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Coyote season brings safety advisory

As coyote sightings are expected to rise in the Bay Area during warmer months, the East Bay Regional Park District has issued safety tips for visitors, including staying in groups, keeping pets leashed and children close, remaining alert, sticking to trails, and never feeding coyotes.

Encounters among local wildlife become more common in summer as more people visit parks and young coyotes become more active.

The advisory, created with help from park biologists, urges reporting any sick, injured, or aggressive coyotes to park dispatch at (510) 881-1833.

Experts urge maintaining proper distance and walking calmly, away if approached.



City of San José saves 4th of July Celebration at Lake Cunningham

By William Bellou
Publisher

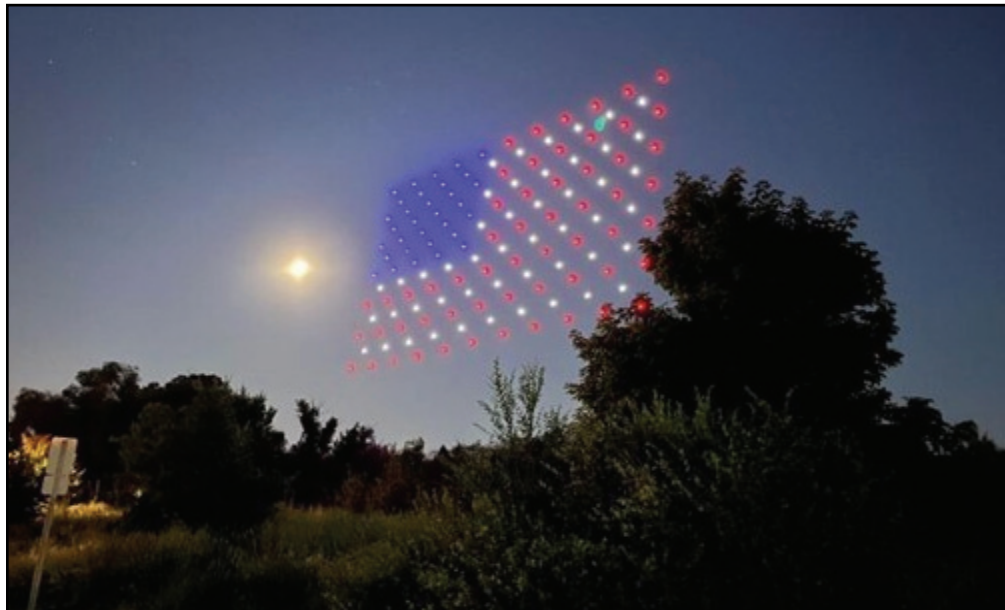
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After a fireworks vendor was impacted by the Yolo fireworks warehouse blast and fire, San Jose Mayor Mahan, Councilmember Candelas and City Administration moved quickly to keep the Lake Cunningham show on track with drones.

The free celebration at Lake Cunningham featured live music, dancers, food vendors, and the first ever drone show.

On Wednesday, July 2, the City of San José was informed that the fireworks reserved for the second annual display at Lake Cunningham were destroyed in a tragic warehouse explosion in Yolo County. City leaders acted swiftly, securing an alternative vendor to produce the drone show. As a result, attendees at Lake Cunningham enjoyed the first-ever drone show in San José, while safely celebrating the Fourth of July.

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Candelas and City staff for finding a solution in less than twenty-four hours that ensured families in San Jose can celebrate American independence and the innovation that keeps us on the cutting edge with a drone show at Lake Cunningham."

Candelas issued this statement the day prior to the event: "The tragedy in Yolo County has affected multiple fireworks displays across the state," said Councilmember Domingo Candelas. "While we had to cancel the fireworks, the celebration is still on. Families are welcome to come to Lake Cunningham to enjoy everything we have planned: food trucks, performances, and activities. Our hope is to still unite our community in celebration but also deter the use of

illegal fireworks in our neighborhoods."

"I am grateful to the City team responsible for finding a safe and fun alternative on short notice so our families can enjoy a new form of entertainment this Fourth of July," said Assistant City Manager Lee Wilcox.

