



City of Santa Clara

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Date: December 7, 2021

To: City Manager

From: Executive Assistant to the Mayor & City Council

Subject: Correspondence received requesting comments to be read during the Public Presentations Item on the December 7, 2021, City Council Meeting Agenda

As of December 7, 2021, at 4:30 p.m. the Mayor and City Council Offices received the attached correspondence requesting comments to be read during the Public Presentations Item.

Melissa Lee
Executive Assistant to the
Mayor & City Council

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1) *Communications received*

POST MEETING MATERIAL

Melissa Lee

From: Ms. Carolyn McAllister <carol3dsc@yahoo.com>
Sent: Saturday, December 4, 2021 2:02 PM
To: Mayor and Council
Subject: Fw: Change of Levi Stadium Curfew

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I am resending this email because I have not recieved an email that it was recieved at city hall.

Thank You,
Carolyn McAllister

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From: Ms. Carolyn McAllister <carol3dsc@yahoo.com>
To: MayornandCouncil@santaclaraca.gov <mayornandcouncil@santaclaraca.gov>
Sent: Thursday, December 2, 2021, 11:55:39 AM PST
Subject: Change of Levi Stadium Curfew

Please read my letter during Public Presentation at the December 7, 2021 Council Meeting

Dear Mayor and Council Members,

It is with frustration and anger that I compose another email. The 49er Five, Jain, Chahal, Park, Hardy and Becker voted to change the curfew at Levi Stadium from 10PM to 11PM on Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday. The 49ers agreed to a 10PM weekday curfew when approval was adopted in 2010. Why wasn't Public Presentation allowed before the vote? Council member Becker said he doesn't hear complaints about stadium noise or other problems. Mr. Becker's district is on the other side of Santa Clara. Why don't the 49er Five come to North Santa Clara and ask us what we think. Even our own District 2 representative doesn't listen to us.

I want Council Members Hardy, Park and Chahal to answer why they were getting a tour of Levi Stadium by Jim Mercurio the day before the curfew vote? I also want to know who paid for the Field Access tickets for Council members Hardy, Chahal and Park to be on the field during the National Anthem of that game? Were they gifts from Jed York?

These same Council members, plus Jain and Becker voted not to extend funding for the police. Who is going to monitor the late problems at Levi? The Police are already short staffed. Crime is on the increase. We see a local shoe store, at Scott and El Camino, burglarized twice in a week.

I've lived in Santa Clara since 1974. In that time there have been a few council members that I felt lacked integrity and professionalism to represent Santa Clara. Never have I seen five members of the same council, (Jain, Hardy, Becker, Park and Chahal) who all seem to lack the integrity and commitment to the people that is necessary. These council members are representing the 49ers. They voted to fire City Attorney Brian Doyle because Mr. Doyle was attempting to make the 49ers live up to their responsibilities and

contracts. Who will these 49er Five go after next?

I hope these pro 49er Council Members realize that we the voters are watching and some of you will want to run for re-election or even mayor. Many of us will be asking tough questions of your actions and decisions. Even the 49er money may not be able to help you.

Sincerely,

Carolyn McAllister

Melissa Lee

From: Alma Goldchain <almagoldchain@att.net>
Sent: Sunday, December 5, 2021 10:39 AM
To: Mayor and Council
Cc: 71VistaMontana@gmail.com
Subject: Santa Clara City Council Review: 49er Five Lift Stadium Weekday Concert Curfew

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Dear Council Members,

I'm writing you today and want my email to be put on record, so that you can see how your decisions affect all those within your community and around your community, especially the neighborhoods that are directly near the Stadium! Also, I WANT MY EMAIL READ AT THE COUNCIL MEETING DURING PUBLIC PRESENTATION on Tuesday.

Although, the Stadium was built around mostly commercial and business offices, there are thousands of people that live around that Stadium and your decisions directly affect them!

I am completely opposed to these recent decisions:

- * Weekday curfew changed from 10 PM to 11 PM (Sunday through Thursday) and also allows for pyrotechnics until 11 PM. What about people with PTSD, children's sleep, residents sleep, pets, etc.? These always sound like bombs or gunshots! It's truly alarming! It's already bad when Great America does it for 4th of July!
- * Weekday curfew changed without public outreach nor transparency. Living in North San Jose, I realize we don't get a say because we are not part of your district, but we are DIRECTLY affected!
- * Public safety cuts are going to be impacted. The Stadium brings in so many people that love to party and that causes a lot of issues for all the neighborhoods, especially mine in North San Jose (Renaissance Drive), where many people park to avoid the high cost of parking.
- * Neighborhoods are going to be inconvenienced and an even bigger nuisance created. Parking is already a problem on public streets especially Lick Mill Blvd. from Hope to Montague and neighborhoods near Fairway Glen and Renaissance Drive & Tasman.
- * Promises have been broken by 49ers. They will continue to pick profits over safety, because they can get away with it!
- * The 49ers agreed to the 10 PM weekday curfew when conditions of approval were adopted in 2010. See, with time, how they are now changing this?
- * The 49ers management have been terrible managers of stadium. They don't care about the neighborhoods that surround the stadium as long as they make money! It's always about money!
- * Stadium management have booked money losing events. Many cities have booked successful weekend events. Santa Clara and San Jose are two of those cities.
- * How come the maker of the motion to change the curfew, Anthony Becker, would not consider changing the curfew for ALL of the districts when asked by Kathy Watanabe? Why is only District 1 going to be impacted by this change? District 4 is affected too!

