

# Palo Alto Budget Priorities

May 14, 2020, 9:20 AM

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## Summary Of Responses

As of May 14, 2020, 9:20 AM, this forum had:

Attendees: 1369  
 Responses: 994  
 Hours of Public Comment: 49.7

Topic Start

May 5, 2020, 2:01 PM

### QUESTION 1

How would you prioritize the City's six service areas? The more dots you assign to a service area, the higher a priority it is for you.

		%	Count
Public Safety		25.7%	2555
Infrastructure and Environment		17.8%	1772
Planning and Transportation		14.0%	1393
Economic Sustainability and Business Support		12.7%	1261
Neighborhood, Community and Library Services		22.1%	2193
Administration and Government		5.4%	534

### QUESTION 2

In the space below, please provide any additional comments or input on the City's budget process and priorities the City Council should consider for FY 2020-2021.

Answered 519  
 Skipped 475

- all also alto budget businesses community cut do don employees from important keep libraries library like make more need open other palo people please public reduce residents S safety salaries services so staff support t they think time work

## Survey Questions

### QUESTION 1

**How would you prioritize the City's six service areas? The more dots you assign to a service area, the higher a priority it is for you.**

- Public Safety
- Infrastructure and Environment
- Planning and Transportation
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services
- Administration and Government

### QUESTION 2

**In the space below, please provide any additional comments or input on the City's budget process and priorities the City Council should consider for FY 2020-2021.**

## Individual Responses

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**Name not shown**

in Fairmeadow

May 5, 2020, 6:49 PM

**Question 1**

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (5)
- Administration and Government (1)

**Question 2**

No response

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**Name not available**

May 5, 2020, 6:58 PM

**Question 1**

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

**Question 2**

No response

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**Name not shown**

in Old Palo Alto

May 5, 2020, 6:58 PM

**Question 1**

- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (4)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (5)

**Question 2**

Please preserve quality of neighborhoods. Stop unbridled development.

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Respect parking in neighborhoods for residents (not to use as employee parking lots because of poor planning and under parked buildings).

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**Name not shown**

in Leland Manor/ Garland

May 5, 2020, 7:04 PM

**Question 1**

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

**Question 2**

Tree Maintenance is important because trees have a long life and newly planted trees need to be watered or they will die. Also, trees are good for the environment and help keep our air clean and help moderate temperatures. Sidewalks need to be maintained so that the city will not be sued. Libraries are more important than ever in difficult economic times. Our libraries along with our trees are highly valued in our community.

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**Name not available**

May 5, 2020, 7:05 PM

**Question 1**

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

**Question 2**

COVID19 has been a major crisis for many in our community but we need to continue to look forward at the bigger picture and continue to plan for the future. Rail transport is vital to alleviating traffic and ensuring a healthy planet for our children. I would be opposed to "bailing out" certain businesses and putting the City in debt at the expense of other priorities that would benefit the entire community, not just a select few.

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### Name not available

May 5, 2020, 7:08 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (4)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

### Name not shown

in Crescent Park

May 5, 2020, 7:14 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

### Name not available

May 5, 2020, 7:15 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (10)

#### Question 2

No response

### Name not available

May 5, 2020, 7:28 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

### Name not available

May 5, 2020, 7:28 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

I would hope that the city can come to an agreement with the unions to reduce the cost of salaries and pensions

### Name not shown

in Southgate

May 5, 2020, 7:35 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

Is there a way the city can appeal to some of our very wealthy residents to grant money or resources to "mind the gap" created by the COVID-19 crisis? Have we considered a "Pandemic Resilience Bond" to cover for lost

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tax revenue?

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#### Name not shown

in Downtown North

May 5, 2020, 7:40 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in Leland Manor/ Garland

May 5, 2020, 7:41 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

##### Question 2

Before cutting services to residents, cut major capital spending projects since construction costs will be high due to pent-up demand, Then start cutting wasteful spending by and for city government and consultants. Stop targetting low-hanging fruit like the libraries where the average librarian's salary is so low and do the hard work of cutting waste (Remember Unfunded Pension Liabilities?) If you can't find waste, ask the residents; sponsor a contest and we'll tell you. You know most residents hate the street calming / road furniture nonsense so table that at least for a while. If you must support biking, get Google to pay for the bike bridge because more commuters use it than bird watchers. Look at cutting labor costs; read the reactions to the absurd salaries paid here (PA Post Front Page). Sponsor a Look for all the waste in the city government with the absurd salaries where the city manager makes more than the president and WAY more than the average salary of the residents. Most of us don't have pensions and we're tired of \$20M Utility "surcharges" aka over-charges going into the General Fund. (Stop pleading poverty; there's 2/3 of your \$30M shortfall) Stop the capital spending on the new police state, fire station, redoing Cubberly etc. when consutruction costs will be very high due to the backup. Sponsor a contest where residents tell you their top 3 examples of waste. You've

already got a \$20,000,000 annual "surplus" from over-charging us for Utilities.

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#### Aarthi Belani

in Leland Manor/ Garland

May 5, 2020, 7:46 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (4)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

##### Question 2

The above instructions re prioritizing areas are not clear. I rank ordered them so what I put 1 dot by was my 1st priority, 2 dots 2nd priority, and so on. But others might have interpreted it differently

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#### Name not available

May 5, 2020, 7:48 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (5)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 5, 2020, 7:51 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)
- Administration and Government (1)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in Charleston Terrace  
May 5, 2020, 7:52 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

##### Question 2

The city exists first and foremost for its citizens. While supporting business is nice, if services don't exist for citizens, there's no value to living in the city. Public Safety comes first to provide a safe and secure environment; infrastructure is second to make sure services (such as water and electricity and sewer) work and are provided; transportation is required to enable us to move around the city by foot, bike and car; and finally, direct services, such as parks and libraries, give us the public spaces that connect our citizens and our city. Admin and Gvt is necessary to support all of those, I get it. And obviously, if businesses can't function, the city is a poorer place to live, but there are other resources to support businesses and few to support individual citizens.

#### Name not available

May 5, 2020, 8:02 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

##### Question 2

Public safety -check that bicyclists are following the laws when ride at the same lane with cars, Pavements need to be taken care of so that disabled people could walk on them with a walker without risk of falling, public transportation that makes sense for people to use ,especially to be able to get to major clinics.

#### Annie Bedichek

in Palo Verde  
May 5, 2020, 8:03 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

##### Question 2

Foothill College will likely have a huge enrollment increase this fall. What about renting them Cubberly for the short term, and/or PAUSD?

#### Name not shown

in University Park  
May 5, 2020, 8:08 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

##### Question 2

Since the second half of the fiscal year is not known by anybody with any degree of certainty, it is important to make adjustments in those areas that can be deferred temporarily but brought back on a gradual basis without huge restart costs. An example would be libraries. Over the next 6 months, libraries may have limited functionality. Once a disinfecting system is put in place, library branches could serve as pick-up and return places initially. By the following fiscal year, it may be possible to have people sit in and use libraries in person again.

#### Name not available

May 5, 2020, 8:11 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

##### Question 2

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No response

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**Name not available**

May 5, 2020, 8:11 PM

**Question 1**

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (5)

**Question 2**

No response

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**Name not available**

May 5, 2020, 8:12 PM

**Question 1**

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

**Question 2**

No response

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**Name not shown**

in University South

May 5, 2020, 8:16 PM

**Question 1**

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)
- Administration and Government (1)

**Question 2**

No response

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**Name not shown**

in Midtown/ Midtown West

May 5, 2020, 8:16 PM

**Question 1**

- Public Safety (3)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

**Question 2**

No response

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**Name not available**

May 5, 2020, 8:17 PM

**Question 1**

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

**Question 2**

No response

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**Name not available**

May 5, 2020, 8:18 PM

**Question 1**

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

**Question 2**

Palo Alto, compared to other neighboring cities, has a much higher ratio of employees to residents. Additionally, compensation (incl. benefits) is quite generous. Then on top of it all, there's unfunded pension liabilities. I sincerely hope our City Council will take a hard look at labor costs during



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its budget review. Thank you.

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#### Name not available

May 5, 2020, 8:20 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (5)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in Old Palo Alto

May 5, 2020, 8:26 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (5)

##### Question 2

Please remember to support the children and the elderly too.

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#### Name not available

May 5, 2020, 8:29 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (4)

##### Question 2

Many private companies are laying off as much as 25% of their workforce. Please lay off city people.

Private industry is taking salary cuts, with larger cuts to more highly paid people. Please cut salaries, with large cuts going to the most highly paid

city employees. Feel the same pain as everybody else.

Absolutely stop the raise already scheduled. That is the height of arrogance. You are living better than the people who you tax to pay your salaries.

Stop the bridge over the 101 freeway. There is a perfectly good underpass. I understand why the bridge is nicer. But you just can't continue business as usual.

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#### Name not available

May 5, 2020, 8:31 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (2)

##### Question 2

What a mess! Tax the 1%!

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#### Name not available

May 5, 2020, 8:33 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (4)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)

##### Question 2

The numbers above stopped working. Here are my rankings in order from highest priority down: public safety, administration and government, planning and transportation, neighborhood, community and library services, planning and transportation, and last, economic sustainability and business support.

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#### Name not shown

in Leland Manor/ Garland

May 5, 2020, 8:36 PM

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#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (2)

#### Question 2

I assume that contracts and union commitments will rule some if the decisions; but I feel the cuts should really be shared equally across all service areas. They are all important and therefore all share the pain as equitably as possible.

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#### Name not available

May 5, 2020, 8:37 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (4)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in Downtown North

May 5, 2020, 8:40 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Administration and Government (3)

#### Question 2

I think people are confused about weighted voting with "dots" therefore, this exercise may be useless.

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#### Name not available

May 5, 2020, 8:44 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Jim Pflasterer

in Green Acres

May 5, 2020, 8:49 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

There will be services that are considered vital to some residents, and these should be carefully considered when cuts are made. Specifically the crossing guards which ensure safety for thousands of small students every school day. Also, the traffic safety police team has been instrumental in helping to calm traffic and make the city safer. Transportation and safety should be higher ranked in the services that should not be cut.

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#### Name not available

May 5, 2020, 8:49 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

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#### Question 2

Please build the bike bridge. Besides the endless delay in doing this, it will permanently stop hundreds of car trips a day to Google land, assuming they ever go back to work in their offices.

Government employees may need to make a bit less money for a while just like everybody else. 20% less for about three months would be the same as many Stanford hospital employees or my daughter who works for a hospital group in Colorado.

Any way to get out of the pensions costs?? People with large pensions need to also take a haircut like the rest of the planet.

#### Name not available

May 5, 2020, 8:50 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

Cancel all work on bike Blvd and traffic calming; we've wasted enough on that already

#### Name not available

May 5, 2020, 8:56 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (4)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)

#### Question 2

No response

#### Name not available

May 5, 2020, 9:29 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

No response

#### Name not shown

in Crescent Park

May 5, 2020, 9:29 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

Please review the salaries and number of city employees, so that they are not a burden for the budget. I would like to see everybody to be more goal oriented.

#### Name not shown

in Palo Alto Hills

May 5, 2020, 10:03 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

In these tough times we need to pay attention to what we spend available funds on and giving raises to city employees while others are losing their jobs is unconscionable.

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### Name not available

May 5, 2020, 10:14 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

### Patrick Ye

in College Terrace

May 5, 2020, 10:20 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (2)

#### Question 2

While some efforts to help local businesses recover from the pandemic are needed, I think the economy will ramp up on its own as the restrictions are lifted, especially since the Bay Area was relatively less economically impacted by the pandemic. Maybe less resources than expected will be needed for economic recovery.

### Name not available

May 5, 2020, 10:29 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

### Question 2

No response

### Name not available

May 5, 2020, 10:44 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (7)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

No response

### David Greene

in Midtown/ Midtown West

May 5, 2020, 10:46 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

Priority to preserving in the budget: inexpensive space for small community groups to rent for private use, such as the facilities at Cubberly or a comparable substitute. Example: a place for t'ai chi classes to be held.

### Name not available

May 5, 2020, 10:47 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)

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- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 5, 2020, 11:42 PM

#### Question 1

- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (3)

#### Question 2

I think the libraries, zoo, children's theater, arts and music make Palo Alto unique. We should try and preserve these to the extent possible. In addition, public safety is super important

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#### Name not available

May 5, 2020, 11:53 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (4)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 5, 2020, 11:59 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)

#### Question 2

umm...don't give employees raises when the entire economy is decimated.

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 12:15 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (4)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in Palo Alto Hills

May 6, 2020, 3:26 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 3:31 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

The prioritization needs to be more subtle—the categories mix include

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must haves and nice to haves. The guiding question should be m: who needs the help? Every business will want help, but not everyone needs it. The funds need to turn into jobs and flow through the community, and not every business should survive. This is a chance to build the town and future we want: more equitable, more sustainable, not simply decide all first responder and small business go to the front of the line. This survey is framed in a way that could actually lead to that very mistake, because of course people are afraid and they want their old life back. Proceed with caution.

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 6:25 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

##### Question 2

I think it is important that the impact of current events is fairly shared by all stakeholders

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 7:02 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (6)
- Infrastructure and Environment (4)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 7:16 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

##### Question 2

Can only rank 4. All are important. This is very difficult. We take our amenities so much for granted

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 7:21 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Administration and Government (4)

##### Question 2

Public Safety should be number one and should not receive severe cuts.

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 7:24 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (4)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

##### Question 2

Save the safe routes to school program

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 7:44 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

##### Question 2

Safe and pleasant environment in Palo Alto is the reason for older residents to stay and new ones to move in. When making choices, please minimize negative impact on those.

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 8:00 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

##### Question 2

Tough choices, maybe cut everything across the board a bit? Some roles could be fulfilled with volunteers from the community. We also have a unique opportunity to reset and focus on where we see the value of Palo Alto.

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 8:16 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (7)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

##### Question 2

The most important thing for citizens is to feel safe in their communities. The majority of our budget should go towards public safety. Everything else is the icing on the cake.

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 8:33 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)
- Administration and Government (1)

##### Question 2

The city libraries are a valuable resource for all kinds of information, some online and some in-person. Please do everything possible to keep these open and fully staffed.

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 9:16 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

##### Question 2

Need to work with the State and adjoining communities to evaluate needs and resources. Sources of funds and service priorities are now dramatically different.

For example cholera epidemics in the 19th century led to considerable consolidation of small towns and rural communities that could not afford the investments in water and sewer treatment needed to solve the problem. Jails, homeless, and seniors are a large vulnerable population that cities must better serve (not for just them, but the population at large.)

The huge dependency upon educational institutions for economic and social success in P.A. must be understood and addressed.

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 10:10 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in Evergreen Park

May 6, 2020, 10:18 AM

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#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

Return to 2017 budget numbers, temporarily reduce pay for any staff making over \$150K/yr by 20% (4 day work week to balance), enforce fines on developers (grocery store loss etc.); create a (one year only) fast-track path for new development with \$500K-\$1M pre-payment per project for reviews/approvals. (While this allows richer developers to jump the line, it forces them to pay handsomely to do it and goes directly into helping the budget for 2021.) This doesn't stop proper review, just gives them precedence in order of processing and faster decision. Even a half dozen of these would save libraries or first responders from cuts.

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 10:25 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (4)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

Economic sustainability has to include support for individuals as well as businesses.

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 10:30 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

"I support public safety" - but - the fact is that they are way

overcompensated, while neglecting the basics, like traffic enforcement. Cars constantly speed through neighborhoods and don't stop at stop signs, turn right at red lights without stopping, are aggressive, tailgate, etc. Police need to address this.

But, in reality, I live here because of the schools, libraries, bike paths, parks, and the general community. I've been living here for over forty years. I want the city to support residents like me, not developers and the super-rich. We have too much office space in this town and far too many commuters driving in. Too much heavy construction, too many heavy trucks, too much traffic, dirt, noise, and diesel fumes. We don't want it and don't need it. We need schools, libraries, parks, and bike paths. Please serve the residents, not corporations.

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 10:43 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 10:55 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

Suggest pausing safe streets, rail improvements, sidewalks and other repairs to focus on neighborhood and community services, and economic recovery and small business support



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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 11:07 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (3)

##### Question 2

Please get back to the basics and support the families that actually live and make our homes here over all the development interests that just keep lowering our quality of life. Schools, Libraries, Police, Fire---the basics! That being said, we do need grade separation for the increased trains coming soon.

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#### John Guislin

in Downtown North

May 6, 2020, 11:31 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (5)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)

##### Question 2

Priority should be given to all safety-related programs and services.

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 11:36 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

##### Question 2

City staff should forego pay raises while local residents are struggling with salary cuts, job layoffs, unemployment, etc.

#### Name not shown

in Ventura

May 6, 2020, 11:45 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

##### Question 2

FY 2021 priorities should first take into account the appropriate service levels that CAN be offered during the COVID19 crisis, and then focus on serving lower income residents over those who can afford to pay the full cost of service.

Critical infrastructure must be maintained so that we have electricity, gas, water, wastewater and refuse services. Drop parking structure and RPP programs for now.

The plan should encourage eligible employees to retire so we can have a greater management span of control and reduce future pension and healthcare liabilities.

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 11:51 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Ken Joye

in Ventura

May 6, 2020, 11:55 AM

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#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (5)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

These are my top priorities: (1) toilet flushing works (2) water comes out of faucet (3) electricity comes through the wires (4) ambulance and fire vehicles arrive (5) garbage is picked up. Allocating \$0.5m to small business grants when facing \$39m shortfall is absolutely at the bottom of my list. Addressing the climate crisis is somewhere between those two ranges. Keeping one of our libraries open is much more important than keeping five branches open. Maintaining a golf course or an airport would fall pretty much to the bottom. Keeping the "Safe Routes To School" program vigorous is more important than the NTSBB. Don't consider any more parking structures (any major capital improvement project would need to be completely justifiable; see my top priorities: keeping sewage and water flowing should stay on the active CIP list). THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE

#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 11:56 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

#### Question 2

No response

#### Name not shown

in Midtown/ Midtown West  
May 6, 2020, 12:10 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

I would like the libraries to be opened, at least for returns and taking materials out.  
Some community centers and senior centers should be opened with restrictions.

#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 12:14 PM

#### Question 1

- Infrastructure and Environment (9)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)

#### Question 2

No response

#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 12:16 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

Companies with <50 employees should receive the bulk of all budgetary aid packages.

#### Name not shown

in Professorville  
May 6, 2020, 12:25 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

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- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in Southgate

May 6, 2020, 12:27 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

The city's budget and administration are incredibly bloated. Fix this by laying off staff and outsourcing most services. The annual transfer from Utilities to the General fund is a disgrace. Every year, the budget should not exceed the previous year's revenue. Instead of caving to administrators and unions, the City Council needs to put citizens first.

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 12:32 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (2)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in University Park

May 6, 2020, 12:41 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

In this crisis, these are my priorities. 1) keep the lights on and water running, which means adequate maintenance of our utility infrastructure. 2) keep my family safe, which means adequate police, fire, and ambulance services.

In the face of a 39 million budget shortfall, we need to be strategic about how we use the city's funds. Let us focus on supporting the essential services (utility, police, fire, healthcare) through this pandemic. We can rebuild the non-essential services (library, business support, environment) once the economy improves.

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 12:44 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (6)
- Administration and Government (3)

#### Question 2

Library's can close. Have 1 north and 1 south library. Public safety is a must and can't be cut. Capital projects can be put on hold.

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 12:45 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

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#### Question 2

Respectfully, this particular survey is useless. You are frustrating citizens rather than engaging them in a process.

Rank these 6 things? Public input achieved!

Here's my input:

(1) Tell Mr. Shikada that city departments are plenty well funded, but have no incentives for efficiency. That's his job, and his department currently sets the standard for mega-bloat rather than a culture of ousting it.

(2) Tell Mr. Shikada that in championing a push toward a culture of efficiency, he can command the credibility he needs to get department buy-in by cutting half of his City Manager's Office.

(3) Create a whistle-blower channel for employees to report fraud and workplace abuse/malpractice. Good auditors' offices do this.

(4) Find and appoint a good auditor. One that department's will be semi-afraid of... but only to the extent that massive inefficiency will see painful sunlight. [The last one wasn't good because you didn't hire well or manage her. That's on you, council.] Contractors smile and tell whoever is paying them what they want to hear. An good City Auditor (I believe in you to find one!) has a heart tuned to the culture we need.

(5) Do NOT raise taxes by increasing fees or cost-recovery targets. Those proposals just allow the beast to grow.

(6) Get to work on a better way get rid of the truly useless employees. And please believe me as an insider, we have more than a small handful of them. Currently, the culture is to never make waves. The incentive structure for a manager (currently) is that you risk your promotions and future if you PIP someone terrible. Reverse that.

Thank you for listening.

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#### Name not shown

outside Palo Alto

May 6, 2020, 1:07 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

As someone that has worked at both the federal and local levels of government I can honestly admit there are always ways to save tax dollars. All too often you see individuals setting up their own little fiefdoms and rather than honestly working with others to save money, they hold on to every last cent they can get like it was their own money....which it isn't. Transparency is also a critical part of the trust between the citizens and government - governments are in place to serve the people's needs, not the other way around. Government employees deserve fair wages but between unions and bargaining organizations working with the local officials have gotten deals that can not be sustained, the local officials in years past knew they would be long gone before the bills came due. Some of the retirement packages rival Fortune 10 CEO levels of golden parachutes and the tax payers can't continue to foot the bill. Something must be done going forward for retirement packages for government employees and is fair to the employee and also sustainable for the tax payers.

Our neighborhoods have also become individual castles where the community doesn't interact with each other like it used to. We used to see block parties and other functions where you would mingle with your neighbors, you would care about what was going on beyond your property line, you would have awareness on local issues. I don't know how you motivate people to return to that type of community but bringing families together at local functions at the library or parks would be a really nice change.

Traffic and parking are horrible, both down town and in many residential areas. I think planning/transportation and infrastructure need to take a front seat at the table and maybe push environmental pet projects back a little. Yes the environment is very important but if you figure out a way to reduce traffic you'll improve the environment while also improving both the people that live here and those that commute here to work.

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 1:13 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

Please continue with parking garages, signage, simpler payment, etc. No more RPPs, or adding more street narrowing or bulbouts. Finish bridge or open tunnel year round. Think about what serves residents and not about

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inbound commuters.

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### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 1:18 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (7)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (2)

#### Question 2

No response

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### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 1:19 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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### Name not shown

outside Palo Alto

May 6, 2020, 1:20 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (7)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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### Oliver Vogel

in Ventura

May 6, 2020, 1:24 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

I know administration is necessary, but it definitely is the lowest priority. I want an environmentally friendly, affordable, and safe city to live in. Whatever bureaucracy is necessary for that is fine, but not more

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### Jim Barbera

in Community Center

May 6, 2020, 1:28 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

No response

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### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 1:34 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

The less spent on transportation the better. Less money equals less useless projects.

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### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 1:41 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 2:01 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)

#### Question 2

No response

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### Geoff Ivison

in Ventura

May 6, 2020, 2:05 PM

#### Question 1

- Infrastructure and Environment (4)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

Continuing and building on our town's sustainability efforts is just as critical as ever. More financial support should be put into building community resources rather than policing and criminalizing the disadvantaged in our community.

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### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 2:09 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

Staffing cuts in city government will be necessary. Too many employees for a city of Palo Alto's size. And pay cuts will be necessary, starting at the very top.

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### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 2:25 PM

#### Question 1

- Infrastructure and Environment (4)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)
- Administration and Government (2)

#### Question 2

No response

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### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 2:26 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

Can we make up some of this deficit by increases taxes on the very wealthy people in this neighborhood?

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### Name not shown

in Duveneck/ St Francis

May 6, 2020, 2:33 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

No response

### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 2:58 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (5)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

No response

### Name not shown

in Old Palo Alto

May 6, 2020, 2:58 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (4)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (3)

#### Question 2

PAAC is a vital service for the city and should be funded.

### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 3:08 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

#### Question 2

No response

### Name not shown

in Barron Park

May 6, 2020, 3:20 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

No response

### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 3:21 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

My hope would be that the council is working on long range thinking on all of the above. Each is important and none is discrete. In this fiscal year, I hope that our priorities reflect a people-first philosophy and some

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thinking around how to maintain a thriving business community without sacrificing our small-town advantages. It isn't impossible, but it's hard. I really appreciate anyone willing to take on the challenge. Thank you!

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#### Dan Mahoney

in Old Palo Alto

May 6, 2020, 3:25 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

##### Question 2

Public Safety, always first. This includes ticketing speeders and unsafe drivers on our streets. Transportation is then included in that, along with bike paths and improving methods for workers to easily and quickly get through our city. Support for business, since that is what will bring taxes into the city, then the other services. Admin and gov't should be cut back - too bloated, and no need to spend money on infrastructure projects like the wasteful bike bridge over 101, which is totally unneeded.

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 3:34 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in Midtown/ Midtown West

May 6, 2020, 3:43 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (4)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

##### Question 2

The Art Center is a lifesaver for many of us!! We NEED the studio and We need the ability to complete all our unfinished work, and access to our completed pieces!!! The center a  
Is an amazing asset to the community as a whole!

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 4:00 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

##### Question 2

Library Services should not be included in the same category as Neighborhood and Community Services. Library Services should be given a high priority. The other services listed (recreation, arts programs, parks, etc) should be given a much, much lower priority. Unfortunately this couldn't be done in this survey because they're all in the same category.

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 4:06 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (4)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 4:07 PM



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#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 4:18 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 4:20 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (5)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

The Palo Alto Art Center is an extremely popular and essential institution deeply loved by many. It helps people to fulfill their lives, to develop lifelong friendships, to maintain their mental health and more! Please consider to avoid budget cuts and to keep the Art Center fully operated and flourished when it reopens. Thank you!

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 4:20 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 4:21 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in Midtown/ Midtown West

May 6, 2020, 4:26 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

This survey is not helping us decide what is important because each department does too many functions and they overlap with other departments. The city should be more organized in exclusive operational areas. Verticals: Transportation only, Housing only, Police services, Fire and Emergency, Open Spaces and Parks, Libraries, etc. And Horizontals:

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IT, Payroll, etc. We should be voting on initiatives not departments. Then the low priority initiatives are postponed until funds are available. Should we have a Bike Bridge or should we have new trees planted on X or should we cut back on the number of traffic police?

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 4:49 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

##### Question 2

I don't like the way the priorities are lumped together. I also don't even like the way things like "restaurant support" or "retail support" are lumped together. I don't think gyms that have taken over retail spaces downtown should be treated the same as businesses that have been going away because of an already bad climate that city council has created by letting our downtown spaces become office parks. I think the City should (when it is financially feasible) buy up the retail areas in town and make it possible for businesses that serve residents to thrive here again. That is the sustainable thing to do anyway, and as this crisis has shown, essential for our functioning in a crisis. The city should also stop prioritizing large companies that contribute nothing and cause tremendous costs to the residents from their health and quality of life to city planning costs.

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 4:56 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

##### Question 2

Keep crossing guards

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 5:13 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (4)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 5:39 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

##### Question 2

I'm not sure how Infrastructure and Environment differs from Planning and Transportation. Is CalTrain "Infrastructure" or "Transportation"?

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 5:50 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 5:50 PM

##### Question 1

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- Public Safety (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (3)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 5:53 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

Eliminate the shuttles.  
Eliminate the advisory commissions and committees.  
Reduce salaries and benefits to competitive market levels.  
Zero spending on climate change and "sustainability."  
Eliminate business taxes.  
Expedite building permits.

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 5:53 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (5)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 5:56 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)

- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (4)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

Cut union labor costs

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 5:58 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

Consider a 10%-15% across the board reduction in staff in city Hall.

