



## CITY COUNCIL ACTIVITY REPORT

Meeting: Tuesday, March 5, 2024

Reporting Councilmember: Mayor Sheila Mohan

Report Activity Dates: 2/13/24 to 2/26/24

Event Date, Title, and Description:

2/13/24: Attended an introductory meeting with **Sheriff Bob Johnson**, prior to the State of the City address, to hear what his focus would be in his speech. Discussion centered on issues generally raised by residents: the one unhoused person near Target, auto thefts (catalytic converters), home burglaries. The Sheriff suggested precautions that homeowners and residents should and could take to protect themselves and their property.

2/13/24: Attended a meeting with Foothill De Anza College **Chancellor Lee Lambert** to follow up on issues raised in January in my meeting with Lloyd Holmes, De Anza College President. These included parking, internships, update on campus medical clinic, and student/teacher housing.

2/14/24: Met with Santa Clara County **Fire District Chief Kerdkaew** and received an update on how first responders respond to fire and rescue emergencies in the Cupertino operational area.

2/15/24: The **2024 State of the City** event was held at the Quinlan Center. I delivered the annual address in front of an audience of about 200. The theme was Stronger Together, and I emphasized the need to forge and/or strengthen partnerships with community organizations and businesses to be able to boost the City's commitment to community needs. A big thank you to staff who put in considerable time and effort to make the event successful.

2/16/24: Attended a prep session conducted by City staff on the status of the

**mid-year budget.** Despite much uncertainty surrounding the City's structural deficit situation, I was heartened to see that the midyear budget reflected the City's focus on being prudent and responsible in its operations.

2/16/24: Attended the **Santa Clara County Mayors Gathering** hosted by mayors of Sunnyvale and San Jose. The Housing Element and the challenges it presented was the focus of discussion. Other issues that the mayors touched upon were the complexities with the unhoused population, builders remedy cases that most cities were facing, and ERAF uncertainty.

2/17/24: Celebrated the **Lunar New Year with Diana Ding** and her Media Company at their Santa Clara Office. It was a whole day of festivities which included multicultural dance and music performances and was well attended by local officials. Councilmember Wei and I represented Cupertino.

2/17/24: Attended a dance performance by the **Sri Vidya Dance School**, a Cupertino area fixture for many years. The school's artistic director is a long-time resident of Cupertino and has trained many young dancers mostly in the ancient Indian tradition of Bharatanatyam.

2/22/24: Met with a group of residents from Cupertino who presented details of a **meditation program**("Heartfulness") they have designed which is intended to reduce stress for all and especially young people. The group was interested in promoting their program to schools and residents.

2/23/24: Attended the Lunar New Year luncheon at the Quinlan Center hosted by the **Chamber of Commerce**. Fire-breathing dragons mingled with guests and a good time was had by all.