At a press event on July 3, Fire Chief Sapien and Deputy Police Chief Sanchez reminded residents about the dangers of illegal fireworks. The police department will use drones to monitor activity and will issue fines of up to \$50,000 for selling illegal explosives.

The Mayor and Councilmember Candelas acknowledged the tragedy in Yolo County and expressed their hopes for the swift and safe recovery of the missing workers.

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Celebrate summertime in San Jose

By Matt Mahan

Happy 4th! I hope you had a holiday to remember.

This is one I'll certainly never forget. By now, I'm sure most of you have heard about the tragedy in Yolo County. My thoughts and prayers are with the families of those still missing.

When our City team heard that the explosion meant our 2nd annual Lake Cunningham fireworks would be canceled, they jumped into action. And in less than 24 hours, San Jose's first ever drone show was organized.



From the Mayor
Matt Mahan
Mayor, San Jose

I want to thank Councilmember Candelas, Assistant City Manager Lee Wilcox, Events Director Tommy O'Hare and many others for coming together to find a solution that meant families in San Jose could celebrate Independence Day and the innovation that keeps us on the cutting edge.

- Speaking of celebration, we have a lot going on here in the sunny Capital of Silicon Valley this summer. City Council is in recess, the sun is out, and it's time to get out of the house and enjoy everything happening in our city.
- Below are some of the many events I'll be attending – I hope to see you there!
- Beloved San José Summer Traditions**
- Music in the Park — The beloved downtown concert series featuring live performances all summer.
 - San José Jazz Fest — The city's premier summer music festival, bringing top jazz, R&B, Latin, and more.
 - Gilroy Garlic Festival — Food and fun just south of San José, July 25–27 at Gilroy Gardens.
 - Santa Clara County Fair — Classic summer fair, July 30–Aug 3 at the Santa Clara County Fairgrounds.
 - Silicon Valley Pride — Parade and festival, Aug 30–31 at Plaza de César Chávez.
- Ongoing Festivals & Series**
- Viva CalleSJ — Open streets festival where miles of city streets are closed to cars and open for biking,



- walking, and community fun.
- CityDance San José — The City-sponsored dance series continues with monthly events through September.
 - Levitt Pavilion Summer Music Series — Free live music at St. James Park through September.
 - Viva Parks — Family-friendly park activations Monday–Thursday from 6–8 p.m. (movie nights on Thursdays from 6–10:30 p.m.) until August 28.
 - Paint the CitySJ — Free painting classes in the park starting July 10 through September 26. Registration opens one week prior to each event at 8 p.m. Check-in at 5:45 p.m., events begin at 6 p.m.
 - Dine Downtown — A celebration of San José's vibrant food scene with special menus and events.
- Special Events**
- GalaxyCon San José — Pop culture convention returns to Downtown San José in August.
 - Chicano Soul Fest — Featuring soul legend Joe Bataan at History

- Park, possibly his first-ever show in San José.
- Alebrijes: en San José — New public art installation launching around Summer Fest, expected to draw 100,000+ visitors downtown.
 - Momentum AI San José — AI and tech innovation conference, July 15–16 at San José Convention Center.
 - San José Bike Party — Monthly social rides every third Friday (July–September).
- New Eats Across San José**
- The Pressroom — Elevated California-American in a beautifully restored historic downtown building. The former headquarters of the Mercury News!
 - Sumi Sushi — New favorite sushi spot on Paseo de San Antonio.
 - Tostadas Downtown — The long-awaited return of this local favorite.
 - Tsujita Artisan Noodle — Famous ramen and tsukemen at Moorpark Ave.
 - Augustine (Santana Row) — Upscale Mediterranean-inspired dishes with speakeasy vibes.
 - Raising Cane's — Newly opened and first location in San José.
- Whatever you're doing this summer, I hope you take some time to be with family, support our small businesses and create lasting memories.



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Santa Clara County property values up while growth slows

By Brandon Pho
San José Spotlight

Santa Clara County property values are seeing their lowest growth in more than a decade due to economic uncertainty and stalled development.

Yet the total net assessed value of all real estate and personal property – known as the assessment roll – reached a new height of nearly \$726 billion, County Assessor Larry Stone announced Wednesday. Home sales increased by 3% and accounted for 86% of roll growth.

