

FRIDAY, APRIL 17, 2026

CITY MANAGER'S

WEEKLY LETTER TO COUNCIL

Mayor Kitty Moore
Vice Mayor Liang Chao
Councilmember JR Fruen
Councilmember Sheila Mohan
Councilmember R "Ray" Wang

Dear City Council,

I hope this message finds you well. Below, you'll find this week's updates on recent and upcoming City news and events.

NOTEWORTHY UPDATES

Regional Discussion Held on Proposed Sheriff Contract Changes

A regional Telephone Town Hall took place on Tuesday, April 14 to discuss the proposed increases to the Santa Clara County Sheriff's Office contract and the Cities' joint response. Over 4,500 people joined the Town Hall, where Mayors from the contract cities shared updates, discussed impacts on city budgets and services, and outlined efforts to improve transparency in cost calculations. The Sheriff and County Executive also joined the discussion as panelists. Thank you to everyone who participated, asked questions, and provided input. A recording of the meeting is available at sheriffcontractfacts.com.



Annual Budget and Bites Workshop

Each year, the City hosts a Community Budget Workshop to engage residents on a focused budget topic. This year's session on Monday, highlighted OpenGov, the City's financial transparency platform, with staff providing an overview and demonstration of the tools available to Cupertino residents. I am happy to report that we had record attendance and engagement from the community this year.

Thank you to everyone who attended and participated in this engaging event and thank you to staff for their efforts in making this a success! A recording of the event is available on the [City's YouTube channel](#).



CPR and First Aid Training Opportunities

On Tuesday and Thursday, CPR training sessions were made available for the City. Training options include Hands-Only CPR/AED, Heartsaver CPR/AED Blended, and Heartsaver CPR/AED & First Aid, both of which include online and in-person components and provide a two-year certification. Thank you to the Fire Department for leading the training!



Torre Avenue Improvements



We are working on improving safety for pedestrians on Torre Avenue. Work will include refreshing pavement striping and legends at the Torre Ave and Rodrigues Ave intersection and installing red signpost reflectors on stop sign posts for the intersections of Rodrigues Ave and Torre Ave, and the library driveway on Torre Ave, and Pacifica Dr and Torre Ave.

In addition, reflective posts have already been installed on the west side of Torre Avenue at Town Center Lane in order to discourage U-turning vehicles and to provide a shorter crossing distance for pedestrians crossing Torre Ave.

Public Safety Update: Robbery Incident in Cupertino

On Wednesday, at approximately 5:18 PM, a robbery occurred at a business in the 10000 block of S. De Anza Boulevard. The suspect appeared to be armed, impersonated a police officer and claimed he was there to "inspect" the business. Once inside, he disabled the security camera system, stole cash before fleeing the scene. Details are still emerging from this incident. No injuries were reported.



This incident is especially concerning due to the suspect impersonating an official conducting an inspection. In response, I have asked Community Development and Economic Development staff to explore community education efforts, particularly for local businesses, to help them better identify legitimate inspectors. We will also reinforce internal protocols to ensure that City staff clearly display official identification when conducting inspections.

Cupertino Business Outreach Program



This week, City staff visited several shopping centers and local businesses as part of the City's Cupertino Business Outreach Program. Shopping centers visited included Allario Center, De Anza Square, De Anza Plaza, De Anza Center, McClellan Square, Coach House, Pacific Rim, Bollinger Plaza, and Main Street. During the visits, staff engaged with business representatives to share information about City resources such as the Business License Amnesty Program, Cupertino Business Resource Hub, and Bike to Work shop local campaign.

April Block Leader Meeting: Sustainability Presentation

On April 15, Block Leaders met for the April program meeting with a special presentation from Sustainability. Topics included residential waster sorting, water conservation, and progress on City Work Program items. National Night Out registration officially opened, and Block Leaders brainstormed potential neighborhood events. As part of the commitment to continual improvement, staff and volunteers discussed past program feedback, changes made, and future adjustments. The next Block Leader meeting will be in July.



Community Plan to End Homelessness Feedback Sessions



The Santa Clara County Continuum of Care has released a **draft** of the next Community Plan to End Homelessness, a five-year roadmap that builds on prior efforts and guides collaboration among cities, the County, nonprofits, and community partners. Community input is currently being gathered through a series of five **feedback sessions** in April and May, including both in-person and virtual options.

