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## Matt Mahan launches mayoral campaign pledging 'Revolution of common sense'

*Presents action plan to end  
street homelessness without  
use of new tax dollars*

By William Bellou  
Publisher

After some speculation, technology innovator and San Jose City Councilmember representing Almaden Valley announced he is running to become the next San Jose Mayor at a news conference held Sept. 25.

As a crowd of well-wishers cheered, Mahan pledged to bring about "a revolution of common sense."

"I want to make sure local government is working as hard as we do," Mahan said. "San Jose politicians should not get raises unless they improve city services."

Mahan has been pushing for housing reform and solutions for homelessness and has taken a hard "no" stance on the city's controversial Opportunity Housing proposal with his own homeless crisis solution: pre-fabricated homes. But his ideas got pushed aside by his

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The Master Gardeners of Santa Clara County were participants at the 2019 "Heart of the Park" celebration.

## 'Heart of the Park' celebration returns Oct. 16

By Linda Wilson  
Special to the Times

The Martin-Fontana Parks Association (MFPA) is back with "Heart of the Park" celebration on October 16 following a pandemic pause.

Scheduled are lots of fun activities and informational booths starting at 1:00 p.m. at the Jeffrey Fontana Dog Park on Golden Oak Way.

The annual event brings together friends and neighbors to celebrate and learn about the varied features of our neighborhood parks, including a bird watching tour at noon in the natural Guadalupe Oak Grove Park, plus lots of "how to" and craft booths, and activities for children.

Kids can get a chance to paint a Halloween pumpkin, make their own COVID mask, play a giant "Jenga" along with other games, and enjoy free ice cream bars from

the SJPD Crime Prevention ice cream truck.

In addition to the Informational booths, everyone is invited to enjoy the "Strut Your Mutt" dog parade starting at 1:00 p.m. The popular Raffle drawing takes place at 2:30 p.m. with lots of great prizes donated by various local businesses.

The MFPA, formed in 2010, successfully stopped the PG&E removal of 140 mature trees in the parks. The nonprofit has grown to become the most active neighborhood park group in the city. Proceeds from this event go to help MFPA with its continuing efforts to save trees and make these parks a great place for an enjoyable experience for everyone.

To view the list of raffle prizes and information booths visit the Martin-Fontana parks Association website at: [www.saveourpark-trees.com](http://www.saveourpark-trees.com).

## Leland senior becomes advocate for early neuroscience and mental health education

*The NeuroKidz is dedicated  
to enriching children's lives*

By William Bellou  
Publisher

Mental health and substance abuse are among the most devastating societal issues faced today by teenagers around the world.

The root cause of this issue is excessive stress, and children from underprivileged backgrounds are disproportionately impacted.

Nethra Srinivasan, senior at Leland High School, realized that if kids knew how their brains worked, they would know how to

cope with pressure instead of succumbing to vaping and drugs. This realization motivated her to become a mental health and early neuroscience education advocate.

In the winter of 2018, Nethra founded The NeuroKidz, a youth-led international 501c3 nonprofit organization dedicated to enriching the lives of children from diverse backgrounds by providing exposure to neuroscience through STEAM (STEM infused with arts).

Nethra and her organization partners with elementary and middle schools in our community to

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## YWCA Golden Gate Silicon Valley names Adriana Caldera Boroffice new CEO

*The nonprofit celebrates the announcement of its first woman of color CEO*

YWCA Golden Gate Silicon Valley has a new CEO, **Adriana Caldera Boroffice** (inset).

The more than 100-year-old nonprofit, whose mission is to eliminate racism and empower women, is celebrating the announcement of its first woman of color CEO.

Boroffice had been serving as Interim CEO since December 2020, during which time the executive search firm Carlson Beck led an intensive, nine-month nationwide CEO search.

Born and raised in San Jose, "Boroffice brings a deep understanding of the communities and people YWCA serves," said Board Chair Barbara Wakefield. "With an 11-year tenure at YWCA, in progressively key roles, Adriana offers proven and trusted leadership. Furthermore, as our first Latinx CEO, Adriana represents the majority of clients YWCA serves, as well as our dedicated staff team. I couldn't be

more confident in our choice of CEO to steward YWCA's Mission."

Adriana Caldera Boroffice is a non-profit leader with a wealth of knowledge and expertise in the movement to eliminate violence against women. For the past twelve

years, she has developed and resourced comprehensive domestic violence and sexual assault services to meet the unique needs of survivors in Santa Clara County.

"I'm thrilled for the opportunity to continue building on the momentum that's already been started with YWCA staff, our clients, and our partners," said Boroffice. "The community can count on YWCA to maintain a strong presence in each of the areas it serves to address issues of housing insecurity, anti-violence, social justice, mental health, childcare and economic instability. We will continue to foster deep and meaningful relationships with community members, non-profits, and local government, and show up authentically in

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# Valley Currents

**cur|rent** (adj.) *Present, topical, timely, newsworthy.* (n.) *Movement in a definite direction, a flow.*



The historic structures of Martial Cottle Park's Life Estate are located at Martial Cottle Park in San Jose.

## LETTER

### 'Build Back Better Act' will unrig economy

Dear Editor,

I am a homemaker. I am the wife of a worker at a grocery store. As one who does the unglamorous job of bagging customers' groceries, he knows first hand the impact that COVID has had on the health and wellbeing of the people in my community. I've also seen how the pandemic has made clear that the wealthy and corporations keep getting richer while everyday Americans struggle.

People who work at thankless jobs like my husband have had to make impossible decisions. They've had to choose between paying for their medications or putting food on the table, between child care for their kids and rent. My community faces so many critical challenges and we actually have a shot to fix some.

