Citizens for Fiscal Responsibility (CFR, www.cfr-sj.org) is a non-partisan organization working to ensure that our city government responsibly allocates our tax dollars. We believe that San Jose should focus on delivering the core services residents deserve, in short, “the 3 Ps,” public safety, parks and pavement.

In the March election, CFR believes the following candidates represent the best choices for ensuring a fiscally responsible City Council. District 2: Jonathan Fleming, 4: Lan Diep, 6: Dev Davis, 8: Jim Zito, 10: Matt Mahan.

CFR also advises that voters reject Measure E, the real property transfer tax. Today’s Council promises devoting the proceeds to affordable housing efforts, however they cannot prevent future councils from using the funds for other purposes, like our $3.5 billion unfunded pension liability. We believe the City should use process improvements and cost reduction efforts, along with a reevaluation of our zoning policies, to attack the housing issue.