arts classes. The YAC offered a safe place for these kids to gather and the leadership and staffing were always focused on serving the needs of these kids. As I've moved away and now have children of my own, I always feel let down that our local community does not offer anything like the YAC has all of these decades. Please continue to support this precious resource.

Edgar Manalo

Location:

Submitted At: 11:45am 04-19-22

I grew up as a participant going to the YAC, and then worked there for over 5 years. The YAC is a special place to me where I literally grew up and met incredible people and made everlasting friendships. I have no doubt many people will have similar stories to share of how the YAC was a safe and positive place for them. I support the extension between SCUSD and City of Santa Clara.

Jeffrey Rosenfeld

Location:

Submitted At: 11:44am 04-19-22

The YAC and Teen Center are necessary safe spaces for the children of Santa Clara to go to after school and locations for camps during the summer. When there was not an after school program at our elementary school for our child to attend, the YAC was there to save us. We will forever be indebted to the YAC and the amazing staff that work there.

Jeffrey Nguyen

Location:

Submitted At: 11:42am 04-19-22

When you think of LA, you think of Disneyland. When you think of Santa Clara, you think of the YAC. This program always ensures it is "The Happiest Place On Earth". From their events, to their after school program, Everyone that has entered those doors, have created great memories. This is a place where participants grow into Leaders, and Leaders learn life skills/experiences.

The YAC is not just for the youth, but for the community. So, if you get rid of the YAC, you get rid of Disneyland.

Ryan Shields

Location:

Submitted At: 11:39am 04-19-22

I am shocked that SCUSD is trying to take away a community treasure like the YAC. The YAC provides a safe place for kids to go (our school doesn't have a valid after school program), it also provides enrichment activities and leadership opportunities which SCUSD does not provide and in fact have privatized. Do not get rid of this city treasure.

Audrey Shiimoto

Location:

Submitted At: 11:25am 04-19-22

I grew up spending my summers at the YAC and they are some of my fondest childhood memories. Through my time at the YAC I learned sportsmanship, team building, and so much more, all while being active and engaged. The YAC offers things to children that no other program I have been in has been able to I loved this program so much I went back as an LIT when I was old enough to build my leadership skills. Please let other children have the wonderful experience that I did at the YAC.

Jeramie Desoto

Location:

Submitted At: 11:11am 04-19-22

For decades the YAC has been an incredible place for kids to mature socially and as individuals. I am an adult now and I will always cherish the memories, lessons, and opportunities the YAC has given me and others like me who were able to have this "second home" since elementary school. I believe that if approved Santa Clara recreation programs can continue to benefit the youth and therefore the future of our community.

Richard Chung

Location:

Submitted At: 10:59am 04-19-22

To some the YAC & Teen Center are just facilities, to others like myself these walls have become a home. As a lifelong Santa Clara resident I grew up in these programs at the YAC and eventually my first job. As a recreation leader I was able to obtain lifelong skills, friendships, and experiences that should be experienced by the Youth of this city. I support to keep Santa Clara's YAC programs to continue for our youth, families, and our future! Please continue the programs for our city!

Michelle Shoji-Lee

Location:

Submitted At: 10:55am 04-19-22

The YAC is an unparalleled, essential community support and enrichment venue without which many parents would not have childcare or access to affordable youth enrichment programs. Summer camps, break camps, holiday events, after school care they do it all with such JOY. If you truly support your community, you will support, fund, do whatever it takes to keep the YAC running full tilt.

Jefferey Harvie

Location:

Submitted At: 10:52am 04-19-22

You will never build or find another program as beneficial and successful as the YAC. The life lessons and experiences learned from such an amazing program stay with kids through adulthood. Getting rid of such an amazing program only hurts the City of Santa Clara. There is no significant benefit that outweighs the consequences. The YAC defines the City of Santa Clara. Who wants to get rid of such a beneficial program for families and kids that call the City of Santa Clara their home?

Beverlee Go-Fradera

Location:

Submitted At: 10:45am 04-19-22

The YAC provides vital services to the community because it is a safe place for children to stay at after a school , where they can do their homework and play. These are very hard times for families , with both parents needing to work and after school program costs skyrocketing . The YAC is an affordable safe place for our kids . Please keep this program as families rely on the YAC very much !

Jeremy Hinton

Location:

Submitted At: 10:45am 04-19-22

The YAC is such an important part of the community. The after school program helps so many families. hard working families that can't afford traditional Healthcare. Our YMCA program at Bowers had limited space, and we didn't find out til the first day of school. Without YAC many parents would have been in a bind. My son has used it all year, no issues. He loves the staff, wants to go to all of the events and made new friends. Please don't make any changes.

Shannon Shimada

Location:

Submitted At: 10:37am 04-19-22

The YAC provides programming to youths throughout Santa Clara. The after school program has been servicing youth and teens of Santa Clara for over 30 years and low income families can utilize the free program to safely

monitor their kids allowing parents to work. The memories that the participants at the YAC leave a long standing impact as many part-time staff were previous participants. I hope the city can continue to provide programming to the youth in Santa Clara through the Teen Center.