Right now, we have a historic opportunity to pass the full Build Back Better Act, which would help unrig the economy and make it work for everyone. It would help many patients more easily afford their health care coverage and lower the costs of their prescription drugs. It would also create good-paying jobs and improve our schools. All of this and more can be achieved if we pass this law by making the rich and corporations pay their fair share. Our elected officials must finally choose us.

For far too long, government has favored with policies those whose pocketbooks can easily buy the access and influence denied to the average citizen. And we suffer as a result. Because of this inequality, too many go without the basics. And trying to pass legislation to reverse this trend is a lesson in futility. But now we have a chance to change all that. With the "Build Back Better" Act, the working class can finally have our say. Congress needs to listen and finally pass this act. The time is now.

**Denise Mayosky**  
San Jose

## Martial Cottle Park Foundation provides key donation

Santa Clara County Department of Parks and Recreation received a generous donation from Martial Cottle Park Foundation towards restoring and repairing the historic structures of Martial Cottle Park's Life Estate located at Martial Cottle Park in San Jose.

The Martial Cottle Park Foundation donation, in the amount of \$196,147, covered the full cost to restore and repair the windows of the Cottle House, bringing the total of their donations to nearly \$300,000.

The donation reflects the joint effort between the Foundation and the Department to develop, operate and maintain the park, and to promote and sustain farming traditions thereby displaying the agricultural heritage of Santa Clara County from the mid 1800's to the present.

The Department is grateful for the Foundation's contribution, which expands the Department's ability to operate, develop, preserve, educate and improve the park. Sharing the park, its history and stories with park visitors and the community embraces the vision of Ethel Cottle Lester and Walter

Cottle Lester to provide education and outreach on agriculture and what it was like to live on the Cottle Ranch during the century of The Valley of Heart's Delight.

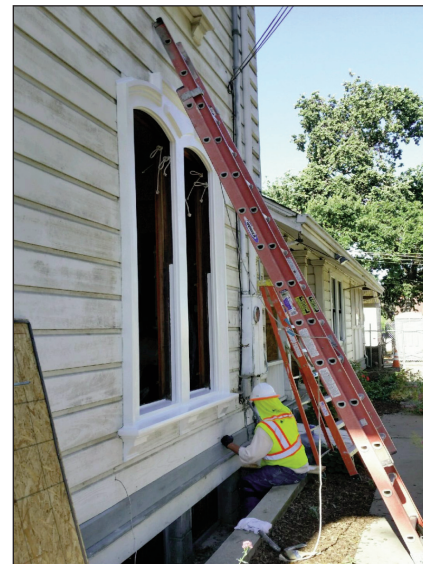
### Background

Martial Cottle Park is comprised of 287.51 acres of farmland, a remnant of Santa Clara Valley's agricultural history. Martial Cottle Park is the result of a generous gift from Walter Cottle Lester of 120.12 acres to the County and the sale of 136.52 acres to the State.

Walter Cottle Lester lived out his life on 31 acres of the life estate and upon his death in 2014 the land and buildings transferred to the County. In 2015 the County purchased the remaining Cottle/Lester personal property from his trustee. In his estate planning documents, Walter Cottle Lester established the Martial Cottle Park Foundation, which is managed by his trustee. The Martial Cottle Park Foundation's primary goals are to assist the County in archiving the family collection and repairing and restoring the historic structures with the life estate.

The Martial Cottle Park Foundation previously donated \$95,088 for materials to preserve, restore and repair Cottle/Lester family buildings and belongings at Martial Cottle Park.

Santa Clara County Parks and Recreation Department has provided recreational opportunities, beautiful parks and precious natural resources for Santa Clara County residents for more than 60 years. This golden legacy has resulted in one of the largest regional park systems in the State of California.



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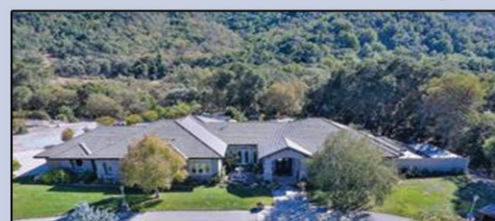
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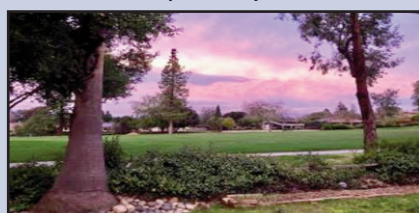
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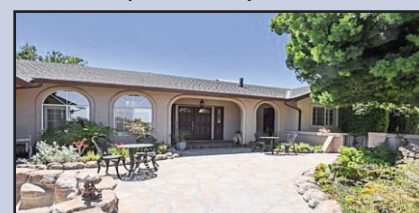
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## 'Free Shakespeare in the Park' 2021 Festival

*Final show to be held  
October 10*

For the 39th season of Free Shakespeare in the Park, SF Shakespeare Festival presents "Pericles, Prince of Tyre," episode 4, "This Great Miracle" will be presented Oct. 10 at the Cupertino: Memorial Park Amphitheater (Stevens Creek Blvd & Mary Ave) at 4 p.m.

In Episode 4, Pericles' daughter Marina has been kidnapped and sold to a brothel in Mytilene. She devises an escape and begins earning her living as a teacher. Believing his daughter to be dead, a despondent Pericles drifts to the island of Mytilene. Lysimachus, the local governor, summons Marina, thinking her kindness might comfort the depressed prince. A joyous recognition occurs between Pericles and his daughter when they realize the miraculous nature of this chance encounter. The goddess Diana descends and orders Pericles to visit her temple in Ephesus, where another reunion awaits.