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 6:01 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in Greenmeadow

May 6, 2020, 6:04 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)

## Palo Alto Budget Priorities

### Palo Alto Budget Priorities

- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 6:05 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in Midtown/ Midtown West

May 6, 2020, 6:05 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in Leland Manor/ Garland

May 6, 2020, 6:05 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)

- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

Consider a 10-15% across the board headcount reduction in city hall! Let the remaining better performers pick up the slack....they will!

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#### Name not shown

in Charleston Meadows

May 6, 2020, 6:09 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (5)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 6:10 PM

#### Question 1

- Infrastructure and Environment (4)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Ronda Rosner

in College Terrace

May 6, 2020, 6:16 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)

## Palo Alto Budget Priorities

### Palo Alto Budget Priorities

- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (4)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)

#### Question 2

This question didn't allow a separate ranking of Library Services in the 'Neighborhood, Community' section, but I believe residents really want their libraries to be open and available. I also question the trade-off of closing the libraries to achieve savings versus cancelling the Chili Cook-off and other once per year expenses. The branch library services contribute all year long throughout our community - to all ages, economic situations and racial demographics. Please consider this when making budgeting decisions. It seems library services are always the first on the chopping block!

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 6:17 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

It is not at all clear what you want us to do with these dots. Does 1 dot mean low priority, or first priority? I have assumed low

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 6:20 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 6:21 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (4)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Liz Gardner

in Research Park

May 6, 2020, 6:22 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (4)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

#### Question 2

First of all, what do the dots represent: one being the least or 10 being the least important? Confusing.

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 6:24 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

The community services and schools keep residents happy to pay high real estate prices.

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#### Name not available

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May 6, 2020, 6:28 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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### Brian Fisher

outside Palo Alto

May 6, 2020, 6:34 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 6:35 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 6:44 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

- Do what it takes for public safety.  
- Figure out how the other functions can offer their most important services effectively but economically.  
- Cut super-expensive unnecessary things, such as all that overtime that city employees are charging us. Cut the oversize pay of city management.

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### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 6:45 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

Please explain why the city manager pulls in a \$400k+ salary plus even more in benefits, not counting his entourage costing several \$million more, and why this is acceptable under any circumstances, let alone under the current circumstances. The tired excuse that other cities pay the same or more, so we must, or we can't find anyone, is complete BS. PA has suffered from one bungling city govt to another over the years and frankly, if cuts need to be made, start at the top.

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### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 6:45 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)

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- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 6:54 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in Ventura

May 6, 2020, 7:01 PM

#### Question 1

- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (10)

#### Question 2

We have too many buildings being built especially in this time of COVID. For the FRYs space, we need a beautiful open space without crowded housing.

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#### Name not shown

in Evergreen Park

May 6, 2020, 7:04 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

I prioritized environment and mean environmental sustainability, not sidewalk repair, etc. I also believe the city needs to prioritize the most vulnerable and marginalized in our community (e.g., those without homes, the elderly, Black and Brown folx, etc.).

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 7:05 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (4)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

#### Question 2

Hope city priorities protecting jobs.

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#### Name not shown

in Crescent Park

May 6, 2020, 7:06 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 7:12 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

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#### Question 2

Where is education? I think we have to prioritize education...

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#### HERB Fiscngrund

in Palo Verde

May 6, 2020, 7:18 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (3)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 7:21 PM

#### Question 1

- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (10)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 7:30 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

Please continue to support animal services.

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 7:32 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (4)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

Infrastructure and the environment are often at cross-purposes. I would prioritize culture, education, recreation, low-income housing above the others.

Most people think that Planning is over funded and problematic or biased, but are in favor of public transportation (but not wasting money on "traffic calming" or "street furniture. As usual, these surveys measure what they want to.

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 7:34 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Planning and Transportation (4)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Administration and Government (3)

#### Question 2

Please explain better what the respondent should do.

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 7:36 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (5)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

The city should prioritize the services that are crucial to keep palo alto safe, and curtail other services to minimal service levels. Be creative in



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reorganizing work groups to streamline service delivery, consolidate similar functions and cross train staff to perform them, and reduce benefits.

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 7:42 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 7:44 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

##### Question 2

Please give priority to the arts and open spaces and parks for the mental health of all Palo Alto citizens. Thank you!

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 7:46 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

##### Question 2

No response

#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 7:50 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

##### Question 2

Thanks for your hard work. Please be mindful of expenses as seniors can hardly afford to live here anymore.

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#### Name not shown

outside Palo Alto

May 6, 2020, 7:52 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (10)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 7:53 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (10)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 7:53 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (10)

##### Question 2

No response

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### Name not shown

in Palo Verde

May 6, 2020, 7:55 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

#### Question 2

I think the staff salaries could be kept the same for this next fiscal year. I also think there should be a limit put on the number of overtime hours an individual could work in a year.

Ranking system above stopped working for me after number 4. I would rank Administration 5, Planning & Transportation 6

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### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 7:56 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (10)

#### Question 2

The fire department, firefighters and fire families are by the backbone of Palo Alto, removing any financial support is a poor decision

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### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 7:56 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (10)

#### Question 2

public safety also has to be the most important, firefighters and police are essential

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### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 7:57 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (5)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 7:59 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 8:00 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (5)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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### Name not shown

outside Palo Alto

May 6, 2020, 8:01 PM

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### Question 1

- Public Safety (10)

### Question 2

No response

### Name not shown

outside Palo Alto

May 6, 2020, 8:06 PM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (10)

### Question 2

No response

### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 8:09 PM

### Question 1

- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (10)

### Question 2

No response

### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 8:15 PM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

### Question 2

i don't know what those 10 dots were, or how they were intended to be used (other than to confuse the public and ignore/manipulate our input) but here are my priorities from most to least important: 1. public safety, 2. library services, 3. infrastructure, 4. transportation, 5. economic

sustainability, 6. admin and government.

### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 8:25 PM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

### Question 2

No response

### Name not shown

in Evergreen Park

May 6, 2020, 8:28 PM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

### Question 2

No response

### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 8:31 PM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

### Question 2

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Stop wasting money on road projects that compromise safety. Also, the office of the city attorney is dis-functional, a good opportunity to clean house.

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**Name not available**

May 6, 2020, 8:35 PM

**Question 1**

- Public Safety (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

**Question 2**

No response

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**Name not available**

May 6, 2020, 8:40 PM

**Question 1**

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (2)

**Question 2**

I would like for us to be creative, and not just do things worse/less, but to try out some ways to do things differently in a way that point us in a better direction in the long term with a better balance between people and cars, between local services and tech companies, between housing and jobs.

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**Name not shown**

in Old Palo Alto

May 6, 2020, 8:41 PM

**Question 1**

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Administration and Government (2)

**Question 2**

No response

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**James Lik**

in Green Acres

May 6, 2020, 8:45 PM

**Question 1**

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

**Question 2**

Crime is on the rise. Homeless, mentally ill, and addicts are everywhere.

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**Name not available**

May 6, 2020, 8:45 PM

**Question 1**

- Public Safety (5)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

**Question 2**

No response

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**Name not available**

May 6, 2020, 8:49 PM

**Question 1**

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (4)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

**Question 2**

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Stop building more tall buildings to house more tech workers! We have been flooded by them and their traffic, ruining the environment of Palo Alto. I'm mad that my California Avenue neighborhood was selected as a major development area without asking us what we thought of this. Just because you travel here to work doesn't give you the right to live here, too! Please don't turn Palo Alto into an urban city.

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#### Irv Brenner

in Downtown North

May 6, 2020, 8:49 PM

##### Question 1

- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (6)

##### Question 2

The libraries are one of the most useful and important resources provided by our city and are essential for staying informed (and sane) in today's world. I presume the relatively small staff required to provide our library services is a small share of the city's budget. Given the value and convenience all our branches offer, they are indispensable.

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#### Name not shown

in Midtown/ Midtown West

May 6, 2020, 8:57 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in Palo Verde

May 6, 2020, 8:59 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (4)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 9:02 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (4)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 9:05 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

##### Question 2

Open space environments that are largely safe, require little financial resources from the City, and that greatly benefit residents, should be opened. I have seen clear, high visibility signage in internet articles about parks and beaches. These can give clear guidance; periodic enforcement will re-inforce rules to the public.

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 9:10 PM

##### Question 1

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- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in College Terrace

May 6, 2020, 9:16 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (4)

#### Question 2

Getting the community functioning again needs to precede addressing infrastructure and transportation, although they will be important again after we've resumed our lives and are back in gear. It is misguided for great infrastructure & transportation to take precedent over those who use them.

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#### William Bauriedel

in Fairmeadow

May 6, 2020, 9:19 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

#### Question 2

Cut most consulting services and have employees be accountable rather than "blame the consultant" when things go wrong (e.g. Mitchell Park Library")

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 9:27 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 9:29 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (5)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 9:32 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (4)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

Please consider transportation the #1 priority for our community.

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#### Tina Semba

in Old Palo Alto

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May 6, 2020, 9:35 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

Please consider keeping classes and studios open at the Palo Alto Art Center. It is the heart of the art community in PA and has been missed by many during this time.

There are ways to keep the studio safe, and we are fortunate that the space is large and can accommodate a class with reduced participants. Thank you!!!

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### Kristen Podulka

in Greenmeadow

May 6, 2020, 10:02 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (4)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

No response

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### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 10:08 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (5)

#### Question 2

We need Palo Alto Baylands and other parks for hiking and relieving

stress during these difficult times.. I would put cuts to parks as last on the list to cut.

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### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 10:08 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

No response

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### Kirk Lindstrom

outside Palo Alto

May 6, 2020, 10:18 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (5)

#### Question 2

I value open spaces to relax, unwind, improve mental health and get exercise after work and on weekends. I especially like the Palo Alto Baylands Park as it does this the best so close to home. Thanks

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### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 10:22 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

Palo Alto needs to become more family friendly, particularly to those with young kids. Even the events that should be family friendly aren't. And we

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have virtually no family-focused restaurants or activity centers.

The May Fete parade is pretty disappointing. Such a missed opportunity. Everyone gets to the end and just disperses. The only thing at the end point is groups trying to get you to sign up. Where are the bounce houses and games? This is an event largely focused on kids. And yet there's nothing to do.

It's similar with the Art and Wine Festival. There's one little side street with kids stuff (which often isn't even age appropriate), and that's it. We live 3 blocks away and no longer make an effort to come. We aren't interested in art and wine.

Please make Palo Alto more community and family focused. Create events that are family focused. Shut down parts of university ave on weekends, for the farmers market and general strolling.

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 10:25 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### limor shoal

in Greenmeadow

May 6, 2020, 10:28 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

##### Question 2

I really value the option of relaxing at Baylands Park over the weekends and after work hours.

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 10:31 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (5)
- Infrastructure and Environment (4)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 10:34 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 10:38 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Maggie Ma

in Crescent Park

May 6, 2020, 10:42 PM

##### Question 1



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- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

Given this is mid term one year budget, the priority should be given on categories that can create the biggest immediate impact due to COVID-19. If we see all six categories are balls that the city has to juggle, category 1,2,3,& 6 are rubber balls that will bounce back over the long term. Category 4 and 5 are crystal balls that can be easily shattered and difficult to recover from.

Category 4 will help support and promote our residents' well-being, physical and mental health dealing with pandemic's uncertainty. Category 5 will help protect local economy and small businesses. Many local businesses don't have the financial means and cash liquidity to rebound once shattered.

Thank you for the opportunity to share our thoughts.

#### Name not shown

in Charleston Meadows  
May 6, 2020, 10:43 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (2)

#### Question 2

This is a very general way to think about the budget. As you face difficult decisions, more specific and narrow prioritizations will be necessary. I would be careful not to overvalue this very general input.

#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 10:50 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

No response

#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 10:51 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

This is for the long haul, and will affect our city for 2021-22 and 2022-23 as well. I think that you need to assess the priorities of the city within a 3-5 year scope, assuming that tax revenue will be terrible for a few years. Office space revenue will also go down as more employees work from home.

#### Michael Hodos

in University South  
May 6, 2020, 10:53 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (2)

#### Question 2

How the prioritization works is quite ambiguous! Are the numbers = rankings (1 is the highest/best rank) or are the numbers = votes (i.e. 1 = fewest number of votes and 6 = most votes)?

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#### Name not available

May 6, 2020, 10:56 PM

##### Question 1

- Infrastructure and Environment (4)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

##### Question 2

environmental sustainability efforts!!!

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#### Name not shown

in Downtown North

May 6, 2020, 11:10 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

##### Question 2

This might be a good time to repeal Prop 13.

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#### Name not shown

in University South

May 6, 2020, 11:14 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Planning and Transportation (4)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

##### Question 2

It would seem to me economic sustainability is key as that will feed the other service areas. Palo Alto is a magical place because of all its neighborhood community and library services and I believe we need that

now more than ever. And public safety is important, and could become even more so -- if there is social upheaval in the wake of this pandemic. Housing will continue to be an important issue with the impact of the recession we are expecting. Infrastructure: we have it down here! The streets and sidewalks could not be MORE perfect -- it is like walking around a movie set. I thank everyone whose hard work makes that the case but it could totally slide for a bit. And clearly, the city is working on many levels so I don't feel that much needs to be changed or added to in administration. I would hate for any of the admins to lose work -- perhaps there is a way to change their role? I am also curious as to why, in a city this rich, we can't find some money to make up a budgeting shortfall -- especially now. Is there no way to raise a special Covid reaction fund? Thanks for the opportunity to weigh in.

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#### Ken Horowitz

in University Park

May 6, 2020, 11:39 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (2)

##### Question 2

Do not renew the Cubberley lease with PAUSD. That is a \$5.2M+ lease plus the City pays other expenses such as maintaining the facilities and improving the athletic fields. Just last year, the City paid \$1.75M to upgrade the track which the land belongs to PAUSD. Besides, Cubberley is run down and has liability issues.

The projected \$2.5M savings towards the General Fund is much too conservative. Someone needs to redo the numbers more accurately. The City Council should seek an independent analysis of the savings generated. I think the number probably approaches \$4M. No need to negotiate with the parties, just walk away from the lease. The City has plenty of space in its own facilities to accommodate all the community groups and non-profits including the 7 acres it owns there. It is a Contract that should have been removed from the City's budget years ago

Sorry this will impact the School District but they have more/better resources to "weather this storm"

And they need to get on with improving Cubberley since they own 27 acres of it. Don't miss the opportunity to seek a lasting solution with PAUSD over Cubberley. Walking away from the lease now not only will save the City monies, but give the City leverage with PAUSD about the future of Cubberley. Thank you for including my input in your considerations on the City's budget

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#### Name not available

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May 7, 2020, 12:23 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

Eliminate Green and Sustainability regulation and support staff, provide permit expediting, reduce number of commissions, pay cuts for top 20%

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 12:27 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)

#### Question 2

Save historical small business anyone that has been here for decades and asks for assistance should get it to keep some of Palo Alto the same.

People come to visit to grab a cheese house sandwich, to hit the Old Pro stop in at Nola's, and definitely Antonio's Nuthouse which has been a High School reunion stop of all class for decades put Antonio's in historical and save them etc we have already lost too many

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 12:37 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (4)

#### Question 2

No response

#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 12:45 AM

#### Question 1

- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (6)

#### Question 2

The survey prioritization doesn't work. Get rid of the city manager housing and other perks. Cut from the top down.

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 1:58 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (5)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 2:51 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

#### Question 2

These six areas are not the right divisions and your survey is going to give spurious results. In almost each of the six categories, I wholeheartedly support half the items, and would completely defund the other half. I can't be the only resident who feels that way m. You need a little more granularity.

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in Palo Verde  
May 7, 2020, 3:01 AM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

### Question 2

The 6 buckets are not granular enough and are going to give you spurious results. In almost all of the six categories, there are things I would strongly support and just as many others I would completely defund. I can't be the only resident looking at the list and wondering how on earth I vote given that for one item, I love half of it and hate the other half.

### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 3:31 AM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

### Question 2

No response

### Name not shown

in Crescent Park  
May 7, 2020, 5:26 AM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

### Question 2

Pls do not eliminate the crossing guards protecting kids on the way

to/from school

### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 6:27 AM

### Question 1

- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (7)
- Administration and Government (2)

### Question 2

No response

### Name not shown

in Greenmeadow  
May 7, 2020, 6:57 AM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (5)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

### Question 2

No response

### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 7:18 AM

### Question 1

- Infrastructure and Environment (5)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

### Question 2

No response

### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 7:29 AM

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#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

No response

#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 7:41 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (6)

#### Question 2

Palo Alto's open spaces and parks are what make this city special and these should be prioritized!

#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 7:52 AM

#### Question 1

- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

Of course, core city services like safety, infrastructure, administration and transportation are important and "table stake" for operations, what makes this city unique and worth its high cost of living are the neighborhood, Community and Library Services.

#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 7:57 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (4)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (2)

#### Question 2

No response

#### Name not shown

in Palo Verde

May 7, 2020, 7:57 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

#### Name not shown

in University Park

May 7, 2020, 8:31 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (10)

#### Question 2

No response

#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 8:34 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)

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- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

Maintain level of schools as a priority - of course.

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 8:37 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 8:40 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Kendra Bronstein

in Old Palo Alto

May 7, 2020, 8:40 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)

- Planning and Transportation (9)

#### Question 2

Please respect appropriate setbacks from homes when installing cell towers. Also, please do NOT relax zoning standards. We have ENOUGH concrete, traffic and office space in Palo Alto. Make large businesses pay for the mess they created. And spend money more wisely (too top heavy at City Hall).

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#### Name not shown

in College Terrace

May 7, 2020, 8:48 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

Please don't close the College Terrace Library!

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#### Name not shown

in Midtown/ Midtown West

May 7, 2020, 8:52 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in University Park

May 7, 2020, 8:58 AM

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#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (5)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

Mayor Fine said everything will be cut and nothing is sacred in the last city meeting. I think he is wrong. Crossing guards are a life and death safety issue and should be protected program. A Greene grade 6 middle schooler was killed by a flatbed truck a few weeks before shelter in place ordinance happened. Lives of youth and the safety should NEVER be compromised. Any program servicing our youth is super important as this pandemic leaves a mark on our youth's mental health & wellbeing. Social isolation and spending 3 hours or more daily on a developing brain have never been seen in our youth nor studied. We need to continue programs for our children and youth. Clinical therapists say our youth are experiencing this pandemic as a traumatic event. It's not the adults who really are affected as much as the youth (who may not have a voice and can not express themselves).

Lumping Administration and Government together is not fair. My dot for "admin & government" was meant for the government portion not the admin portion. This study should have teased out Government versus Administration. During this time of massive budget shortfall, administration CAN BE PAIRED DOWN and can operate in a lean fashion. What can not be paired down is government such as the justice system and courts and ongoing court related costs.

Also having an auditor and complete transparency and accountability should be even more so during this time of budget deficit. Apparently Palo Alto plans to get rid of the dedicated auditor's position at the city, which I think is a terrible idea. If anyone's position should be protected, it would be the auditor's position given the financial straits the city is in. There needs to be higher accountability to ensure wastage of money does not happen this year or next year or the subsequent years.

What is not justified is the overtime and exorbitant salaries and bloated staffing at Palo Alto city offices and administration. Wages, salaries, and hiring just can't be justified.

#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 9:10 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)

- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

#### Name not shown

in Greenmeadow

May 7, 2020, 9:15 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

#### Name not shown

in Evergreen Park

May 7, 2020, 9:16 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

Supporting our vibrant local entrepreneurs and providing services to those in desperate need in a safe way should be our top priorities.

#### Name not shown

outside Palo Alto

May 7, 2020, 9:18 AM

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### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (4)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

### Question 2

support our local small businesses and nonprofits!!

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### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 9:18 AM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

### Question 2

Please do not use this crisis to motivate starkly political objectives. For example, calling for the suspension of RPP's and doing so under the cover of "helping hard-hit businesses" which is by any measure a real stretch.

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### Name not shown

in Old Palo Alto

May 7, 2020, 9:22 AM

### Question 1

- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (5)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)

### Question 2

This question style is totally confusing. Is a higher number signifying more support? Also, lumping together Infrastructure and environment makes no sense, as do the other categories.

In general, the city has already set a bad precedent by moving forward on raises for employees/management. This is reckless in this economic disaster.

### Douglas Graham

in Barron Park

May 7, 2020, 9:26 AM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

### Question 2

No response

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### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 9:27 AM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (4)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

### Question 2

Obviously, Fully fund Utilities as that's self funded (including fully funding pension liability). Don't do business support as that's a free market issue. Businesses will survive if they have a market. Think longer term and fund natural spaces and environmental programs.

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### Name not shown

in Green Acres

May 7, 2020, 9:31 AM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

### Question 2



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There is too much road repair work, too many 'traffic calming' projects. Totally unnecessary, and often counter-productive. Libraries and parks are critical resources. Is PA government not involved in our schools - spending, staffing, resources? I don't see which category I should promote to get necessary funds for pre-K through HS support. Please help our small businesses. They add important 'flavor' to our lives.

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 9:36 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Planning and Transportation (9)

##### Question 2

I oppose City Manager Shikada's proposals i) to reduce application processing requirements for cell towers and ii) to cut back on cell tower code enforcement; and b) To balance Palo Alto's budget. I think a big part of the answer is to reduce, at the very least, senior staff salary and reduce the number of employees in the same role. Did you know Palo Alto currently employs five people to do P.R. for the city? That's but one example of how bloated our payroll is.

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#### Nancy Krop

in Barron Park

May 7, 2020, 9:39 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (4)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)

##### Question 2

Public safety should be #1. That means continuing funding for crossing guards, to protect our children crossing major city thoroughfares twice daily - El Camino, Arastradero, etc. I was not able to pick more than 4 dots, of the six. The website needs a better explanation, if we are only selecting 4 top areas of 6.

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 9:42 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (5)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in Greenmeadow

May 7, 2020, 9:47 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (2)

##### Question 2

The city should elevate its commitment to sustainability given the effects of poor air quality, lack of pandemic preparedness, failure to address housing development and transportation options especially amid the nascent and amateur quality of the city council. There are models to follow developed by more professional and successful city governments that work well. Please use them. Currently we are a cautionary tale and an embarrassment considering the resources and purported educational levels of its inhabitants. Sustainability is a holistic concept and if pursued, will resolve many of our growth and quality of life issues.

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#### Name not shown

in University South

May 7, 2020, 9:47 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

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- Administration and Government (2)

#### Question 2

We need to use this time to invest in the future growth of the people of our community. While businesses are dealing with economic uncertainty, we should not overdo aid to businesses, the Federal and state government are already doing a lot to help. Palo alto should focus on improving infrastructure like municipal fiber-optic connectivity direct to home so that it prepares our communities for the work from home future and provides affordable fast internet for everyone no matter what their income level. We need to focus on environmental issues like excessive airplane traffic and transportation. As long as Palo Alto remains a desirable place to live, businesses will flock here.

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 9:51 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

Reduce senior staff salaries by 25% (making over \$125K/yr) until tax revenues return to current levels  
Reduce all staff salaries by 10% and cut senior and junior staff. Palo Alto has a bloated staffing level.  
Stop roadwork repairs and major construction projects until after Covid  
Stop making new consulting contracts  
Do not raise taxes... Cut from within

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 9:52 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (5)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

I do oppose City Manager Shikada's proposals i) to reduce application processing requirements for cell towers and ii) to cut back on cell tower code enforcement. Do not use this as an excuse to ram through the cell towers against the will of the citizens. I feel some cuts could be made to City of Palo Alto senior staff salaries and judiciously reduce the number of city employees. I believe the city could operate leaner and still serve our most critical needs. I am not in favor of cutting teacher salaries or teachers. Libraries could cut back on buying books and materials for the time being.

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 9:52 AM

#### Question 1

- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 9:54 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (4)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 9:55 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (4)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)

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- Administration and Government (3)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in Old Palo Alto

May 7, 2020, 10:01 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

Reduce senior staff salaries by 25% (making over \$125K/yr) until tax revenues return to current levels

Reduce all staff salaries by 10% and cut senior and junior staff. Palo Alto has a bloated staffing level.

Stop roadwork repairs and major construction projects until after Covid

Stop making new consulting contracts

Do not raise taxes... Cut from within

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 10:02 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (5)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (2)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in Charleston Meadows

May 7, 2020, 10:03 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in Palo Verde

May 7, 2020, 10:11 AM

#### Question 1

- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

Salaries too high. Utilities too high. Stop spending money on traffic flow projects.

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#### Jamie Beckett

in Evergreen Park

May 7, 2020, 10:12 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

Boy, this is hard. Safety has to come first -- that's why I gave it 3 dots, but equally important is the local economy. I worry a lot about what our commercial districts will be like after this difficult time. Empty storefronts and empty streets invite crime, but there's more to it than that. If we allow the restaurants, shops and other businesses on our streets to die, we're no longer a city -- we're just a place with lots of housing and way too many office buildings. I just hope that if the council does provide some assistance to local businesses, that it weighs the value of street traffic versus just filling commercial spaces with gyms, pilates studios, hair

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salons and other service businesses. (I'm thinking of how the city has allowed California Avenue to become sterile with just two retail outlets besides food businesses.) Why did I rate planning and transportation so low? Because it would be a really good idea if we'd just stop building new office buildings and focus on preserving what is still good in Palo Alto. When resources are limited, we need to maintain what we've got. That's why I'd also prioritize Infrastructure and Environment and Neighborhood, Community and Library services. And naturally, we need staff to manage all that makes up our city, so I allotted a dot to Administration and Government.

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### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 10:12 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (5)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (5)

#### Question 2

I value open spaces to relax, unwind, improve mental health, and exercise after work and on weekends. This especially applies to Foothills Park, and the Palo Alto Baylands Park (at the end of Embarcadero)

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### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 10:14 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

1.Reduce senior staff salaries  
2.Reduce number of city employees by requiring everyone to work 5 days a week every week,and eliminating non-essential jobs like "City PR". Our current payroll is bloated and 4X's the size of San Jose's per capita.  
3.I oppose the proposal to reduce the application processing requirement for cell towers and the cut back on cell tower code enforcement.Public safety and welfare, real estate valuations and neighborhood aesthetics require adequate staffing of these important functions.

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### Name not shown

in Leland Manor/ Garland

May 7, 2020, 10:15 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

Assume many of us will isolate through end of 2020...at least;-)

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### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 10:16 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 10:16 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

City salaries are too high, especially given that many private sector workers will be out of work for a very long time. Suggest: (1) cut salaries

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above \$150k (including overtime) permanently by 10%, and below \$150k by 5%; (2) lay off workers, but lay off fewer of them due to the pay cuts above. First responder salaries reduce 5%. Keep the Traffic Enforcement Team. Going forward, stop lucrative contracts to unions that threaten to strike--instead, prepare and keep on hand a strike response plan. The City, which has liabilities that far exceed liquid assets, can also declare default and renegotiate these contracts.

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### Name not shown

in University South

May 7, 2020, 10:19 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (4)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

We need to decrease the amount of city government staff; Palo Alto is very bloated compared to its neighbors. Also, take a very hard look on funding for police and fire; firefighters spend very little time fighting fires. I'm rather astonished at the salaries paid police. Take this opportunity to restructure the agreements with the police and fire unions. We need to find a way to decrease rents for restaurants, but we really don't need as many restaurants as we have. Downtown has turned into a desert for high tech companies. I've lived here for 30 years, and it's sad to see the transformation of Palo Alto. We're still here for the schools - our teachers (who are aging), aren't paid enough for this environment - but once our kids have graduated, we're gone. I am an avid consumer of the libraries, but we don't need so many; can we get it down to two? I'd pay more for PA Children's Theatre programs and camps, and I think that almost all families would pay more for general camps.