This year marks Stone's final assessment roll before he steps down on July 7 – marking an end to one of the county's longest serving public officials.

"Just a few years ago, office buildings were the darling of commercial real estate investment. That's not the case anymore," Stone told San Jose Spotlight.

"Foreclosures are almost weekly — hotels, office, some industrial. They're just throwing the keys and giving them back to lenders."

Stone said several significant commercial development projects have stalled due to high interest rates, surging construction cost and sinking demand for office space. Google's "Downtown West" project in San Jose was



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slated to begin in 2023, but remains in limbo. Stone also pointed to "The Rise" development at the former Vallco Mall in Cupertino, a planned mixed-use development that required a redesign and cutbacks before it could move forward. The 240-acre mixed-use development, known as "Related Santa Clara," is another significant project facing construction delays.

Surging vacancies, dropping rental rates, a shortage of big leasing deals, and the continuation of hybrid and remote work have kept the office vacancy rate in Silicon Valley at roughly 20% for the past two years, according to the assessor's office.

Stone said office buildings are being sold at major discounts. He points to VTA's purchase of Sobrato Office Tower at 488 Almaden Blvd this year. Stone said VTA paid 61% of the assessed value. He said he doesn't expect

the commercial market to turn around for another few years.

Elsewhere, Stone said Silicon Valley is experiencing different trends compared to the rest of the nation.

"Job growth throughout the country is pretty good. Around here it's not. The high tech companies have jettisoned about 11,000 jobs this year," Stone said. "Silicon Valley and Santa Clara County are experiencing a different level of trends related to property values than you're finding in other parts of the state or country."

The assessment shows that while home sales are slow, the residential market is still strong.

Brett Caviness, a local realtor and former president of the Silicon Valley Association of Realtors, said the current market has opened new opportunities for potential buyers who

felt priced out due to more aggressive competition in prior years.

"We're seeing more people able to access homeownership than they were to before. That's a bright point," Caviness told San Jose Spotlight. "The takeaways for me are it's still a good time to be selling and an even better time to be buying."

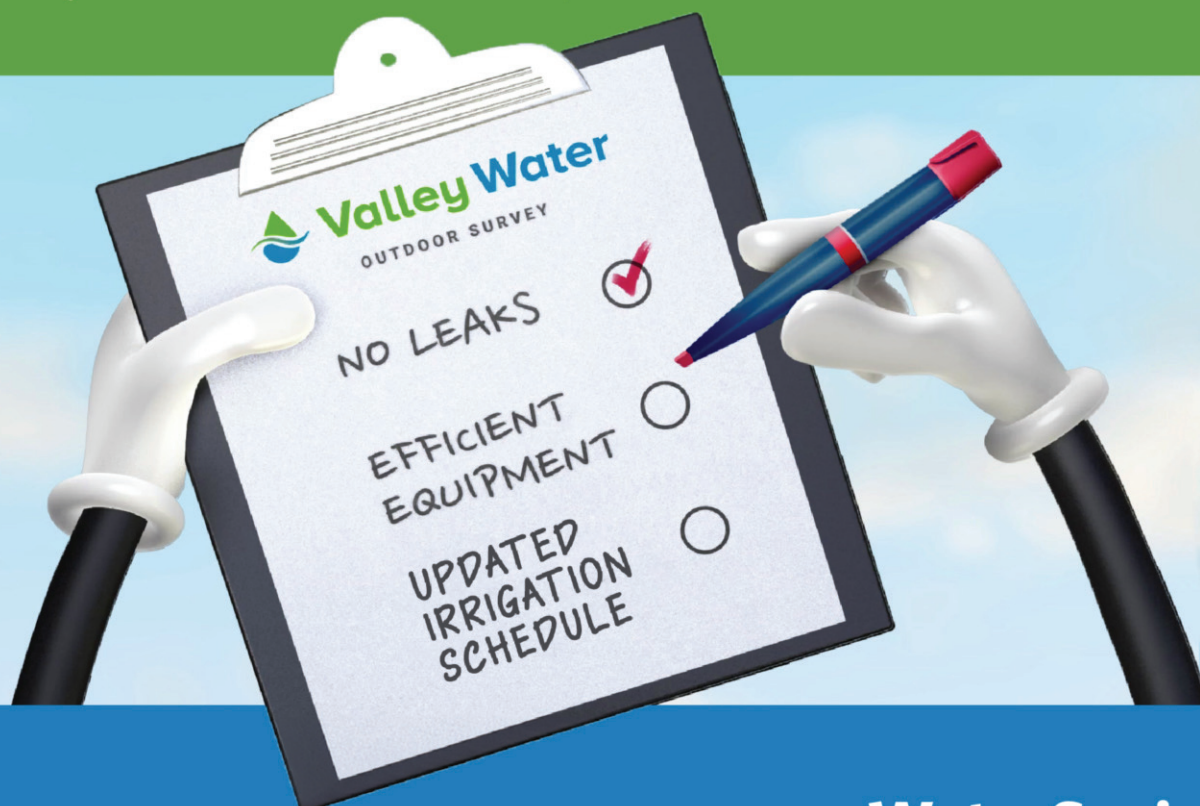
Changes in ownership and new construction added \$16.1 billion and \$3.8 billion to the total increase, respectively. Business and personal property values added \$1.8 billion. Nearly 8,700 properties remain in declining value due to Prop. 8, which allowed temporary reductions in assessed value in cases where real property suffered a decline in value.