Thank you for your time & consideration,

Alma Goldchain

Sent from my iPhone

Melissa Lee

From: Debbie Tryforos <debbiesn1121@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 6, 2021 12:50 PM
To: Mayor and Council
Subject: PLEASE READ THIS AT THE DECEMBER 7th CITY COUNCIL MEETING

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Here is my perception of the City Council since January of this year. Four newly elected members joined the council. How they got elected is up for discussion, but the fact is they are on the council. I took the time to read all of the campaign information and imagine my surprise when no where did they mention their goal to "clean house". They talked of bringing more representation of citizens to the council and getting rid of animosity and disagreement between council members. What can we say as Santa Clara residents that they have done for our district? I can't think of one thing my district council member has done for us.

So.....they fired the City Attorney for perceived wrong doing over a settlement with the city. I have to say I am surprised he hasn't been replaced with a 49er friendly replacement. But it appears the position is not that attractive to outside attorneys.

The next step is to get rid of the City Manager. We all can see this coming. The focus on her salary is consistent and her unwillingness to work with the 49ers is making her a target. I wonder if the citizens realize how much money is being spent on recruiters and consultants. If they realize how much is not getting done by staff that is no longer engaged in our city due to the unsettled feeling these moves make.

Then the finale will be trying to get rid of the Mayor. That will be the "That's All Folks" curtain call. Will the three million dollars Jed contributed be paid back then? What will be next? We will be left with a city run by inexperienced attorneys, managers and city council.

If only more Santa Clara citizens were paying attention. If only more would realize what was going on in our wonderful city....if only we could stop it.

Melissa Lee

From: Nate Cid <nate.cid@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 6, 2021 1:20 PM
To: Mayor and Council
Subject: 49ers Concerns

Categories: Red Category

Hello,

Good afternoon.

(I would like this read at the council meeting during the public presentation portion as I am unable to be available during the meeting.)

I'm writing because of the very poor optics that I've noticed between the City of Santa Clara and the 49ers. It started with the 49ers backing certain candidates financially during elections. It's plain to see even from those not involved in politics that the 49ers are trying to buy favor with the city to gain what they want. I just read online that the 49ers/stadium were granted additional weekday concerts and fireworks that can go to almost midnight. As someone who lives of Lafayette, being able to hear concerts and everything involved on weekdays is concerning. For those even closer, I can imagine it is very disruptive, especially if they have children or need to sleep to get up early the next day for work.

I would hope that the city would be more concerned about public safety like addressing the increasing RVs, catalytic converter thefts, car break-ins, and now smash & grabs, than special deals and agreements with the stadium. Our city's police need all the resources, support, and attention they can get to help protect our residents.

Thank you,
Nathan

Melissa Lee

From: Sri Cha <mauriciaave@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, December 6, 2021 2:26 PM
To: Mayor and Council; Public Comment
Subject: Levi's stadium

Categories: Red Category

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am requesting you to please read the following message in the Santa Clara council meeting on 12/7/21. Although I am a resident of North San Jose, we are deeply impacted by your actions on Levi's stadium.

My name is Sri and I have been a resident of California Impressions in North San Jose since 2007. I **was** a big fan of 49ers. As a 49er fan, although our community didn't get the opportunity to vote for Measure J in 2010, I was cautiously optimistic about a 49ers stadium close to home. The opportunity to walk to football games and the development prospects of the neighborhood were attractive. The concern for the safety of my family was in the back of my mind. My concern was about the intoxicated, unruly and inconsiderate fans.

As a 49er fan, I enjoyed touring Levi's stadium with my daughter's elementary school and few football games. It is not very hard to overlook the vast difference between Santa Clara's District 1 and San Jose's District 4's governance during the game. I swept the contrast underneath the rug. Illegal and unsafe parking in No Parking zones by the event attendees is a temporary inconvenience. I picked up the trash left behind by 49er fans and felt that "few bad apples" don't represent the larger population.

It was a difficult pill to swallow when I and my kids noticed a "Mexico vs Chile" soccer attendee urinating on our neighborhood wall after the game. I brushed it aside as a rare occurrence.

It is however, very difficult to accept the disturbance from stadium event attendees. It is common for the visitors to the stadium to talk loudly as they pass through our neighborhood. My high school going son becomes anxious and has a difficultly going to bed. The helicopter hovering over the area during late night events aggravates the sound pollution problem in our neighborhood. To say the least, this is causing a lot of emotional strain on our entire family. I am worried that these late night events will not only affect my family's health but also my son's studies.