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### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 10:25 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)

#### Question 2

No response

### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 10:28 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (4)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

No response

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### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 10:28 AM

#### Question 1

- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (6)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

The City needs to make every effort to REDUCE city staff, which is out of proportion with respect to other cities. Layoff as many unnecessary staff as possible (how many PR people does the city really need? how many attorneys do we really need?) We need to REDUCE salaries of city staff including the Attorney's salaries. Cap the pension payments and work on a plan that is viable for the future -- switch to 401ks like everyone else.

To increase revenue, increase fees for wireless cell tower applications and increase fees for rental of telephone poles for cell towers. DO NOT INCREASE TAXES ON CITIZENS!!!

To save money, stop all unnecessary road construction projects such as the 4 million dollar Charleston-Arasterdero bike corridor project -- mindless building of roundabouts, u-turns, random barriers in the road and stuff like that should be stopped immediately and postponed indefinitely. Any nonsense projects like these where we rip up existing roads just to rebuild them in a different way should be postponed indefinitely. Focus on trimming trees, filling in potholes and maintenance utility work. Any money leftover should be allocated to planning for the rail project.

Thank you!

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### Name not shown

in Greenmeadow

May 7, 2020, 10:44 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

Quite frankly, in times like these we need to consider deficit financing for city services. I believe that times will get better and return to where they were before all of this occurred. Let us remember that we live in Silicon Valley which is a center of learning, innovation and entrepreneurship. We need to remember that it will be a combination of government, not for profits and the private sector will lead us back to the property we enjoyed three months ago.

### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 10:45 AM

#### Question 1

- Planning and Transportation (10)

#### Question 2

Please focus on preserving quality of residential neighborhoods, with focus on minimizing traffic, ensuring no business parking intrusion into residential neighborhoods (RPPs), and avoiding installation of cell towers near residential homes. These are clear resident (customer) priorities and are minuscule in terms of cost (e.g., cell tower enforcement is billed back to telecom, RPPs are almost self funding per transmittal letter, etc.).

### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 10:45 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)

- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (2)

#### Question 2

No response

### Name not shown

in Barron Park

May 7, 2020, 10:46 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Planning and Transportation (7)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)

#### Question 2

I oppose City Manager Shikada's proposals i) to reduce application processing requirements for cell towers and ii) to cut back on cell tower code enforcement

To balance budget please consider reducing senior staff salaries and perks and eliminate non-essential personnel. There is no need to have 5 people to be involved in PR related activities... most companies with budgets bigger than City of Palo Alto have 2 people or less dedicated to PR.

### Name not shown

in Community Center

May 7, 2020, 10:46 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

### Juli Hughes

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in Old Palo Alto

May 7, 2020, 10:48 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (5)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

I feel that a sense of community is above all the highest need. The Palo Alto Arts Center has been a place to connect, be creative, find respite and friendship in an area where connecting has been diluted over the 35 years I've lived here. It's the one thing left that makes Palo Alto a community where we can come together to share our knowledge, skills and support in not only a creative way but in a human way. We need something more than than high tech and messaging in our lives. This art community is a necessary outlet for a happy community. We need the diversion and diversity that it brings to relieve stress, provide positive connections and happiness.

This center is needed now more than ever. It's vital. Recognizing how many people are turned away from each class because enrollment is limited is an indication that can't be overlooked.

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 10:50 AM

#### Question 1

- Administration and Government (6)

#### Question 2

make a "commute-free" commitment as recommended by our board of supervisors:

Agenda Board of Supervisors, County of Santa Clara May 5, 2020 Page 4 of 14 14. Consider recommendations relating to a telecommuting benefits analysis and framework for employees of the region, both public and private, during and after the COVID-19 pandemic. (Chavez) (ID# 101266) (COVID-19)

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#### Name not shown

in Midtown/ Midtown West

May 7, 2020, 10:52 AM

#### Question 1

- Planning and Transportation (10)

#### Question 2

Please do not remove the application process and review by architectural board of cell tower applications. We must keep these money-hungry wireless cell companies from ruining our environment and trying to use their clout to circumvent the concerned people of Palo Alto. Please also reduce the staff by about 20% as we have way too many superfluous employees getting hard-earned tax dollars and eliminate the Fridays-off policy.

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#### Name not shown

in Barron Park

May 7, 2020, 10:55 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (5)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (5)

#### Question 2

Admin, business support, and other long term projects can be put on hold. Prioritize public safety and services for now.

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#### Name not shown

in Old Palo Alto

May 7, 2020, 10:56 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (4)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

My answers are based on the belief that Local government only needs to look after local health and safety and provide adequate infrastructure. All else is frosting on the cake. Palo Alto has a lot of frosting on its cake and should shrink government where e ver possible. I would start with city hall and all the bureaucrats. Cuts in Salaries and elimination of excess positions. These bureaucrats get paid much more that the [private sector. The salaries listed on the PA website do not include benefits and pensions. In the private sector that runs about 14-20% of your scary. It



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includes government taxes and healthcare. It does not include a pension. Our city workers get generous healthcare and pensions for life after a certain number of years.

If we can cut the number of PA employees we can also cut our long term costs for pensions.

Also, cut frivolous expenditures. My pet peeve is the notices about the environment on heavy card stock in 3 color printing enclosed in utility bills. Isn't there a cheaper way to get out this information? I believe there is no one at city hall who prioritizes a cost benefit relationship. The priority at city Hall should be how do we do more with less.

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 10:58 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (8)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

##### Question 2

Redo Ross Road. Get rid of speed bumps, traffic circles. This is now become a dangerous street for pedestrians, bikes, and cars. Return it to its former self.

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 11:02 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)

##### Question 2

Very tough choices and not easy for Staff and Council to make these difficult decisions, but this is a time to show where our real values are for the city. Sustainability must continue to be a priority as the climate crisis is like the virus only in slow motion - so what we do today will have huge ramifications for the future of the city with lots more expenditures to adapt to the ill effects.

I believe the community will step up to fill some of the Neighborhood/Com/Library services with volunteer work. The wonderful events the City sponsors should happen like they did in the "old days" - they should be bubbling up from the bottom, not "organized" from the top (of course if we had the \$ that would be terrific, but we have to make

Solomon's choices here unfortunately). Many events have become overly "institutionalized" so perhaps we can get back to basics. It's too bad that the threat of litigation drives so much of what we can and can't do here.

Why do we need so many permits and fees to do things that enhance community? We tried to get traffic calming on my street since COVID and ONE person complained so we had 4 visits from PAPD (who didn't really see a problem). What a WASTE of our precious resources. Let us use common sense and stop allowing one or two vocal people to throw monkey-wrenches into the works.

Public Safety is also critical - we need to keep our police and fire personnel as we all want to have them available when we're sick or our house is burning.

Economic support is crucial especially to those small businesses that will fail unless we can do something to help them. I vote for closing down University Ave and allowing the restaurants to spill out into the streets like they do in Europe. Time to take some bold actions to help the City recover.

I think it's time for renewed volunteerism like the "old days", for residents to take more responsibility for some of the things the City provides. We can/should take care of the streets in front of our houses, help each other out by sharing abundance etc so I'd spend what little money the City has to helping develop a robust volunteer army to get some of these things done. This develops civic pride and lessens the entitlement so many of us have about the city.

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 11:04 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (6)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in Crescent Park

May 7, 2020, 11:06 AM

##### Question 1

- Planning and Transportation (6)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (4)

##### Question 2



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We have hard-hit local, service, and small businesses. PATMA is an essential part of The City's business support toolkit. The TMA will accelerate economic recovery by providing Palo Alto with a competitive hiring advantage over cities without TMAs.

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 11:10 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

##### Question 2

Start with cutting down redundant jobs and layers of management in administration. I get that it's hard because it's people's jobs, long term employees. We need to prioritize public safety, economic sustainability -- making sure our small businesses can stay and thrive. I love our libraries but could we survive without a library every 2 miles? Yes, we could. Everyone can still get there. I love the art programs, but are they more important than Police or Fire? No. The first place I would start is in the office. Sad as it is to say, emergency services, services that affect large numbers of our city, and keeping businesses alive are more important.

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#### Name not shown

in Old Palo Alto

May 7, 2020, 11:12 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (5)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

##### Question 2

Cut the salary of those making over \$200,000 by 30%. Reduce the salary of those making between \$100,000 and \$200,000 by 15%.

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#### Name not shown

outside Palo Alto

May 7, 2020, 11:17 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (4)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

##### Question 2

I oppose City Manager Shikada's proposals i) to reduce application processing requirements for cell towers and ii) to cut back on cell tower code enforcement.

If Council wishes to balance Palo Alto's budget, a big part of the answer is to reduce, at the very least, senior staff salaries and also to reduce the number of city employees.

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 11:20 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (2)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 11:30 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 11:30 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (4)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (5)

##### Question 2

Please keep the baylands park open!

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#### Vivek Kuttappan

in Charleston Terrace

May 7, 2020, 11:40 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

##### Question 2

1. I oppose City Manager Shikada's proposal to reduce application processing requirements for cell towers and to cut back on cell tower code enforcement; 2. What I think Council should do to balance Palo Alto's budget - Reduce senior staff salaries and if that is not enough also reduce the number of city employees

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#### Name not shown

in Palo Verde

May 7, 2020, 11:40 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

##### Question 2

No response

#### Name not shown

in Charleston Meadows

May 7, 2020, 11:48 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (4)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

##### Question 2

While addressing transportation issues is important, I did not prioritize it. Why? Because based on the results of recent traffic calming and rail planning efforts (especially in South Palo Alto) the city does not have the expertise or appropriate leadership to make appropriate and effective improvements. A lot of money has been spent, and changes made have made things worse. Keep all rail crossings at grade and open until you have funding to put rail underground. With limitations on your budget, stick to your core competencies and focus your time and money on the areas where you can make a positive impact (public safety and infrastructure).

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#### Name not shown

in Palo Verde

May 7, 2020, 11:53 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (4)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 11:55 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

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#### Question 2

I believe it is necessary to reduce some administrative staff, freeze salaries, and carefully evaluate all functions as to what is really needed in these difficult times. Good conditions the last several years has resulted in some expansion. The council needs to go to where the big dollars are being spent.

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#### Name not shown

outside Palo Alto

May 7, 2020, 11:58 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (4)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

Protesting approval of the 7-story 463 Unit development on East Whisman !!

We don't need the traffic from a high rise structure (7-story) in our neighborhood which is inappropriate and unacceptable. Where is the rationale for anything over 3 stories at maximum?

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#### Name not shown

in Green Acres

May 7, 2020, 12:04 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (4)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

The survey is skewed towards answers that are unacceptable.

For example, I support code enforcement but I do not support the other issues under 'Planning and Transportation' involved in high density housing or cell towers; I do not support city efforts to build density housing, transportation, parking to support commercial businesses (tech or Stanford) or rail (which support commercial property owners) to the detriment of the neighborhoods and quality of life. The argument of higher density lowers housing prices (without massive subsidies has been disproven); similarly, the argument of 'affordable' housing for tech people

(who earn six figure incomes) to the detriment of the quality of the community life is unacceptable.

The same answer goes to economic sustainability and business support. Of course the community supports small businesses, but when you add that to 'job creation' (creating job/housing imbalance and thereby density housing). . the category gets a Zero priority.

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#### Name not shown

in Midtown/ Midtown West

May 7, 2020, 12:11 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in Green Acres

May 7, 2020, 12:46 PM

#### Question 1

- Planning and Transportation (7)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)

#### Question 2

Traffic in Palo Alto is the most important issue affecting quality of life. Reducing traffic and cars on the road should be the city council's and staff's top priority.

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#### Name not shown

in University Park

May 7, 2020, 12:56 PM

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#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (5)

#### Question 2

First, as several other respondents have mentioned, the rating system used in this OpenGov survey is not well devised. There should be some simple statement such as "The more dots you assign to an area, the more priority you feel it should have." I looked up OpenGov and they have 120 employees. Is this the best they can do? How much did the City of Palo Alto pay for this survey? Another wasted consultant fee.

I also wish that they would break down the six service areas, as it is easy to load a department full of bureaucrats with some very essential service. I surprised that they did not add to Administration and Government "keeping kittens alive at the shelter."

I have lived in several small high income cities and have never found one with soo many employees for so few residents. I have also worked as a staff member for both the Mayor of a large CA metropolitan city and a CA Board of Supervisors and can say that most all cities have plenty of fat in their budgets and more administrators than they need. Many more. Forget the adopted budget, check the true spending at the end of the fiscal year after millions are transferred to other departments each month.

When revenue drops, if you can not float a parcel tax, threaten the citizens with cutting back services that they use on a daily basis. Shut down a library, cut back on an art center. Most of the budget for cities goes for personnel, so that is where you need to make reductions. Cuts to a few higher paid administrators will save the jobs of many more lower-paid employees. Does our (or any) City Manager ever offer to cut 20% of their staff to keep a library open or the pot holes filled? Not likely.

I respect the police and fire workers but I do not understand a management system that lets an officer make almost \$200,000. in overtime. We finally hired back our small traffic unit and that is what has been mentioned for a cut. A modern police force needs up to date equipment but ours looks like they went out and bought every specialized toy and truck on the market. We also have so many police cars that the garage is always full and there are about six always parked on the street. Here is an idea-sell some of those cars and have teams of two officers walking our downtown streets. That certainly would help with some types of street crime.

I would also like to know what happens to the profits the city take for over-charging for utilities? What was it last year, \$12,000,000? That looks to me like a tax that was never approved. Also, please shelve the plan to spend millions replacing our analog electric meters with those that

will be used to set up a tiered billing system which uses huge rate increases to force residents to wash their clothes late at night. If you have electric heat, which Palo Alto will start requiring for all new residences in 2021, I guess we will need to put on a few extra sweaters each winter and forget turning on our AC systems during those increasingly hot summers. If you replace the meters so you can fire a few low-paid meter readers, just buy the ones that provide a remote reading. They cost a lot less. also, if you want to same some energy start looking at how much the City uses. Is that in their department budgets? Also, change our utilities fee structure which now charge the huge industrial users like Palantir less per KWH that our residents. They can afford it.

Last, place a freeze on hiring consultants for every job that comes up. We have about 1,500 employees for some 66,000 residents. We can struggle by without another consultant.

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 1:06 PM

#### Question 1

- Planning and Transportation (7)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in Old Palo Alto

May 7, 2020, 1:14 PM

#### Question 1

- Planning and Transportation (10)

#### Question 2

~ I oppose City Manager Shikada's proposals to reduce application requirements for cell towers and to cut back on cell tower code enforcement.

~ City Manager Shikada should respond to residents' invitation to meet with them via Zoom to discuss his cell-tower-related recommendations.

~ To balance Palo Alto's budget, the City Council should reduce senior staff salaries and reduce the number of city employees. The payroll is bloated!

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#### Edward Stewart

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in Midtown/ Midtown West  
May 7, 2020, 1:30 PM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

### Question 2

I am attempting to highlight the need to ensure safety including economic safety for all, and push costs to following years that can likely withstand a few months of delayed maintenance.

## Name not available

May 7, 2020, 1:33 PM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

### Question 2

The city should let the unions know that because of decreases to revenue, if the unions do not accept pay cuts, there will need to be large-scale layoffs.

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in College Terrace

May 7, 2020, 1:51 PM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (4)
- Administration and Government (2)

### Question 2

No response

## Name not available

May 7, 2020, 1:52 PM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (4)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)

### Question 2

No response

## Name not shown

in Community Center

May 7, 2020, 1:55 PM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (4)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

### Question 2

A favorite service in our community and the region is the Palo Alto Art Center. It brings to Palo Alto world class art, art classes for adults, seniors and children, summer camps and a gathering place for teens to gain experience with internships and responsibility. The Art Center building was the Palo Alto City Hall in the 50's. Recent years a large group of dedicated people partnered with the City to invest in what is today a valued treasure in our community. Please consider continuing to make this partnership a priority in the budget.

## Name not available

May 7, 2020, 1:56 PM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)

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- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

Thank you for asking. I would have preferred to give each service area 2 dots, but ran out of dots. They are all important. It's a matter of balance, and each division finding a way to get by with less. In terms of making cuts, I think the first place to look closely is administration & government: What positions (including upper-level) can be eliminated or not re-filled when vacated, and how can departments/programs be streamlined? City government can set the example. In the area of public works, Palo Alto Utilities might start by greatly reducing or eliminating all the paper flyers they send us.

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 2:05 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (4)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 2:20 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (4)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

Public safety is, of course, important but the salaries and benefits seem outrageous. How many house fires are there a year in Palo Alto? How many murders are there? Salaries and/or personnel should be cut first. The city manager and assistant manager make nearly \$1M/yr with benefits, and that's just 2 people. I'm ok if libraries are not immediately reopened, everything is online anyway.

How about instituting a foreign buyer's fee on residential real estate? This would add income to the city and make more homes available to locals that live and work here instead of rich chinese nationals laundering their money.

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#### Name not shown

in Professorville

May 7, 2020, 2:34 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 2:41 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 2:41 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (8)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)

#### Question 2

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No response

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 2:47 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in Crescent Park

May 7, 2020, 2:58 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (5)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 3:00 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

##### Question 2

Please provide a more granular survey. These wide buckets are not going to yield sufficient useful feedback. Such a broad survey makes this exercise appear as if you don't want community input that much. Definitely HALT additional commercial space development. It's a shame that so many small retail businesses made way for office space that will sit open for the foreseeable future and did nothing to provide housing.

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 3:05 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (4)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in Fairmeadow

May 7, 2020, 3:05 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (2)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 3:06 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)

## Palo Alto Budget Priorities

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- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

Please don't forget about seniors during the budget process - they make up 1/3 of Palo Alto's population!

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 3:07 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (4)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in Palo Verde

May 7, 2020, 3:19 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

A more granular survey would indicate more interest in community feedback. This is super high level. We need more traffic enforcement to protect bicyclists and pedestrians. More street patrols to cut down on auto and bike thefts. Please finish the bike bridge under 101 for South Palo Alto. Keep shuttles to Gunn which are so incredibly important for safety and mental health of hundreds of students. Please halt all new commercial development and bring back local retail and affordable housing. It's a shame so much of what made this city unique and livable has been demolished to make way for soul-less office space that will sit unoccupied for a long time. Literally no one here wishes Palo Alto was like Brooklyn.

#### Name not shown

May 7, 2020, 3:33 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

stop that unpopular bike boulevard plan to save fund.

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#### Name not shown

in Crescent Park

May 7, 2020, 3:46 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

Everything is "important," but I hope the city can look at everything for ways to reduce expenses and ask hard questions to justify all programs, particularly in the areas that cost the city the most, where savings would be significant. Across the board cuts don't work, but in this time of disruption, perhaps some of our highest paid employees could be asked to take at least a temporary pay cut. It's the minimum-wage workers who can't afford to take a cut.

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 3:53 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)



## Palo Alto Budget Priorities

### Palo Alto Budget Priorities

- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 3:54 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in Community Center

May 7, 2020, 4:08 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (5)

#### Question 2

I am very concerned that the library will be greatly impacted by this budget shortfall. The library will be more crucial than ever as students are home and camps and such will most likely be limited or not take place in the summer. Families will need the support of the library in a big way. Additionally the library is one of the highest rated city departments with the public and so hopefully will continue to be able to provide a quality level of service that reflects the communities expectations.

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#### Name not shown

in Ventura

May 7, 2020, 4:18 PM

#### Question 1

- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (4)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (5)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 4:21 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (2)

#### Question 2

Now is not the time to cut the Public Safety budget. We are learning a lot in this pandemic and will need the resources to enact improvements to be better prepared for the next similar event or for an earthquake while sheltering in place.

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 4:43 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (4)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 4:44 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)

## Palo Alto Budget Priorities

### Palo Alto Budget Priorities

- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (4)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 4:47 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

#### Question 2

Your directions were not clear but I put the most dots for the ones I thought most important and the least dots for the ones I thought least important.

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 4:48 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (5)
- Planning and Transportation (2)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 4:57 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 5:00 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in University South

May 7, 2020, 5:03 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 5:06 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

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- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

Thank you for all your efforts on our community's behalf.

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#### Name not shown

in Charleston Terrace  
May 7, 2020, 5:08 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)

#### Question 2

We must fund cell phone towers and wifi infrastructure.  
We need to have much more input on road planning. The city must start to listen to its citizens, Charleston and Louis Roads are a disaster.  
No consideration by the city for all the negative community feedback.  
Most resources are being implemented in the north end of the city.

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 5:09 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)
- Administration and Government (3)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Gary Lindgren

in University South  
May 7, 2020, 5:12 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)

- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

Wages should be cut for the highest paid administrators.

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 5:21 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (6)

#### Question 2

Of particular personal importance is the re-opening of the Downtown Public Library to its former schedule. Thank you.

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 5:22 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (4)

#### Question 2

No increased housing!! No increased development beyond that which is already in progress.

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#### Alex Noe

in University South  
May 7, 2020, 5:40 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (4)

## Palo Alto Budget Priorities

### Palo Alto Budget Priorities

- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (5)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 5:43 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

If fire and police salaries are the biggest budget item, they are the prime target for reduction. For starters, overtime. How about no events requiring fire or police overtime?

Can a cooperative arrangement be made with Menlo Park and/or Mountain view to share fire protection services with fewer total staff?

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 5:45 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

#### Question 2

As a 26 year resident - Quality community and neighborhood atmosphere must be improved to keep this town safe, family friendly and not so transient. I am a former Traffic Safety Representative at Fairmeadow Elementary, and was involved in the earliest meeting to plan the Charleston/Arastradero School corridor, and huge round-about advocate....Traffic calming, walking/biking friendly, quiet zones - need reduction or elimination of caltrain night time whistle/work noise, air traffic noise. We need to sleep well and be able to get out and about safely with less hazard stress. My husband is on the faculty at Stanford and has commuted by bike for 26 years. I no longer commute by bike due to

accidents with cars and all the distracted driving. Get the train underpasses started & East Meadow, and the bike/pedestrian bridge at San Antonio to the Baylands completed ASAP. With the COVOD19 situation, I'm sure the downtown/University Ave district will drastically change...would love to see most of University Ave. pedestrian, now that we have so many parking garages (off University) and so many people using Uber/Lyft. For bars/restaurants - permit needs to decrease the requirement of so many parking spaces for the same reason - we're walking, biking, using the train, and Uber/Lyft so we don't have to deal with parking or traffic as drivers. Our homeless and mentally ill persons are in desperate need of services, support, and housing. So many of us on the sidewalks and parks come in contact with seriously disturbed persons on a regular basis. I have lived in New Orleans, Houston and New York, and I am still shocked at what I encounter here. I'm on my second big dog for this reason, and because I live next door to very untrustworthy and "sketch" neighbors with transient MIL unit renters. At the moment, they aren't even "sheltering in place" and have friends coming and going all hours of the day/night. I am a former juvenile youth court counselor, have worked in Patient and Community Relations at Stanford Hospital, and have managed a store on Hamilton Ave, and have great empathy and compassion for these persons, but, over the years, I have been threatened, stalked, followed and have had food/drinks thrown at me for just walking by, smiling, or acknowledging them. I needed to call the police several times as a store manager when deranged persons were in my store harassing me, my customers, and stealing merchandise. Additionally, I'm of sure of the viability of retail in downtown due to rent, ability to retain employees, and low foot traffic. Thanks for reading and considering my thoughts and views :)

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#### Name not shown

in Palo Verde

May 7, 2020, 6:26 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (2)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 6:29 PM

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#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in College Terrace

May 7, 2020, 6:38 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (6)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (3)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 6:52 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

Difficult choices but we will come out of this.

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#### Name not shown

in Greenmeadow

May 7, 2020, 7:18 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Stu Russell

in Midtown/ Midtown West

May 7, 2020, 7:46 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 8:06 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

Please keep the Children's Library open

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#### Name not shown

in Midtown/ Midtown West

May 7, 2020, 8:28 PM

#### Question 1

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- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

I think the first priority should be safety - safety of children getting to school, safety on the roads, safety in our neighborhoods

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#### Catherine Matterson

in University Park

May 7, 2020, 8:43 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 8:48 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (2)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 8:57 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)

- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 9:05 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 9:08 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 9:17 PM

#### Question 1

- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)

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- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (5)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 9:18 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (6)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

There appears to be a significant discrepancy regarding how many FTE positions are being cut in the Police Dept. as to all the other departments. This does not make sense. Public Safety is the foundation of a safe city. You are going to cut 30 employees from the police and keep the Children's Theater, Libraries, etc. It is ludicrous you are even considering this action. The level of incompetency being displayed here is unreal. People already feel unsafe with a lot of what is reported in crimes here. Imagine if we lose all of those police employees.

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#### Name not shown

in University Park

May 7, 2020, 9:24 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

I have heard that there will be job cuts across the board in order to reduce the impact of the 2020-2021 FY. Why is it that these essential services are being cut, but people like the City Manager are not taking a pay cut?

Why are we giving small business a grant that is based on a lottery and not based on actual need?

Why isn't the grant a loan? The small businesses could pay it back whenever the crisis is over; even the interest could be postponed until that time. Instead you want to stave off the closing of businesses by reducing jobs and potentially reduce actual spending from those unfortunate enough to be let go.

There needs to be accountability for what the city is proposing to do. All of those lost jobs, services, etc. are going to hurt real people.

Maybe consider other sources of revenue like a gross receipts tax (e.g. San Francisco) and even a local income tax on the most wealthy of residents.

Please consider the ramifications of what you are proposing to do.

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#### Name not shown

in Palo Verde

May 7, 2020, 9:44 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

I'd like the city to call on the fortunate in the local community to fund local community programs and small businesses.

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#### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 9:47 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 9:57 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 10:25 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

Reduce salaries (especially at the top) during this crisis, as Stanford has done, or start layoffs. End pensions for all employees and switch to 401s or equivalent. City employees must start working with a sense of urgency, doing more work during regular hours or working longer hours,, just as is required in private enterprise.

### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 10:33 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (4)

#### Question 2

No response

### Name not available

May 7, 2020, 10:38 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

No response

### Celia Boyle

in Barron Park

May 7, 2020, 11:09 PM

#### Question 1

- Planning and Transportation (10)

#### Question 2

a) I oppose City Manager Shikada's proposals i) to reduce application processing requirements for cell towers and ii) to cut back on cell tower code enforcement;and b)A big part of the answer for the budger is to reduce at the very least, senior staff salaries and also to reduce the number of city employees. Reduce payroll- does Palo Alto really require 5 people to do P.R.? Determine why Palo Alto staff is 20% the size of San Jose's but 5% of the population so study San Jose to find where efficiencies can be made in staffing. Indeed it is most disappointing that the city has not been saving more during high revenue periods instead of just adding more people to the payroll to fall back on during hard times.

### Daniel Garepis-Holland

in University Park

May 7, 2020, 11:18 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)



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### Question 2

No response

### Name not shown

in Old Palo Alto

May 7, 2020, 11:47 PM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (8)

### Question 2

No response

### Name not available

May 8, 2020, 1:05 AM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Administration and Government (2)

### Question 2

No response

### Name not shown

in Barron Park

May 8, 2020, 1:58 AM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

### Question 2

No response

### Name not available

May 8, 2020, 5:47 AM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

### Question 2

No response

### Name not available

May 8, 2020, 7:00 AM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

### Question 2

No response

### Name not available

May 8, 2020, 7:06 AM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Planning and Transportation (9)

### Question 2

I strongly oppose City Manager Shikada's proposal to reduce the application processing requirements for cell towers on the grounds of false economy. The cell tower companies are the ones who cover the cost of those applications....not the City. The proposal is pointless and just gives the cell tower companies free rein. Likewise eliminating code

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enforcement again gives cell tower companies the opening to do whatever to whomever. Thought the City Manager was supposed to have the best interest of the citizens of Palo Alto at heart. Clearly he has the best interest of the cell companies at heart.