Ervin Nixon

Location:

Submitted At: 10:34am 04-19-22

My child attends Scott Lane Elementary and the after school program at the YAC. Scott Lane does not offer enough spaces for after school care so it is amazing that my child can attend the YAC. My family relies on the facility and all it offers on a daily basis. The YAC is affordable, reliable and provides a safe place for children after school. My son loves going to the YAC & spending time with the staff. Taking away this programs space would be detrimental to working families in the area.

Erin Harvie

Location:

Submitted At: 10:29am 04-19-22

I have made the mistake of choosing to oppose this in my last comment. I am writing to clarify that I support this. I am unable to edit my last comment. Again, I support this.

Kathleen Boughton

Location:

Submitted At: 10:17am 04-19-22

I can't say enough great things about the YAC and the staff! They are incredible! My children attend and are able to complete their homework and then socialize/play in a safe environment. The children need this space. They are our future!

Tiana Nixon

Location:

Submitted At: 10:14am 04-19-22

The YAC is a staple in the community. I attended the YAC when I was a SCUSD student and now my son attends the YAC. He looks forward to going to the YAC everyday. He loves the staff and is constantly raving about them and the activities. He gets mad when I pick him up to early. This program is essential for working parents. It's cost effective and provides a safe and fun environment for student after school who have no where to go. Do not take their facilities away

Greg Imahara

Location:

Submitted At: 10:12am 04-19-22

I made the erroneously made the wrong selection for my position below on my original comment. I support this. I cannot edit or change the original comment below, so I'm doing a separate comment to clarify my position. Thank you.

Greg Imahara

Location:

Submitted At: 10:02am 04-19-22

The YAC has been an incredible resource my kids have benefited from greatly. From the programs, events, summer camps and especially the leadership and staff have been made the city of Santa Clara shine. They have an outstanding organization. I was born, raised and still live here in Santa Clara and my kids have been going to the YAC. I can say that the importance of the YAC is critical to thr people of Santa. Think of the Latch Key kids or the working parents who need the YAC for their services

Preston Caldera

Location:

Submitted At: 10:00am 04-19-22

The YAC is a special place. If you have participated in a YAC program, attended an event, or simply gone on a facility tour, this fact is self-evident. The YAC and its staff have positively impacted the lives of thousands. I can

attest to this, growing up as a YAC participant and later having the opportunity to be a Recreation Leader. I am hopeful this new agreement will allow the YAC to continue to serve Santa Clara's youth and the community for the next decade and subsequent decades to come.

Erin Harvie

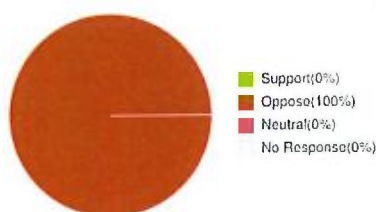
Location:

Submitted At: 8:19am 04-19-22

If you have never been apart of the YAC, then you will never know the true impact this program has on it's participants, workers, and parents. Especially when those workers and parents were once participants. The YAC provides a safe space for kids to have the opportunity to do things they might not have the chance to. The YAC also provides a space where kids can express themselves and continue to grow into themselves. The kids need the space. Moving to the TC will cause many conflicts and issues

Agenda Item: eComments for 5.C Action on Request Submitted by Stadium Manager to Execute Agreements Execute Second Amendment to Agreement with Bear Electrical Solutions Inc., for Levi's Naming Rights Existing Signage Lighting and Driver Repair CapEx Project and Agreements with HY Floor and Gameline Painting, Inc. for Club Space Flooring CapEx Project and Bear Insulation, Inc. for Stadium Insulation CapEx Project and Approve Related Budget Amendment

Overall Sentiment



Susan Hinton

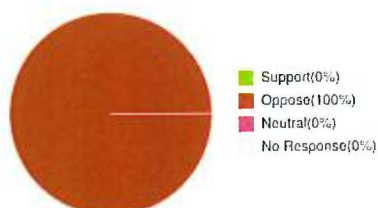
Location:

Submitted At: 9:19am 04-19-22

Where are the details for this request? If this involves paying anybody then there should be legislative text and financial details. If this does not involve paying anybody, what is the Council being asked to do? But, frankly, the words "Approve Related Budget Amendment" imply money changing hands. Who approved putting this onto the agenda without supporting text?

Agenda Item: eComments for 5.D Action on Request Submitted by the Stadium Manager to Incur Charges for the June 15-18, 2022 Event and Arena Marketing Conference in Minneapolis, MN and Travel for the May 28-29 Grupo Firme Concerts at SoFi Stadium in Inglewood, CA

Overall Sentiment



Susan Hinton

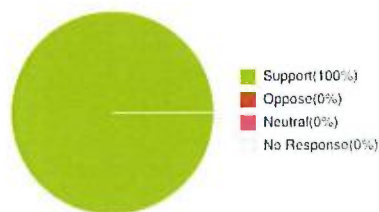
Location:

Submitted At: 9:27am 04-19-22

Where are the details for this request? How much will this cost? Is the cost part of the original agreement or does this involve a change to the original agreement? If this is a 2-part request, with costs buried in another agenda item, then this should be made transparent along with a summary of any and all cost increases attached to this agenda item.