This Jacobean adventure is set in



the classical past and spans many years in the life of the hero and his family. The action ricochets all over the Eastern Mediterranean moving from one ancient city to the next with travel animated by peril and punctuated by near-death experiences, tempests, and pirate kidnapping. These elements make Pericles an ideal play to perform episodically in miniseries fashion with cliffhangers bringing you back for each new installment.

The show runs approximately 75 minutes with no intermission. Audiences will be required to wear masks and socially distance, with three feet of space between themselves and their neighbors. Programs will primarily be provided digitally to limit close interaction with ushers and house managers. Per the theater's agreement with the union, Actors Equity Association, actors may not visit with audience members, and cannot sign autographs.

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# Mayor, councilmembers, propose plan to dramatically reduce homelessness population and beautify city

*Proposals will triple emergency housing units to 1,000, quadruple San José Bridge jobs*

San José Mayor Sam Liccardo and six San José City Councilmembers announced bold solutions to tackle the homelessness crisis and beautify the City.

Their proposals, Liccardo, Sergio Jimenez, Raul Perez, David Cohen, Dev Davis, Pam Foley, and Matt Mahan outlined a new initiative calling for a “Compassionate and Clean San José” that would triple the number of rapid-build apartments and double down on efforts to clean up neighborhoods.

The plan follows the announcement of the Biden Administration’s “House America” initiative and would leverage an unprecedented amount of Federal and State funding available to address the homelessness crisis.

The plan would bring the City’s total rapid-build apartment units—also known as emergency housing—to 1,000

under construction or completed by the end of 2022 and pursue Homekey funding for an additional 300 hotel/motel units, which would decrease San José’s unsheltered population by more than 20%. The proposals also call to quadruple the current number of positions for San José Bridge—which employs unhoused San José residents in job training programs as they work on beautifying the City—from 50 to 200.

The proposals call for an expansion of efforts to address illegal dumping, including the introduction of monetary rewards for those who cite illegal dumping activities, and the deployment of cameras at illegal dumping hotspots.

Finally, the proposals call for an update on the approach to the vehicle abatement program, which was modified during the shelter-in-place and has been operating in a hybrid model that reacts to resident complaints and includes some proactive enforcement.

“We have an opportunity to deploy an unprecedented

level of resources to move the needle in addressing two of our City’s most pressing challenges: providing housing solutions for unhoused residents, and blight on our streets,” said San José Mayor Sam Liccardo. “We’ve proven that housing can be constructed in months rather than years, and at a fraction of the cost. We also demonstrated the effectiveness of SJ Bridge, in providing employment for unhoused residents while addressing blight. In the year ahead, we must double down on what’s working, and accelerate these efforts.”

In response to the pandemic, the City used prefabricated, modular construction to quickly build three emergency interim housing communities for 317 formerly unhoused individuals, couples, and families. The first proposal from the Mayor and Councilmembers Sergio Jimenez (D2), Raul Perez (D3), Pam Foley (D9), and Matt Mahan (D10), will triple emergency housing capacity to a total of 1,000 by adding 683 rapid-build apartments and pursue State Homekey funding to acquire 300 units of hotels/motels. This will increase countywide shelter capacity from 28% to 54.4%, and reduce the unsheltered population by more than 20% in San José.

## Temporary safe parking site for unhoused RV residents proposed

To fund development of the rapid-build apartments, the Mayor and Councilmembers propose leveraging the unprecedented amount of funding for which San José is eligible through Homekey, ARPA, and a historic HHAP investment to local municipalities made possible by California’s Big City Mayors advocacy efforts. The modular units would be spread across six sites in the six council districts that do not currently host a transitional housing site, and would prioritize housing unsheltered residents in the immediate surrounding neighborhoods to ensure the entire community directly benefits from hosting an emergency housing site. The Mayor and Councilmembers also propose incentives for private landowners with large parking lots who might be willing to host a transitional housing community given the limited availability of land.

In addition to emergency housing construction, the plan includes recommendations to add a temporary safe parking site for unhoused residents living out of RVs in District

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YWCA Golden Gate Silicon Valley, is one of the first multiservice agencies in the Bay Area, and is rooted in its Theory of Change which requires a continuum of response to the challenges of racism, sexism, and gender-based violence. The nonprofit offers direct services to meet immediate needs, issue education to change hearts and minds in local communities, and legislate advocacy to change the rules and systems in order to achieve greater equity and justice for all.

Adriana received a BA in Sociology (with an emphasis on law and society) and a BA in Political Science from the University of California, Davis. She also received her Master's in Public Administration and Public Policy from San Diego State University.

After obtaining her Master's degree, Adriana worked as a Community Development Manager for the American Cancer Society. She was responsible for raising \$500,000 annually through the successful execution of five signature Relay for Life 24-hour cancer walk-a-thon events. She was responsible for

recruitment and training of volunteer committees for each event; as well as responsible for generating team sign-ups, securing financial sponsorships, planning and overseeing event logistics, and community mobilization.

Adriana began working within the domestic violence field in 2009, as a Grants Manager for the Support Network for Battered Women. In this role, she maintained a robust grant portfolio of government and foundation support totaling \$1.2 million in revenue. In 2011, she was promoted to Director of Domestic Violence Department (YWCA Silicon Valley); overseeing a team of 25 staff members, managing all of the domestic violence services, continuing to maintain the grant portfolio, as well as designed and managed the Department's individual donor fundraising efforts. In 2015, Adriana was elevated to the role of Chief Program Officer of the YWCA Silicon Valley, overseeing the Counseling, Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, Child Care and TechGyrls programming. In 2019, the role of CPO was renamed as Chief Program Officer, Justice and Healing, to reflect the tighter focus on the Counseling, Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault/HT programs.