At this critical time, the City should look carefully at their own "house" for budget cuts by finding a way to reduce the size of non-essential staff. And if the City Manager and the other high paid City administrators cared about our city, they would offer to take a cut off their overly generous salaries as a way to show their concern and support for the people of Palo Alto....the people they are meant to serve.

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#### Angela Richman

outside Palo Alto

May 8, 2020, 7:31 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 8, 2020, 8:03 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

##### Question 2

Assistance for schools/daycare/childcare so that people are able to go back to work

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#### Emanuela Todaro

in Downtown North

May 8, 2020, 8:05 AM

##### Question 1

- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (4)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

##### Question 2

In tough times making the community stronger is a priority.

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#### Name not shown

May 8, 2020, 8:41 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in Midtown/ Midtown West

May 8, 2020, 8:47 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

outside Palo Alto

May 8, 2020, 9:12 AM

##### Question 1

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- Public Safety (10)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### David Bower

in Crescent Park

May 8, 2020, 9:21 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (6)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in College Terrace

May 8, 2020, 9:34 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (4)

#### Question 2

In some areas residents paid for services. To completely cancel services is inappropriate. Either you provide services as best you can or refund fees collected. You do not collect fees and provide no service.

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#### Name not available

May 8, 2020, 10:12 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (6)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)

- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Hank Edson

in College Terrace

May 8, 2020, 10:14 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

#### Question 2

If you close College Terrace library, it should only be done with a plan to re-open and a plan and budget for preserving the library during closure. It should be an interim closure in response to the pandemic. Later, if necessary there should be fundraising to help reopen it. As Palo Alto's oldest library, it is also the active heart of one of Palo Alto's most child and young family friendly neighborhoods and a part of the California Avenue corridor. To lose this part of the local ecology permanently would be an extremely destructive move by the council.

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#### Name not available

May 8, 2020, 10:38 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (6)
- Planning and Transportation (1)

#### Question 2

Don't waste money on bike boulevard.

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#### Name not available

May 8, 2020, 10:41 AM

#### Question 1

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- Public Safety (1)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

#### Question 2

My involvement in City Government is minimal, so my weighting of options should be considered as not seriously informed. More an expression of general value. Also in general, I believe all of the presented options have both pros and cons to their ranking, with the exception of #1, RESPONSIBLE public safety.

#### Name not shown

in College Terrace

May 8, 2020, 10:43 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (5)

#### Question 2

In these difficult times, you need to keep the libraries open! Many of us are seniors and find it difficult to drive to a library outside our neighborhood. And it is risky to take public transportation.

#### Name not available

May 8, 2020, 10:49 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

#### Question 2

I am not a very active participant in City Government, but I am certain that each of these priorities with the exception of #1, RESPONSIBLE Public Safety, has both pros and cons about their relative positioning in Government Priorities. With the size of the expected loss to our budget, I know there must be financial losses in every category. That does not necessarily mean the absence or total elimination of any category, just a delay of forward progress in that category or, perhaps, a "downsizing" of

the "perfection" of any project. Good luck. You have a tough assignment ahead of you.

#### Jens Jensen

in College Terrace

May 8, 2020, 11:00 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

Implement salary freezes and salary cuts for highly compensated city employees. Defer any pension increases from 2020 to 2021 or 2022. Significantly reduce maintenance expenditures in for 6-12 months. Delay new bike bridge by one year. Re-negotiate all construction contracts with lower cost to the city.

#### Name not available

May 8, 2020, 11:03 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (4)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

No response

#### Mark Hopper

in Downtown North

May 8, 2020, 11:10 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (3)

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- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

#### Question 2

No response

#### Name not shown

in College Terrace

May 8, 2020, 11:12 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (4)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

Please do not close the College Terrace branch of the Palo Alto Library. It's an important community resource, and my family uses it often.

#### Name not available

May 8, 2020, 11:14 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (5)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

#### Forrest Warthman

in University Park

May 8, 2020, 11:15 AM

#### Question 1

- Administration and Government (4)

#### Question 2

Salaries for city employees (such as the city manager at \$400,000) have

become too high. Reduce them!

#### Name not shown

in Palo Verde

May 8, 2020, 11:16 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

1) In the 1970's, Hewlett Packard managed an economic downturn by having all employees work four day weeks with paychecks for three days. It was a shared pain strategy that has merit even now.

2) Could cooperative efforts be explored to share resources and programming. For example, the Y and the City might explore summer camps and decide that for the short-term the Y will do camps. Maybe yoga studios do yoga. Maybe POST does outdoor education. The goal would be to secure as many types of programs and services as possible, even if the choice isn't as rich as we're used to. Sponsoring organizations would be assured enrollment. Organizations could focus on fewer areas, at least for the short term.

#### Name not available

May 8, 2020, 11:18 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)

#### Question 2

Higher paid city employees should take a steep pay and pension cut. Redundant employee positions should be cut. Do you really need 5 P.R. employees?

#### Name not shown

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in College Terrace  
May 8, 2020, 11:22 AM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

### Question 2

I understand that the CT library is on the block. I'm sorry to hear that, but I understand. I hope it is framed as a temporary closure. Our neighborhood libraries are important.

- Malcolm

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### Karen Saxena

in Barron Park  
May 8, 2020, 11:22 AM

### Question 1

- Planning and Transportation (7)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

### Question 2

1. I oppose City Manager Shikada's proposals i) to reduce application processing requirements for cell towers and ii) to cut back on cell tower code enforcement
2. To balance the budget, reduce senior staff salaries and also to reduce the number of city employees.

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### Name not available

May 8, 2020, 11:30 AM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)

### Question 2

No response

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### Name not shown

in College Terrace  
May 8, 2020, 11:37 AM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

### Question 2

I agree that library service reductions will be needed, including at the College Terrace library, but I would highly value keeping it open at least on Saturdays. That way we can still pick up and return books.

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### Name not available

May 8, 2020, 11:48 AM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

### Question 2

The college terrace library should not be on the chopping block.

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### Name not shown

in Downtown North  
May 8, 2020, 11:51 AM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)

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- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 8, 2020, 11:51 AM

#### Question 1

- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (6)

#### Question 2

Reduce the salaries of City Manager and staff.

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#### susan chamberlain

in Downtown North

May 8, 2020, 11:54 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

we need to continue to address and increase our commitment to fighting the climate crisis. So sustainability, environment and transportation are key issues to prioritize. Please encourage teleworking as standard practice going forward for those companies which are employing teleworking now during the pandemic. This has and could continue to create a huge reduction in GHG's.

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#### James F. Cook

in Evergreen Park

May 8, 2020, 11:56 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (4)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

Please keep open the College Terrace Library for the benefits it brings to the community, it's a place where neighbors gather and learn and children grow up well read

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#### Name not available

May 8, 2020, 12:12 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (5)

#### Question 2

Keep the libraries open! Seniors can't take public transport safely to another neighborhood library.

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#### Name not shown

in Ventura

May 8, 2020, 12:15 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

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May 8, 2020, 12:17 PM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (5)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

### Question 2

No response

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### Name not available

May 8, 2020, 12:20 PM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

### Question 2

No response

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### Name not shown

in Midtown/ Midtown West

May 8, 2020, 12:24 PM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

### Question 2

obviously the city needs to allocate what it needs for administration, but I wanted to emphasize areas where I think we need to put a relatively high fraction of our resources.

### Name not shown

in Greenmeadow

May 8, 2020, 12:44 PM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

### Question 2

No response

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### Name not available

May 8, 2020, 12:57 PM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

### Question 2

your rankings are not clear above.

my rankings from most important to least:

1- Safety (highest)

2- Transportation

3- Parks/Community

4- Infrastructure and Sustainability

5- Admin (lowest) I am sure this is important for making other areas above work well but I am also sure that there is a lot of waste in this area already.

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### Name not shown

in College Terrace

May 8, 2020, 1:05 PM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)



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- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (2)

#### Question 2

Hi All - we just received news that the College Terrace Library was being closed and this is terrible news. The neighborhood really uses the library and the residents count on it. It is the only library on the west side of Palo Alto. It seems that the north/east side of Palo Alto has three libraries (downtown, Rinconada and Childrens') so why are no one of those libraries that are generally clustered in the same general area being considered for closing?

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#### Name not available

May 8, 2020, 1:09 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (4)
- Administration and Government (2)

#### Question 2

Your community service department has too many staff. Recommend you minimize those.

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#### Name not available

May 8, 2020, 1:39 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in Crescent Park

May 8, 2020, 1:42 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (8)
- Planning and Transportation (2)

#### Question 2

Response above assumes that Animal Control and Animal Shelter are included in Public Safety. Also, I think "Neighborhood, Community and Library Services" lumps too many services into a single area. I rank the parks and rangers as high priority.

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#### Name not shown

in Palo Verde

May 8, 2020, 1:52 PM

#### Question 1

- Planning and Transportation (10)

#### Question 2

I am strongly opposed to the city manager's recommendation to cut back on cell tower application requirements and enforcement.

There is simply no good reason to do that as the costs are covered by big telecom themselves, who are awash in funds.

I urge you to not use this crisis as an excuse to hand over a blank check to telecom, to steamroll over people's concern about these cell tower?

Instead, the city should consider cutting back on city compensation packages, especially among senior ranks.

Everyone else in this crisis economy has to do with less.....so for the sake of fairness, everyone has to do their part.

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#### William Ross

in College Terrace

May 8, 2020, 1:55 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (6)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

In each of the areas other than public safety the question should be asked is it an essential governmental service and evaluated in the context of an

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existing federal, state and local emergency. The Covid-19 crisis has created a financial emergency in the private and governmental sectors. Public safety must be maintained in tact. No layoffs. City needs to be more transparent in budget process. There need to be newspaper notices and summaries and mailed notice to individuals and businesses who have participated in City matters in the last 90 days. Participation in Council Zoom Meetings seldom had more than 35 participants with no indication of whether they were a resident or taxpayer. The City Manager should invoke his emergency powers in freeze all compensation contracts (no COLAs) for two years. All Management compensation--salary plus Other Public Employment Benefits (OPEB) should be reduced by twenty percent. Far greater cuts are being made in the private sector. Existing debt should be refinanced given very favorable rates. Unfunded pension liability should be further reduced with resulting benefits reducing employer and employee contributions. All of some of these suggestions are being pursued by other cities. Apparent Council prejudice against fire and law enforcement should be set aside. Given uncertainty of federal reimbursement goal should be to maintain police, fire, EMS transport, utility and public works personnel so that if additional emergencies occur--repeat Covid, fire, water shortage, power outage or earthquake or combination of additional emergencies core services can be provided to existing residents and businesses.

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#### Name not available

May 8, 2020, 2:09 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Planning and Transportation (4)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 8, 2020, 2:10 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (4)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

##### Question 2

If we don't have operating businesses, there will be no income to budget. That is why I put it as number 2 after public safety.

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#### Name not available

May 8, 2020, 2:35 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (4)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

##### Question 2

I couldn't complete the priorities list, because the list wouldn't take more than these 4 answers.

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#### Name not shown

in Downtown North

May 8, 2020, 3:15 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Mayssen Labidi

in Downtown North

May 8, 2020, 3:20 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

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- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

I believe it would be beneficial to the community to see greater investments in retaining and growing the presence of local businesses (retail, stores, libraries, restaurants) as opposed to big chains; in my view, the loss of local businesses takes a toll on the character of the city and makes the city less desirable for me. I think this is especially important given the threat local businesses are under, especially from the impact of coronavirus. I believe an investment in affordable housing is also important, to not draw out long-term Palo Altans and to allow for diversity within the community - I think it's critical that children in Palo Alto grow up seeing varied backgrounds, perspectives, cultures, and lives to become aware, open-minded citizens. I think this was critical in my education and development growing up here. I also think creating more car-free streets would benefit the community and provide safer streets. I think the benefits of creating car-free streets in neighborhoods, especially on Bryant street outweigh the costs and the inconvenience to drivers. I've seen many more people and neighbors walking on the streets during the shelter-in-place and I would like to continue to see my community walking once this ends.

#### Name not shown

outside Palo Alto

May 8, 2020, 3:28 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (4)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

Please keep the college terrace library open. It is a jewel, a hub for our community and a treasured resource. Please vote to keep this library open.

#### Name not available

May 8, 2020, 3:29 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)

- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

#### Name not shown

in Old Palo Alto

May 8, 2020, 3:36 PM

#### Question 1

- Planning and Transportation (10)

#### Question 2

City Council: 1. Please do not "scale back" cell tower application processing requirements. These costs are covered already by the telecom company cell tower applicants, hence "scaling back" doesn't save the city money. 2) Please do not cut back on code enforcement related to cell towers. In fact, code enforcement has been disgracefully lax in this area and must be improved, not further short-changed. 3) To make up for lost tax revenue, please cut all staff salaries by a minimum of 5 percent, and please reduce the 1500-strong city work force by at least twenty percent. Thank you.

#### Name not available

May 8, 2020, 3:36 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

#### Name not shown

in Evergreen Park

May 8, 2020, 3:39 PM

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#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 8, 2020, 4:08 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (4)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

Opposition to the closing of the College Terrace Library is my number 1 concern. More than ever, we need our libraries to be open and well-funded to serve the community.

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#### Name not available

May 8, 2020, 4:09 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)

#### Question 2

These service areas are far too broad. There are items in each of these service areas that can be reduced. I'm not filling this out, because it not a good way to to set priorities for budget cuts--which should be considered in context of POLICY.

Of all of these, I would prioritize public safety--as does the city charter. This list is not useful.

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#### Name not shown

in University Park

May 8, 2020, 4:38 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Judith Wasserman

in Leland Manor/ Garland

May 8, 2020, 4:41 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in Barron Park

May 8, 2020, 4:45 PM

#### Question 1

- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (4)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

During this difficult time, Palo Alto needs to focus on our environment, especially our urban forest. Failure to do so will have negative repercussions for decades to come. Transportation is another crucial area that directly affects the quality of life here.

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#### Name not available

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May 8, 2020, 4:48 PM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Administration and Government (3)

### Question 2

No response

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## Name not available

May 8, 2020, 4:51 PM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

### Question 2

Cut staff before you close College terrace library outrageous salary increase at this time

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## Dave Schnedler

in Southgate

May 8, 2020, 5:31 PM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

### Question 2

The overarching priority of our community should be the betterment of the quality of life for its residents, and not property or business interests. Our slogan should be children, family and friends, not "eats, things, ideas."

Immediately before this terrible pandemic a middle school student on his bike in a crosswalk was tragically killed in an intersection by a truck, all too emblematic of the conflict we face. Parenting has never been so hard as it is today, nor has the task of being a kid. As a community let's do all that we can to help parents succeed, for the sake of the children.

## Name not available

May 8, 2020, 5:48 PM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

### Question 2

No response

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## Vidya Pradhan

in Community Center

May 8, 2020, 5:54 PM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (4)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

### Question 2

No response

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## Name not available

May 8, 2020, 5:56 PM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

### Question 2

No response

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## Name not available

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May 8, 2020, 6:01 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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### Name not shown

in Crescent Park

May 8, 2020, 6:02 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

No response

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### Name not shown

outside Palo Alto

May 8, 2020, 6:28 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (7)

#### Question 2

Keep College Terrace Library open, please!!!! This lovely library is an important part of our neighborhood.

### Name not shown

in Palo Verde

May 8, 2020, 6:32 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (5)

#### Question 2

Libraries are my most important priority, and have given me the best opportunity to learn about all of the above. Books are necessary for resolving legal matters, and learning in general.

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### Name not shown

in Barron Park

May 8, 2020, 6:36 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Planning and Transportation (8)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

I oppose City Manager Shikada's proposals to reduce application processing requirements for cell towers and to cut back on cell tower code enforcement. In addition, I think Council should balance Palo Alto's budget. Please reduce, at the very least, senior staff salaries and also to reduce the number of city employees.

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### Name not available

May 8, 2020, 6:37 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

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#### Question 2

No response

#### Name not shown

in Duveneck/ St Francis

May 8, 2020, 6:43 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (7)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

We have to accept there will be reductions in services and priorities. That's part of the cost of responding to the virus as has been done. As painful as it may be, critical goals such as minimizing environmental impact will need to be stretched out, hopefully by not more than a year or two.

#### Name not available

May 8, 2020, 6:47 PM

#### Question 1

- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (5)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (5)

#### Question 2

I don't think requiring face masks is at all helpful - and can be actually causing more harm than good - we are not supposed to be breathing back in waste from our outbreak - there is no science behind this recommendation at all.

#### Name not available

May 8, 2020, 6:49 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (5)

#### Question 2

No response

#### Name not shown

in Midtown/ Midtown West

May 8, 2020, 6:49 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (5)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

Especially in these uncertain times, Public Safety needs to be the top priority and our non-profits and businesses need support! Thank you for your hard work for our community!!

#### Name not available

May 8, 2020, 7:01 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Administration and Government (4)

#### Question 2

No response

#### Name not available

May 8, 2020, 7:02 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

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#### Question 2

No response

#### Ann Bilodeau

in Community Center

May 8, 2020, 7:03 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

No response

#### Name not available

May 8, 2020, 7:15 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (5)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

No response

#### Name not shown

in Midtown/ Midtown West

May 8, 2020, 7:21 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

No response

#### Name not shown

in Leland Manor/ Garland

May 8, 2020, 7:30 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

I'm strongly against raising any sort of city taxes. Local citizens are already paying too much. I would recommend decreasing salaries for the top officials--I think published salaries would support this. Decrease number of workers if necessary. Nearly all companies in the bay area have either cut salaries, furloughed, and/or laid off staff. It should be no different in the city of Palo Alto if they are running a deficit.

#### Name not available

May 8, 2020, 7:42 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

No response

#### Name not shown

in Downtown North

May 8, 2020, 7:47 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)



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- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 8, 2020, 7:55 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in Leland Manor/ Garland

May 8, 2020, 7:58 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 8, 2020, 8:17 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)

- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in Charleston Terrace

May 8, 2020, 8:48 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (2)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Carolyn Tucher

in University Park

May 8, 2020, 8:57 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

It is important that cuts be made at the Art Center in a way that facilitates restoration of services when the City's financial situation improves. Keeping at least minimal activity in the center's various programs will preserve the achievements of 50 years of hard work and growth into what is now an institution with strong local backing and a national reputation for quality work.

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#### Name not shown

in Charleston Terrace  
May 8, 2020, 8:58 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

##### Question 2

Please consider separating infrastructure from environment and separate planning from transportation in future surveys.

#### Name not shown

in Midtown/ Midtown West  
May 8, 2020, 9:09 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Administration and Government (2)

##### Question 2

No response

#### Arun Sastry

in College Terrace  
May 8, 2020, 9:37 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

##### Question 2

No response

#### Name not available

May 8, 2020, 10:11 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (7)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)

##### Question 2

No response

#### Name not available

May 8, 2020, 10:12 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

##### Question 2

No response

#### Name not available

May 8, 2020, 10:31 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

##### Question 2

No response

#### Name not available

May 8, 2020, 10:39 PM

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#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 8, 2020, 10:43 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (8)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

Utility relief.

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#### Name not available

May 8, 2020, 10:45 PM

#### Question 1

- Infrastructure and Environment (4)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 8, 2020, 11:09 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)

- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

I think the senior members of the city infrastructure should voluntarily take a pay cut. Suggesting that city services be cut while the city manager receives a salary in excess of the governor of the state is ridiculous. Any city staff member, executive or not, should voluntarily reduce their salary to below the level of our governor or a superior court judge

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#### Name not shown

in Community Center

May 8, 2020, 11:14 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in Midtown/ Midtown West

May 8, 2020, 11:22 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

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May 8, 2020, 11:42 PM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

### Question 2

No response

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## Preston Carter

in Midtown/ Midtown West

May 9, 2020, 1:42 AM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

### Question 2

I don't understand why public schools are not listed as a budget category.

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## Name not shown

in Greenmeadow

May 9, 2020, 5:58 AM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (4)
- Administration and Government (2)

### Question 2

No response

## Name not available

May 9, 2020, 6:35 AM

### Question 1

- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

### Question 2

No response

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## Glenn Story

in Greenmeadow

May 9, 2020, 7:11 AM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

### Question 2

No response

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## Name not available

May 9, 2020, 7:17 AM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (6)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

### Question 2

Start actually giving traffic tickets to drivers and generate some money for our town.

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#### Name not shown

in Midtown/ Midtown West

May 9, 2020, 7:50 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

##### Question 2

Palo Alto feels much less safe in the past few years. Public safety is #1 on my list of priorities. This will be a good time to review administration structure and efficiency. My experiences in the past few years in getting staff call-back have not been good.

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#### Abby Bradski

in Southgate

May 9, 2020, 8:05 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

##### Question 2

This is going to very hard. If there are reserves, this is the time to use them up to keep as much going as we can. If cuts need to be made keep them as far away from effecting children as possible. Not only are they our future but they are facing the toughest time ahead with their parents stressed and out of work, schools closed or changing drastically and having a real lack of understanding about social distancing.

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#### Name not shown

in Old Palo Alto

May 9, 2020, 8:30 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (6)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)

- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

##### Question 2

At this particular time with COVID-19, certain Neighborhood, Community and Library Services need to have more granularity according to health risk and opportunity for community enjoyment. For instance: Open Space, Parks and Rangers have more utility for the community without huge COVID-19 health transmission concerns for the community. Whereas, Library buildings and their contents are vectors for disease transmission (libraries had insect issues in the past). I love libraries; however I can't see how we can safely visit any indoor library branch without exposures. If we know that materials like books need decontamination between patrons, library campuses might only have limited availability to service the community. I would hate for Parks and Open Spaces to not get their due attention for value in this survey, since they were also lumped into a category that included libraries and art programs - that are high contact vectors.

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#### Lynn Hollyn

in Old Palo Alto

May 9, 2020, 9:06 AM

##### Question 1

- Infrastructure and Environment (10)

##### Question 2

I oppose City Manager Shikada's proposals i) to reduce application processing requirements for cell towers and ii) to cut back on cell tower code enforcement; Council should balance Palo Alto's budget. We think a big part of the answer is to reduce, at the very least, senior staff salaries and also to reduce the number of city employees. It is a crime that Palo Alto currently employs five people to do P.R. for the city!! This is but one example of how bloated our payroll is! Disgraceful.

With 20 million unemployed, we need essential services and to leave our beautiful quiet tree lined streets alone! Please focus our efforts to keep Palo Alto a sanctuary for learning and community through libraries, parks and quiet . We all pay enormous taxes And utilities for our voice.

The staff and the salaries must be cut!

At top companies worldwide —where salaries are not as bloated as in Palo Alto city government — jobs are being cut 25%. do your part to help America in these times!!!!

Stop cell tower expansion

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#### Alfred Bay

in College Terrace

May 9, 2020, 9:20 AM

##### Question 1

- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (5)

##### Question 2

Do not close or diminish College Terrace Library

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#### Name not shown

in Palo Verde

May 9, 2020, 9:24 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (5)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

##### Question 2

Difficult choices will be required and they should center on quality of life. I would eliminate the free shuttle as the cost per passenger trip is excessive. I would protect schools, libraries and open space. We may need to postpone new infrastructure projects.

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#### Name not shown

in University Park

May 9, 2020, 9:32 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

##### Question 2

Palo Alto is in danger of losing any charm and appeal that have survived the tech take over. We live 4 blocks off University yet hardly ever visit the strip because it has become so commercial. The city government is so

bloated with bureaucracy - that seems an obvious place to cut the budget down without robbing residents of essential services to living, raising a family, and thriving in Palo Alto.

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#### Name not available

May 9, 2020, 9:37 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

outside Palo Alto

May 9, 2020, 10:00 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (4)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

##### Question 2

Open spaces and the staff that create programs and keep them running are essential! The spotlight has been shown on them during this crisis and the amount of people who seek peace at them has exploded. Continuing to invest in these programs are essential to the livelihood of Palo Alto. Getting people out and feeling safe in the outdoors is essential.

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#### Name not shown

in Greenmeadow

May 9, 2020, 10:07 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)

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- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

#### Name not available

May 9, 2020, 10:14 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

Reduce the traffic department's budget - the obstacle course on Charleston Road has made the road look less attractive and dangerous to drive. Similar screwup along Ross Road. I would like to see more of these obstacles in front of the homes those who made these decisions (unless they live in my neighborhood - we are already afflicted). Similarly, traffic on Charleston at Fabian and at San Antonio meanwhile got worse: at rush hour, only up to three cars can cross San Antonio. So why is the traffic department breaking things that were not broken?

If their budget was reduced, this would leave leave the streets looking more attractive and flowing better than after their efforts.

#### Name not shown

in Community Center

May 9, 2020, 10:43 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (7)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

We should close at least half of the libraries during the fiscal year. We don't need all of them open. Keep police and fire resources at high

thresholds.

#### Name not available

May 9, 2020, 10:49 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (7)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)

#### Question 2

Would it be possible to reduce the city staff salary by 20% to close the Budget gap of \$40MM. Keep Mitchell Park and the Downtown library open and close the other libraries for 2 years. People can't be in public spaces anyway until a vaccine and contact tracing are available. Keeping the libraries open only adds to the spread of the Coronavirus so by closing most of the libraries it will help reduce the spread of the virus. Close most facilities or reduce hours to facilities that create environments that could potentially spread the virus, Art Center, Libraries, Children's Theatre, Cubberley, and the Children's Zoo.

#### Name not available

May 9, 2020, 10:58 AM

#### Question 1

- Infrastructure and Environment (6)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

#### Question 2

No response

#### Name not shown

in Old Palo Alto

May 9, 2020, 11:18 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (2)

#### Question 2

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No response

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#### Name not available

May 9, 2020, 11:27 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

##### Question 2

Budget cuts should be kept to a minimum EMS, Fire, Police, Rangers, etc, since these services have been deemed essential.

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#### Name not shown

in Leland Manor/ Garland

May 9, 2020, 11:27 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (6)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

##### Question 2

Schools. 12K students are self teaching

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#### Name not available

May 9, 2020, 11:40 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Administration and Government (2)

##### Question 2

No response

## Hamilton Hitchings

in Duveneck/ St Francis

May 9, 2020, 11:54 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

##### Question 2

To help balance the budget and minimize layoffs the city should take the following steps:

Salary and hiring freeze and do not fill vacant positions

Implement a permanent across the board salary cut for all city employees (e.g. 10%). This will reduce the number of staff laid off, especially in public safety

Implement a temporary additional reduction in salary for all employees through the end of 2020 with a possible extension into 2021 if the economy does not sufficiently recover.

Layoffs that target administration and not just individual contributor staff with a focus on salary relative to value generated (also layoff poor performers)

Stop paying employees full salary who cannot work due to COVID-19 starting July 1st. Pay a substantially reduced rate to those employees but allow them to use vacation if they need to do maintain full salary.

To help the local small businesses, temporarily allow local businesses to use the parking spaces in front of their stores for restaurant tables, displaying merchandise etc... in order to allow them to reopen earlier.

Enforce fines on developers

Do not cut cell tower regulations or code enforcement

Don't use this crisis to allow more office development or cut parking requirements

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#### Name not shown

in Crescent Park

May 9, 2020, 12:10 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (4)
- Planning and Transportation (2)



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#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 9, 2020, 12:14 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 9, 2020, 12:14 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 9, 2020, 12:18 PM

#### Question 1

- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (10)

#### Question 2

No response

#### Name not shown

in Ventura

May 9, 2020, 12:19 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

While understandable that in light of the expected deficit that we should be cutting the budget across the board, we do have to ensure that the measures would allow us to recover from the situation. Too much austerity in some sectors can leave the city hobbled in the recovery period (e.g. loss of experts, slow permitting times, etc.). And we should acknowledge that this budget is going to be unpopular, especially when everyone has their pet items they'd want to keep. Though increasing the level of outreach to those whose voices are not readily heard through regular channels wouldn't hurt, or letting the public directly plan a certain portion of the budget.

