



June 15, 2022

City of Guadalupe,  
918 Obispo Street  
Guadalupe, CA 93434

Dear Mayor Julian, Council Members & Staff,

At Taylor Farms, our employees and staff are our greatest and most valuable resource. Our produce facility operates 24/7 covering two production shifts with maintenance and sanitation personnel on site during down time. We have as many as 600-700 employees on site during peak seasons. Over 40% of our work force also resides in the city of Guadalupe full-time along with their families.

A recent large-scale fire incident at our facility in Salinas is a stark reminder of the importance of a well-trained, local fire department. Fire personnel were on site within minutes and had good familiarity with our facility and layout. Due to the quick response of Salinas Fire chief Michele Vaugan and her team, there were thankfully no injuries or lives lost. Had response times been any greater, it could have been a much different outcome. Response times of fire, medical, auto and other emergency personnel during crisis situations are critical as every minute counts.

For these reasons, Taylor Farms supports the full-time local fire department in Guadalupe and the need for a Fire Chief that will foster growth, training, and support for the current staff.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Julianne Hill".

Julianne Hill  
Senior Director, Customer Fulfillment  
Taylor Farms Retail, Inc. - Guadalupe

## Juana Escobar

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**From:** Ariston Julian <ariston.julian3@icloud.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 15, 2022 4:19 PM  
**To:** Todd Bodem; Phil F Sinco; Michael Cash  
**Cc:** Juana Escobar  
**Subject:** Fwd: LeRoy Park Budget-Goal Setting Meeting---Please Read this Email at Tonight's Meeting and Give Copy's to the Council

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Hello:

Forwarding a note as requested by Mr. Alvarez. Looks like you all and others, have received this note.

Thanks,

Ariston Julian, Mayor  
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**Subject:** LeRoy Park Budget-Goal Setting Meeting---Please Read this Email at Tonight's Meeting and Give Copy's to the Council  
**Date:** June 15, 2022 at 3:59:01 PM PDT  
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Honorable Mayor Ariston and Councilmembers,

First, I would like to congratulate the Mayor and City Council on completing the first phase of LeRoy Park, and its Grand Re-Opening with Congressman Salud Carbajal, State Senator Limon, Supervisors Lavagnino and Hartman, Tom Brandeberry, and all others in attendance, especially

the kids and families who will benefit for generations to come from use of Leroy Park. What a great event it was!

I would like to add one very important item to both the Budget and your Goal Settings for the coming year (both are always amendable). We all appreciate the grants that have become available for the benefit of LeRoy Park, approximately \$8,000,000. That is a lot of money, and a priority should be made for upkeep and maintenance. However, that is just part of my letter, I went to Washington, DC, with Mayor Larry Lavagnino from Santa Maria to advocate for the SM Levee funds. I thought it was extremely important because, if the levee broke anywhere in Santa Maria, we (Guadalupe) would be affected 100% as we are down river. I told Mayor Lavagnino, that I would support and lobby for the reinforcement of the levee, but that we needed his support in extending our levee from the Santa Maria River bridge to our sewer plant (the river makes a 90 degree turn into the sewer plant banks, when it rains). Fortunately, and unfortunately, Santa Maria received funding for the levee, but Guadalupe did not.

I just feel, that with the incredible team of Congressman Carbajal, State Senator Limon, Supervisors, and our City Council, now is the time to work collaboratively and get the much-needed extension of the levee, for the benefit of Leroy Park, lower Pioneer Street housing and the Apostolic Church, along with the sewer plant. If you lose the sewer plant....the city is lost!

This is just my concern, and as you know that I always try to help the city in any way that I can. But I hope the momentum that you have built continues going forward. This is a great opportunity to expand and protect the investment that has been accomplished, thus far.

I am at your disposal if I can help in any shape or form.

Lupe Alvarez