All are welcome to attend, including residents, elected officials, community-based organizations, government staff, and individuals with lived experience.

The Hall of Cupertino Mayors Is Getting A Facelift!

Next week, we are beginning work to convert the historical Cupertino Mayor portraits hallway creating a refreshed and modern civic space. The project will feature a digital slideshow celebrating our past mayors in a more dynamic way, alongside a new paint coat applied to the corridor. The work is expected to last for two days. During this time, the hallway and public restrooms will not be accessible. Visitors will be directed to the Cupertino Library. This upgrade brings new life to City Hall while honoring our community's leadership history.



RECAP OF MEETINGS

Sheriff's Contract Ad-Hoc Committee Teams Meeting

On Monday, Mayor Kitty Moore and I joined the Mayors and City Managers from the Cities of Los Altos and Saratoga for a Sheriff's Contract Ad-Hoc Committee meeting. The group continued to discuss strategy, review key considerations, and identify next steps and follow-up actions regarding the contract.

Resident Meeting To Discuss Various Issues

On Thursday, I had a phone meeting with a resident to discuss their questions and concerns regarding Code Enforcement and the Sheriff contract. I understand how important some of these issues are to our community, and we are continuing to do our best to provide clear information, gather feedback, and support ongoing discussions.

UPCOMING EVENTS

2026 Cupertino Cherry Blossom Festival



Cupertino-Toyokawa Sister Cities, Inc. (CTSC) invites the community to celebrate the arrival of spring at the Annual Cupertino Cherry Blossom Festival on April 25 and 26, returning to Memorial Park, the Quinlan Community Center, and the Senior Center. This beloved two-day festival brings the sights, sounds, and flavors of Japan to the heart of Cupertino while honoring the City's long-standing Sister City relationship with Toyokawa, Japan. Festival hours are from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., with free admission, performances, and parking available at De Anza College. For more information, visit cupertinocbf.org.

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Bike to Work and Shop Local

The City of Cupertino will celebrate Bike to Work Day on Thursday, May 14, with a Shop Local campaign that promotes Cupertino's eateries and showcases special menus, deals, and discounts.

This initiative encourages residents and visitors to dine locally while enjoying Bike to Work Day together with family and friends. The registration deadline is May 7. Sign up now and make Bike to Work Day unforgettable for your restaurant! For more information, please visit www.cupertino.gov/bike2work.



Chamber of Commerce: Legislative Action Committee



The Cupertino Chamber of Commerce is hosting its Legislative Action Committee on Friday, May 1, 2026. Mayor Kitty Moore will be featured as the main speaker. She will provide an update on the City. Note: this is an in-person event which will take place at Community Hall.

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KUDOS CORNER

Supporting Two Fine Dining Additions in Cupertino!

Staff has been working closely with the property owner of the Villagio retail center to address parking requirements in anticipation of two new restaurants joining the center: Kunjip Korean and Masakali Indian Cuisine.

I'd like to recognize Daniel Degu and Catherine Tarone's guidance and collaboration. The property owner expressed appreciation for their support and commitment to providing responsive and effective service to our business community. Their efforts are helping activate vacancies and welcome exciting new dining options.



Public Works Administrative Assistant Wins Award



I am happy to report that earlier this week, Tiffany Rodriguez, Public Works Administrative Assistant, received the American Public Works Association (APWA) Silicon Valley Chapter's Award for Administrative Excellence. Tiffany consistently demonstrates outstanding professionalism and has made measurable contributions that strengthen the efficiency and effectiveness of the Department. She is exceptionally deserving of the Administrative Excellence Award. Congratulations, Tiffany!

Informational Memos

The following Informational Memos have been added to the City website. The information can be accessed at cupertino.gov/memos (downloadable as a PDF).

- [Silicon Valley Hopper Ridership and Program Costs](#)
- [Ralph M. Brown Act](#)

Hope you have a wonderful weekend. Thank you for your continued support!

WARM REGARDS,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Tina Kapoor".

Tina Kapoor
CITY MANAGER