We should keep in mind of the Comprehensive Plan 2030 is still in effect, and the problems that faced us before the COVID pandemic will still be there. Housing is still going to be an issue; transportation is still going to be an issue; sustainability is still going to be an issue. And we risk making them more complex and expensive in the future if not handled properly, leading to future issues (e.g. high average rents/mortgages, traffic issues, rising water levels).

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#### Name not available

May 9, 2020, 12:34 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (2)

#### Question 2

I am not clear on how much the city can provide in terms of economic recovery with a limited budget. I believe that State and Federal programs

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and money are more effective in this area. Where the city may be able to support that is by retaining staff to speed up permitting processes and support physical and communications infrastructure so all businesses can function well. So too could a well staffed city and county government coordinate large businesses, non-profits and foundations to identify and support needed human services including food, health, mental health and employment opportunities. Thank you for the opportunity to voice my ideas.

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#### Name not available

May 9, 2020, 12:39 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 9, 2020, 12:39 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (5)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Sheryl Keller

in Green Acres

May 9, 2020, 12:41 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (5)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (5)

##### Question 2

Strong businesses in our community draws customers from all the surrounding communities. We need to recognize that local business has experienced an extremely difficult time. As much support as possible from the city will be appreciated not only by business owners and workers, but by our community at large. Citizens want these businesses to survive and to prosper. Cut all extra spending and concentrate on keeping this community running by supporting small business.

ITEMS TO CUT: Bicycle bridges, road furniture projects, city employee salaries (20%) for everyone, city employees (20%)(keep only the best performers)) think about the pay cuts that business owners are taking. If we do these things, we will have a more efficiently run city and we can still provide our citizens with some of the great Palo Alto activities of the past.

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#### Name not available

May 9, 2020, 12:42 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (5)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (5)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in Research Park

May 9, 2020, 12:43 PM

##### Question 1

- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (10)

##### Question 2

The College Terrace Library is our kid's biggest point of entertainment. It's because of the wonderful books and staff that she has become a voracious reader, just as many other have in our community over the years. It would be a huge loss for everyone in this area and I believe the money spent on it is only a small percentage of the long term benefits the library provides to the citizens of Palo Alto.

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#### Name not available

May 9, 2020, 12:47 PM

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#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

At the least, match the Governor's restrictions on shelter in place. For example, book stores should be open for curbside delivery. It would help with revenue for the city and it would help small businesses.

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#### Name not available

May 9, 2020, 12:47 PM

#### Question 1

- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (8)

#### Question 2

SAVE OUR LIBRARIES!

Closing College Terrace library would greatly impact quality of life for a great number of families - especially kids and the elderly. With no other public spaces/services in the vicinity, this library is our lifeline, our heart and soul, our community space, our home!

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#### Name not shown

in Research Park

May 9, 2020, 12:48 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

#### Question 2

As a resident of the University Terrace neighborhood, which is 10 minutes away from the College Terrace Library, I urge you to reconsider the plan to close down this library branch. In our new Stanford-built neighborhood there are more than 150 families, many of which have very young children, who would have become regulars at this very library branch over

the next few years. Santa Clara County extracts more than \$3,500,000 in property taxes annually from these 150 families alone. In this light, closing down an increasingly valuable library branch to save \$168,000 would be an unjustifiable move.

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#### Gary Sanders

in Charleston Terrace

May 9, 2020, 12:52 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 9, 2020, 12:53 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 9, 2020, 12:53 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Planning and Transportation (5)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)

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- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in Midtown/ Midtown West

May 9, 2020, 12:57 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (6)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

I was shocked to hear of the HUGELY inflated salaries for administrative staff. 100% of the cuts should be in this area. Skikada has undermined every democratic process. The rest should be culled /cut and NO ONE should make more than 125k per year plus health benefits. 1100 staff is way too many.

This survey is poorly designed. The question above is needlessly tricky. I suspect the terrible design was intentional. Keep things simple: "List your top budget priorities from 1-6. 1 is most important; 6 is least important."

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#### Name not available

May 9, 2020, 12:58 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (2)

#### Question 2

Please don't close the College Terrace Library -- it is a valuable part of the neighborhood. I would be happy to pay a dedicated tax assessment to keep the library going.

#### Name not available

May 9, 2020, 1:01 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

#### Question 2

Please keep the college terrace library open!!

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#### Name not available

May 9, 2020, 1:04 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (6)

#### Question 2

Please keep library branches, especially Downtown, open. They are a vital resource for seniors. Roadways all over the City are in dire need of repair.

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#### Name not available

May 9, 2020, 1:05 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (5)

#### Question 2

The libraries are critical. Services should be expanded- more hours in the evenings and on weekends. We use the libraries all the time, especially the College terrace library, but it seems like all too often it is closed. Please expand hours and open up jobs in this critical sector. You could take funds from the bloated school budget- why does the high school need all those fancy buildings? Why did millions need to be spent renaming Jordan? Put the money where the most people will get the benefit-

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libraries, social supports, expand free public transportation (for example, a shuttle going from college terrace to Mitchell Park library area).

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#### Name not shown

in Research Park

May 9, 2020, 1:12 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (5)
- Administration and Government (1)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 9, 2020, 1:12 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

##### Question 2

don't close the library! we need libraries now more than ever.

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#### Name not shown

outside Palo Alto

May 9, 2020, 1:18 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

##### Question 2

Please keep the College Terrace Library open!

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#### Name not available

May 9, 2020, 1:23 PM

##### Question 1

- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (5)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 9, 2020, 1:27 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

##### Question 2

College Terrace Library is a convenient option for library patrons and a great resource for children in the neighborhood. The proposed cut in the budget is minor and is outweighed by the benefit it provides to the community. Please consider keeping the library open. Thank you!

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#### Name not shown

in Community Center

May 9, 2020, 1:33 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (6)

##### Question 2

Please don't cut community services. The community need these. The roads can wait, admin and government are bloated. Please keep

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supporting the Neighborhood, Community and Library Services.

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#### Shashi Sastry

in College Terrace

May 9, 2020, 1:36 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

##### Question 2

The College terrace library has served my family for 20 years. It is has been a great resource for my children (who are adults now) as well as my elderly parents and father-in-law. The elderly don't drive and so it is difficult for them to access the other libraries. My husband and I use the library facilities every weekend to borrow books and read magazines. Our College Terrace neighborhood has seen increased traffic over the years despite the traffic study done years ago. The community has seen an increase of people biking and walking. Cars speed down our roads as drivers cut through our neighborhood. This is increasingly dangerous for our community and I am surprised more kids have not been hit.

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#### Name not available

May 9, 2020, 1:39 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (6)

##### Question 2

Cutting Libraries and also allowing office development without sufficient parking are not the priorities of Palo Alto residents. These are the priorities of developers and major businesses. Please pay attention to our residents, not just those who profit from us.

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#### yi Chen

in Research Park

May 9, 2020, 1:41 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 9, 2020, 1:43 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (5)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

##### Question 2

I'd like the city to aggressively adopt a business friendly approach. organically grow the revenue base and amount. Cut down various "feel good" initiatives and projects. Without a vibrant local economy, there is no vibrant city. Thank you

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#### Name not available

May 9, 2020, 1:56 PM

##### Question 1

- Planning and Transportation (10)

##### Question 2

Please note:

1. In the Planning and Transportation "service area," that includes "cell towers" as a subcategory, is a high priority for me and my family hence assigning ten "dots" to this category.
2. strongly oppose City Manager Shikada's proposals i) to reduce application processing requirements for cell towers and ii) to cut back on cell tower code enforcement;
3. Here is what needs to be done to balance Palo Alto's budget a) Reduce, at the very least, senior staff salaries and also to reduce the number of city employees.

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### Name not available

May 9, 2020, 1:59 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

### Name not available

May 9, 2020, 2:13 PM

#### Question 1

- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (6)

#### Question 2

Please keep the college terrace (and other local branch libraries) alive. Keep parks and playgrounds and open spaces open for residents!

### Wei Feng

outside Palo Alto

May 9, 2020, 2:18 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

#### Question 2

No response

### Debra Cen

in Old Palo Alto

May 9, 2020, 2:20 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

### Neir Eshel

in Research Park

May 9, 2020, 2:39 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (7)

#### Question 2

I think the City Council should prioritize those services that maintain and strengthen a sense of community in our city, especially in times like these. Libraries are chief among those services. It would be a real shame to shutter the College Terrace branch, leaving the neighborhood without an essential place of learning, discovery, and community.

### Name not available

May 9, 2020, 2:40 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (6)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

Thanks for making these hard decisions! We appreciate your leadership.

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#### Name not available

May 9, 2020, 2:41 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)
- Administration and Government (1)

##### Question 2

I'm worried that the schools may only be able to serve our students in a limited capacity. Having library resources available would be a very high priority as we supplement the school, or choose to homeschool.

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#### Name not shown

in Community Center

May 9, 2020, 2:49 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

##### Question 2

The council should take a hard look at delaying capital projects like the public safety building. That one item would more than compensate for the projected budget shortfalls. I think the public would much prefer maintaining library and community services over starting on the public safety building. Save that for when we are back in the black. And please don't cut teen services at a time when they most need community support.

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#### Name not available

May 9, 2020, 2:54 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)

- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (4)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

##### Question 2

1. Please consider putting the construction of the new public safety building on hold. In the meantime we can use the monies saved- during this emergency- to keep essential employees employed.

2. Please permanently shelve Tasers. Tasers are rarely used in Palo Alto and when used invite expensive and time consuming litigation. At the city council meeting of 2/24/2020 there was a one hour study session on community policing- including an 11 page document from the city manager to the police. On page 9 of the document titled: Use of Force by Type 2015-2019: the graphic showed Tasers were used only 11 times over a 5 year period. This is very slightly more than twice a year -during the time frame in question. I will submit by email two articles co-authored by attorneys Richard Konda & Aram James -to our city manager, mayor and city council that both make a powerful case for shelving tasers in our city. Shelving tasers will save the city hundreds of thousands of dollars over the next 5-10 yr period. Please see your own city records that will detail the annual cost of purchasing, maintaining, and training officers to use this often ineffective and dangerous weapon.

3. Please read in detail: on the cost of tasers and how cities are now being sued by the victim's or their families for taser injuries and death. Because the manufacturer of Tasers now warns police departments in an excruciatingly long 4500 word warning (7) pages-about the risk of using tasers on vulnerable populations- plaintiffs no longer both suing the manufacturer, but instead sue the police department and the city where the death and injuries have occurred. In a recent 2018 Reuter's series, Reuter's was able to determine payouts in 193 cases where tasers were involved, the cost: \$172 million paid by cities and their insurers.

Here are titles of the two articles I will e-mail city leaders/

1. There's no excuse for Tasers in our Jails -by attorneys Richard Konda & Aram James (Los Angeles & San Francisco Daily Journal Jan 2018)

2. Stop Tasers From Being Introduced To Our Jails. July 24, 2017-by attorneys Richard Konda & Aram James

3. Expert: Stun guns are far from being a non-lethal alternative to bullets 2015, by Paul Kleyman Interviewing attorney aram james

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#### Name not shown

in Research Park

May 9, 2020, 2:55 PM



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#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

Public safety and Education must be absolute priorities. Please also do not close the college terrace library.

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#### Name not shown

in Research Park

May 9, 2020, 2:57 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Eileen Stolee

in College Terrace

May 9, 2020, 3:00 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

#### Question 2

As we continue to shelter in place and deal with the coronavirus for months or years to come, we need our neighborhood, community, and Library services to remain open!

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#### Name not available

May 9, 2020, 3:04 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Patricia Kreitz

in University South

May 9, 2020, 3:07 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

I recognize the severe difficulties that are facing us with the anticipated budget shortfall. I feel strongly that Public Safety (including traffic enforcement), Libraries, Schools, and the city-funded repairs on the Roth Building to ready it for the History Museum are all critical priorities.

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#### Name not available

May 9, 2020, 3:14 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

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Shutdown all but one library. Train laid-off workers to be contact tracers.

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**Name not available**

May 9, 2020, 3:25 PM

**Question 1**

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

**Question 2**

No response

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**Name not available**

May 9, 2020, 3:25 PM

**Question 1**

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)
- Administration and Government (1)

**Question 2**

Please don't close college terrace library! Very small cost for the benefit to those like me who can't drive to other branches.

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**Name not available**

May 9, 2020, 3:35 PM

**Question 1**

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (2)

**Question 2**

Please do not close the College Terrace Library! Raise taxes on the super-wealthy people who live in Palo Alto instead.

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**Name not shown**

in Duveneck/ St Francis

May 9, 2020, 3:40 PM

**Question 1**

- Planning and Transportation (10)

**Question 2**

I oppose City Manager Shikada's proposals to reduce application processing requirements for cell towers and to cut back on cell tower code enforcement. Especially in the time of the pandemic, we must carefully look at factors in the environment that can lower our immunity. Radiation from cell towers and new technologies like 5G need to be looked at carefully and only proceed when there is NO DOUBT that it is safe. And currently many scientific studies show the opposite. I feel Council should balance Palo Alto's budget by looking at the number of people employed to do work and their pay - senior staff have salaries that need to be looked at and in these difficult times, like other organisations, they should sacrifice part of their salary so that others can continue to be paid.

Thanks

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**Name not available**

May 9, 2020, 3:43 PM

**Question 1**

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

**Question 2**

No response

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**Laura Zweig**

in Midtown/ Midtown West

May 9, 2020, 4:08 PM

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#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

My concern is for small non profits and other businesses that have been shut down temporarily. I teach at a non profit dance studio, DanceVisions, that rents a space at Cubberley. The people who teach and rehearse at the studio pay rent to DanceVisions and DanceVisions pays rent to the City of Palo Alto. None of us has been able to teach or rehearse so none of us has been able to pay rent. The studio's rent has been waived til the end of June but it will somehow have to be paid back in the next calendar year. We don't know when we will be able to use the studio again and when we do, how many students we'll be allowed to accommodate, or how many students will be willing to return to classes (many of our students and some of our teachers are seniors). Fewer students means less income for the teachers, which means more hardship for them paying the rent. We are on a very tight budget. If all of our teachers teach all of their classes, that just covers our monthly rent. We use performances as fundraisers to cover all our other basic expenses such as insurance and equipment maintenance. It looks like performances will not be allowed for a while. It could be quite a while before we can get back to our normal level of operations. I'm sure my dance studio is not the only dance studio or non profit having financial trouble right now. I'm hoping you will take some rent forgiveness or other financial assistance into consideration. Thank you very much.

Laura Zweig

President of the Board and teacher at DanceVisions

#### Name not available

May 9, 2020, 4:17 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

No response

#### Name not available

May 9, 2020, 4:27 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (6)
- Infrastructure and Environment (4)

#### Question 2

No response

#### Name not shown

in Research Park

May 9, 2020, 4:28 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

Please keep College Terrace library open. It is important for the quality of life of our children. The cost to keep it open does not seem high even in these times

#### Name not available

May 9, 2020, 4:28 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

I oppose City Manager Shikada's proposals to reduce application processing requirements for cell towers and to cut back on cell tower code enforcement. I also think the City of Palo Alto needs to reduce the number of city employees, starting with the heavily overcompensated city manager himself, and reduce senior staff salaries. (Senior Stanford

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administrators are taking pay cuts ranging from 5 to 20%.) 82 City of Palo Alto employees make more than Governor Newsom. There are too many overpaid city employees. A 10% pay cut across the board is what is needed.

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#### Name not available

May 9, 2020, 4:31 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (4)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 9, 2020, 5:02 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (5)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (5)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 9, 2020, 5:20 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (6)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

##### Question 2

Cut staff. Now. Widely, including public safety. Cut it.

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#### Arlen Young

in Greenmeadow

May 9, 2020, 5:37 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (6)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 9, 2020, 5:55 PM

##### Question 1

- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (6)
- Administration and Government (2)

##### Question 2

Please continue to support Baylands Open Space.

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#### Name not available

May 9, 2020, 5:58 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 9, 2020, 5:59 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (5)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)

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- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 9, 2020, 7:26 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (6)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 9, 2020, 7:48 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in Barron Park

May 9, 2020, 8:11 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (5)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

City employees must now do more with less. Hard times, hard truths. They must share the residents' pain.

My guess: your estimates of a \$39M revenue drop in the coming year are WAY too low.

So prioritize: Quality of life for residents. No tax increases. Access to parks and open spaces.

City employees? All overpaid. And those 6-figure overtime payments to Moore and Moore? Unconscionable!

First cut city salaries. Then cancel the new trophy buildings. Only then consider what services, if any, must be cut.

Dear Council: Stop pampering employees. You represent us residents, not them or the SEIU.

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#### Name not shown

in Greenmeadow

May 9, 2020, 8:30 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

All these categories are important generally speaking, but I would like to see budget cuts for items where the City cannot make a major impact however laudable the goal. For example, "Neighborhood" is extremely important in our quality of life, but I don't think the City can make a significant impact, even with large amount of money. This needs to be grass-root and local. Unless by "neighborhood" you mean emergency preparedness training? Just this one item shows how impossible it is to rank order these categories with no description or details. Also, each category is so wide, it reminds me of federal bills that pull together items which voters really want with unpopular and wasteful ones in order to get them passed.

A smaller issue is that there is no instruction whether "1" means top priority or "10". I emailed the survey design people, the only email address given, to request adding in the instructions. They wrote back saying they can't do anything, that the design came from the City of Palo Alto. When I asked if they can forward my request, or give me the contact at the City so I can make the request directly, they said they could do neither. Perhaps next time, the person or department in charge could include their contact information? Thank you.

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#### Name not available

May 9, 2020, 9:00 PM

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#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 9, 2020, 9:33 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

Please do not cut budgets for open space preserves! We need parks now more than ever with all of our other activities becoming less safe.

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#### Name not available

May 9, 2020, 9:34 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

Please do not cut budgets for open space preserves! We need parks now more than ever with all of our other activities becoming less safe.

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#### Name not shown

in Green Acres

May 9, 2020, 9:36 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

Please do not cut funding for nonprofit agencies that provide vital human services to our community. Many of their clients are low income, disabled, homeless, mentally ill or otherwise struggling. Unless we continue to provide a safety net for vulnerable people, they will lose their homes, jobs, health and ability to function. This in turn will result in more police interaction, more complaints from business owners and residents, and ultimately a much more expensive problem for local government to solve. In this case, an ounce of prevention is truly more cost-effective than a pound of cure.

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#### Name not available

May 9, 2020, 9:58 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (2)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 9, 2020, 10:02 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)

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- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

Since there is increasing evidence that lockdowns are no longer useful and cause their own problems, the City Council should urge both the county and the governor to end the shutdown and let people get back to work as soon as possible. This will restore the tax revenue that the City wants.

To reduce employee expenses, the City Council should consider outsourcing jobs when there are competitive bids. This will also help reduce unfunded pension liabilities.

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#### Name not available

May 9, 2020, 10:04 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (4)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in College Terrace

May 9, 2020, 10:09 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (5)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (5)

#### Question 2

Pay cuts for all highly compensated employees and freeze all other salaries. Freeze new hires. Cut non-essential jobs such as the new communications position. Defer all new infrastructure projects that do not involve public safety or subject to prior agreements such as with Pets In Need for critical Animal Center improvements. Keep cuts away from amenities that impact the quality of life for residents including the libraries and branch libraries, parks, Art Center, and more important than

ever to be generous with non-profits that serve those of us less fortunate. Retain current oversight of new construction proposals including oversight by the Planning and Transport Commission, Architectural Review Board, etc. Do not lower standards for construction downtown and parking requirements. Discourage offices and encourage housing. Support small long-time businesses that contribute sales tax, especially retail that serves residents who pay 75% of the property tax.

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#### Chris Saccheri

in College Terrace

May 9, 2020, 10:50 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

Neighborhood, Community and Library Services are the types of services that give a city its character and make it the kind of place where you'd want to live.

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#### Name not available

May 9, 2020, 10:56 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

Police are a high priority. We have too many fire fighters without fires. We need to find lower cost options for the work they do.

Open space is a priority. Non profit support and library funding can be reduced.

I don't think we should be supporting businesses. Leave that to the market.

Tree maintenance is a safety issue and should be supported.

Cell towers and communication so another priority.

Long term issues like parking and transportation changes should be deferred.

Overall I'd say this survey is very flawed because there are things in each field that I support strongly and things I would cut.

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#### Name not available

May 9, 2020, 11:22 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in Research Park

May 9, 2020, 11:47 PM

##### Question 1

- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 9, 2020, 11:49 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

##### Question 2

Please do not cut the budget for the College Terrace Library! it is a gem and a great resource for our College Terrace/Stanford area community as we have no other children's library. thanks!

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#### Name not available

May 10, 2020, 12:03 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (2)

##### Question 2

The Comprehensive Plan needs to be revised in light of the large expected budgetary shortfall. Given large scope and large impact of the anticipated changes, the level of community input and communication should be commensurate with what occurred in developing the Comprehensive plan. The citizens of Palo Alto have strong feelings regarding all six service areas and regarding, in particular as described in the Comprehensive Plan, land use, circulation, conservation, housing, open space, noise, and safety. If the City Council feels that the 2030 Plan is no longer appropriate, it should be revised to provide a direct and thoughtful dialogue with the community about what amendments to the Comprehensive Plan are needed and to provide the city's staff and employees a clear picture of the plans and priorities.

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#### Name not available

May 10, 2020, 12:16 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

##### Question 2

Address seniors' food insecurity.

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#### Name not available

May 10, 2020, 1:01 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)



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#### Question 2

No response

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#### Madison Sites

in College Terrace

May 10, 2020, 7:55 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

This period has emphasized how great our community services are and I would hate to lose the only service building we have this side of Alma, the college terrace library. I'm grateful to our many parks, but if we want to go to a public pool or the children's museum or Gramble Gardens, it's all so far away.

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#### Name not available

May 10, 2020, 8:14 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

I believe unnecessary construction should be paused. This especially includes the bike bridge over 101 (\$15 million). Essentials and safety first, including preventative maintenance on our electric grid to prevent power failures, as we saw last summer. After that, city amenities are important, including our libraries, parks, interpretive centers and swimming pools.

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#### Amy Kacher

in Crescent Park

May 10, 2020, 8:33 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (4)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Administration and Government (2)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 10, 2020, 9:20 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 10, 2020, 10:23 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (5)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 10, 2020, 10:43 AM

#### Question 1

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- Public Safety (5)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

Have already noticed an uptick in crime; lots more graffiti since people are not out on streets, witnessed 4 people rob a CVS two weeks ago while a separate brawl broke out in same parking lot. Police/Fire support should be #1 priority until situation stabilizes.

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#### Name not available

May 10, 2020, 10:57 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 10, 2020, 10:59 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in Leland Manor/ Garland

May 10, 2020, 11:11 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

Ditch parking enforcement in neighborhoods—a waste of money. Triple traffic enforcement—I see cars going 40-50 mph on Embarcadero every day. Keep libraries open at all costs.

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#### Name not available

May 10, 2020, 11:34 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (4)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

I suggest we prioritize our needs vs. our wants. For example, we need library services, we want five libraries. We need administration and government - a case could be made that we have too many chiefs and not enough Indians. I was originally shocked when I realized that in spite of the number of employees the City has, we need (expensive) consultants and contractors for most actions the City takes. And, sometimes, our residents can do a better and faster job of coming up with solutions.

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#### Name not available

May 10, 2020, 12:12 PM

#### Question 1

- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (5)

#### Question 2

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I value open spaces to relax, unwind, improve mental health and get exercise after work and on weekends. I especially like the Palo Alto Baylands Park.

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#### Name not available

May 10, 2020, 12:37 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

##### Question 2

People need a sense of outlet and joy in these difficult times. Libraries, art programs and community events, while needing to be made safe from the spread of Corona, are key in providing a sense of normalcy, important for mental health, and are vital for an outlet for youth and older folks alike. Please try and keep some of these services running.

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#### Name not available

May 10, 2020, 12:47 PM

##### Question 1

- Administration and Government (10)

##### Question 2

Palo Alto Utilities: Bill each month, but read meters bimonthly.

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#### Name not shown

in Charleston Terrace

May 10, 2020, 1:42 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

##### Question 2

Public safety and infrastructure should be the highest priority. Keeping the city government operational is important for recovery and keeping the parks and open space keeps our mental status up.

Not sure how the dot system above works. It was confusing

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#### Name not available

May 10, 2020, 1:54 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (4)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### David Coale

in Barron Park

May 10, 2020, 2:00 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

##### Question 2

Please completely de-fund and cancel the downtown garage. Palo Alto will probably never see the level of traffic and parking we had pre-pandemic so we don't need the downtown garage. Working from home will continue for a higher level after the pandemic so we really don't need the downtown garage. The parking in lieu fee should fund the TMA so that they can continue to make more parking available and to track the working from home and the GHG reductions from this. The 5.2 million available when the DT garage is cancelled should go to the bike-ped/planning and projects as this is over due and now more people are biking and walking which will also continue after the pandemic is over.

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#### Name not shown

in Palo Verde

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May 10, 2020, 2:31 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

Tough decisions need to be made. Programs will need to be reduced or cut and not everyone will be happy. Ideas: hours can be reduced, fees can be introduced or increased, programs can be scaled back, planned projects can be delayed, and events can be canceled for this year and next if necessary. No area of the budget should be overlooked, including salaries.

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#### Name not available

May 10, 2020, 2:35 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (5)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

To make Palo Alto safer as well as more vibrant and sustainable, we need to prioritize what is important and cut the fat. We need to focus on the safety of our kids and the community, improve our libraries. We should cut all non-essential and special projects, including the following:

Individual Review

([https://www.cityofpaloalto.org/gov/depts/ds/planning\\_review.asp](https://www.cityofpaloalto.org/gov/depts/ds/planning_review.asp)), esp. the following wasteful, divisive, and illegal proposal:

[https://www.cityofpaloalto.org/gov/depts/pln/long\\_range\\_planning/special\\_projects/eichler\\_guidelines.asp](https://www.cityofpaloalto.org/gov/depts/pln/long_range_planning/special_projects/eichler_guidelines.asp).

This is the time to build bonds in our community and prioritize on what the community really needs.

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#### Susan Kemp

in Ventura

May 10, 2020, 2:38 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (2)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 10, 2020, 2:43 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

Get out from under pension debt by: 1. stop paying P. A. employees less than market rates, 2. then stop doing city pensions (CalPERS) and set up 401K system just like the private sector.

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#### Name not available

May 10, 2020, 2:48 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 10, 2020, 2:49 PM

#### Question 1

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- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

I wanted to express support for the College Terrace Library branch. The ability to walk to this library with my child is a really great feature of the neighborhood. It makes us more likely to borrow books from any library, since I know we can easily drop them off at the college terrace branch, and stopping in at the library to look at books and the small selection of toys is a popular feature of our (pre-SiP) outings. My son LOVES to return books in the book drop and pile up new books for check-out. And every time we go, that little library is full of patrons of all ages. I would be very sad to see it go.

#### Name not available

May 10, 2020, 2:59 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (8)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)

#### Question 2

The worker at Greer Park never ever empty the garbage can at the dog park. We the dogs owners need to bring plastic bag and change it. Any reason why?

#### Name not shown

in Community Center

May 10, 2020, 3:18 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (2)

#### Question 2

The Palo Alto Children's Theatre has been a huge asset for our family and so many children. It offers wonderful programming for Children interested in the arts. I really appreciate that service.

#### Name not available

May 10, 2020, 3:35 PM

#### Question 1

- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (5)

#### Question 2

No response

#### Name not available

May 10, 2020, 3:55 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)

#### Question 2

No response

#### Name not shown

in Greenmeadow

May 10, 2020, 4:14 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in University Park

May 10, 2020, 4:30 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

##### Question 2

I think the number one priority for Palo Alto should be developing and encouraging more affordable housing. Make it easier for people who work in Palo Alto to afford living here.