Prop. 13, which restricts property taxes, added \$14.4 billion to the assessment roll. But Stone said it continues to come at a cost to schools and local governments who depend on property tax revenue to support essential services.

Slow home sales and stalled construction will likely continue to lag assessment roll growth in the years ahead, Stone said. But he's optimistic about the region's long-term outlook, as some of the world's largest tech companies – Apple, Microsoft and NVIDIA – are still concentrated in Silicon Valley.

"We still lead the country in the amount of venture capital investment and a lot of it is based on Artificial Intelligence," Stone said. "It doesn't mean we aren't facing trends that are pretty discouraging right now. But I think the future is bright."

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Empowering Almaden Valley

Community resilience against wildfires, earthquakes, air pollution, and water safety

By Matthew Frazier

Residents of Almaden Valley possess the remarkable ability to fortify their community against the dangers posed by wildfires and environmental challenges by adopting specific, proactive measures. Here are detailed strategies you should implement:

Wildfire Prevention

1. Create Defensible Space

Begin by meticulously clearing any combustible vegetation and debris near your home. This includes removing dry leaves, twigs, and overgrown brush and relocating firewood to a minimum distance of 30 feet from your structure. Instead, consider cultivating fire-resistant landscaping with native plants that require less water and are less likely to ignite, such as succulents and ornamental grasses, to form a protective barrier around your property.

2. Harden Your Home

Invest in fire-resistant materials to transform your home into a defensive stronghold against wildfires. Opt for Class A roofing materials, such as metal or tile, and use non-combustible siding



Water Wise
Matthew Frazier,
Certified Water
Manager

to minimize fire risk. Additionally, install double-paned tempered glass windows and reinforced metal mesh screens to prevent hot embers from penetrating your home during a wildfire.

3. Establish Firebreaks:

Strategically create firebreaks—cleared pathways de-void of flammable vegetation that halt the fire's advancement. These can be achieved through controlled landscaping and are essential in high-risk areas. Working with local fire departments, you can develop effective firebreaks on your property that are vital barriers against advancing flames.

4. Get the Community Involved:

Mobilize your neighbors to create a united front against wildfires by joining local firefighting programs and initiatives to reduce fire risks in your area. Organize community clean-up days to clear out brush and debris from shared spaces and collaborate on fire mitigation strategies that foster a culture of safety and preparedness.

5. Prepare Your Emergency

Plans:

Formulate a comprehensive emergency response plan that details your family's escape routes in the event of a wildfire. Ensure that everyone in your home is familiar with these plans. Construct an emergency kit with essentials, including at least a three-day supply of water, non-perishable food, first-aid supplies, flashlights, batteries, and copies of essential documents securely stored in a waterproof container.

Earthquake Preparedness

1. Secure Heavy Items:

Protect your home against earthquake damage by securely anchoring heavy furniture to the walls, such as bookshelves and cabinets. Consider using anti-tip straps and brackets to secure items that could easily shift or fall during seismic events, thereby reducing the risk of injury.

