



## CITY COUNCIL ACTIVITY REPORT

Meeting: February 6, 2024

Reporting Councilmember: Vice Mayor J.R. Fruen

Report Activity Dates: 1/9/24 to 1/30/24

Event Date, Title, and Description:

Event 1. January 11, 2024 – **Cupertino Library Foundation Dinner** – Together with Councilmembers Moore and Wei, I attended the annual dinner of the Cupertino Library Foundation to celebrate their year of achievements and installation of new board members. This dinner featured a change in leadership as Kiran Varshneya stepped down after years as president of the board. I filled in for Mayor Mohan to recognize Ms. Varshneya with a certificate from the city commending her for her service to the Foundation and the Cupertino community.

Event 2. January 12, 2024 – **Preparation Briefing on Proposed Service Level Reductions** – I received a briefing from staff on the study session item regarding proposed service level reductions slated for the January 17, 2024, council meeting. The session offered the opportunity to raise questions and clarify the content of the presentation.

Event 3. January 16, 2024 – **UC Berkeley Turner Center Webinar: “Making it Pencil - The Math Behind Housing Development.”** This webinar walked through the high-level decisions that go into new market-rate real estate development, using the Turner Center’s prototype pro formas. A panel of expert practitioners offered insights into how these financial realities and market conditions impact development in the state as well as potential policy responses. The discussion was illuminating and highlighted the full range of challenges to delivering housing even once entitled.

Event 4. January 18, 2024 – **Cities Association of Santa Clara County Legislative Action Committee Meeting** – I attended this meeting in my capacity as Cupertino’s representative on

the Committee. We received an update on upcoming legislation that will affect cities in the coming year with a special focus on the recently-released budget from the Governor’s office.

Event 5. January 24 – 26, 2024 – **California League of Cities Mayors and Council Members Academy** – Together with Mayor Mohan, and Councilmembers Moore and Wei, I attended this three-day educational seminar series in Monterey, California, to get up to speed on best practices in governance, land use entitlement, and city finance (among other topics). The academy also offered opportunities to meet and share experiences with councilmembers and city officials from across California. All-in-all, it was a useful and edifying experience.

Event 6. January, 26, 2024 – **California League of Cities Peninsula Division Legislative Address** – The Peninsula Division of the California League of Cities hosted a meet-and-greet with part of our local delegation to the Assembly and Senate, namely Assemblymembers Papan and Berman, and Senators Becker and Wahab. Each had the opportunity to offer their thoughts on legislation they either had introduced or were intending to introduce, and each answered questions from local electeds.