## Steinway Society presents pianist Phojonen in home concert Oct. 15-18

*To perform The Goldberg Variations of Johann Sebastian Bach in its entirety*

**F**innish Pianist **Juho Pohjonen** (inset), called one of the brightest young instrumental talents to emerge from Finland in many decades, will be the featured artist in Steinway Society —The Bay Area's Virtual Home Concert Hall in October.

The concert performance, which will be available for viewing from October 15-18th, is in place of Pohjonen's scheduled performance in the Spring of 2020, which was postponed due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Pohjonen has won numerous prizes in international competitions and received widespread acclaim for his profound musicianship and distinctive interpretations of repertoire from Bach to Salonen. In 2009, Sir Andras Schiff chose Pohjonen for Germany's Klavier Festival Ruhr Scholarship, including a prestigious invitation to play at the Festival. The New York Times says of his playing, "...alluring, with watery runs and milky colors amid bouts of pummeling chords."

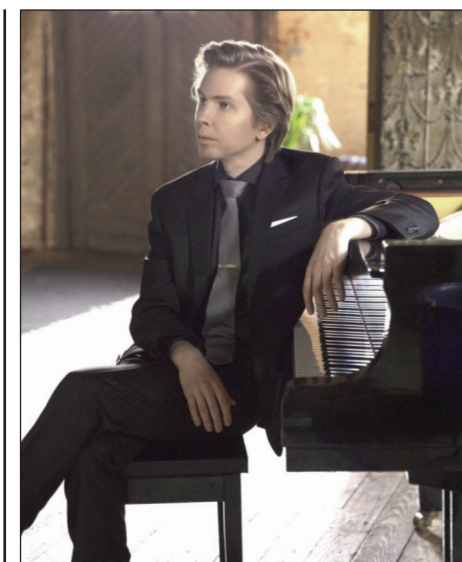
Pohjonen began his piano studies in 1989 at Helsinki's Junior Academy of the Sibelius Academy, and subsequently earned a Master's Degree at the Academy in 2008. He performs widely in Europe, Asia, and North America.

For this performance, Pohjonen has chosen to perform The Goldberg Variations of Johann Sebastian Bach in its entirety.

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## Homelessness

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2, and an aggressive approach to encourage the development of a sobering center where treatment options can be identified for individuals arrested for criminal offenses while actively under the influence of a drug.

The second proposal, “Clean San José” from the Mayor and Councilmembers David Cohen (D4), Dev Davis (D6), Pam Foley (D9), and Matt Mahan (D10), calls for quadrupling of the San José Bridge program, of which Mayor Liccardo recently announced an expansion. The program currently has 50 participants. The newest proposed expansion will allow for an additional 100 residents on top of the planned expansion for a total of 200 transitional jobs, as well as add up to 250 additional litter hotspots for frequent cleaning.

**Quotes from San José Councilmembers:****Councilmember Sergio Jimenez, District 2**

“I am proud to work collaboratively with the Mayor and my colleagues to expedite interim housing solutions. As a City and society we must prioritize getting people off the streets. I especially look forward to partnering with the Mayor to temporarily locate a ‘safe parking’ RV site at or near the future police training facility in my district.”

**Councilmember Raul Peralez, District 3**

“It is important that we look at all opportunities to build more housing for our most vulnerable throughout the City, while providing humane care and services. The quicker these sites can be developed, the sooner we can break the cycle of chronic homelessness.”

**Councilmember David Cohen, District 4**

“Blight in our city is unacceptable at any level and our community is counting on us to improve the City’s response. Ensuring our unhoused residents have access to employment opportunities as they work towards stable housing is key to measurably improving quality of life for all residents of San Jose. Further, we cannot expect resident reporting to be the single source of identifying illegal dumping. Recording these known hotspots is an important tool for ensuring the individuals who are illegally dumping are penalized and held accountable.”

**Councilmember Dev Davis, District 6**

“Illegal dumping has got to stop and we have to address what is out on the streets now. This will take effort and money. By using the American Recovery Plan Act dollars to employ unhoused individuals in the San Jose Bridge Transitional Jobs Program, we can give people an income and clean up our streets, creeks, and roadways.”

**Councilmember Pam Foley, District 9**

“San Jose has a moral obligation to house each and every homeless person living on our streets, especially our unhoused children and families. By building more homes for more people throughout our city, we can achieve this moral imperative.”

**Councilmember Matt Mahan, District 10**

“All of us, including the homeless, deserve to live in a safe, clean and compassionate city. I strongly support identifying public lands for cost-effective, quick build bridge housing and I’m continuing to call on the County to act swiftly to identify the land we need to end street homelessness in our community.”

## San Jose squashes proposal for prefab homeless housing

By Eli Wolfe

Article courtesy of San José Spotlight

Last week, District 10 San Jose Councilmember Matt Mahan announced an ambitious proposal for housing up to 5,000 homeless residents on public land by the end of next year.

His colleagues killed the plan before the week was out.

Mahan said he’s disappointed by the outcome of Wednesday’s (Sept. 22) Rules and Open Government Committee meeting, where other councilmembers refused to advance his idea of creating modular prefabricated housing on county-owned land.

“I think unfortunately our current approach

is just too piecemeal and incremental,” Mahan said. “I really fundamentally believe that the city and county need a more ambitious and comprehensive plan that identifies tens of acres across the county (for housing).”

**Lack of experience**

Mahan’s proposal called for the city to create a list of potential sites throughout San Jose and Santa Clara County to place modular houses—units that can be assembled quickly and cheaply while a foundation is being built at a final location.