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#### Name not available

May 10, 2020, 4:41 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (9)

##### Question 2

I am not a resident of Palo Alto but have been using the Art Center for the past 4 years. The PAC ceramics department and staff are excellent and I hope that you will keep on offering classes and workshops to the community. I never studied art when I was younger but making pottery in a community studio made me feel creative and also like I was part of a family (especially when I became an empty nester and moved here from out of state). The pottery studio is my happy place and potters love to share their techniques & knowledge as well as food and laughter. Making and appreciating art is essential for the human spirit, especially when life can be tough and stressful. I find making pottery to be meditative and soothing and an important outlet in these difficult times. Please continue the ceramics instruction and open studios at the PAC, thank you.

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#### Name not available

May 10, 2020, 4:41 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (6)

- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

##### Question 2

I recommend the following: shut down to cars as much of University Avenue as possible. This will make for a stronger sense of community and public safety. Please provide as much outside dining area in the downtown areas, as possible. Again, this provides a greater sense of community and also will help restaurants be profitable in any given year.

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#### Name not shown

in University South

May 10, 2020, 4:55 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

##### Question 2

Please consider cutting or pausing \*capital\* expenses, that make up nearly half of our budget! How about pausing the ~\$100M in spending on the public safety building, and the wasteful \$9M capital expenses on information technology? That tech budget is \$13,000 per city employee! An \$80M+ public safety building for a police department of 30 staff is excessive to begin with, and can certainly be paused during this challenging time.

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#### Name not available

May 10, 2020, 5:04 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

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May 10, 2020, 5:05 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

#### Name not shown

in Palo Verde

May 10, 2020, 5:08 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

No response

#### Name not shown

in Crescent Park

May 10, 2020, 5:09 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (9)

#### Question 2

From what I have read, many (but not all) upper end city employees are making very big salaries. How about lowering their salaries. I realize it's an expensive place to live but I suspect many of them do not live here or have lived here and bought housing when it was less expensive than it is now. It also seems that there are many high paid consultants. Slim the amount of consultants. Be prudent. Not everyone living in Palo Alto is

wealthy.

#### Bob Strohecker

in Duveneck/ St Francis

May 10, 2020, 5:12 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (5)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

While the cuts are a big they don't warrant zeroing out of any program. Reduced availability is reasonable given the large decrease in revenue, but raising fees should be 10th on a 10 item list of proposed budget cuts. Administration should take the biggest hit along with services that are nice but don't impact safety and health directly. Public safety can contribute its share without endangering life and limb. Also, don't lose sight of pension funding requirements which will only be increasing while city revenue is declining.

#### Name not available

May 10, 2020, 5:17 PM

#### Question 1

- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (8)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

Budget cuts should not come at the expense of principles we value as a community. The climate crisis and environmental pollution are even bigger issues than we are facing now. Do not reduce application processing requirements for cell towers or cut back on cell tower code enforcement (the telecom companies can pay for ALL of it - ask them for more money! their business is booming!). Do not cut back on our hard work to achieve zero waste and zero carbon energy supplies. Use this opportunity to stimulate and support a green transition. Figure out ways to improve efficiency in the city management. For example, offer early retirement packages to cut down the size of the city staff a bit. Instead of completely closing libraries, reduce the hours and offer curbside services for picking up books on hold. Ask households if they would switch to every-other-week waste pickup. Temporarily reduce salaries of the highest-earning staff. Cut spending on staff travel and conferences. Reduce the use of overtime pay. Ask staff to continue working from home



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and reduce building lighting and heating accordingly. Add high parking fees downtown and at Cal Ave - this earns revenue AND encourages biking! Streamline rooftop solar installations (Palo Alto is the most picky city and contractors struggle to do installations here - this would save staff time and increase green energy). There are many more ideas like this that will help. Ask for resident ideas more often, and be transparent please. Think of how much community support you will have if instead of cutting, we do things BETTER! Making 100 things more efficient goes a long way - other cities have totally recovered with this kind of approach. We can do it, Palo Alto!

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### Name not available

May 10, 2020, 5:18 PM

#### Question 1

- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (8)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

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### Name not available

May 10, 2020, 5:22 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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### Paul Martin

in Crescent Park

May 10, 2020, 5:26 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)
- Administration and Government (3)

#### Question 2

Now is the time to focus on Palo Alto priorities for current Palo Alto residents.

- 1) Support our public safety and administrative employees - Including properly funding pensions.
- 2) Redirect all city funds supporting new affordable housing to instead support with rent subsidies and loan guarantees city public safety employees and teachers to live inside the city of Palo Alto.
- 3) Support our neighborhood, community and library services.
- 4) Discourage population growth by dramatically increasing tax on all new residential and large commercial construction. Funds should be used to fill gaps in budget and help support of items 1-3 above.
- 5) Increase taxes on large businesses with >250 average daily employees in the city and reduce by equivalent total amount taxes on small businesses and professional service providers in the city. Small businesses are the life-blood of innovation and service in the city and large businesses should be encouraged to down-size with "work from home" as the new normal.

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### Name not available

May 10, 2020, 5:32 PM

#### Question 1



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- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in Greenmeadow

May 10, 2020, 6:03 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

While I appreciate the outreach, these service areas are too large to apply effective prioritization. In a time of crisis such as now, the city should prioritize core city services, put on hold non-essential services and projects, and focus efforts on supporting the state's guidelines for the pandemic response roadmap, including providing testing of all residents and workers.

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#### Name not available

May 10, 2020, 6:04 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

#### Name not shown

in Downtown North

May 10, 2020, 6:04 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

My biggest concerns: 1) better support our (already dwindling) independent businesses and 2) preserve what makes Palo Alto a special place to live (Childrens and adult theater programs, junior museum, art center, etc)

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#### Name not available

May 10, 2020, 6:05 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

My number one priority is funding PAUSD. It is the reason we moved to this community, and I hope the school budget will be a top priority.

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#### Name not available

May 10, 2020, 6:07 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

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#### Question 2

Children have been severely impacted in a way that no living older generation of Palo Altans was ever impacted as children. Please maintain services for children or at least consider the literature on adverse childhood experiences (ACEs) before making cuts.

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#### Name not available

May 10, 2020, 6:15 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 10, 2020, 6:16 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in Midtown/ Midtown West

May 10, 2020, 6:18 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (8)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)

#### Question 2

This is too general to be of any use. too many things are dumped into too few categories.

If I say infrastructure is zero - because I think sustainability should be lowest of low (in this budget cycle), then it doesn't do justice to the public safety building which has been delayed for over 20 years, repairs are not mission central and could be delayed.

If I say that NH,community services and Libraries have zero points, then the only worthwhile item - non-profits - gets no vote. And it doesn't reflect my feeling that we should ONLY HAVE 2 public libraries. (at least for this budget cycle.) Many/most of the service in this category are not mission central and should be delayed. Classes (will they even be allowed due to shelter in place) should be delayed. or put on back burner. while maintenance of parks should continue.

I am ambivalent about administration, but I think manager staff could be reduced as we consider loss of programs. HR & finance are necessary for govt.

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#### Name not shown

in Downtown North

May 10, 2020, 6:23 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (5)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in Palo Verde

May 10, 2020, 6:28 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

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No response

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**Name not available**

May 10, 2020, 6:56 PM

**Question 1**

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (6)

**Question 2**

I would like to especially request that we please preserve investment in The Palo Alto Childrens Theater. I am a longtime resident who has raised my children here and am deeply grateful for the Childrens Theater

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**Name not available**

May 10, 2020, 7:15 PM

**Question 1**

- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (4)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

**Question 2**

Although I am on the City email list and get constant reminders of meetings and the COVID info emails, I never received this. I heard about it from someone. Assigning dots is not a great way to assess residents' prioritized concerns, as the subjects given are way too broad. If you think the Planning Dept disregards neighbors' needs and interests in a controversial expansion project, and you fear the project will slide through during the pandemic, do you give Planning dots or take them away? How about if you want housing to be a priority in this downturn, where is that? Infrastructure construction already begun should continue, but new projects (like downtown garage) should be scrapped. All departments should be cut to balance the budget, but all libraries should all stay open, with shortened hours. How do I say that?

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**Name not available**

May 10, 2020, 7:20 PM

**Question 1**

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (4)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)

**Question 2**

No response

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**Name not available**

May 10, 2020, 7:36 PM

**Question 1**

- Public Safety (1)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (4)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

**Question 2**

Planning and Transportation "service area," which includes "cell towers" as a subcategory, is a high priority for me.

I oppose City Manager Shikada's proposals to reduce application processing requirements for cell towers and to cut back on cell tower code enforcement. Council should balance Palo Alto's budget by reducing, at the very least, senior staff salaries and also reduce the number of city employees.

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**Name not available**

May 10, 2020, 7:57 PM

**Question 1**

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

**Question 2**

No response

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**Name not available**

May 10, 2020, 8:15 PM

## Palo Alto Budget Priorities

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### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

### Question 2

No response

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### Name not available

May 10, 2020, 8:20 PM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

### Question 2

No response

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### Name not available

May 10, 2020, 8:24 PM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (10)

### Question 2

No response

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### Bob Moss

in Barron Park

May 10, 2020, 8:45 PM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

### Question 2

increase taxes on office uses and reduce any financial benefits that offices now receive.

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### Name not available

May 10, 2020, 8:45 PM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (4)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

### Question 2

No response

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### Name not available

May 10, 2020, 8:48 PM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

### Question 2

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### Name not available

May 10, 2020, 8:48 PM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

### Question 2

No response

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### Name not available

May 10, 2020, 9:04 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

### james logan

in College Terrace

May 10, 2020, 9:04 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (5)
- Administration and Government (2)

#### Question 2

Before closing libraries, there should be a 5% pay cut to hourly wage employees and a 15 to 20% cut to those on salary. The maximum annual salary for all city workers including the city manager should be capped at \$275,000 and all perquisites should be eliminated. All contracts for "studies" and "planning" purposes should be terminated as soon as feasible. All future requirements for required "studies" or "plans" should first be vested in residents of the city willing to perform the functions, before contractors are considered. The city is encouraged to replace the fire department and planning department with more efficient organizations that are a combination of private contractors and public employees.

### Name not available

May 10, 2020, 9:11 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

### Question 2

No response

### Name not shown

in University South

May 10, 2020, 9:17 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

No response

### Name not available

May 10, 2020, 9:19 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

### Name not shown

in Old Palo Alto

May 10, 2020, 9:20 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)
- Administration and Government (1)

## Palo Alto Budget Priorities

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#### Question 2

Community and library services are what make Palo Alto a great place to live.

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#### Name not available

May 10, 2020, 9:35 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (4)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 10, 2020, 9:45 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

Why can't you just cut hours for the College Terrace Library branch? Closing it completely for so long penalizes the College Terrace residents and surrounding area patrons.

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#### Name not available

May 10, 2020, 9:45 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (5)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

No response

#### Name not available

May 10, 2020, 10:09 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

Cut pensions.

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#### Name not shown

in Leland Manor/ Garland

May 10, 2020, 10:19 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (5)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 10, 2020, 10:24 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 10, 2020, 10:29 PM

## Palo Alto Budget Priorities

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#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

We love the city due to Community Services. As a resident, I would love to see Palo Alto emphasize on it. New infrastructure can take a bit of a backset for a year if required.

Economic stability for local businesses is a concern, but I'm hoping this will bounce back really quickly once everything starts to get a little better.

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#### Name not available

May 10, 2020, 10:56 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (6)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

Taking such immediate drastic action is not fiscally smart. Instead, start with eliminating all vacant positions & offer retirement incentives in the upcoming fiscal year. Then use the upcoming fiscal year to get a more accurate pulse on the long term budget situation and allow staff to come up with long term cuts over the next few years. Immediately cutting 40 million is a knee jerk reaction with dire consequences based on many assumptions.

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#### Mary Beth Train

in University South

May 10, 2020, 10:59 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

Reduce library operating hours. Consider closing College Terrace and reducing hours at Children's Library. Reduce the number of classes in Enjoy or eliminate them altogether. Consider using a bookmobile for some library services. Eliminate shuttle and coordinate with VTA., with them, consider a service like SmaRT Ride service that Sacramento Regional Transit has. Reduce library and arts entertainment programs. Keep existing facilities clean and park bushes trimmed.

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#### Name not available

May 10, 2020, 11:12 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Vinicio de Jesus Perez

in Research Park

May 10, 2020, 11:38 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in Barron Park

May 11, 2020, 1:31 AM

## Palo Alto Budget Priorities

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#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 6:59 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 7:09 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

#### Question 2

outside of basic investments in public safety and infrastructure, the community services is what makes this city unique and so I would preserve those at the cost of other cuts in other areas.

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#### Name not shown

in Old Palo Alto

May 11, 2020, 7:18 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 7:27 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

The City should cancel the downtown garage and reduce funding for similar projects that fund automobile transportation and parking. Due to the pandemic, it is likely to be years before retail recovers, and during the interval, everyone will be driving and parking less. The City should instead prioritize and increase funding for projects that support biking, hiking, walking, and physical recreation as these will continue to be the activities that citizens invest their time in for the foreseeable future.

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#### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 8:00 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in Crescent Park

May 11, 2020, 8:06 AM



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#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (6)
- Planning and Transportation (3)

#### Question 2

This dot method does not work. Major cuts need to be made in personnel, while unfortunate it is the area where most costs are generated. Obviously, we must have personnel to maintain infrastructure and utilities, building and planning and public safety. Eliminate the layers of management, learn from the fact that the City was able to operate with no one going to City Hall. A lot of staff getting paid while administrators are looking for jobs for people do because there is nothing. Restructuring needed regardless of the pandemic

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#### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 9:15 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (6)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 9:43 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (5)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

#### Name not shown

outside Palo Alto

May 11, 2020, 9:59 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

#### Question 2

I support keeping the College Terrace library open. My entire family uses it as our neighborhood library. We also love the Art Center it is a precious part of our life here in PA. Lastly, we are all avid bikers. My children ride to school everyday, my husband and I commute by bicycle. SRTS, bike infrastructure, police engagement, and continuing to make Palo Alto a safe and bike friendly city are very high priorities. I hope the council also prioritizes these things

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#### Name not shown

in Midtown/ Midtown West

May 11, 2020, 10:17 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (4)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 10:21 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

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- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

Neighborhood, community and library services have a short and long term impact on the City, including city finances. Continued strong investment here will attract tax revenues and ensure stability for years and decades to come. Do not cut these services!

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#### Name not shown

in Midtown/ Midtown West

May 11, 2020, 10:25 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

This 'dots' prioritization scheme is worthless. Not enough detail to be rationale.

The budget documentation is very complex and it's hard to tell whether cutting some expense would also impair a corresponding revenue. Why can't the city make a list of the most expensive things that could be cut and how they actually impact the cash flow, i.e. cutting X will save us Y \$\$\$. I tried to go through the budget to ID the most expensive items for consideration but it's not easy to navigate through the details and little stuff.

Lydia Kou's survey was much more rational.

#### CAPITAL BUDGET:

Delay capital projects like the public safety building, Bike Bridge, Fire Station #4, and finishing of Byxbee Park. See if Google can pay for the bike bridge.

#### GENERAL:

The priority should be the betterment of the quality of life for its residents and local businesses, not large business interests.

Focus on retaining and growing the presence of locally owned businesses (retail, stores, restaurants) as opposed to big chains.

Admin and government are too bloated. Weed out the bottom 10% of performance, that's what private sector does.

Determine why Palo Alto staff is 20% the size of San Jose's but 5% of the population so study San Jose to find where efficiencies can be made in staffing. Cuts to a few higher paid administrators will save the jobs of many more lower- paid employees.

Stop all the overtime in Fire and Police departments.

If the city needs five people to do P.R. something's wrong. Do a good job and we won't need PR.

Enforce fines on developers and other code violators.

Stop spending money on awful 'public art'.

We only need two libraries, not five.

Keep the parks, especially Foothill and Baylands, open.

Do not raise any sort of general (regressive) city taxes. Local citizens are already paying too much. But consider a temporary local income tax on the most wealthy of residents.

Create more car-free streets. The community has seen an increase of people biking and walking. Cars speed down our roads as drivers cut through our neighborhood.

Stop spending money on traffic flow projects that do little. Use more traffic speed enforcement to protect bicyclists and pedestrians.

Do not spend millions replacing our analog electric meters with those that will be used to set up a tiered billing system.

Keep all rail crossings at grade and open until you have funding to put rail underground.

Stop building new office buildings and focus on preserving what is still good in Palo Alto.

Make large businesses pay for the mess they created.

Government and union employees deserve fair wages but have gotten deals that can not be sustained. Some of the retirement packages rival Fortune 10 CEO levels of golden parachutes and the tax payers can't continue to foot the bill. Something must be done going forward for retirement packages for government employees that is fair to the employee and also sustainable for the tax payers.

Maintaining a golf course or an airport are low priorities.

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## Palo Alto Budget Priorities

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#### Name not shown

in Palo Verde

May 11, 2020, 10:39 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

##### Question 2

Just because we have a more urgent crisis on our hands, climate change isn't waiting for coronavirus to run its course; we have to deal with both crises at the same time. We need to capitalize on this time of change to introduce more meaningful changes that will make a difference in sustainability. Let's start with transportation because that has been upended the most--make it easier to bike and walk, and discourage driving. Keep that parking permit program going, block off California Ave and University Ave to cars to make them more walkable (and will also help business when they can open again), and keep planting trees and maintaining parks, as people are spending more time than ever in them.

#### Name not shown

in Midtown/ Midtown West

May 11, 2020, 10:40 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

##### Question 2

Please trim bloated city Admin and Government and STOP creating hazards with dangerous and expensive "Safe Street" projects that put our children, bikers, and pedestrians at risk.

#### Name not shown

in Palo Verde

May 11, 2020, 10:43 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

##### Question 2

Taking care of Palo Alto residents well being is priority #1 for me: safety first, life quality (parks, libraries, kids programs) and local businesses (shops, restaurants).

#### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 10:49 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

##### Question 2

No response

#### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 10:56 AM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (4)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

##### Question 2

Do not just cut everything 25%. Make hard decisions, and remove entire programs that are less useful so that better ones may be preserved. Removing funding for the Palo Alto History Museum would be a good start--- it is pretty useless when compared to the real needs city residents have for safe transportation, housing, and infrastructure.

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### Linda Logan

in College Terrace

May 11, 2020, 11:03 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)
- Administration and Government (2)

#### Question 2

The immense impact the virus will have on the economy and individual behavior should be assumed to be worst case for the city government finances during 2020 and 2021. Unemployment, permanent closings of businesses, and reduced travel make the priorities of housing, sustainability, and mobility truly irrelevant priorities for 2020 and probably 2021. The city government will be delinquent in its responsibility to the citizens if it does not plan for contraction and a significant reduction of income and expenditures in all areas.

### Name not shown

in Ventura

May 11, 2020, 11:28 AM

#### Question 1

- Infrastructure and Environment (8)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

There is vital work that needs to be done to maintain our city's beautiful parks and public spaces

### Name not shown

in Green Acres

May 11, 2020, 11:56 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)

- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

City revenues should not depend so heavily on hotel taxes, as we have seen pandemics can make that source unreliable. We should have a diversified portfolio of city income sources like any portfolio which is allocated among different asset classes so as not to be decimated under one condition. Health and safety should be number one priority for budget.

### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 12:02 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

### Name not shown

in Barron Park

May 11, 2020, 12:06 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

Public Health Support;  
Particularly if schools and traditional youth activities are restricted/closed then new avenues to support youth.  
Affordable housing  
Mortgage and Rent Relief  
Environment  
Emphasis on Community Meetings for Ideas and Volunteer Initiatives

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#### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 12:36 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (2)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in Community Center

May 11, 2020, 1:24 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

##### Question 2

We need to delay or cut the \$23m Bike/Ped Overpass! Way too expensive vs Menlo Parks' new one at \$2m.

We need to cut the \$40k/m Bldg Dept store-front rent!

We need to cut the CSO's and all that equipment we bought....not essential.

Maintain our Police staff at levels comparable to Mt View levels.

Adjust city staffing to levels like those in Mt View....a well-run comparable city without a deficit.

Cut all Utility Marketing....no one asked us if we wanted to fund it.

Maintain minimum tree maintenance....neglected trees can become a liability.

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#### Name not shown

in College Terrace

May 11, 2020, 1:39 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (5)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

##### Question 2

Please consider keeping all library sites open fewer days a week. In particular please keep College Terrace open at least one day a week so neighborhood residents can pick up and drop off library materials. You could do this by closing another branch one extra day a week

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#### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 1:40 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (5)
- Infrastructure and Environment (5)

##### Question 2

Here is my simple two-pronged proposal, which comfortably satisfies the need for balancing the \$43M City budget deficit, for the fiscal year, starting July 2020.

(1.) Delay construction on the brand-new \$150M police station - Palo Altans voted "NO!"

(2.) Shelve tasers - Eliminate police training, lawsuits, maintenance and new purchases.

OPPOSITION - I oppose withdrawing, or delaying, ANY funding for sidewalk maintenance.

(1.) Wheelchairs and walkers demand adequately safe sidewalks.

(2.) Older adults tend to trip and fall easily, causing injuries such as bruising, scraping thin skin, breaking fragile bones, and chipping teeth.

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#### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 1:59 PM

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#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 2:07 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Melanie Grondel

in College Terrace

May 11, 2020, 2:15 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

My two dots for safety express my appreciation for the first line services. Besides that, I think it very important that our City gets back on its feet by helping small business come to life again. It is the heart of our City life. Libraries, parks, arts are the soul of our City. Let's revive and preserve the City so dear to us.

#### Kevin Ohlson

in Old Palo Alto

May 11, 2020, 2:16 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 2:47 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 2:51 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 2:57 PM

##### Question 1

- Planning and Transportation (7)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

##### Question 2

Ideally, we spend most discretionary money on fixing our at-grade rail setups with something that will not be terrible for Palo Alto. It would be nice if we also stopped installing annoying and pointless medians in our roads that screw up traffic flows, shift lanes every 3 feet, and don't even maintain bike lane cushions.

#### Name not shown

in Greenmeadow

May 11, 2020, 2:57 PM

##### Question 1

- Planning and Transportation (7)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

##### Question 2

Ideally, we spend most discretionary money on fixing our at-grade rail setups with something that will not be terrible for Palo Alto. It would be nice if we also stopped installing annoying and pointless medians in our roads that screw up traffic flows, shift lanes every 3 feet, and don't even maintain bike lane cushions.

#### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 3:07 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

##### Question 2

No response

#### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 3:07 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

##### Question 2

Please maintain quality and support of schools and education. That is the main draw for many families living here. Without high quality schools here, you will lose more families. There are numerous other places to live with a lower cost of living.

#### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 3:14 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (4)
- Administration and Government (2)

##### Question 2

It is my view, as someone who has worked at the City of over two decades now, that we should be reviewing City services that we either have outsourced (Residential Parking) or will outsource (taking important customers/revenue drivers like hotels) soon and look to bring them back in house and handling them ourselves. We have the capacity to do this with our current staffing levels and we should consider all possible ways to reduce current spending. We should also absolutely not incur new spending.

Additionally, I think the City should ask SEIU (and other unions) to go their members and delay the December salary increases until July, 2021 putting it out of the budget for 2020. Additionally if there is a way to do a small furlough, but, do it in a way that doesn't affect retirements in the fiscal year that might be another option for reducing costs.



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May 11, 2020, 3:17 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

##### Question 2

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#### Name not shown

in College Terrace

May 11, 2020, 3:21 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

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#### Amy Brown

in Green Acres

May 11, 2020, 3:45 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (5)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (5)

##### Question 2

Please keep the Children's Theatre open for our children.

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#### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 3:54 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)



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- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 4:21 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (3)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### stephen levy

in University Park

May 11, 2020, 4:24 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (4)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

maintain funding related to 1) making Palo Alto a more welcoming place for small businesses including growing the customer base and 2) prepare for meeting our RHNA and Housing Element obligations.

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#### Name not shown

in Old Palo Alto

May 11, 2020, 4:24 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)

- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Elaine Uang

in Downtown North

May 11, 2020, 4:26 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

We need a strong economic base before we can talk about other services, and strong public health, planning and infrastructure is foundational. Are our people able to shelter in place in a shelter? Will they have enough to eat and to be secure? Will our utilities and infrastructure continue to run so we can have clean water, sewage treatment, garbage collection, electricity and heat? Are our streets safe and secure so we can enjoy fresh air, exercise and venture out to meet our daily needs?

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#### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 4:26 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

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#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

### Name not shown

in Crescent Park

May 11, 2020, 4:35 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No increased housing!! No increased development beyond that which is already in construction. Place other construction/development projects on hold until economy improves.

### Carl Thomsen

in Duveneck/ St Francis

May 11, 2020, 4:43 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (5)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

Budget cuts should be across the board except the pension funding should not be cut as it's a obligation that's currently underfunded. My experience is that a 10% cut for almost any department doesn't hurt it's

core business purpose. My experience is that there are always 5-15% of employees who are 1) performing below expectations or 2) the position isn't really needed and this is an opportunity to eliminate those positions. When finances improve, the positions (if needed) can be filled with more competent people. Temporary reductions (5-10%)is management salaries is definitely appropriate when trying to cover a shortage and employee layoffs are needed.

### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 4:44 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

Economic sustainability should be a key focus for the next several years or until revenues levels equal current levels.

### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 4:47 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Planning and Transportation (5)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

#### Question 2

I strongly suspect the Council and staff will work to focus on taking things away, rather than on raising funds in this super affluent community and making over paid staff more efficient.

### Steve Bisset

in Crescent Park

May 11, 2020, 4:49 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)

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- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

The core financial problem for Palo Alto is that we have accumulated many more management staff than are necessary to provide quality service to the city, given the number of residents we have, and comparing our staff/resident ratio with other well-served cities. The problem is evident in the city's management span of control, as illuminated by audits back when Sharon Erickson was city auditor. Now is the time to reduce the number of managers and the number of management levels. We should reduce the number of managers rather than reduce the number of city employees who directly serve the public (such as police on the beat and librarians).

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#### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 4:49 PM

#### Question 1

- Infrastructure and Environment (5)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (5)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 4:51 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

Please don't defund the College Terrace Library. It is the one nice thing we have this side of Alma and it would be a shame to lose it

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#### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 4:51 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

Have city officials take some pay cuts so that others may keep some of their jobs. Priority is our first responders and safety. Low priority is repainting lanes or modifying existing street curbs or plantings on road islands. Our local businesses need a lot of help and keeping them afloat will help with tax funds.

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#### Name not shown

in University Park

May 11, 2020, 5:01 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

1. Lower Cost Parking Enforcement: Use imaging/sensor technology located at each parking space to enforce parking limit rather than use humans, paper tickets, powder, or tows for vehicles exceeding the time limit. A text could be sent to drivers to let them know the time limit is approaching or ticket them electronically if the driver/vehicle exceeds the time limit.
2. Lower Cost Trash Collection: Do fewer trash picks up some locations. For example, I live at Alma Place in a studio facing the alley. I have been and am disturbed by the 3 early morning pickups each week and would prefer one pick up/as needed.
3. Lower Cost Street Cleaning: A resident who lives near the Court House near Grant + Birch recently mentioned how she is disturbed by the frequency of street cleaning in the dwellings near the Court House. These street cleanings do not require vehicles be removed from the street and I think these street cleanings are happening 2-3x a week.
4. Keeping Palo Alto Beautiful: Two buildings have been particularly

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offensive to the architectural beauty of Palo Alto's neighborhoods. One structure is the at 636 Waverley housing the ai.doc enterprise. Built between a bungalow and a stucco residence, this new 4-story commercial building towers over both and is a stark contrast to the charm of the bungalow and stucco structures. A second 3-story structure is at 385 Sherman Ave., the VISA building, that towers over the Birch Court Condominiums. I imagine my view of these structures is echoed by many others--who remain quite saddened by the towering, architecturally incongruent presence of these buildings.