2. Assemble Earthquake Kits:

Prepare for the unforeseen by assembling an extensive earthquake preparedness kit. This kit should include essentials like a minimum of one gallon of water per person per day for three days, a three-day supply of non-perishable food items, a whistle to signal for help, a multi-tool, a flashlight with extra batteries, and a first-aid kit. Include personal items like medication and copies of essential documents.

3. Conduct a Home Safety Assessment:

Take a proactive approach by performing a thorough home safety assessment. Identify vulnerable areas such as unbraced walls, unsupported heavy fixtures, and weak foundations. Reinforce these zones by bolting the house to its foundation and securing gas lines to prevent leaks during tremors.

Addressing Air Pollution

1. Reduce Emissions:

Commit to reducing your carbon footprint by using public transportation, carpooling with neighbors, or biking instead of driving. Advocate for local sustainability initiatives that encourage car-free days, increase public transit options, or promote electric vehicle use to help enhance air quality in your community.

2. Stay Informed:

Stay engaged with local air quality updates through apps or websites that monitor pollution levels. Consider limiting outdoor exposure and wearing masks to safeguard your health

during high pollution, especially if you have respiratory issues.

3. Plant Trees:

Join community efforts focused on reforestation and urban greening. Participate in local tree-planting events to enhance air quality, create habitats for wildlife, and provide shade that reduces temperatures in urban areas.

Water Safety

1. Practice Water Conservation:

Conserve water diligently to contribute to the sustainability of local water sources and maintain high water quality standards. Implement strategies such as using low-flow fixtures and collecting rainwater for irrigation to achieve your conservation goals.

2. Report Contamination:

Be an advocate for water safety by remaining vigilant for signs of water contamination, such as discoloration, odd odors, or sediment accumulation. Report any concerns to local authorities immediately to ensure prompt assessment and intervention.

3. Educate Yourself:

Equip yourself with knowledge regarding best practices in water safety. Participate in community workshops on safe drinking water, wastewater management, and aquatic ecosystem protection to actively safeguard local water resources.

By adopting these specific, well-informed strategies, residents of Almaden Valley can significantly bolster their resilience against environmental threats while fostering a robust sense of community safety and enhancing the area's overall well-being.

Let's come together to take impactful actions for a safer, healthier future! Please contribute to the overall well-being of the area.

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New tool provides gallery of ADU plans for 10 communities in Santa Clara county

Residents can browse the galleries for a variety of ADU plans, connect with designers and save time and money on their projects

Santa Clara County ADU, created by the Santa Clara County Planning Collaborative to support the creation of accessory dwelling units (ADUs) across the county, has announced the launch of ADU Plans Galleries for 10 of its participating communities.

The ADU Plans Gallery tool, developed by national housing policy leader Community Planning Collaborative, enables residents to browse a variety of ADU plans (either pre-designed or locally pre-approved), connect with designers, and save time and money on their projects.

The ADU Plans Gallery tool was designed specifically to respond to a new California ADU law requiring all local jurisdictions to have a process for pre-approving ADU plans and posting those plans online.

The ADU Plans Gallery helps local governments meet and exceed the state's requirements by offering:

● **Easy customization:** It's simple to add pre-approved plans to a gallery, and jurisdictions can also select prefabricated and site-built plans from CPC's growing database, at no extra cost.

● **Local choice:** Jurisdictions can encourage local designers to add their plans to CPC's database and grow their local ADU marketplace.

● **High-quality website for the public:** Homeowners can easily filter the gallery to find and compare designs, then explore images, floorplans, estimated costs, and more for each plan.

● **Cost and time savings for homeowners:** The ADU Plans gallery offers a variety of styles, sizes, and budgets, empowering homeowners to find the right ADU solution for their property – saving months of time and thousands of dollars as compared to a custom design process.

"The launch of these ADU Plans Galleries showcases the commitment of Mountain View and other cities across Santa Clara County to innovative housing solutions," said Christian Murdock, Community Development Director for the City of Mountain View. "By providing homeowners with easy access to pre-approved designs and clear information about the process to get the units built, we're removing barriers to production of this important housing type, which is needed to create more housing options in our communities. This tool will help us meet our overall housing goals as a region."