There is a growing demand for both temporary and permanent shelter for thousands of homeless San Jose residents. Mayor Sam Liccardo recently launched a similar program to

build prefab modular homes to eventually shelter 1,500 unhoused residents. Mahan’s proposal, which envisioned building new homes to shelter thousands of people by the end of next year, drew immediate opposition from Councilmember Raul Peralez, who claimed that Mahan, with only months on the council, lacked the background to understand why his proposal was flawed.

“I do recognize that Councilmember Mahan, in being new, doesn’t have the benefit of having been present for all the conversations that I and my other colleagues have been a part of,” Peralez said during the meeting. “(Staff) indicated, in fact, that what Mahan is asking for is

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# Permanent public artwork unveiled at Mineta San José International Airport

**By Times editorial staff**  
The City of San José and Mineta San José International Airport (SJC) welcomed the installation of a new artwork in the pre-security Arrivals Hall of Terminal B recently.  
The artwork titled A million Times (San José) presents clocks as objects that transcend

their ordinary functional existence - providing a hypnotic experience for the viewer.  
Composed of 160 clock faces with white hands set against a black stone-like surface, the piece combines software, hardware, sensors, and contemporary aesthetics. By programming the clock hands to spin individual-

ly, but in formation, the artwork reports time accurately while also playfully representing the concept of time passing.  
Within the collection of choreographies, three compositions were custom designed by the artists for A million Times (San José), each taking inspiration from the location of the artwork within SJC and San José itself.

These abstract patterns draw upon San José as an engine for technological development, the city's close proximity to the ocean, and the busy hub of the airport with its ever-rotating arrivals and departures. These reference points share a common, cyclical theme: everything is perpetually in motion,  
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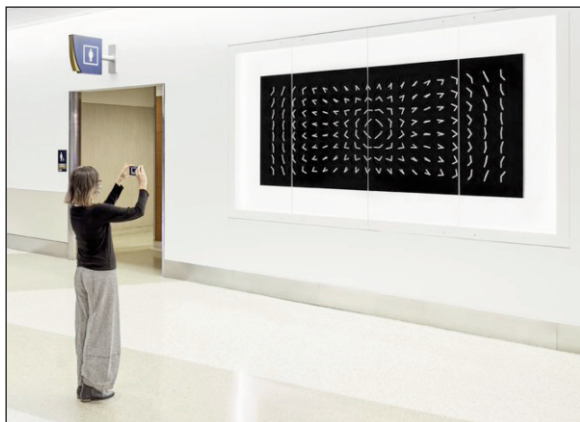
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"Travel, time and art are concepts that work and play together in life and in imagination," said John Aitken, Director of Mineta San José International Airport. "As we emerge from what has felt to many like warped time, it's a pleasure to welcome this particular installation to SJC. Travel is known to provide inspiration, and the Airport is a perfect stage for this piece with its artful mechanics, intricately moving parts, and on-time performance."

"Being the urban core of Silicon Valley, San José is fortunate to have a deep cultural heritage and serve as the crossroads for technology and art," said Michael Ogilvie, Public Art Director for the City of San José. "It is exciting to have a partner in SJC to support our ambitious and wide-ranging public art program and to bring this fascinating artwork A million Times by Humans since 1982 to SJC to mesmerize, relax, and surprise the curious traveler."

Bastian Bischoff, co-founder of Humans since 1982, explains, "The passage of time feels particularly relevant in the context of the airport. By placing this work in SJC, we intend to turn waiting into a reflective and meditative opportunity, creating a space where people choose and enjoy the experience of waiting."

The artists, Humans since 1982, were



selected by a panel of Bay Area artists, arts administrators, and airport stakeholders to bring a unique vision of time to SJC.

Funded through a percentage of Airport Capital Improvement funds, the piece will become a permanent signature artwork, as part of SJC's Art + Technology Public Art Program.

**About Humans**

Based in Stockholm, Sweden, Humans since 1982 is a contemporary art studio established in 2009 by Bastian Bischoff and Per Emanuelsson. Their interdisciplinary team is made up of international specialists including programmers, designers and technicians. They are known for their subversion of everyday objects including clocks, smartphones and surveillance equipment. Their collaboration brings together conceptual exploration with mischievousness and meticulous problem solving to create works that are deceptively minimal, despite the complex methodology behind each piece.

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The Oak Grove School District is in early negotiations to sell or lease the Glider Elementary School site to The True Life Communities, a real estate firm headquartered in Denver, Colorado.  
*Photo by Tran Nguyen*

# San Jose school district in talks to sell shuttered site for housing

**By Katie King**  
*Article courtesy of San José Spotlight*  
A shuttered elementary school in San Jose may become an affordable housing site, much to the chagrin of nearby residents.

The Oak Grove School District is in early negotiations to sell or lease the Glider Elementary School site to The True Life Communities, a real estate firm headquartered in Denver, Colorado.

“True Life Communities has stated their commitment to public outreach and engagement in planning for any development of the site following purchase,” a district spokesperson said on Friday. “Final approval of any resulting agreement for sale of the site will occur transparently in open session.”

The district cannot provide a timeframe for how long negotiations will take.

Glider Elementary School, located along Cozy Drive in South San Jose, closed three years ago amid budget cuts and declining enrollment. The district’s school board adopted a resolution in March 2020 stating its intent to sell or lease the site.

San José Spotlight reached out to Jorge Pacheco Jr., school board president, about the potential housing site—he referred this news organization to the district for comment.

Officials with The True Life Communities did not respond to a request for comment. The company’s mission statement says it creates “attainable housing” for future generations.

“We repurpose under-utilized commercial property to a vital residential use, bringing new life, new energy and renewed economic opportunity to the communities in which we work,” the mission statement reads.

