

CITY COUNCIL ACTIVITY REPORT

Meeting: June 21, 2023

Reporting Councilmember: Councilmember J.R. Fruen

Report Activity Dates: 5/31/23 to 6/12/23

Event Date, Title, and Description:

Event 1. 5/31/23 - INTRODUCTION OF CITY MANAGER WU AS FEATURED SPEAKER AT CUPERTINO ROTARY - I had the honor of introducing City Manager Wu at the Cupertino Rotary Club's weekly meeting for a discussion of the conditions in the city, the city manager's role, and current initiatives in the city. Her talk featured the budget discussion, the city's sales tax shortfall, and the Housing Element update. She was well-received and fielded a variety of questions both simple and complex.

Event 2. 5/31/23 - AUDIT COMMITTEE MEETING (SPECIAL) - The Audit Committee took action to select the city's external auditor, the Pun Group, based on the review and advice of the subcommittee created to evaluate respondents to the city's RFP.

Event 3. 6/1/23 - CUPERTINO PRIDE FLAG RAISING CEREMONY - Along with the rest of council, I took part in the city's 4th Annual Pride Flag Raising Ceremony honoring Pride Month and the LGBTQ+ community. Councilmembers each offered comments, as did representatives of the offices of Supervisor Joe Simitian, Assemblymember Evan Low, Senator Dave Cortese, and Representative Ro Khanna. The event closed with comments from a young member of the community, Cupertino High School student Xinpei Liu. Councilmembers, in succession, helped crank the flag to the top of the flag pole. I was honored to be the final flag-raiser.

Event 4. 6/2/23 - BUDGET PREPARATORY SESSION - I attended a briefing with city staff from the Department of Finance in advance of the budget discussion at the June 6 city council meeting. The structured opportunity to review the documents and ask questions made the budget discussion flow more smoothly.

Event 5. 6/3/23 - FAREWELL DINNER FOR FHDA CHANCELLOR JUDY MINER - I attended a dinner alongside Mayor Wei and Councilmember Chao to honor Chancellor Judy Miner on the occasion of her retirement from several decades of service at the Foothill-De Anza Community College District.

Event 6. 6/5/23 - DE ANZA COLLEGE PRIDE FLAG RAISING CEREMONY - Along with Vice-Mayor Mohan, I attended De Anza College's first Pride and Trans Flag Raising Ceremony, honoring Pride Month and the LGBTQ+ community. I offered comments as a featured speaker at the invitation of the event organizers. I also toured the new Pride Center and provided interview comments for the Center's history capsule.

Event 7. 6/6/23 - FHDA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT INCLUSIVE FLAG RAISING CEREMONYAAPI MULTICULTURAL FESTIVAL - Along with Mayor Wei, I offered comments as a featured speaker to honor the District's 2nd Annual commemoration of Pride Month and the LGBTQ+ community. I was honored to serve as the official flag-raiser for this widely attended event.

Event 8. 6/7/23 - INTRODUCTION OF SHERIFF BOB JONSEN AT CUPERTINO ROTARY - I had the honor of introducing Santa Clara County's new sheriff, Bob Jonsen, for a discussion of the conditions on the force, how he sees his role as sheriff, and what initiatives he is focused on for the coming year. His talk strongly featured measures that avoid escalation and the use of deadly force.

Event 9. 6/9/23 - WILSON PARK COMMUNITY GARDEN & BASKETBALL COURT RIBBON-CUTTING - Together with Mayor Wei, Vice-Mayor Mohan, and Councilmember Moore, I participated in the opening of the new Community Garden and full-sized basketball court at Wilson Park. The event was well-attended. The community garden will be available for reservation and use starting July 10. The basketball court is already open and was in-use at the time of the ceremony.