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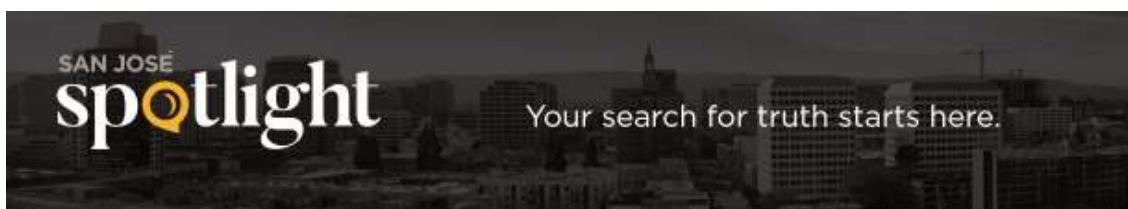
The numbers on project awareness are interesting. I'd like to think our website, engagement, and communications have really helped with that!

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EXCLUSIVE: Days before San Jose lawmakers are expected to approve Google's plan to build a massive campus downtown, a new poll shows 7 in 10 residents support it. [Lloyd Alaban](#) reports.



While San Jose businesses struggled and shuttered during the COVID-19 pandemic, one industry had its best year yet: cannabis. [Vicente Vera](#) explains why.



Differences between federal and local mask rules are creating confusion, frustration, and in some cases, hostile situations. [Lorraine Gabbert and Madelyn Reese](#) have the details.



Santa Clara County workers rallied Friday to protest what they believe are poor working conditions, reduced pay and lack of communication from their superiors amid the COVID-19 pandemic. [Lloyd Alaban](#) was there.



UPDATE: Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority has a new leader at its helm after months of deliberation and a national search. [Lorraine Gabbert](#) has the story.



Op-ed: San Jose Councilmember Raul Perez explains why the county needs Laura's Law to stop shuffling severely mentally ill homeless people in and out of jails and hospitals, and provide a bridge to recovery. [Read more here.](#)

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"I think people are excited about the revitalization of a city they already love and a downtown they're rooting for. They see the potential in this area and, right now, we all feel like we're living in a time where change for the better is possible."

- Jason Baker, senior vice president of transportation, health and housing at the Silicon Valley Leadership Group, on residents supporting the Google project

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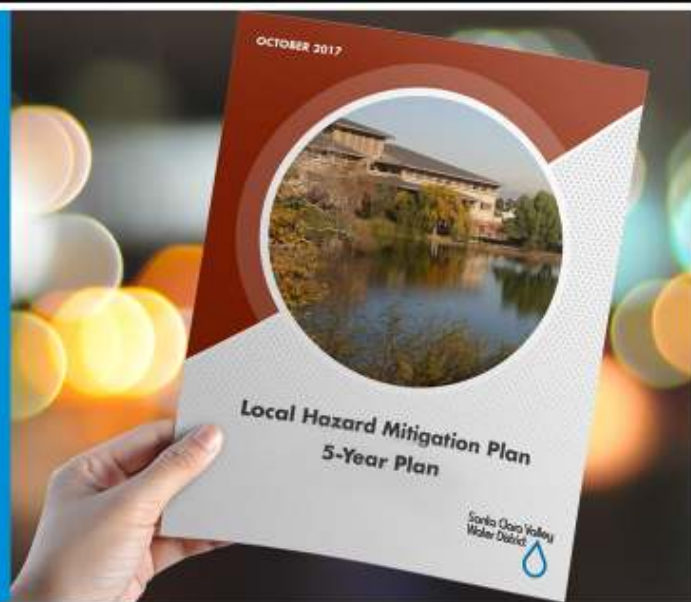
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