The new ADU Plans Galleries include:

- Campbell
- Gilroy
- Los Altos Hills
- Los Gatos
- Monte Sereno
- Morgan Hill
- Mountain View
- Palo Alto
- Saratoga
- Sunnyvale

"The ADU Plans Gallery is a helpful resource for Campbell residents to find pre-approved ADU plans that can be quickly reviewed and permitted by our Building staff," said Campbell Mayor Sergio Lopez. "The gallery complements our ADU Express Plan Check program that allows customers to obtain permits to build an ADU within one week. Campbell currently has 19 pre-approved plans in the gallery, and our staff is working with architects and designers to upload additional plans. Altogether, these efforts reflect Campbell's commitment to creating housing that meets the needs of our community while providing value through excellent customer service to our residents."

More ADU Resources for Residents

Modeled on the Napa Sonoma ADU Center, Santa Clara County ADU is part of a growing network of collaborative, multi-jurisdictional initiatives working to increase ADU production by providing broader public education about the process of ADU development. While larger cities, such as San José, have robust ADU programs, Santa Clara County ADU pools resources to provide a comprehensive suite of ADU tools to smaller cities throughout the county.

In addition to the ADU Plans Gallery, Santa Clara County ADU offers a suite of specialized ADU tools to help homeowners in their journey to build an ADU. These resources include a free ADU guidebook, step-by-step process instructions, and information about local rules and regulations. Also, the site's popular ADU calculator helps residents create ADU project budgets with real-world cost assumptions. The calculator was viewed more than 5,600 times in the last year.

Santa Clara County ADU provides tools and educational resources to help jurisdictions and homeowners build more ADUs – especially affordable ADUs. This collaborative effort of all Santa Clara cities and Santa Clara County is led by the Santa Clara County Planning Collaborative in partnership with the Cities Association of Santa Clara County. The resources support all residents of Santa Clara County through the process of building an ADU.

For more information, visit aduscc.org.



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Senior Safari is back this summer.

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Summer Concert Series 2025:

ACC's staff is again presenting music in the park on Thursdays in July. Each Thursday, enjoy the sounds of local bands at Greystone Park at Camden Ave and Mount Carmel Dr, from 6:30 to 8pm. Here are each week's bands...

July 24th – House Rockers

July 31st – The Iconics

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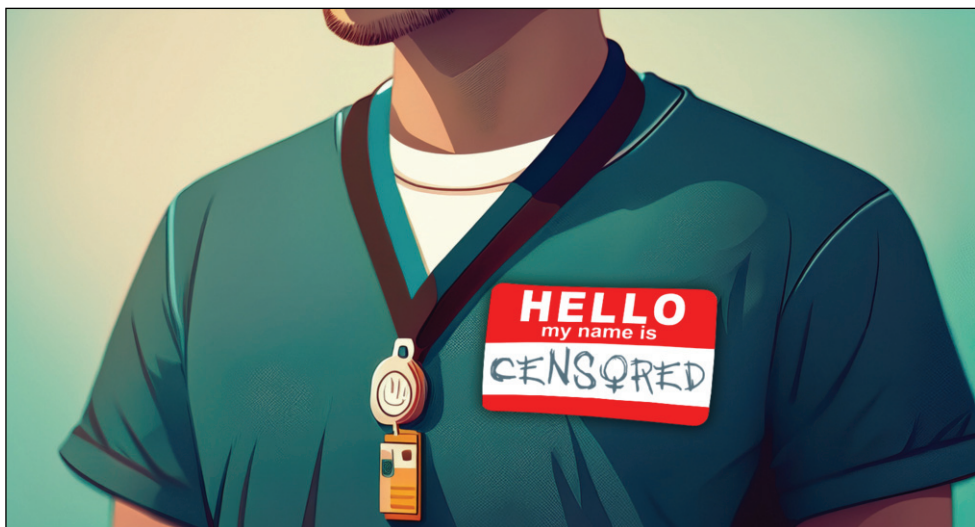
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Bill addresses exploitation of individual's name, voice or likeness for commercial purposes

By William Bellou
Publisher

State Senator Dave Cortese's bill, which provides swift legal remedies for individuals who have had their privacy rights violated by the unauthorized use, has unanimously passed by the state Assembly Judiciary Committee.