**Angry neighbors**  
The potential sale isn’t sitting well with nearby residents. As of Sunday, nearly 700 residents have signed an online petition asking the district to reject offers from developers who want to buy the property and build dense or multi-family housing. Almost 200 people have left comments.

Some have concerns that higher density housing will increase traffic and make emergency evacuations more difficult during natural disasters. Others say they’re worried

it will lead to water shortages and decreasing property values.

“We decided to settle in this neighborhood because it was so residential, peaceful and quiet,” Abhishek Bhattacharyya wrote. “Had we known that a housing project of this magnitude would be undertaken, which might lead to years of traffic congestion, environmental concerns and irreversibly affect the essence and allure of this charming locality, we might have re-evaluated our choice.”

Other residents said their families will miss playing on the campus.

“My three kids and the other neighborhood kids often go to Glider to play,” wrote Carol Cook. “Kids and families need open areas to play and there are not many parks in our adjacent neighborhoods.”

An anonymous commenter scolded others for thinking of themselves.

“There is an ongoing housing crisis in our city and you are failing to see the bigger picture,” they wrote.

San Jose officials are working to increase the stock of affordable housing in the second-highest rental market in the country. While the city has an ambitious goal to construct 10,000 affordable homes by 2023, it’s still far short of its target.

The petition asks the school board to host a community meeting prior to selling the site—and to tell residents how proceeds from the sale will be used. In the event of a sale, the petition requests that 50% of the site be preserved as a green park space for the community.

**No high density development**  
Mathew Reed, director of policy for SV@Home, told San José Spotlight he’s disappointed by the backlash.

“As an organization that has been dedicated to responding to the housing crisis, it’s always very upsetting when the neighbors assume that additional housing in their community is somehow going to be a negative,” he said.

With careful planning, Reed said there’s no reason a new housing development on the shuttered school site should lead to a traffic crisis or any other serious problems.

“Water is a challenge, but it is a regional challenge, not a neighborhood challenge,” he said.

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being done today, has been prioritized previously. And I know that personally because much of the work that has been done has come from directives that I've either led or signed off on, dating back to as early as my initial terms on the council."

As examples, Peralez and city officials discussed the fact that the city is already working on applications for Project Homekey funds—state monies available for emergency housing projects—for five shelter sites. Mahan pushed back that while he's new to the council, he's not ignorant about this issue.

"I vetted this memo through the City Manager's Office," Mahan said. "My request is not for a long list... I'm not asking for a list of hundreds of sites. I'm very specifically asking that the city manager come back before the end of the year with at least six sites we can move forward on."

**Been there, tried that**

Mahan's fellow councilmembers struck a conciliatory tone, but also echoed concerns about the response the proposal would likely trigger.

"We're trying to give you a perspective that maybe we've been through it a little bit, and we've been through the trenches," said Councilmember Dev Davis. "When you say you're asking for a list, we've been through that. And that list got publicized—I think 99 sites were listed—and the community exploded."

Davis appeared to reference a 2017 proposal to build tiny home villages. The city initially had plans to build bungalows for 250 houseless people throughout San Jose, but downscaled plans following severe public outcry.

Residents criticized Mahan's plan, with some raising concerns about the impact on public safety. Several speakers were alarmed at the prospect of masses of homeless residents living at the Santa Clara County Fairgrounds—a fear Mahan said is baseless because his plan doesn't call for concentrating residents on an individual site.

"While we recognize that the unhoused are one of our most vulnerable populations here in the city, we do think having all of them congregate in one specific area (District 7), espe-

cially one that is already 20% busier than any other police district or firehouse in the city, might not be the best option," said Corey Con-dren, a firefighter and representative of the Local 230 union.

Huascar Castro, associate director of housing and transportation policy at Working Partnerships USA, said temporary emergency shelters have a history of labor violations in San Jose.

"We'd like to note that there have been numerous attempts at temporary housing solutions where wage theft violations have taken place for workers that are building those projects," he said. Earlier this year, San José Spotlight reported that workers were being cheated their due wages and faced safety hazards at the Bernal Monterey emergency interim housing site.

**'We know how it ends'**

Councilmember Sylvia Arenas told Mahan she also had experience receiving a hard no on a housing proposal, citing her failed attempt to create a safe parking site in her district. Mahan's proposal called for using the state funds, as well as city funds through Measure A and Measure E, to pay for the prefab housing.

"We need immediate housing, and we need to prevent people from being unhoused," Arenas said. "So getting the word out about the state funding and rental assistance and legal assistance is, for me, the utmost priority."

Vice Mayor Chappie Jones sympathized with Mahan, noting it was a disappointing experience for him. He reiterated that the councilmembers didn't question Mahan's intelligence or experience, but his idea had been tried before and failed.

"If you have a situation where you just produce a list of sites, again, we've seen this move before, we know how it ends, and it doesn't end well," Jones said.

Some homeless advocates spoke out in support of Mahan. Scott Largent, an advocate who attended the meeting, told San José Spotlight that Mahan seemed to appreciate the need for a fast solution to homelessness in the city, unlike other councilmembers.

"They were like 'we're the seniors on campus, you're just a little freshman, you need to submit,'" Largent said. "He stood his ground, but I felt sorry for the guy."

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## City of San Jose to receive more than \$20M from California State Budget

*Funds will invest in vital equipment for emergency services, transportation infrastructure*

The City of San José is set to receive \$20.2 million from SB-170, the Budget Act of 2021, for investments in emergency services and transportation infrastructure.

San José residents will also benefit from regional investments through \$10 million in worker support and facility improvements for the VTA, as well as \$16 million for the protection of wildlands.

