



CITY COUNCILMEMBER REPORT

Meeting: Tuesday, May 5, 2026

Reporting Councilmember: Vice Mayor Liang Chao

Report Dates: 04/01/26 to 04/28/26

Section 1: Committee Assignment

(In reverse chronological order)

2026-04-22 attended the Recycle and Waste Reduction Commission Meeting

- This is a County-level meeting, where I represent the West Valley cities, appointed by the Cities Association Select Committee. See the [Meeting Summary](#) for actions taken.

2026-04-09 attended the Cities Association LAC & BOD Meeting

- The agenda packets can be found [here](#).
- The LAC voted to support the following bills and watch the remaining bills.
 - SB 1013 (Cervantes): Automated license plate recognition systems
 - SB 1159 (Cabaldon): Artificial intelligence: transparency and governance - Only "people" can make PRA requests, not a bot.
 - AB 1761 (Rogers): Electricity: calculation methodology: data disclosure
 - AB 2517 (Calderon): Fire safety: fire hazard severity zones
- The BOD voted to select Los Gatos Mayor Bob Moore to the Second Vice President/LAC Chair, since the former position holder resigned.
- Two speakers from the County Office of Emergency made a presentation on Emergency Preparedness, Response and Recovery: Dana Reed, Director of Emergency Management and Tom Chin, Deputy Director of Emergency Management.

2026-04-06 attended the Cupertino Legislative Review Committee Meeting

- This is the first LRC meeting. The lobbyist will arrange an advocacy trip to Sacramento in June.
- See the [Legislative Activities](#) page for a list of bills Cupertino has voted to support or oppose or watch.

Section 3: Activities by Date (Date, Title, and Description):

NOTE:

- This list does not include internal meetings with staff only, such as prep sessions or meetings with the City Manager.
- This list includes activities to "represent the community I am elected to serve", "to respond to community needs and

complaints,” and “to communicate policies and programs to residents,” among other [responsibilities](#) of a City Councilmember.

- Due to my work schedule, I have cut down on the event attendance for ceremonial purposes, especially those I have attended almost every year in the past. Instead, I focus more of my time on constituent services.

(In reverse chronological order)

2026-04-25 attended Cherry Blossom opening at Memorial Park

- All five Councilmembers attended, even though the rain was coming in and out. There were still a lot of attendees. On Sunday, the festival was more crowded.

2026-04-25 attended the Launch event of Embodied AI Developer Ecosystem, by Faraday Future and NS Federation in Burlingame

- The room was full as they demoed their robots and the open-source platform to develop AI applications for the robots, which could help with public safety, senior care or companionship.

2026-04-23 attended the CUSD celebration for Distinguished School and the presentation of awards for CEEF at the new CUSD Board Room on Portal Avenue

- Lawson Middle School and the Kennedy Middle School have been recognized as the Distinguished Schools of California. CEEF has presented their award for Mr. G for his services to foster leadership in students, while teaching them math skills. CEEF presented certificates to art award recipients too.

2026-04-17 attended the Regional Safe Parking Forum, hosted by Supervisor Abe-Koga in Palo Alto.

- Mountain View and Palo Alto presented their safe parking program with the support of Move Mountain View to manage the programs. Palo Alto shared that they have adopted guidelines for code of conduct for the program users. [Slide Presentations](#).
- The **Safe Parking Regional Collaboration (SPRC) Group** will be formed to continue the effort. Sign up [here](#). The first meeting will be Tuesday, May 26 from 3 to 4PM via Zoom

2026-04-16 attended Shanghai Yangpu Bay Area Business Seminar in San Francisco, hosted by Bay Area Council

- The Mayor/District Head of Yangpu District came to visit and they will also go to Palo Alto, their sister city, later. The panel discussion invited U.S. business and academic speakers with long experiences doing business in China from bio to engineering.

2026-04-14 attended STEAM Extravaganza at Tessellation Schools

- This is the first TEAM Extravaganza event where there were hands-on booths by vendors, nonprofits and teachers for students to explore.

2026-04-09 attended Mimouna, North Africa Jewish celebration of Passover in San Jose

- Mimouna is a joyful tradition celebrated at the end of Passover, known for its hospitality, music and transitional sweets. The event was well attended with many people dancing into the night.

2026-04-05 attended International Tamil Academy (ITA) Heritage Day at De Anza College

- ITA is a language school being held at De Anza College every Sunday. At the Heritage Day, children hosted booths to demonstrate the art, culture, science, architecture, sport and games of the area, in addition to dance performances.

2026-04-04 attended Rethinking Humanity & Education Under AI, hosted by Education4Impact and 7EDU Online High School, at the Senior Center

- I participated in a panel to share experiences and thoughts on education in the AI era with 3 other speakers.
- Students presented their projects, from a study on an American who lived in Shanghai in early 1900s through his writings, a journalism effort to collect 1001 stories from everyday people to entrepreneurship initiatives.