5. Affordable Housing in Palo Alto: May Palo Alto possibly with Stanford University consider establishing a community land trust (like Oakland) to share the cost of housing with residents/resident-students who can and wish to share equity as well as a residence in singly family homes? Thank you for asking me to respond with my thoughts on ways to improve living in or driving through Palo Alto. Respectfully, Mary Gallagher, B.S. Resident + Educator (writing2win@gmail.com/650-683-7102)

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#### Jane Hoffman

in Downtown North

May 11, 2020, 5:01 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (4)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

##### Question 2

Please support the Children's Theatre during this time!

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#### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 5:08 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 5:11 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

##### Question 2

Palo Alto continues to prioritize short-term, nice-to-have services over Public Safety and Infrastructure projects. This happens over and over and over and over again. It is ridiculous that Palo Alto doesn't have a Public Safety building that conforms to state standards. It is ridiculous that we are months, if not years, from a plan for the electrification of CalTrain risking loss of state funding and very, very, very expensive mistakes as deadlines become imminent. Staff time doesn't appear to be allocated to medium-term and long-term projects unless short-term projects hit a lull or the community agitates for a medium or long-term project which doesn't happen until risk increases substantially. The City Manager and Department Heads aren't doing their jobs and allocating appropriate staff time to medium-term and long-term projects.

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#### Name not shown

May 11, 2020, 5:12 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 5:13 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)

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- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

#### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 5:13 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (6)

#### Question 2

No response

#### Name not shown

in Crescent Park

May 11, 2020, 5:21 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (4)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

This is an unprecedented time, but perhaps a chance for us to rethink how we adapt our infrastructure and city to look ahead. With more people working from home, parking should not longer be a top priority, neither should traffic. Focus should be on keeping our local businesses alive.

It would be great to make University Ave, pedestrian only. Allowing for restaurants to perhaps serve on the sidewalks, enabling more social distancing. Here is a chance to make Palo Alto downtown even more attractive.

We should explore options for a more bike friendly Palo Alto as people start to use bikes more. Are there more options to create bike friendly

routes or bike exclusive routes?

We should look at mobile library services. Perhaps consider a bookmobile ? This could eventually benefit our seniors.

We should explore options to bring services to seniors.

#### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 5:23 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (2)

#### Question 2

No response

#### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 5:23 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

#### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 5:31 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)

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- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 5:32 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (5)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 5:35 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in Crescent Park

May 11, 2020, 5:35 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (6)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)

- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

Public safety (police, fire, animal control) should be the number one priority of any city government. Maintaining infrastructure (roads, utilities) should be the second. Parks and recreation should be the third. In tough times like these, I don't believe the city should be underwriting business development. Let the private market take care of itself. We spend way too much money on planning and transportation and end up with mediocre or really stupid outcomes. Stick to basics and stop trying to prove to the world that we in Palo Alto can solve the world's problems. Stop spending on unneeded projects: bike bridge over 101, a huge expense that will be utilized by relatively few.

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#### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 5:48 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 5:52 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (7)

#### Question 2

Please do not make any cuts to Open Space and Parks. They have been vital to our health during the Shelter in Place order.

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#### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 6:04 PM

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#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in Community Center  
May 11, 2020, 6:27 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

Focus on small businesses. Larger ones (e.g. Whole Foods, Safeway, Starbucks, etc) are important but have other sources. Please focus money on Palo-Alto-unique businesses (e.g Bell's Bookstore, Mac's smokeshop, etc). Thank you for your dedication to making Palo Alto a "survivor" !

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#### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 6:27 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

#### Question 2

Physical Libraries and parks are essential services

#### Name not shown

in Charleston Terrace  
May 11, 2020, 6:28 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

I value our First responders (Fire, Police) and essential services like utilities, roads and libraries. Given the current budget crisis I would expect other staff, services and initiatives to receive strong scrutiny for reductions until our budget is under control. I am very worried about the number of staff we have for a city this size and the high compensation and benefit obligations we have assumed. We should use this opportunity to commit to the basic functions of city government.

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#### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 6:45 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

Community services, such as libraries, parks, pools and local non-profits, which are replicated at other levels of government, along with public safety concerns properly handled by local government should structure the infrastructure needs of the local government

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#### Lisa Van Dusen

in Community Center  
May 11, 2020, 7:05 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)

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- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

Thanks for this opportunity to share thoughts on our budget priorities.

Here are some perspectives that may not be best reflected in the numeric weighting above:

- the basics of public safety and emergency prep seem central right now. I am disappointed to learn the the CERT program is not prepared for anything except earthquake emergencies. We are trying to work on our little neighborhood in Community Center by convening and expanding our Cool Block team and despite how lovely our CERT/block captain is, he has not contributed to our emergency prep in this pandemic in any way. Makes me wonder about \$ spent. Do we really need to roll a full fire truck for every EMT dispatch?

- Infrastructure and Environment - I think this is hugely important as we need to be prepared for climate change (this is a dress rehearsal in my opinion) and much of our infrastructure is not ready to be carbon neutral or climate issue ready.

- Planning and transportation - important but it seems like there is a lot of room for efficiency. I would hope, for example, that online development center appointments could SAVE \$ and improve service. I do not believe that more \$ is better service though sometimes it might. DO NOT eliminate the shuttles. We are behind other cities in being progressive with our planning dept and housing element.

- Economic Sustainability and business support - largely I think that commercial real estate owners have been the winners here and need to step up to support their tenants. I don't believe that we should be playing a big role in subsidies for businesses - though this needs to happen somehow, perhaps being strategic supporters to leverage opportunities.

- Neighborhood, community library services - important - especially the art center and libraries, maybe charge more to non-residents for classes, services etc.

- Administration and government - it seems a lot of \$ goes to pensions and supporting the council. I don't have enough visibility but it seems like we have a lot of staff people per capita.

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#### Name not shown

in Duveneck/ St Francis

May 11, 2020, 7:15 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (5)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (5)

#### Question 2

Public safety and livability are my priorities. Improvements for city hall are not priorities.

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#### Name not shown

in Midtown/ Midtown West

May 11, 2020, 7:28 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (5)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 7:32 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 7:35 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)



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- Administration and Government (1)

### Question 2

No response

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### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 7:35 PM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

### Question 2

No response

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### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 7:40 PM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

### Question 2

No response

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### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 7:45 PM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

### Question 2

No response

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### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 7:52 PM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (7)

### Question 2

No response

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### Name not shown

in Midtown/ Midtown West

May 11, 2020, 7:59 PM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (8)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)

### Question 2

Making sure that our first responders are well trained, supported and staffed is of the highest priority.

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### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 8:02 PM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (7)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

### Question 2

No response

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### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 8:07 PM

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#### Question 1

- Public Safety (10)

#### Question 2

No response

#### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 8:18 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (10)

#### Question 2

Libraries are not essential. There is no valid argument why a town of ~65k people needs to have more than 1 library. Most nearby cities and most towns of similar size in the US have 1 main library. Palo Alto is supposed to be cutting edge and on the forefront of technology. Libraries are outdated, perhaps an online library system to could created.

Palo Alto should have 1 main library, 2 at the most (one northend and one southend like Mitchell Park).

With the pandemic crisis we are experiencing at the moment, money should be going to ambulance, fire, and police personal. Not towards other non-essential things like libraries.

Also, how many schools have libraries? Most schools have libraries. That is a better resource for kids then the way libraries are being used now, as a home for transients during business hours.

#### Name not shown

in Crescent Park

May 11, 2020, 8:23 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

Government should be limited to those things that cannot be provided by the private sector. Government-created jobs are not sustainable. On the other hand, some financial aid and support for small businesses would be in order since the government has made it illegal for them to remain open

causing significant income loss.

#### Name not shown

in Crescent Park

May 11, 2020, 8:28 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

#### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 8:32 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

#### Name not shown

in Green Acres

May 11, 2020, 8:33 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Administration and Government (2)

#### Question 2

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Cut back maintenance, building projects (except where the city is materially penalized under existing contracts for doing so), cut staff in the development office (that has been over regulated for too long) and planning (City has too much planning bureaucracy and aesthetic policing, and so this should be cut), maintain staffing in safety, infrastructure, Govt/Admin to support critical ongoing needs and retain expertise. Efforts to support business should be largely supportive of not for profit sector and historical retail, but city should recognize its limitations in this area, and not engage in substantial spending. All employees should be subject to some level of salary reduction, with highest cuts at the highest levels, particularly our City Manager.

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#### Keri Wagner

in Charleston Meadows

May 11, 2020, 8:41 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

##### Question 2

Alternative transportation modes and safe streets need to be a priority. Please complete the bike and pedestrian plans already underway and ensure our children have safe routes to school and support for biking and walking to school.

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#### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 8:44 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (4)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

##### Question 2

No response

#### Name not shown

in Palo Verde

May 11, 2020, 8:46 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Planning and Transportation (8)

##### Question 2

HOUSING!

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#### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 8:52 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (2)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

outside Palo Alto

May 11, 2020, 8:54 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

##### Question 2

Any departments which have been deemed essential should endure minimal budget cuts.

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### Andrea Smith

in Community Center  
May 11, 2020, 8:55 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

The suggestion of temporary cut in pay is good for all the City Staff. Over \$200k, a 5% cut; between \$100k-200k, 3%, under \$100k, 1.5%.

### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 8:56 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

### Name not shown

in University South  
May 11, 2020, 9:10 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

### Name not shown

in Fairmeadow  
May 11, 2020, 9:19 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

Please work to create win win solutions which decarbonize our city

### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 9:23 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

No response

### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 9:29 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (4)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

No response

### Name not available

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May 11, 2020, 9:34 PM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

### Question 2

No response

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## Name not available

May 11, 2020, 9:37 PM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

### Question 2

Let's cut down on outsourcing! Why are our utility bills handled in San Francisco?

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## Name not shown

in Crescent Park

May 11, 2020, 9:38 PM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

### Question 2

Many other organizations are taking salary cuts. This would be important for the City to do as well.  
I think the use of consultants should be stopped until the budget is balanced.

## Name not available

May 11, 2020, 9:39 PM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

### Question 2

No response

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## Name not available

May 11, 2020, 9:52 PM

### Question 1

- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (5)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

### Question 2

No response

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## Geoff Ball

in Downtown North

May 11, 2020, 10:00 PM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (4)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

### Question 2

climate change and environmental sustainability

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### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 10:04 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

No response

### Venkat Dokiparthi

in Palo Verde

May 11, 2020, 10:06 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 10:09 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

Reduce the cost of the city overhead, particularly the salary of the City Manager and his direct reports. Reduce the size of the staff; it is bloated

for a town of 60,000. Reduce the amount of overtime paid to police and fire.

### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 10:21 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (6)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)

#### Question 2

No response

### Name not shown

in Evergreen Park

May 11, 2020, 10:26 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (4)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

Rezone, and raise taxes on single family homes to raise money

### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 10:38 PM

#### Question 1

- Infrastructure and Environment (4)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

No response

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### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 10:38 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

No response

### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 10:49 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

### Name not available

May 11, 2020, 10:55 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

#### Question 2

Difficult to rate as services are connected. But ultimately I hope jobs are protected. Without jobs, there's no roof over heads, food on plates.

### matthieu Bonnard

in Old Palo Alto

May 11, 2020, 11:22 PM

#### Question 1

- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

Temporary pay cut for top salary earners, reduction in overtime and deferral of work outsourced to 3rd parties should be preferred over staff reduction

### Name not shown

in Palo Verde

May 11, 2020, 11:51 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 12:03 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (6)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

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No response

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### Eimi Okano

in Community Center

May 12, 2020, 1:22 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

Continue prioritizing decisions that improve climate change by continued focus on eliminating fossil fuel use, living a life of no-waste and using slogans and ads to remind us.

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### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 7:27 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 8:32 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)

- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

More housing is needed along transportation corridors.

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### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 8:44 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (5)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Administration and Government (2)

#### Question 2

No response

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### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 8:50 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (7)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

Stop wasting money on poorly researched very very expensive useless schemes like pullouts and roundabout like those in midtown. They were the biggest waste of money when you could've achieved the same outcome rather better outcome by blocking ross road with metal poles for 1/20th the cost. And this really stupid scheme has made bike riding up and down for families and kids commuting to school much much much worse. What a waste and mismanagement of resources With bad outcomes! Just trying to solve a first world problem very very badly

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### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 9:04 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)



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- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 9:09 AM

#### Question 1

- Infrastructure and Environment (4)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (5)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 9:15 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Administration and Government (2)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 9:44 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

We need our libraries to reopen! Even curbside service.

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#### Name not shown

in Research Park

May 12, 2020, 10:16 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (4)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 10:16 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (6)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)

#### Question 2

I am a lifelong library user, but why are we still trying to make the College Terrace library happen? What city has 5 libraries? I grew up in a larger city with one library and it was fine! This city needs to be a lot less entitled. This library should have been closed decades ago. Take advantage now!

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#### Kathleen Early

in Palo Verde

May 12, 2020, 10:25 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

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- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

Palo Alto could do a lot more regarding landscaping for ecological function and biodiversity by encouraging and supporting the growing of a Home Grown National Park. [See "Nature's best hope", by Douglas W. Tallamy.] The city of Palo Alto could shift its landscaping purchases to strictly Palo Alto native species, and thus vastly improve the ecological function of our city. Lots of room here for citizen involvement. My point is that even when dollars are tight we can improve our situation and environment through the choice of what we plant in Palo Alto. If we allow native insects and birds to die out then the human species will quickly follow.

In addition, dollars in the budget for environmental sustainability should be the very last to be cut. If they must be cut the % should not exceed the cuts to other services. We must do everything we can to mitigate and, if possible, reverse the effects of the climate change that is already occurring.

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#### Casey Cameron

in Professorville

May 12, 2020, 10:44 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

##### TRANSPORTATION

Reduce the number of single-occupancy vehicle trips in and around the city: This can be done via congestion pricing, i.e., charging drivers to enter town. Employers responsible for employee trips into PA must also share in the responsibility for reducing GHG emissions by paying congestion fees.

##### ELECTRIC, NOT NATURAL GAS

Reduce the use of natural gas: Regulate all-electric new construction of residences and commercial buildings.

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#### Name not shown

in Evergreen Park

May 12, 2020, 10:50 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

The libraries are vitally important, they serve everyone in the community, and should be prioritized.

Perhaps the city could reduce the amount given to retired employees by 3 - 5 %, and have all of their retirees pay for at least 25% of their health insurance premiums.

The city should stop automatically hiring expensive consultants, and instead have staff prepare reports on issues.

The city should review the work of contractors on a regular basis. We have had late night street sweeping three times a week, it is very disruptive and unnecessary.

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#### Debbie Mytels

in Midtown/ Midtown West

May 12, 2020, 11:13 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

This survey is a woefully inadequate instrument for giving feedback. Each of the six categories contains multiple items that a citizen could have different opinions on. For example "Infrastructure and Environment" includes both the built environment (which includes building projects such as the downtown parking garage, which I think should be cut entirely from the budget based on the likely continuation of much "work from home" behavior) and our city's tree cover, which provides us with benefits in multiple ways (shade, oxygen, beauty, bird habitat) and is an enduring and living component of this community (which I think needs attention and financial support, especially in an age of climate change and biological threats).

With the requirement to reduce the budget by approximately \$39 million,

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the first step should be to recognize that all departments are essential to our city's functioning. The second principle should be to recognize that the compensation of our city employees is important; however, some are paid at levels that far exceed what's needed for survival -- while the compensation of others is barely enough to live on. I'd suggest that the Council make a specified percentage cut (say 10%) across-the-board salary reductions for all employees who make more than \$20/hour -- and increase the percentage to 20% for those who make over \$200,000/year. This temporary cut for 2020-21 would "spread the pain" among all departments and recognize that all departments are valuable to our city's function. In addition, existing staff vacancies should not be filled; since people have managed to work without additional support during the vacancy, this can continue for a while longer.

The next principle I would use in making cuts is to continue services for which applicants are paying fees, since (hopefully!) such fees are set to cover the costs of the city servicing their applications. This includes building and permit applicants in the planning department and cell phone tower permit applications. If the cost of these fees does not cover the services, then the price of the application fee should be increased to that level.

The third principle I would apply is to consider changes in public behavior that are resulting from our experience during the virus shutdown. There are three major areas where we are seeing changes that are likely to be long-lasting: 1) working from home will mean less traffic -- so we can immediately eliminate the Downtown Parking garage (for which \$5 million still remains after proposed cuts (p. 13 in the 5/11/2010 staff report on the city budget); 2) air travel and attendance at indoor conferences will be less healthy, so all funds for city travel should be eliminated for the next two years; 3) indoor events where people are in close proximity will be unhealthy and such events should be cancelled -- city support for theater productions should only be continued if the theater companies can find ways to change their productions so that they can be offered outside, rather than indoors.

Fourth, we need to think through how to maintain the goals of a walkable city -- and to foster the walking/bicycling habits that have developed during the stay-at-home period. For example, to encourage a walkable city when reducing services at libraries and community centers, it's better to keep neighborhood facilities open for some number of hours each week, rather than closing them entirely (which would send people into their cars to get to another site). Similarly, although it may seem to be a "trivial" service, outdoor recreation and experiences where people can be outside together at appropriate distances (such as outdoor concerts during the summer, where people should be appropriately spaced apart) should be continued since they will be more popular. These special events should be prioritized over events where people are crowded together on downtown streets or in indoor spaces.

Lastly, when considering long-term capital improvement projects, this is a good time to put them "on hold." A severe recession is not the appropriate time to start new things. The proposals for eliminating items

from the CIP on pages 12-14 of the May 11/2020 budget planning memo seem to be reasonable; however, in cases where funds from other sources have been identified as a way to continue such projects, these funds might be put to another use (eg, Fire station #4 replacement and Birch Street Improvements). A two-year delay will give the city a better sense of the need for such changes, as well as the hoped for better economic conditions. One exception to this general principle, however, would be to look at projects that are very near to completion -- which is my understanding is the case for the Junior Museum and Zoo. Since this project is close to opening -- and it has been strongly supported by the community -- I think that it should be completed and opened as scheduled.

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### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 11:25 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

Support small local businesses (not Stanford or major corporations), no more frivolous spending on RPP or pickleball courts. Support libraries, the art center, public recreation like the pool and art/rec classes, and city schools. Remember that the NIMBYs, thanks to Prop 13, don't pay their fair share of taxes yet demand unlimited services and amenities. And have time to attend meetings to demand more for themselves. Push back!

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### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 11:26 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

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#### Question 2

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#### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 11:31 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

I don't think these are the right major divisions for consideration. Cities should consider Public Safety, Physical Infrastructure, Social Infrastructure and Natural Infrastructure as major categories of service and cost. The way the question is asks risks lowering support for social infrastructure which will be serious in a time like this. Environment, sustainability, parks, sea level rise can all be more efficiently and effectively dealt with if considered part of the natural infrastructure. Transportation can be effectively dealt with under a physical Infrastructure approach.

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#### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 11:35 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 11:49 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (5)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Fernando Cabildo

in College Terrace

May 12, 2020, 11:50 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (5)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 12:20 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 12:28 PM

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#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 12:29 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Bhushan Khaladkar

in Fairmeadow

May 12, 2020, 12:33 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 12:34 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (2)

#### Question 2

Don't close the College Terrace Library for two years, not much savings. Can open few days between Down Town Library and College Terrace Library to serve our community. Cut 10-20% higher pay salaries for instead.

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#### Name not shown

in Old Palo Alto

May 12, 2020, 12:47 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in Community Center

May 12, 2020, 12:54 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

Please preserve the services for school children. Crossing guards are a critical part of keeping children safe as they walk or bike to school. Safe

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Routes to school helps reduce the automobile traffic on our city streets as well as educating our children about bike ridership safety. Being able to bike around town preserves the character of our community, e.g. we strive to reduce our carbon footprint, we want to preserve a neighborhood feel in our city. We want to be good global citizens and show our children how they may also be good global citizens by taking care of the environment.

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#### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 1:14 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (10)

##### Question 2

We don't need seven libraries for the sake of having them because they've been there for 20-30 years. Close them all or leave one in the north end of town and one in the south end of town. The schools still have libraries for children correct? Adults are more than capable of utilizing digital technology to check out or access reading material or traveling a few miles to access a physical library. Palo Alto is on the cutting edge of technology. Let's follow suit and go digital like the rest of the world. I would much rather have someone available when I call 911 for emergencies rather than seven libraries. It's been preached over and over that health and safety are paramount right now so let's not stay in the Stone Age and do some good during these hard times. Put the money where it matters most.

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#### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 1:19 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 1:31 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (4)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

##### Question 2

Prioritize public safety and services & critical infrastructure including maintenance so that we have electricity, gas, water, and put other things on hold including parking structure and RPP programs.

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#### Matt Buchwitz

in Crescent Park

May 12, 2020, 1:36 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 2:20 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in Charleston Meadows

May 12, 2020, 2:30 PM

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#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)

#### Question 2

No response

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### Tom Malzbender

in Green Acres

May 12, 2020, 2:42 PM

#### Question 1

- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

My priorities are continuing to address climate change, environmental issues and sustainability(EV's, solar, etc.). Longer term these are extremely important and we must not loose site of them.

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### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 2:52 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 3:00 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 3:03 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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### Bitew Tisase

in Ventura

May 12, 2020, 3:23 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

The budget process is invisible to many people. We are busy with daily activities - raising a family, paying bills, and often thinking about the process until we see a problem. In these difficult times, decisions must be balanced. Let us be careful not to hurt the society that is always hurt by some decisions.

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### Name not available



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May 12, 2020, 3:49 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

We cannot lose sight of our urban forest during this health crisis, because trees are fundamental to long-term climate resiliency and community well-being. Through improving air quality, offering access to nature, and a host of other benefits, trees provide significant physical and mental health benefits every day for everyone in the community, especially in a COVID-19 pandemic environment.

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#### Name not shown

in Downtown North

May 12, 2020, 3:54 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

Public Safety is of paramount importance to our community's safety and security. I gave Neighborhood, Community and Library Services a number of dots equal to Public Safety, however, because our libraries in particular represent the function of city government that provides the most direct and most frequent services to the community. These libraries are the face of the city that citizens are most likely to encounter in their daily lives, and they provide a very significant benefit to all — all ages, all socioeconomic levels, all personal interests.

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#### Name not shown

in Palo Verde

May 12, 2020, 3:55 PM

#### Question 1

- Planning and Transportation (10)

#### Question 2

No cut backs on planning staff for code enforcements on Wireless Infrastructure Projects and approvals.

No blank checks for wireless carriers littering the city with their antennas. More, not less, scrutiny is called for.

Wireless carries already pay for this process, so there is no budget impact. Wireless projects should to be halted. It's not essential.

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#### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 4:01 PM

#### Question 1

- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (5)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 4:06 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (5)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

First, mandatory minimum 30% budget cuts across all service areas. At least 30% reduction in staffing in all areas, with possible exception of police and fire, but the staffing levels should be drastically reduced in all other areas. Admin and Finance/Personnel should be reduced by 75% or more. Why do 4 or more fire vehicles respond to every call for service? This is a huge waste of resources. Eliminate unions. By the way, where is the Utilities function in these service areas?

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#### Name not available



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May 12, 2020, 4:11 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (6)

#### Question 2

No response

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### Jay Jeffries

in Midtown/ Midtown West

May 12, 2020, 4:12 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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### Name not shown

in Midtown/ Midtown West

May 12, 2020, 4:15 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Planning and Transportation (4)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

No response

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### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 4:27 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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### Name not shown

outside Palo Alto

May 12, 2020, 4:32 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (6)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)

#### Question 2

No response

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### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 4:43 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (5)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

No response

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### David Dockter

outside Palo Alto

May 12, 2020, 5:00 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (1)

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- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

In the foreseeable future, Urban forest landscape designs will continue to be the primary evidence of sustainability efforts—both visually and cost effective.

Finding Canopy organization and development services is critical to these sustainability goals.

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#### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 5:13 PM

#### Question 1

- Infrastructure and Environment (5)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in Palo Verde

May 12, 2020, 5:30 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 5:30 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (8)

#### Question 2

The San Francisco's Bay Area economy is very weak. Open the economy more by opening many services at least 50 to 75%. You can open libraries , shops, offices , etc with social distancing or curb side pickups and thereby reduce number of position eliminated whether permanent or as needed positions. Please don't lay-off completely - reduce the number of hours worked for all thereby balancing the budget.

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#### alison hlady

outside Palo Alto

May 12, 2020, 5:34 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

I have heard Foothills Park was going to open to non-residents - charge them! Not a huge amount, but charging non-residents \$5 could make the city some money (and create a job for the person at the gate)

or charge to park at Arastradero

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#### Name not shown

outside Palo Alto

May 12, 2020, 5:44 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (8)

#### Question 2

The San Francisco's Bay Area economy is very weak. Open the economy more by opening many services at least 50 to 75%. You can open libraries , shops, offices , etc with social distancing or curb side pickups and thereby reduce number of position eliminated whether permanent or as needed positions. Please don't lay-off completely - reduce the number of

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hours worked for all thereby balancing the budget.

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#### Name not shown

in Palo Verde

May 12, 2020, 5:58 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (4)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

##### Question 2

Sustainability needs to be prioritized for immediate and long-term benefits. This includes maintaining our trees and encouraging alternative transportation. These both will improve air quality and storm water management by reducing pollution in the bay, and helping reduce runoff due to water uptake of trees. Alternative transportation will reduce traffic. Trees provide traffic calming, and make walking and biking much safer and more appealing. Maintaining our trees is a very cost effective investment for future generations. It also reduces larger future tree maintenance costs and avoids tree failure hazards.

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#### David Armstrong

in Old Palo Alto

May 12, 2020, 5:58 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (4)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

##### Question 2

I believe sustainability efforts and the tree canopy are important to maintain, even as the city faces financial challenges near term.

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#### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 6:04 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 6:14 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (4)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

##### Question 2

Cut all admin salaries and associated pensions by 25%  
They are out of control  
Leave salaries for all operations people (police, fire, sanitation, etc.) as is

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#### Name not shown

in Midtown/ Midtown West

May 12, 2020, 6:14 PM

##### Question 1

- Infrastructure and Environment (10)

##### Question 2

Parks, libraries, art and music

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#### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 6:32 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)

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- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

tough decisions are ahead, but residents want to feel as though the city offices and administration are involved in the cuts. these are all hopefully relatively short term adjustments, let.s try and spread the pain as widely as possible

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### Stephen Rosenblum

in Old Palo Alto

May 12, 2020, 6:36 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

We must do whatever we can to maintain our commitment to reducing our use of fossil fuels, particularly by judicious switching to renewable energy whenever the opportunity presents itself.

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### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 6:36 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (4)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

The environment should be a priority post-covid crisis. Public safety is important, but that budget is so large already that maybe there are savings opportunities in there.

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### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 6:52 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

No response

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### Name not shown

in Palo Verde

May 12, 2020, 6:53 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

No response

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### Name not shown

in Midtown/ Midtown West

May 12, 2020, 6:55 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

Animal Control overnight service should not be cut. This is an essential service to prevent suffering of living creatures.

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### linda gargiulo

in Old Palo Alto

May 12, 2020, 7:02 PM

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#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 7:04 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 7:06 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

City government/admin salaries are too high.

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#### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 7:09 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)

- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

The 6 buckets are not granular enough and are going to give you spurious results. In almost all of the six categories, there are things I would strongly support and just as many others I would completely de-fund. I can't be the only resident looking at the list and wondering how on earth I vote given that for one item, I love half of it and hate the other half.