"I am extremely grateful to our State leaders for their steadfast and continued dedication to serving the residents of our city," said San José Mayor Sam Liccardo. "As we continue to recover from a year of hardships from the pandemic, wildfires, and drought, these vital funds are truly investing in the future resilience of our community."

These funds, along with local partnerships and ongoing city efforts, will help the City better respond to local disasters and remain adept in the face of ongoing crises such as COVID-19, climate change, and daily challenges like transportation infrastructure.

A budget request from Senator Dave Cortese and Senator Bob Hertzberg will allow the City's Fire Department to utilize \$2.2 million from the state for the purchase

of a Mobile Operations Satellite Expeditionary System (MOSES), to communicate securely and effectively during a wildfire or natural disaster. The system allows first responders to make calls, better coordinate resources, request mutual aid, and communicate with the public about critical information such as evacuations.

"This investment from the State will greatly enhance our ability to ensure critical emergency communications can be delivered in the event of a large-scale incident," said San José Fire Chief Robert Sapient, Jr. "MOSES' ability to provide cell service or Wi-Fi when the cellular network fails or in remote areas without coverage has the potential to save the lives of both firefighters and residents."

As a result of a district funding request from Assemblymember Ash Kalra, the state allocated \$8 million in one-time funding in budget trailer bill SB 129 to partially fund rail crossing improvements in the Warm Springs and Japantown neighborhood. Residents in the area who are impacted by excess train noises will see noise mitigation efforts and now qualify as a Quiet Zone. The total estimated cost of the project is \$12.4 million and the City of San José has also invested \$5 million. Councilmember Raul Perez (D3) also advocated for these investments.

"We are grateful to Assemblymember Kalra and his colleagues at the State for

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Superintendent Jose Manzo previously explained the district was sensitive to concerns shared by residents who live near the property.

"The district wishes to assure the community that the proposals for purchase or lease of the site that the district has received do not propose high-density development, and while development approvals ultimately rest with the city of San Jose, the district anticipates that future use and development of the site will be compatible with the surrounding neighborhoods," Manzo said in a recent statement.

A similar debate broke out in 2019 when the San Jose Unified School District pushed to relocate two schools in Almaden Valley to make way for affordable teacher housing.

The plan's supporters said it would help struggling educators and prevent teachers from leaving the area in search of lower living expenses. But many residents in the Almaden Valley neighborhood fiercely opposed it and argued the addition of affordable housing would increase traffic and lower home values.

More than 6,500 people signed a petition protesting that plan.

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including \$8 million to improve safety and enable a partial Quiet zone at this location," said San José Department of Transportation Director, John Ristow. "With this investment, people who live near the Warm Springs rail line will again be able to sleep through the night without the routine sound of train horns. Moreover, shortened crossing distances, modern railway signals and gates, and clear signs and markings offer greater safety to our residents. A huge thanks to our community members who have worked with us to secure this funding."

In addition, the Santa Clara Valley Open Space Authority received a combined \$16 million from the State for the protection of North Coyote Valley open space lands, including the purchase of the 376-acre Laguna Seca property in North Coyote Valley from the Peninsula Open Space Trust. The lands comprise one of the Bay Area's last remaining undeveloped valley floors, including 300 acres of wetland, and critical floodplains.

In addition to this state funding, San José is receiving additional significant investments for homelessness housing assistance prevention that Big City Mayors secured in the state budget this year.



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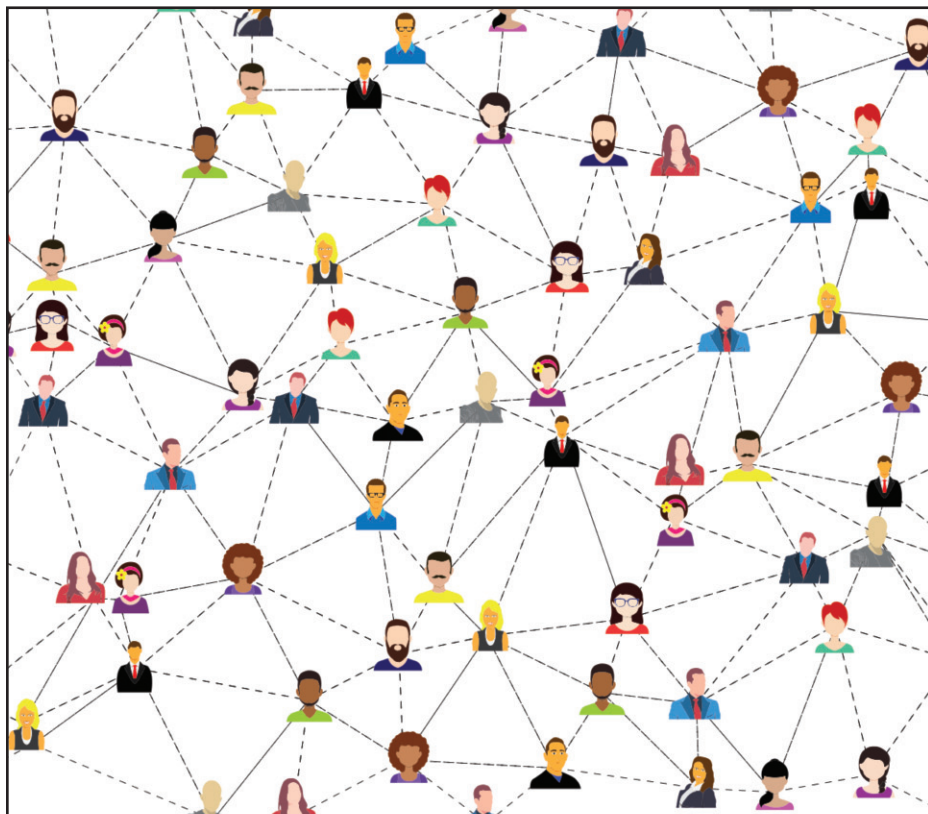
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Matt Mahan at press conference announcing his run for mayor of San Jose.