Senate Bill 683, which now goes to the state

Assembly floor for a vote, is written to protect a person's name, voice, signature, photograph or likeness for commercial purposes. The bill is intended to address and prevent exploitation, particularly in situations where individuals' personal information or images are used without their consent.

SB 683 is designed to expedite the removal of the unauthorized materials while legal proceedings are ongoing. Specifically, it allows individuals to seek the immediate removal of the materials within two business days.

"SB 683 strengthens existing privacy protections by encouraging individuals to seek a temporary restraining order for the removal of their name, voice, signature, photograph, or likeness if it's being used without their consent," said Cortese.

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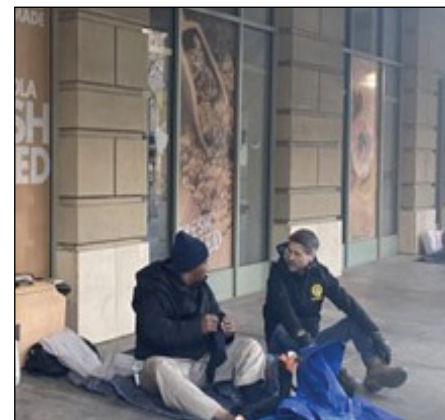
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San Jose Mayor **Matt Mahan** (right) speaks with a homeless person in downtown for the point-in-time count on Jan. 22, 2025. Photo by Joyce Chu.

Santa Clara County homelessness hits a new high

Homelessness has increased in Santa Clara County which now has 10,711 homeless residents, up 8.2% from two years ago, according to preliminary results from this year's point in time count.

Despite funding through Measure A, a \$950 million affordable housing bond approved by voters in 2016, housing investments and the construction of more than 1,300 affordable apartments, the number of homeless has increased.

The county has assisted in moving more than 8,000 people from homelessness to housing between 2023 and 2025.

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Times **Feature**

Symphony San Jose presents 24th season-opening program Masquerade Oct. 4 and 5

Symphony San Jose's 24th season-opening program invites the public into a world of fantasy and wild imagination

Symphony San Jose will present the 2025-26 Season-Opening Program Masquerade Saturday, October 4 at 7:30pm and Sunday October 5, at 2:30 p.m. at the California Theatre, 345 South First Street in downtown San Jose.

Anna Clyne's dazzling and dynamic Masquerade captures the spirit of celebration and revelry. Commissioned by the British Broadcasting Corporation, Masquerade is a single-movement 5-minute orchestral composition by the British-born composer, first performed September 7, 2013

San Jose-born, world-renown pianist Jon Nakamatsu appears in Sergei Rachmaninoff's ravishing Rhapsody on a Theme by Paganini with a tour-de-force performance of the composer's final and perhaps most significant work for piano and orchestra. (1934)

Hector Berlioz's most famous composition, Symphonie Fantas-



tique (Fantastic Symphony), is a spellbinding quasi-autobiographical musical journey through love, delirium, and supernatural visions. This vibrant tapestry of sound depicting the composer's descent into madness by unrequited love was nothing short of revolutionary when it premiered in 1830 – and still holds the power to thrill and surprise today.

Music Notes occur one hour prior to the concert in the main auditorium and includes an informative discussion, fun facts, insights, and

interviews with featured guests. Music Notes is free of charge to concert ticket holders. It is designed to deepen audiences' appreciation of the music to be featured during the performance.

THE PROGRAM:
Anna Clyne: Masquerade
Sergei Rachmaninoff: Rhapsody on a Theme by Paganini
Hector Berlioz: Symphonie Fantastique

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Conductor: Nathan Aspinall
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Contact One Step Closer for more information and to enroll
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Concerts

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A) Islam is a faith and way of life. Islam began in the 7th century. People who follow Islam are known as Muslims. The Quran is the Divine book that guides Muslims to

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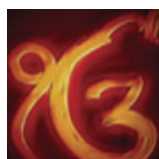


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