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#### Bill Gargiulo

in Old Palo Alto

May 12, 2020, 7:09 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 7:10 PM

#### Question 1

- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (10)

#### Question 2

You're a bunch of fools to think \$162k in savings in worth closing a branch library for TWO YEARS, depriving 104k visitors of library services. This budget was thoughtlessly and superficially executed. Initiate taxes on big businesses like Palantir, set aside costly infrastructure projects until PA recovers economically and leave the College Terrace library - which is ALWAYS bustling with activity - ALONE!

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#### Irena Smith

in Midtown/ Midtown West

May 12, 2020, 7:15 PM

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#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (6)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in Barron Park

May 12, 2020, 7:17 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 7:18 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (4)
- Administration and Government (2)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 7:20 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 7:28 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 7:45 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

We'll be planning for a new normal, and so I hope that we don't just do what we've always done. We have opportunities to make strides in several areas, e.g. by encouraging telecommuting to reduce traffic and air pollution.

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### Name not shown

in Duveneck/ St Francis

May 12, 2020, 7:51 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

We must plan for a new normal and not just business as usual. We must not forget that another crisis, the climate change crisis, is still with us. E.g. by encouraging telecommuting we can reduce traffic and air pollution. By encouraging building electrification, we create jobs.

### Name not shown

in University South

May 12, 2020, 7:52 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

No response

### Name not shown

in Old Palo Alto

May 12, 2020, 7:53 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

### Name not shown

in University South

May 12, 2020, 8:05 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (8)

#### Question 2

in San Francisco's Bay Area economy is very weak. Open the economy more by opening many 75%.you can open libraries,shops,offices,etc with social distancing or curb side pickups and the position eliminated whether permanent or as needed positions.please don't lay\_off workers,if you must cut costs please furlough instead of laying off hours workers for all thereby balancing the budget.

### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 8:06 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

### Name not shown

in Midtown/ Midtown West

May 12, 2020, 8:11 PM

#### Question 1

- Infrastructure and Environment (2)

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- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 8:19 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in Barron Park

May 12, 2020, 8:40 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (4)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

Sustainability is the highest priority at this time.

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#### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 8:52 PM

#### Question 1

- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (10)

#### Question 2

Too many people, too much traffic, with Covid we need more outdoor space, bike trails, walking and jogging areas. Everyone will be working remotely no more office buildings, no more ugly housing structures. New homes should look more like area around Heritage Park.. Stop wasting so much money. Too many police for small safe town. Do a better job planning the Frys site. Open up the creeks and make them more appealing, less cement. People are finally relaxed and happy. Stop the construction.

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#### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 8:52 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in Midtown/ Midtown West

May 12, 2020, 8:52 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

- reduce/furlough salaries for city administration, starting from the top  
- pause or defer non essential projects  
- ensure public safety and community services can be maintained if possible during shelter in place

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#### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 8:56 PM

#### Question 1



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- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 9:17 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

there are a number of economic development initiatives that do not require city budget: grants from local foundations and federal government for libraries, arts, small business, opening up University Avenue for downtown retailers and restaurants to operate under new physical distancing requirements like San Jose has done <https://www.nbcbayarea.com/news/local/san-jose-could-open-up-outdoor-space-to-restaurants-other-businesses/2287129/>

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#### Name not shown

in College Terrace

May 12, 2020, 9:32 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (5)
- Infrastructure and Environment (5)

#### Question 2

The Palo Alto government should prioritize 1) mitigating the immediate effects of the COVID crisis and 2) making sure something like this doesn't happen again. In my mind, the looming problem that could result in similar disasters is climate change. We need to address that now before we face similar externalities that could wreck havoc on our economic

system and way of life.

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#### Name not shown

in Barron Park

May 12, 2020, 9:46 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

It is important during this challenging time to not only respond and prepare for economic challenges, but to also make sure that we move forward in a way that creates a better future. It is critical that we not stop programs that will improve our air quality, address climate change and sustainability challenges and create jobs. This is the time to be creative and support a better, healthier future.

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#### Alok Agarwal

in Palo Verde

May 12, 2020, 10:13 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (5)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 10:21 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (4)

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- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

I support the free shuttle for kids and elderly. I support libraries schools and the local kids. We need a long term solution to all the traffic issues in this area or this will continue to be unlivable.

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#### Matt Bryant

in Ventura

May 12, 2020, 10:22 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 10:33 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in Palo Verde

May 12, 2020, 10:57 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (5)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

Difficult choices must be made. Please prioritize services which are most likely to be offered in this post-COVID-19 environment. When prioritizing infrastructure projects, please add "weight" to projects already under contract, followed by "shovel ready" projects.

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#### Name not shown

in Greenmeadow

May 12, 2020, 10:58 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

The City budget is top heavy in administration and management salaries

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#### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 11:12 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (6)

#### Question 2

A good time to reduce city and utility staff. I have found city staff to be far less productive and professional than private counterparts.

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#### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 11:24 PM

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#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

No response

#### Name not shown

in Palo Verde

May 12, 2020, 11:34 PM

#### Question 1

- Planning and Transportation (10)

#### Question 2

The city council needs to listen to the residents more than the big corporations.

#### Name not available

May 12, 2020, 11:53 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)

#### Question 2

No response

#### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 3:48 AM

#### Question 1

- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)

- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

No response

#### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 7:09 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (4)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

No response

#### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 9:19 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)

#### Question 2

No response

#### Name not shown

in Crescent Park

May 13, 2020, 9:25 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

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#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in Midtown/ Midtown West

May 13, 2020, 9:30 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (5)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (4)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 11:14 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Administration and Government (3)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 11:16 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

Focus on public safety- burglaries, robberies. Delay non essential Nice to have roadwork/bridges/landscapes construction.

#### Yonatan Maor

in Palo Verde

May 13, 2020, 11:19 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

CUTTING TEEN SERVICES IS NOT AN OPTION! Getting rid of the services that teens in this city rely on would revert us back to a teen mental health crisis that myself and so many other advocates have fought so hard to counter. Services like MakeX and the art center provide teens not only with a creative outlet but a community of like-minded teens. I've talked to countless teens that will testify to the fact that these services save them from the enormous stress of being a Palo Alto teen – a stress that is only amplified in the wake of this crisis.

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#### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 11:35 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (5)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 11:59 AM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

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- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

Do not cut our teen programs.

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#### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 12:04 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 12:21 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Administration and Government (4)

#### Question 2

The city should think about ways to plan market places, such as farmers market type events to help small businesses, celebrate our local shopping options, and keep Palo Alto vibrant and committed to environmental issues.

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#### Name not shown

in Downtown North

May 13, 2020, 12:43 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)

- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 12:49 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

I support funding Teen Services Programs

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#### Name not shown

in Crescent Park

May 13, 2020, 1:09 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (4)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 1:21 PM

#### Question 1

- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (10)

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#### Question 2

I'm filling out this survey in support of the programs under teen services

- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

#### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 1:28 PM

#### Question 2

I support teen services

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Name not shown

outside Palo Alto

May 13, 2020, 1:39 PM

#### Question 2

I don't want the lease with the school district for Cubberley reduced. We should support the school district. And reductions in the lease will displace a nonprofit art community, with no place for it to go!

Instead, postpone large capital projects.

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (4)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Johnathon Lu

in Old Palo Alto

May 13, 2020, 1:35 PM

#### Question 2

lol

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Frank Viggiano

in Palo Verde

May 13, 2020, 1:39 PM

#### Question 2

I support teen services for the 2020-2021 year. They provide a space for students to relax during stressful times which is especially important during this time.

#### Question 1

- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (4)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 1:38 PM

#### Question 2

We live in a very safe community and the police don't really do any traffic enforcement. So, while it is nice to have more of everything, I think policing is an area we could cut and save on. We do need to keep a healthy business community to have tax revenues for the long term, to maintain our infrastructure, and, especially, to address traffic congestion, which is always on the mind of Palo Altans.

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)

#### Sven Thesen

in Evergreen Park

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May 13, 2020, 1:41 PM

#### Question 1

- Infrastructure and Environment (4)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

Please completely cancel the downtown parking garage (PE-15007) as it has become unnecessary. Post pandemic, the city will likely never see the traffic of 2019 as working from home becomes the new normal. For example, this week Twitter announced that they will allow some of its workforce to continue working from home indefinitely and Google & Facebook are urging employees to work from home until 2021. In turn, use the freed up \$5.2 million for bike pedestrian projects. Likewise, consider any existing or future road expansion in a post pandemic lens.

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#### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 1:50 PM

#### Question 1

- Planning and Transportation (10)

#### Question 2

Please fix Maybell Ave! I'm tired of being cut off and getting run over by bikers when I stop at stop signs!

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#### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 1:52 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

I support teen services

#### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 1:53 PM

#### Question 1

- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Janelle London

outside Palo Alto

May 13, 2020, 2:02 PM

#### Question 1

- Planning and Transportation (5)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (5)

#### Question 2

This is to request de-funding and cancellation of the downtown garage. Working from home will continue after the pandemic (for instance, the Twitter CEO just announced all employees can work from home forever; Google and Facebook are urging employees to work from home until 2021), and fewer people will try to drive downtown. Instead, please use the \$5.2 million for programs and projects to reduce gasoline use. If we are to meet our GHG reduction goals, we must reduce gasoline consumption. Funding a project that will facilitate increased gasoline use is a step in the wrong direction.

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#### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 2:06 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (5)

#### Question 2

Teen services are vital for our community; please consider them in the budget.

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#### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 2:10 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

##### Question 2

PLEASE make salary/compensation adjustments for highly overpaid senior staff.

Cutting fire/police services so drastically makes no sense. The severe cuts that were made will double the response time for emergency calls. With emergency health issues time is of the essence. Having been served by fire/police in the past, doubling response times to over FIFTEEN minutes is ludicrous. Would seem like a lifetime and would likely affect health outcomes.

As well, take large cap projects and suspend them for the time being. We don't need a bike bridge nor a huge safety building now. They can be postponed.

Why are there so many positions in PR/Communications?

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#### Name not shown

in Barron Park

May 13, 2020, 2:16 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 2:23 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)

- Infrastructure and Environment (4)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

##### Question 2

No more Bike Boulevards are wasting \$9 Million of Tax payers money on Eurocentric lifestyle in Palo Alto. We have people who drive to and from work they can't bike to work. Try repainting and creating the original bike lanes. Stop taking away four way roadways for bikes. It's absolutely insipid to assume that we are not an automobile community. Unless, you as city council can remove the start up tech companies from Palo Alto and surrounding Mt View area then we need cars on roads and bikes in bike lanes to the right of the road.

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#### Nathan Kau

in Leland Manor/ Garland

May 13, 2020, 2:45 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)
- Administration and Government (1)

##### Question 2

I understand that the city is under considerable financial strain and is considering completely shuttering community programs for several years. However, some programs cannot be easily restarted once cut. One of those is MakeX, a small but highly impactful program I had the opportunity to help start in 2012.

MakeX is a student-led makerspace managed by the City that has grown over the past eight years to be a central community in Palo Alto for creative middle and high school students. As a physical workshop and as a community, MakeX brings students together to a second home. It's place where they can express themselves, whether it be painting murals, fabricating electric vehicles, or even recently, 3D printing face shields for emergency workers in need. To most students in Palo Alto, high school is incredibly stressful experience, and once stay-at-home orders are lifted, it will be even more important to re-establish programs for Palo Alto's youth to once again find places where they belong.

MakeX is one of the City's most impactful programs on a per-dollar basis, and most importantly, if it is shuttered for one or more years, MakeX will be back to square one, having to rebuild a youth community from scratch. Besides losing the student community during its closure, MakeX's



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underpinning team of student mentors will be hurt. If shut down, much of the mentor team will have graduated high school and left Palo Alto, leaving the mentor team malnourished once the program is restarted. Again, MakeX is one of the City's most inexpensive and hands-off program to maintain, so I strongly recommend that instead of completely shuttering the program, the City work with the MakeX team to reduce its budget. I hope that in its deliberations, the City continues to support Palo Alto's youth.

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### Gail Price

in Barron Park

May 13, 2020, 3:21 PM

#### Question 1

- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

Given our S/CAP Plan and the conditions related to climate change and public health issues illustrated by Covid-19 it is critical to support public safety facilities and programs. The Public Safety building has been discussed, evaluated and designed for several decades. Our current facilities, those not remodeled or new, are inadequate or weak. We need excellent facilities and services to have true emergency preparedness and responses and to deal with a range of fire, drought, and public health events illustrated by seasonal and accidental fires and the current pandemic. WE should ensure that all of our infrastructure improvements address issues related to climate adaptation and resiliency. All City CIP projects should incorporate performance measure and flexibility to ensure long lasting adaptability. All staff reports addressing CIP projects should have a section detailing how these projects meet "best practices" for adaptation to changing environment due to climate change. To not do so, would be irresponsible. Compact housing and smart growth should set the standard for creating housing capacity and density to meet the increasing population of Palo Alto. As a strong job center, our daily population increases significantly and we must have services to meet challenges of the influx of commuters to our community. All transportation infrastructure, including grade separations and alternatives to auto use should continue in the evolution and design stages. We need to continue to identify funding for the TMA Palo Alto. Given the improvements to air quality, traffic, and public health the City should enhance telecommuting and work in partnership with all businesses to make this happen. The Planning programs will continue to serve and important role in managing smart growth and transportation projects that are critical to us. The shuttle system must be robust to be a viable alternative and to expand ridership.

### Name not shown

in Duveneck/ St Francis

May 13, 2020, 4:15 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

Good luck, and thank you for taking on this unwinnable chore.

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### Tammy Truher

in Greenmeadow

May 13, 2020, 4:48 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

In Planning, my priority is affordable housing. In all of them, I would suggest cutting administrative costs, especially in departments that are manager heavy. In construction, I would cancel any project that isn't essential. For anything -- if it would have been approved under the current circumstances, then it's probably essential. If it wouldn't, then it should wait. That should apply across the board.

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### Star Teachout

in Barron Park

May 13, 2020, 4:53 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

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#### Question 2

Please support our teen programs. I wonder if we could organize a more comprehensive group of activities for the summer to keep them engaged-- Acterra projects, cleaning/beautifying decrepit alleys, weekly photo/art online exhibits, yarn "bombing", bike scavenger hunts, environmental activism, book clubs, etc.

- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

No response

#### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 5:17 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

#### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 5:28 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

We need to please keep as much public safety personell as possible. Keep our city safe.

#### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 5:51 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (4)

#### Name not shown

in Charleston Terrace

May 13, 2020, 5:53 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (4)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

Please change the retirement system from defined-benefit to defined-contribution. Commercial companies all did this years ago. Guaranteeing city employees a high percentage of their salary for life is unsustainable. Contribute to IRAs or equivalent with employee matching, and then when someone retires the City has no more obligation. That is the fiscally responsible thing to do. Just ask any for-profit company.

#### Name not shown

in Leland Manor/ Garland

May 13, 2020, 5:57 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

#### Name not shown

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in Downtown North  
May 13, 2020, 6:00 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

Please prioritize the essential functions that cannot be supplemented by non-profits. For example, I love the library and arts, but it's possible for donations and community involvement to keep those going at some level. However public safety (police/fire, etc), safe streets, safe public systems like sewers and natural gas -- these can only be done by government. So please focus there. Thank you.

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#### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 6:00 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (10)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in Midtown/ Midtown West  
May 13, 2020, 6:01 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 6:04 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 6:07 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 6:16 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

#### Question 2

Given that no one can travel - even to the beach at Half Moon Bay - I believe that keeping community services is truly essential. Capital improvements can be delayed for a year - no one will even notice! Even the bridge to stop flooding can be delayed because from everything I've read, property is in jeopardy - not lives. So, please, put the health and well-being of the residents first. Keep the college terrace library open!

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#### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 6:16 PM

#### Question 1

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- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (4)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)

#### Question 2

No response

#### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 6:35 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (2)

#### Question 2

No response

#### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 6:35 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (10)

#### Question 2

please do something about the car break ins, low level crimes - it is only a matter of time before it escalates.

Please do not let robbers, thief, etc back out so fast

#### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 6:43 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (6)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

#### Question 2

No response

#### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 6:44 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (8)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

Dear Mayor and Council,

This concerns the budget discussions in the light of the pandemic.

I suggest that you think about budget adjustments the way that businesses normally do when confronted with a financial crisis. Many businesses are having these problems right now.

First, you avoid actions that could harm or annoy your customers. You make it clear that you are working to restructure the company to meet customer expectations more efficiently.

Then, you review the obligations, organizational structure, and staffing of the company. Group heads are directed to come up with new plans including staffing and other resource reductions while still meeting group and corporate goals.

The City has been blessed with large resources for many decades. Head counts have increased remarkably while salaries and benefits have increased a lot. Given this, it is difficult to believe that you do not have many redundancies and inefficiencies in what has become a large bureaucracy. The City has too many managers and too large a staff in many areas. The residents know this.

I simply refuse to believe that the list of things you have identified for cuts (for example, the libraries and traffic control team) are the least important things in the City's budget. This list is an insult to the community.

It is time to take a measured and professional approach to the problems we face. The community will support you but is likely not to favor cuts to services that we depend upon and love in order to preserve positions that we don't think we need.

Thanks for listening.

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Robert Smith

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#### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 6:46 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

##### Question 2

Palo Alto wastes money like no city I've ever seen before. The city manager and city attorney should be ashamed to draw the salaries they draw from a municipality of 63,000 people. It is appalling that the proposed solutions for the budget shortfall include shuttering a library, breaking the Cubberley lease and cutting the police and fire budgets. In these times, what we need is reliable public safety and community services, not another bridge or garage or other capital improvement project. How many tenants would be displaced at Cubberley? How many Palo Alto residents would lost access to programs offered in those spaces? How much would the school district lose from the broken lease? A city that can find \$4.2 million to spend on tree administration and maintenance can surely find other areas to cut in the bloated budget that do not so directly impact the residents of this city.

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#### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 6:52 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (6)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not shown

in Palo Verde

May 13, 2020, 6:57 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (5)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

##### Question 2

Since the SIP was announced, we have seen a marked increase in property crime in our neighborhood. Given the state of the economy, we expect this trend to continue. This is a big quality of life issue for us as residents (as well as an economic issue: it's not a small expense to have to replace a catalytic converter) and severely cutting back the public safety budget at this time just does not make sense to us. To be sure there are hard choices to be made to cover the budget shortfall, but we would rather see cuts in other areas. For example, we love and financially support the libraries, but cutbacks in that area are far more tolerable for us. Same for infrastructure projects, even though as South PA residents and bike commuters we have been waiting a VERY LONG TIME for the pedestrian overcrossing to be built (you try crossing 101 on San Antonio on a bike in the winter, in the dark!) These are difficult times and our priority is that we can feel safe in our home and being out and about in our neighborhood and as such it is deeply distressing to see the steep cuts to the public safety budget that the City Council approved.

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#### Name not shown

in Charleston Terrace

May 13, 2020, 7:00 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 7:08 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)

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- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Melissa Baten Caswell

in Crescent Park

May 13, 2020, 7:14 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

#### Question 2

There are baseline services and then there are the things that make Palo Alto a special place to live. We expect baseline services and things like infrastructure and safety need to be there, but Palo Alto is an extremely expensive place to live and if we cut all the services that make living in Palo Alto special, I fear many many will choose to move somewhere else that is less expensive.

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#### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 7:20 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 7:21 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

#### Question 2

Cut salaries of the administration ... Other organizations with shortfalls are doing the same. I and many of my neighbors are angry at the proposal announced a few days ago! There is an election coming up and going ahead with something like that will backfire! No cutting services will not motivate us to opt for higher taxes, it will make us think we have the wrong elected officials

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#### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 7:32 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (7)

#### Question 2

The survey wouldn't work for me after the two I marked. Libraries, Youth programs, art. I don't think there is any reason to build the infrastructure at this time, it can be postponed. Support the Environment. I feel the staff upper management should take a 20 percent cut as they are doing at Stanford.

Our fire and police staffs should not be cut, if so very few.

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#### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 7:35 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 7:36 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

##### Question 2

Thanks for the opportunity to weigh in. It was difficult to parse the dots- I skewed to the services that I use that make me feel glad I live in PA.

#### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 7:36 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

##### Question 2

No response

#### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 7:36 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

##### Question 2

I suggest for some pedestrian only areas, maybe like on University Avenue, and allow restaurants and other businesses to expand outdoors. This would make it safer for customers as well as employees. Same with schools, besides offering online classes, moving some classes outdoors can help. Encourage office workers to continue to work from home in order to manage traffic during rush hours.

#### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 7:44 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (10)

##### Question 2

No response

#### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 7:45 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (5)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

##### Question 2

No response

#### Joyce Beattie

in Charleston Terrace

May 13, 2020, 7:48 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (4)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

##### Question 2

I've prioritized with 1=My first choice, 2=second, etc. I couldn't get the "+"s to work correctly

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I think transportation is extremely important; but as City Planning has created such inane accommodations, I don't want to encourage them to do any more damage!

Please provide more Shuttle service, and to a wider area. Why should Mountain View have so much better than we do? Stop investing in Concrete barriers and Stop Lights! Instead provide alternative transportation!

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#### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 7:54 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 7:59 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 8:25 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)

- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Hilary Glann

in Barron Park

May 13, 2020, 8:26 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (2)

##### Question 2

While all 6 service areas are important, we need to look through the pandemic lens to see where we can pause activities to free up \$\$ for other areas. Can we pause the Cal Ave garage since with extensive work from home, and restaurants only able to have 1/3 capacity we won't need extra parking. Can we consolidate libraries or cut hours temporarily as people switch to more e-books? With crime down, can we maintain current police staffing levels but not fill open positions?

Also, let's get creative about new revenue sources. Can we charge for parking (modest fee) at open space preserves and Foothills Park (but bikes get in free!)? Can we charge for parking in City garages? Can we consider a vacancy tax on empty homes (as Vancouver and other Cities do)? If a home is vacant, it doesn't have residents contributing to the local economy.

I think it would be really easy to put sustainability on hold during this crisis, but we need to keep making progress there as the planet is still facing an existential crisis if we don't make progress in the next 12 years. We are giving the earth a break now, but the gains are modest versus the long term devastation we have created.

Thank you for soliciting community feedback -- this is a tough situation and tough decisions will need to be made.

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#### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 8:30 PM



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### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (4)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

### Question 2

No response

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### Jeb Eddy

in Midtown/ Midtown West

May 13, 2020, 8:35 PM

### Question 1

- Planning and Transportation (1)

### Question 2

PLEASE CANCEL ALL FUNDING FOR THE PROPOSED PARKING GARAGE.  
Thanks, Jeb Eddy, Midtown

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### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 8:38 PM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

### Question 2

No response

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### Micaela di Bagnolo

in Crescent Park

May 13, 2020, 8:45 PM

### Question 1

- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (4)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

### Question 2

No response

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### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 8:50 PM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

### Question 2

No response

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### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 8:52 PM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

### Question 2

I find it downright immoral that many city employees can expect a pay raise this year--and several city employees are paid north of \$300,000 per year, including our city manager, who makes more than any other city manager I could find in similarly sized cities with roughly equivalent costs of living--and at the same time we are cutting crossing guards for our children! I understand that nobody wants to see our city budget cut and that these are hard decisions, but I am appalled that citizens are being asked to make sacrifices while our city officials are making no apparent sacrifices whatsoever.

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### Name not shown

in Community Center

May 13, 2020, 8:54 PM

### Question 1

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- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (4)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

No response

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### Albert Henning

in Community Center

May 13, 2020, 8:59 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (5)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

#### Question 2

1) Consider ballot measure for 3-year parcel tax, to compensate for shortfalls  
2) Focus on support for small business, NOT landlords.  
3) Since aerosol transmission for SARS-CoV-2 is so high, making any indoor gathering dangerous: Consider material support for indoor HEPA-based air handling for small businesses: portable HEPA modules, and self-contained personal HEPA filtration, so that e.g. nail salons can re-open safely. (Retrofitted HVAC Systems are difficult and expensive for indoor spaces, but buildings which have HEPA filtration should be able to be certified and permitted to reopen.)

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### Name not shown

in Charleston Terrace

May 13, 2020, 9:00 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

#### Question 2

No response

### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 9:01 PM

#### Question 1

- Infrastructure and Environment (5)
- Planning and Transportation (5)

#### Question 2

No response

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### Name not shown

outside Palo Alto

May 13, 2020, 9:06 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (4)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 9:07 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (2)

#### Question 2

No response

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### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 9:09 PM

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### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)
- Administration and Government (2)

### Question 2

No response

## Name not available

May 13, 2020, 9:33 PM

### Question 1

- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (10)

### Question 2

Considering the fact that our Federal and State government is now encouraging businesses to start opening safely, it seems to be that the city is willing to reduce its services instead. The budget proposals and pressure to make decisions to cut some of these services that serve, educate and keep the community engaged are being made at a time when it is not even certain that it is necessary to the extent that is being proposed.

It will be sad to see cuts to the community centers that are so vibrant and full of energy when programs are theatre's are open and functional.

## Name not available

May 13, 2020, 9:38 PM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (3)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (5)

### Question 2

You should not do away with any especially of the mental health services. Our kids need our help.

Neighborhood, Community, and Library Services□including open spaces and rangers, parks, recreation, art programs, park safety and maintenance, human services, non-profit support and grants, library branches and library programs□

## Name not available

May 13, 2020, 9:39 PM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (2)

### Question 2

No response

## Name not shown

in Greenmeadow

May 13, 2020, 9:43 PM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (4)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

### Question 2

No response

## Name not available

May 13, 2020, 9:50 PM

### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)
- Administration and Government (1)

### Question 2

No response

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### Name not shown

in Charleston Terrace

May 13, 2020, 10:06 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 10:09 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (3)
- Planning and Transportation (3)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

#### Question 2

No response

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### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 10:23 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (2)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

No response

### Name not shown

in Charleston Terrace

May 13, 2020, 10:36 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (5)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)

#### Question 2

For some reason I was listed in Charleston Terrace. I'm in Adobe Meadow.

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### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 10:41 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)
- Administration and Government (1)

#### Question 2

I believe we should continue prioritizing our investments in the environment and sustainability.

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### Aleksandar Milivojevic

in Charleston Terrace

May 13, 2020, 10:47 PM

#### Question 1

- Public Safety (3)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (4)

#### Question 2

The city should keep supporting teen services. The value of services they

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provide greatly outweighs their costs. They are often tiny line items in the budget. Cutting them off would provide little to no savings, while the residents would lose valuable service.

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#### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 10:54 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (5)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (3)

##### Question 2

No response

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#### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 11:20 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (1)

##### Question 2

Last fall my life was saved because an ambulance arrived at my house within minutes and transported me immediately to the Stanford Emergency Room. Just a few extra minutes and my life would have been lost. I strongly disagree with cutting police, fire, and emergency services, especially with earthquakes an ever present possibility. Instead, salaries should be cut across the board and consultants should be minimized. Fees for the airport, such as parking planes, should be increased. Homeowners need to be charged for two or more citations for gas leaf blowers on their properties, which uses city services for infinite enforcement. Developer fees for building houses, most often sold to folks overseas and left as ghost houses, should be greatly increased. No stone should be unturned in the search for the ways that Palo Alto citizens are subsidizing and paying the way for folks who should be paying for the services they use, rather than cutting services that the taxpayers are entitled to, including, most importantly, emergency services.

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#### Name not shown

in Charleston Terrace  
May 13, 2020, 11:40 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (1)
- Infrastructure and Environment (1)
- Planning and Transportation (2)
- Economic Sustainability and Business Support (2)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (2)
- Administration and Government (2)

##### Question 2

I support teen services, and hope that they remain. With everything that's been happening, I want my peers to keep being creative and outgoing and building their skills.

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#### Name not available

May 13, 2020, 11:46 PM

##### Question 1

- Public Safety (4)
- Infrastructure and Environment (2)
- Planning and Transportation (1)
- Neighborhood, Community and Library Services (1)

##### Question 2

Safety and road/infrastructure first.