To make matters worse, the Santa Clara city council recently decided to vote on curfew change without factoring any of the citizens who live near the stadium. This lack of transparency is appalling and disgraceful. The 49ers administration risks not only losing fans but also business. The 49ers stadium management has already broken previous promises. The curfew conditions approved in 2010 were violated few times during late night concerts. Why is Anthony Becker changing curfew times only for Santa Clara District 1 and San Jose District 4? Why not change curfew conditions for all districts?

Please reconsider the curfew relaxation for District 1 in Santa Clara and District 4 in San Jose. I will suggest conducting a town hall and factor the local residents opinions.

Sincerely
Sri

Melissa Lee

From: Robert Sherman <rsherman@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 6, 2021 12:54 PM
To: Mayor and Council
Subject: Changes to the District 1 curfew and other associated matters

Categories: Red Category

Honorable Mayor and City Council:

I request that the contents of my email message below be read into the minutes of the Tuesday, December 7, 2021 City Council Meeting.

Since the last City Council elections, several developments have ensued that concern me greatly, as a resident and homeowner in District 1 – in the neighborhood known as “49ers backyard”. First, the potential existence of a conflict of interest – real or perceived – that is created by the continued participation by members of the City Council in closed-door meetings with 49ers management. The lack of detailed meeting records or any public divulgence of the content of these meetings is an egregious departure from the Brown Act and the principles of good government. To further complicate matters, three members of the Council were seen getting a tour of the stadium prior to the Chargers game and seen on the field itself during the national anthem. The fact that these Council members appeared to be receiving favored treatment by the 49ers THE DAY BEFORE an important vote was taken regarding the curfew is at the very least terrible optics, and at worst, indicative of a City Council in thrall to a corporate entity that often seems to act in ways that are antithetical to interests of me and my fellow residents of District 1.

I am not going to directly accuse Councilmembers Suds, Park, Chahal, and Hardy of unethical and corrupt behavior, but so far, their actions are problematic. I strongly urge these members, and the City Council as a whole, to demonstrate - through both words and actions - that they are representing the interests of the City of Santa Clara and its citizens rather than the interests of the Forty Niners Football Company LLC. The fact that the curfew was amended ONLY for District 1 indicates to me that it was done solely for the benefit of the 49ers to the detriment of me and my neighbors.

Respectfully,

Robert Sherman

4298 Dry Bed Court, Santa Clara, CA

Nora Pimentel

From: asegovia.personal@gmail.com
Sent: Tuesday, December 7, 2021 8:23 AM
To: Public Comment
Cc: Kathy Watanabe
Subject: City Council

This email is to be read during the City Council Meeting on Tuesday 12/7, 2021.

My name is Ana Segovia and my husband and I have lived in the City of Santa Clara since 1979. I am writing to express my disappointment with our elected City Council members. They are not transparent and their vested interests are coming out very obviously. Extending weeknight curfew for Levi Stadium will only benefit the 49'ers and not the residents of this area, where we have lived for many years. Council member Suds Jain is requesting to consider a future meeting to establish a neighborhood stations relations committee. Who will this benefit? Again, it seems like it is for the 49'ers gain and advantage. Is the City Council working for the 49'ers and not for the residents? Please be more transparent and let us know what is going on. Do not keep us in the dark. Publish dates and meetings and names of people involved. There should be an OPEN discussion, open to the public, before the council makes a vote. Thank you.
Ana and Tom Segovia

Sent from my iPhone

Melissa Meslo

From: debbie.algieri@sbcglobal.net
Sent: Tuesday, December 7, 2021 7:44 PM
To: Public Comment
Subject: Please read at the Dec 7th meeting (Curfew)

Mayor and City Council,

I am very concerned about the Curfew change that was put in place that would allow events to run later at night. Please read this at the City Council meeting tonight 12/7/2021.

The change has been put in place with no public input. District 1 has had the largest impact but yet, no one came to my door to ask what I thought? Many homeowners are unhappy about this change as they have children who need to sleep in order to attend school and parents that need to sleep so they can work the next day.

I am concerned for several reasons

1. Chahal, Hardy and Parks were present at the LA Chargers game the night before the curfew was discussed and changed at the Council Meeting.
2. Where they guest?
3. They were escorted onto the field with passes.
4. Who paid for their tickets to the game? Who paid for the field passes?
5. Was this on their calendar?
6. These are clearly violations of the Brown act and need to be investigated.

In addition, who is going to pay to have my windows upgraded to reduce the noise that these council members are creating. Changes to the curfew need to be city wide. There's no reason why the college students can't get an extra hour of party time.

The council did not think this through before they moved forward. We need to investigate why our city council members are meeting with the 49ers Management and what they are gaining from there partnership with the 49ers (\$\$\$\$).

The stadium management has consistently shown that they cannot manage a stadium. Just look at the numbers. Time for change

Regards,
Debbie