

CITY COUNCILMEMBER REPORT

Meeting: September 4, 2024

Reporting Councilmember: Mayor Sheila Mohan

Report Dates: 7/9/24 to 8/26/24

Item Date, Title, and Description:

7/10/24: Attended the monthly breakfast meeting of the **Cupertino Optimist Club** and spoke to members about concerns they raised: delay in Vallco construction, economic development, housing for seniors.

7/17/24: The **mayor's Commissioner Meeting** was held on Zoom. Commissioners were informed about presentations to be made to the Council during the next 3 months. We discussed attendance/quorum issues, and I gave an overview of items on future Council meetings: Lawrence-Mitty conceptual design, Housing Element, fences, possible Electrification Reach Code modifications, cybersecurity, Vision Zero and the Lawson Middle School bike lanes.

7/20/24: Attended the opening of this season's **Shakespeare in the Park** held in Memorial Park. A very well attended community event, and an enjoyable performance of Shakespeare's Tempest ("We are such stuff as dreams are made on"). A testament to the partnerships that work so well together in the city.

7/22/24: Welcomed the **APALI Taiwan college students** to Cupertino. Made a brief speech with an overview of Cupertino city administration, and things to do in the City.

7/22/24: Attended the **Audit Committee** Meeting at which we received the Internal Audit and Fraud, Waste and Abuse programs update, performance report of the OPEB and Pension Trust, the quarterly Treasurer's Investment Report and the proposed Audit schedule and Work plan.

7/23/24: Welcomed the **Xianning delegation.** Staff did an excellent job of organizing the event, with tour of the Civic Center, video presentation of City highlights and dinner with the group.

7/24/24: Participated in zoom discussions with **local area high school students** about climate change, sustainability, and transportation initiatives.

7/25/24: Welcomed the Mayor of **Taichung**, a friendship city, and her delegation.

7/27/24: I was honored to participate in the ribbon cutting and grand opening of **YogaSix**. This small business is located in the Cupertino Village and is the third in the South Bay.

7/29/24: Staff organized a tour of the **building on Stevens Creek** which has been discussed for possible purchase by the City while the present City Hall is retrofitted and redesigned.

7/29/24: Participated in an interview by **local high school students** on Cupertino's public transportation options and emphasized the need to use and expand the SV Hopper, reduce reliance on autos and use walk/bike options to get around where feasible.

7/31/24: Attended the monthly **West Valley Mayors and Managers' meeting** – mayors from Campbell, Saratoga, Los Gatos, and Monte Sereno provided updates on City happenings, and we discussed ballot measures on the November ballot including many revenue enhancement measures proposed by South Bay cities.

8/13/24: Made some remarks to a group of residents about climate-related awareness in south bay cities – and referenced **Cupertino's Climate Action P**lan, its involvement in SVCE (Silicon Valley Clean Energy) and the many accolades the city has received from Energy groups.

8/14/24: Attended the monthly meeting of the **SVCE Board of Directors**. A special study session on affordability issues associated with electricity and gas usage was held where SVCE staff explained reasons for high energy bills for consumers.

8/15/24: Along with Vice Mayor Fruen, Councilmember Moore and several local elected officials, I was honored to participated in the flag raising ceremony on the occasion of **India** 's **Independence Day.** The Deputy Consul-General of India, Rakesh Adlakha assisted in the flag raising.

8/16/24: Together with City Manager Wu, I attended the **Santa Clara County Mayor's meeting** hosted by San Jose Mayor Matt Mahan. Cupertino's initiative to enhance the Neighborhood Block Program was recognized and commended by the group of mayors. The program's focus on ways to reduce resident's isolation and bring neighborhoods together was the highlight of the meeting.

8/19/24: Attended a dinner with **SVCE staff** and directors to discuss future initiatives concerning clean energy.

8/24/24: Along with Vice Mayor Fruen and Councilmembers Chau and Moore, I was honored to participate in the annual **Kids Fun Festival** organized by several Taiwanese groups. This was a well-attended community event and featured dances, music, food vendors and the presence of many elected officials.

8/24/24: The **Cupertino Toyokawa Sister City** group hosted a get together in Linda Vista Park in honor of Mr. Imaizumi, visiting from Toyokawa, Japan. A very meaningful and emotional gathering because Mr. Imaizumi and his wife had been involved since the inception of the sister city relationship. Mrs. Imaizumi passed away recently, and Mr. Imaizumi wanted to honor her memory by visiting Cupertino along with his children and grandchildren.

8/26/24: I was grateful to be invited to **Morningstar**, West San Jose, to speak before the residents about questions they had about Cupertino, the City Council and City Management, and community amenities available for residents.