



City of Cupertino Bill Watch List 2023

Bill/ Author	Title	Brief Summary	City Position	Status/ Location
ACA 5/ Low	Marriage Equality	The California Constitution provides that only a marriage between a man and a woman is valid or recognized in California, and federal law permanently enjoins the state from enforcing this constitutional provision. This measure would repeal this unenforceable constitutional provision and would instead provide that the right to marry is a fundamental right, as specified.	Supported by Council 4/13/23	7/6/23 Senate Appropriations Committee
AB 1469/ Kalra	Santa Clara Valley Water District	The Santa Clara Valley Water District Act creates the Santa Clara Valley Water District and authorizes the district to provide for the conservation and management of flood, storm, and recycled waters, and other waters, for beneficial uses and to enhance natural resources in connection with carrying out the purposes of the district. This bill would additionally authorize the district to take certain actions in order to assist unsheltered people living along streams, in riparian corridors, or otherwise within the district's jurisdiction, in consultation with a city or the County of Santa Clara to provide solutions or improve outcomes for the unsheltered individuals. The bill would require the district to provide a report to the appropriate committees of the Legislature on or before July 1, 2029, and a subsequent report on or before July 1, 2034, containing specified information, including, among other things, the district's actions taken to assist unsheltered people. By imposing new duties on the district, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.	Supported by Council 4/4/23	7/6/23 Senate, ordered to second reading
Initiative No. 21-0042A	Taxpayer Protection and Government Accountability Act Initiative	The ballot measure would amend the California Constitution to apply new rules to all new or increased taxes or fees adopted by the state legislature or local agencies. The measure would apply retroactively to new or increased taxes or fees adopted after January 1, 2022.	Opposed by Council 3/21/23 Opposed by LRC 12/10/21	2/1/23 Initiative qualified for the November 2024 general election ballot.



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SB 403/ Wahab	Discrimination on the basis of ancestry	The Unruh Civil Rights Act provides that all persons within the jurisdiction of this state are free and equal, and no matter what their sex, race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, disability, medical condition, genetic information, marital status, sexual orientation, citizenship, primary language, or immigration status are entitled to the full and equal accommodations, advantages, facilities, privileges, or services in all business establishments of every kind whatsoever. This bill would define “ancestry” for purposes of the act to include, among other things, caste, as defined.	Watch (Council considering at 7/18 CC meeting)	7/6/23 Assembly Appropriations Committee
SB 423/ Wiener	Land use: streamlined housing approvals: multifamily housing developments.	This bill would modify and expand SB 35 provisions that allow certain multifamily housing developments to take advantage of a streamlined, ministerial approval process. Specifically, this bill would: 1) Extends the Jan. 1, 2026, sunset to Jan. 1, 2036. 2) Applies SB 35 provisions to the Coastal Zone. 3) Allows the State to approve housing developments on property they own or lease. 4) Prohibits a city from enforcing its inclusionary housing ordinance if the income limits are higher than those in SB 35.	Watch (Council considering at 7/25 CC meeting)	6/28/23 Assembly Natural Resources Committee
AB 1484/ Zbur	Temporary public employees.	Would require temporary employees to be automatically included in the same bargaining unit as the permanent employees upon the request of the recognized employee organization, among other provisions.	Watch	6/14/23 Senate Labor, Public Employment, and Retirement Committee
AB 1657/ Wicks	The Affordable Housing Bond Act of 2024.	This measure would place a \$10 billion bond measure on the March 2024 ballot to spur the production of affordable and supportive housing.	Watch	6/21/23 Senate Governance and Finance Committee
AB 972/ Maienschein	Local Assistance and Grant Program Streamlining Workgroup.	Would coordinate, align, and streamline local government assistance resources to ensure that every community has the same opportunity to compete for state funding opportunities by convening a statewide, cross-agency Local Assistance and Grant Program Streamlining Workgroup, no later than April 2024.	Watch	6/28/23 Senate Appropriations Committee