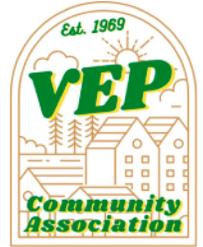




# VEP NEWS



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## Upcoming Events

### Parkview Park II cleanup

**January 24, 2026** 8:30am -11

Join the VEP as we work with community leadership to clean up the parks. Sign up link below!

[bit.ly/vep-1-24](https://bit.ly/vep-1-24)

### VEP Meet and Greet

**January 28, 2026** 6:30pm-7pm

Join us to meet, socialize, and celebrate our community. Food and drink provided.

Vista Park Community Room  
475 Hyde Park Dr

### VEP Member Meeting

**January 28, 2026** 7pm-8pm

VEP member meeting  
**with special guests**  
(see full article )

Vista Park Community Room  
475 Hyde Park Dr

## Upcoming VEP Member Meeting w/ Special Guests

**January 28, 2026**

### 630pm: Meet & Greet

- Join us to meet, socialize, and celebrate our community. Food and drink provided.

### 7pm: Member Meeting

#### Special guests:

- **Congressman Jimmy Panetta**  
<https://panetta.house.gov/>



- **Captain Steven Payne** | SJPD — presentation on crime and safety



- **CERT** - Safety and community resource

## VEP Greet & Member Meeting

**March 25, 2026** 6:30pm–8pm

VEP member meeting  
Vista Park Community Room  
475 Hyde Park Dr

**“I hope that in this year to come, you make mistakes. Because if you are making mistakes, then you are making new things, trying new things, learning, living, pushing yourself, changing yourself, changing your world. You're doing things you've never done before, and more importantly, you're doing something.” — Neil Gaiman**

# VEP Member Meeting Minutes

**November 19th, 2025**

**630pm: Meet & Greet**

- Pizza provided by local small business Bossman's

**7pm: Meeting Called to Order**

**VEP - President Alain Mowad**

- Reviewed Meeting Agenda & Guest Speakers:
- Mayors Office Community Outreach Coordinator Tara Dang
- District 2 Community Relations Coordinator Anthony Montes
- Members to vote on proposed “amended” VEP ByLaws (handout)
- Members to Vote on proposed slate for 2026 VEP Board
- Open Forum to address questions and concerns

**SJ Community Outreach Coordinator - Tara Dang**

- South San Jose Public Safety Meeting this Sat 11/22/25
- City safety & crime: Smash & Grabs, copper wire thefts, preventative steps
- Next San Jose Town Hall is Dec 10th, flyer to come, Mexican Heritage Center
- Upcoming Parkview 2 Park Beautification on Jan 24
- Congrats to Alain for being appointed Commissioner for D2 Housing and Community Development Commissions AND Chair for the Emergency Interim Housing CAC (covers area such as Branham, Monterey Rd & Rue Ferrari)

**D2 Community Relations Coordinator - Anthony Montes**

- Shared his background in San Jose
- D2 has a dedicated tree in Christmas in the Park, encourages VEP send ornament
- Sand Hills Mobile Home Food Trucks have been evicted. City working to change local laws that would allow Food Truck/ Vendor support without violations
- Need to enhance policies to support housing in tandem with encampments being cleared. Process for handling/storing belongings needs to be revised. Currently, only 6% of items get reclaimed and 10% of those evicted were housed

### **President Alain Mowain**

- Gave background on D2 Housing Planning Meeting, questions must be submitted in advance or you may attend in person
- Presented slate for proposed 2026 VEP Board
- Mayor Mahan & Councilperson Campos commit to attend future 2026 VEP meeting
- Next VEP Meeting January 28, 2026
- VEP has received SJ Beautification Cycle 7 grant of 5k
- Application has been submitted for SJ Beautification Cycle 8 grant

### **VEP Bylaws Amendment**

#### **VEP Pres. Mowad (see ByLaws for exact verbiage)**

- Membership fee will no longer be required
- Membership is open to residents or businesses within VEP boundaries
- VEP may actively seek donations from local businesses or individuals, to be utilized solely for VEP business
- The VEP Board will vote annually, whether or not to designate a Community Service Award (CSA) Scholarship, based on budget

*MEMBERS VOTED to APPROVE: Motion by Bob Glickman & 2nd by Marion Damon*

#### **Proposed Slate for 2026 VEP Board**

- President Alain Mowad
- Vice President Heidi Racherla
- Secretary Lisa Sanchez
- Treasurer Parveen Gill
- Vice President Beautification Jayshree Reddy
- Vice President Communication Shaun McCormick
- Vice President Outreach Jan Maisen

*MEMBERS VOTED to APPROVE: Motion By Ginger & 2nd by Steve Kinsey*

### **Open Forum**

- The Grove needs to be reassessed for fencing/boulders to protect area from being damaged by illegally parked vehicles (referred to D2 Anthony)
- Speed reduction requested on Chynoweth, between Pearl & Oak Grove High School (can a traffic study be requested) Cars continue to race





- Suggestion made to paint city sidewalk boxes
- **Need help with clearing parked cars on “Sweep days”, on Rosenbaum between Capitol Expressway & Bluefield. Cars do not move, lots of trash & debris**
- **Center strip needs Beautification on Rosenbaum, at Capitol Exp entrance**
- **Closing - Alain**
- Jan 24th Parkview 2 Beautification
- Jan 28th - Next VEP Member Meeting
- Adjourned 7:54pm

# Beautify Parkview II Park



**SATURDAY, JANUARY 24**

8:30 AM - 11:30 AM



**PARKVIEW II PARK**

SPOSITO CIRCLE

SAN JOSE, CA 95136

**SCAN HERE  
TO RSVP**



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