



City of Santa Clara

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Lisa M. Gillmor

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Kathy Watanabe, District 1
Raj Chahal, District 2
Karen Hardy, District 3
Kevin Park, District 4
Suds Jain, District 5
Anthony J. Becker, District 6

January 11, 2022

Santa Clara City Council
1500 Warburton Avenue
Santa Clara, CA 95050

Dear City Council:

On January 15, 2019, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 19-8650, pursuant to Section 705 of the City Charter, to establish a procedure for the selection of Vice Mayor (Mayor Pro Tempore) and Chaplain for a calendar year.

Per the resolution, the City Council shall select a Vice Mayor by a majority vote of a quorum of the City Council, with the selection scheduled to take place at a City Council meeting in the beginning of each calendar year. The resolution also states that the Vice Mayor shall be the Councilmember with the highest seniority in consecutive years on the Council, who has not previously served as Vice Mayor and that the Chaplain shall be served by the most recent outgoing Vice Mayor. Per the procedure established by Resolution No. 19-8650, Councilmember Sudhanshu "Suds" Jain is eligible to serve as Vice Mayor.

I would like to recommend that the City Council appoint Councilmember Suds Jain to the position of Vice Mayor for approximately one year until the appointment of successor Vice Mayor in January 2022. Councilmember Suds Jain first became involved with the City on its Climate Action Plan, later served on the Planning Commission, and was elected to the Santa Clara City Council in November 2020. With his experience serving the City in multiple capacities, I am confident that he will capably fulfill the duties of Vice Mayor.

Sincerely,

Lisa M. Gillmor
Mayor
City of Santa Clara