Agenda Item: eComments for 8. 22-480 Action on a Response to a Written Request to Cover the Costs of City Services in Support of the Santa Clara Parade of Champions and the Cost of Facilitron Parking Fees

Overall Sentiment



Andrew Ratermann

Location:

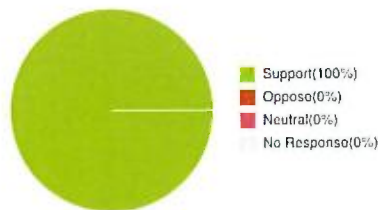
Submitted At: 8:36pm 04-19-22

I want to congratulate the Santa Clara City Council. Your support was critical to bringing back the beloved Parade of Champions to the City of Santa Clara. This event provides joy and entertainment to all ages and fosters a strong sense of community among our residents.

I expect and hope that Santa Clara will continue to lead, supporting the Parade of Champions, making us the envy of Silicon Valley. Thank you for continuing to support this remarkable community event. Andy Ratermann

Agenda Item: eComments for 9. 22-531 Action on a Written Petition (Council Policy 030) Submitted by Nick Valencia Requesting to Place an Agenda Item at a Future Council Meeting to Discuss the future of the BMX track located on city property at 5451 Lafayette Street

Overall Sentiment



Leilani Dela Cruz

Location:

Submitted At: 5:04pm 04-19-22

Joey, Nick & Marisa put in a lot of blood & sweat making this track a top-notch facility for kids & all kids alike. Their

work was always done with the utmost passion for the sport and the community. We & our son, Samuel (SCPAL poster boy #707) have always taken great pride in this facility. I urge you to please re-instate their positions & re-open the track under USA BMX sanctions. Let's get Santa Clara back on the map for being one of the best places to race BMX! - Jeremy & Leilani DelaCruz

Ryan Polli

Location:

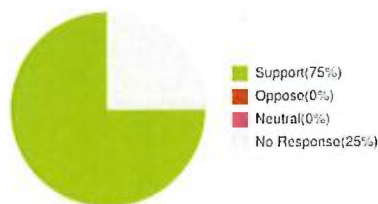
Submitted At: 3:22pm 04-19-22

Our family has been traveling to SCPAL for years to rCe and with Nick Valencia at the helm, this facility went from one of the worst, to one of the best in the country. His (and his teams) understanding of the sport and his technical understanding of track building and maintenance have set SCPal BMX above and beyond. In 6 years, I have never seen an officer there to represent the PAL group, or a board member who was not a part of the operation team.

Agenda Item: eComments for 10. 22-532 Action on a Written Petition (Council Policy 030) Submitted by Mary Grizzle on behalf of the Members of Reclaiming our Downtown are Requesting to Place an Agenda Item at a Future Council Meeting to Discuss and Vote on the Current Downtown Urban Planning Firm WRT to Study the following 4 Financial Benefits of Moving City Hall to a Location within the 8 Blocks of the Original Downtown (Lafayette Benton Monroe Homestead):

1. The financial benefits and construction savings of moving city hall to an 8+ story mixed-use (offices) building;
2. An updated and complete analysis of the advantages of selling the acreage used by city hall on its current location on Warburton;
3. The substantial increase in private investment after a city hall has been brought back to Downtown as evidenced by several other American cities studied by Reclaiming our Downtown;
4. Financial benefit of a "completed Downtown" to the tax revenue of Santa Clara

Overall Sentiment



Jim McNamee

Location:

Submitted At: 11:45pm 04-18-22

This group has spent over a year doing the work that this City should have done: Calling other cities that have the same issue: an aging City Hall. The volunteers did it for free. They did it because they want to understand where and how City Hall could be reborn that adds the most VALUE to the City and its citizens

I am asking you to put this on a future agenda and VOTE YES to study these critical ways to save and make this city money WHEN it's time to rebuild City Hall.

Carter Fulhorst

Location:

Submitted At: 7:11pm 04-18-22

We are just asking you to "know what you don't know." The City is already studying the "best location for its next City Hall." These folks have found Six American cities that have benefitted from moving their City Halls back to their Downtowns. If tonight, you pass or vote no on putting this on the next agenda, you are telling us that you don't want to know. Voting "no" on putting this on the next agenda is voting yes for ignorance on what is the best location for our future City Hall.

Donna West

Location:

Submitted At: 11:25am 04-16-22

Testing this e-comment system with the city council. See email to read.

Frank Lemmon

Location:

Submitted At: 9:36pm 04-15-22

Santa Clara has the special opportunity to develop its historic Downtown district. The Reclaiming Our Downtown citizen's group has conducted research on four American cities, and in each case learned that having City Hall in the Downtown district was a win-win. This is because economic vitality results from daytime business, dining, and shopping activities, which switches to after-hours dining and entertainment. Furthermore, the parking garage is effectively utilized during these periods, too.