

SAN MATEO, SANTA CLARA & SAN BENITO COUNTIES

January 24, 2022

City of San Carlos City Council 600 Elm St San Carlos, CA 94070

Via email to: citycouncil@cityofsancarlos.org

- To: San Carlos City Council Members Mayor Sara McDowell, smcdowell@cityofsancarlos.org Vice Mayor Adam Rak, arak@cityofsancarlos.org Ron Collins, rcollins@cityofsancarlos.org John Dugan, jdugan@cityofsancarlos.org Laura Parmer-Lohan, lparmerlohan@cityofsancarlos.org
- Cc: Assistant City Manager Nil Blackburn, nblackburn@cityofsancarlos.org City Clerk Crystal Mui, CityClerk@cityofsancarlos.org

Subject: Agenda Item 11, January 24th, 2022. Please vote to put beekeeping change on the San Carlos 2022 work agenda

Dear San Carlos City Council Members,

San Carlos is the last city in San Mateo County with an effective ban on beekeeping. All pollinators, especially bees, are critical to our environment. We need to support bees and beekeeping in our communities, not outlaw it.

Please put the issue of beekeeping regulations on the Council's 2022 work agenda. We suggest developing a nuisance-based policy, which has been effective for resolving the incredibly infrequent complaints within other cities in San Mateo County.

Thank you for your efforts to overturn this ban.

Sincerely,

Gladwyn d'Souza Conservation Committee Chair Loma Prieta Chapter Sierra Club