## Mahan

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colleges at committee meeting last week.

### Fighting for transparency

Mahan founded technology platforms used to bring transparency and accountability to government and he was elected to San Jose's City Council in 2020 to bring "a wake-up call to City Hall."

Mahan says the Santa Clara County Fairgrounds, the site of his press conference, is underutilized government land which could be used as part of his master plan to end street homelessness in San Jose.

"We have the land, we have the existing funds and we have a growing supply of afford-

able modular units that could be used to safely house the entire population of San Jose's homeless residents living on the streets," Mahan said.

### Homeless housing plan at 90% savings

Mahan, who won his council seat in a landslide victory, March 2020, noted that it currently costs up to \$850,000 per door to build affordable housing in San Jose and that when purchased at scale; modular units could be procured and sited on public land for just ten percent of that cost.

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ing. And we can all see our current approach to homelessness is just not working for the homeless or the housed,” Mahan said.

**Dysfunction at city government**

Mahan said his experience at City Hall as a councilmember showed him the true extent of dysfunction in city government.

“All too often, government works for government — with little accountability, built-in inefficiencies and almost no incentive to do better. My campaign is about requiring accountability, efficiency and innovation. It is about demanding a revolution of common sense because we all deserve better,” Mahan said.

Matt’s revolution of common sense in government starts with four key policy principles:

- Government should focus first on the basics, such as cleaning up our city, paving our roads, and keeping our neighborhoods safe.
- Homeless residents should have access to basic and safe shelter, and a responsibility to use it when provided. Those suffering from severe mental illness and addiction belong in treatment centers, not in our streets and parks.
- San Jose must continue improving policing practices, not defund the police.
- New housing should go near transit downtown and in urban villages, not wherever developers want. That way we can have affordable housing without traffic gridlock,



displacement and environmental damage.

Matt Mahan attended Bellarmine College Preparatory on scholarship, graduated from Harvard University, and taught middle school students in San Jose before entering the business world and founding technology tools voters use to demand accountability and transparency from their governments.

Matt Mahan’s campaign has developed a new website: [MahanforSanJose.com](http://MahanforSanJose.com)

## Report: 2021's Best Coffee Cities in America

With National Coffee Day around the corner and coffee consumption up 8% since January 2020, the personal-finance website WalletHub today released its report on 2021's Best Coffee Cities in America.

To determine the best local coffee scenes in America, WalletHub compared the 100 largest cities across 12 key indicators of a strong coffee culture. The data set ranges from coffee shops, coffee houses and cafés per capita to the average price per pack of coffee.

**Top 20 Cities for Coffee Lovers**

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| 1. Portland, OR      | 11. Minneapolis, MN |
| 2. San Francisco, CA | 12. Los Angeles, CA |
| 3. Seattle, WA       | 13. Denver, CO      |
| 4. Orlando, FL       | 14. Long Beach, CA  |
| 5. Pittsburgh, PA    | 15. New Orleans, LA |
| 6. Honolulu, HI      | 16. Oakland, CA     |
| 7. Tampa, FL         | 17. Jersey City, NJ |
| 8. Miami, FL         | 18. Washington, DC  |
| 9. San Diego, CA     | 19. Irvine, CA      |
| 10. Boston, MA       | 20. New York, NY    |

**Best vs. Worst**

• Kansas City, Missouri, has the lowest average price for a pack of coffee, \$3.44, which is 2.5 times lower than in Honolulu, the city with the highest at \$8.69.



• Fremont, California, has the highest average annual spending on coffee per household, \$229.62, which is 3.5 times higher than in Hialeah, Florida, the city with the lowest at \$65.06.

• Gilbert, Arizona, has the highest share of households that own a single-cup/pod-brewing coffee maker, 28.11 percent, which is 2.6 times higher than in Hialeah, Florida, the city with the lowest at 10.93 percent.

• Orlando, Florida, has the most coffee shops, coffee houses and cafés (per square root of population), 0.4529, which is 8.2 times more than in Laredo, Texas, the city with the fewest at 0.0550.

• Portland, Oregon, has the most coffee and tea manufacturers (per square root of population), 0.0211, which is 42.2 times more than in Riverside and San Bernardino, California, the cities with the fewest at 0.0005.

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**Mental health**

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spread a greater understanding of neuroscience through interactive lessons and hands-on activities. Their mission is to empower our youth, particularly from underrepresented backgrounds to pursue careers in STEM and create equitable opportunities for all.

Within three years, The NeuroKidz has enriched the lives of 1250+ students in 10 states in the US and internationally in Greece, Nigeria, Kyrgyzstan, India and Oman with the help of 65+ volunteers.

This fall, The NeuroKidz has partnered with Women in Neuroscience, Nigeria to spread Neuroscience education to students in Nigeria. WINNg is a growing network of female African neuroscientists who are working to inspire and provide mentorship and access to opportunities for more women who are interested in a career in neuroscience and STEM disciplines. The NeuroKidz and WINNg are excited for this collaboration.

“Crafting young minds’ careers in neuroscience has been my greatest passion and legacy to humanity,” said Nigeria, Dr. Chinna Orish MBBS, PhD and founder of WINNg who heads the Department of Anatomy, University of Port Harcourt. “To achieve this, we rock the collaborative juice flowing with the NeuroKidz.”

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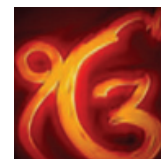


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