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Sent: Tuesday, September 18, 2018 10:17 AM

To: Manager

Cc: Rodneypauldunham@gmail.com; Mary Grizzle; kardizzone@gmail.com; p.allmon@comcast.net

Subject: Fwd: Agenda request for Reclaiming our Downtown Group

Dear Deanna

Cc Manuel and Staff

How are you? Hope you are well. The Reclaiming our Downtown (ROD) team is Looking forward to the Study Session on October 2nd.

In the meantime one of our subcommittees is working on a secondary Community building project —the Return of the Parade of Champions on Sept 29, 2019. The Mayors office recommended I forward the Sponsorship request directly to your team to be considered for the next appropriate city council agenda.

The Parade of Champions is a 50 year old tradition loved by many community organizations and residents for generations until 1995. Our ongoing city wide community surveys, and community outreach, indicate overwhelmingly that Santa Clarans would love to have the Parade back in our Historic Downtown.

In the past the Parade was sponsored by the City and coordinated by Larry Marsalli and YMI—a charitable organization.

We have done the outreach and research and connected with many community organizations who participated in the past like Vanguards, Rotary, Lions, SCPD, Girl Scouts, Unified School Super Dr. Rose and schools etc... and they want to participate/support again.

The Parade of Champions was one of the few city wide events that connected and celebrated all Santa Clarans cross culturally and multi generationally too! It showcased our best in Talent, sports, arts and theatre, philanthropy and our diversity as a community.

Please confirm next steps required by our team to present our Sponsorship request formally to City Council.

Many Thanks and Best Regards

Ana Vargas-Smith

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Begin forwarded message:

From: Rodney Dunham <rodneypauldunham@gmail.com>

Date: September 17, 2018 at 1:50:34 PM PDT

To: Ana Vargas-Smith <amvargas@yahoo.com>

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So we have to contact Deanna Santana?

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From: Mayor and Council <MAYORANDCOUNCIL@santaclaraca.gov>

Date: Sun, Sep 16, 2018 at 9:53 PM

Subject: RE: Agenda request for Reclaiming our Downtown Group

To: Amvargas@yahoo.com <amvargas@yahoo.com>, Mayor and Council

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Dear Ms. Vargas-Smith,

Thank you for contacting the Mayor and Council office with your request to be added to the City Council agenda.

Please contact the City Manager's office at manager@santaclaraca.gov to inquire into the process for requesting sponsorship.

Also, your email has been forwarded to the full City Council for their reference.

Kind regards,

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-----Original Message-----

From: Amvargas@yahoo.com [mailto:amvargas@yahoo.com]

Sent: Friday, September 14, 2018 2:13 PM

To: Mayor and Council

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Subject: Agenda request for Reclaiming our Downtown Group

Dear Mayors/Council office team

Reclaiming our Downtown (ROD) would like to request to be put on the agenda for the next city council meeting.

Our formal request to the mayor and Council is to consider sponsoring the Parade of Champions on September 29th, 2019—a 50 year old tradition that the community groups and residents are longing to see returned to our Historic Downtown.

In the past the parade was sponsored by the city and coordinated by the Marsalli family and YMI until 1995. It was a prestigious annual event that show cased our city wide talent and leadership and drew 55k in attendance. It brought all city, community groups, residents and visitors together to celebrate the diverse history and multi cultural traditions of Santa Clara for a weekend with Street dances, a carnival, cultural performances and food, wine and beer—even a pancake breakfast fundraiser the morning of the Parade of Champions !

We have done the ground work and have alignment with many community organizations who want to participate/Support such as Vanguards, Rotary, Lions, Bill Wilson Center, Cultural Arts, SCU, Old Quad, Mission Library, Little league, Girl Scouts, Unified School district...list is long. ☺

We would like to formally ask Mayor Lisa and the Council at the to consider the Parade of Champions candidate for sponsorship.

Looking forward to your feedback

Best regards
Ana Vargas-Smith
ROD core lead
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