

Quote	Speaker	Date	Headline	Source
<p>"Mayor Gillmor's allies continue to disenfranchise minority communities and strip them of equal representation in our local government through their support of Measure C while simultaneously ignoring court orders," Chandhok said. "Our civic duty is to take steps towards equity and equality by supporting those who defend voting rights."</p>	Chandhok	9/30/2020	49ers Make \$250K Contribution in Divided Santa Clara Race	SJ Inside
<p>"Mayor Gillmor is spending millions on PR consultants, advisors, and providing raises, during a global pandemic, to the already highest paid City Manager in the state, all while knowing the city's budget is in disarray and has been for years," Chandhok said. "This is just another attempt to scapegoat the 49ers for her incompetence, and her confusion on the terms of the lease that she supported enthusiastically when it suited her political aspirations."</p>	Chandhok	9/11/2020	San Francisco 49ers to pay full Levi's Stadium rent to Santa Clara	SV Biz Journal
<p>"While the 49ers work to support the region's economy, Mayor Gillmor continues a pattern of mismanagement that is costing the city critical revenue, hurting small businesses, and endangering local jobs. This is just another attempt to scapegoat the 49ers for her incompetence, and her confusion on the terms of the Lease that she supported enthusiastically when it suited her political aspirations.</p>				
<p>"Mayor Gillmor is spending millions on PR consultants, advisors, and providing raises, during a global pandemic, to the already highest paid City Manager in the state, all while knowing the city's budget is in disarray and has been for years. Instead of scapegoating the 49ers, it is time for the Mayor to look inward."</p>	Chandhok	9/9/2020	SANTA CLARA SAYS 49ERS OWE \$5M IN RENT	SJ Inside Mercury News

“Mayor [Lisa] Gillmor and her million-dollar-a-year city manager are cherry-picking numbers entirely out of context and relying on fuzzy math,” wrote Rahul Chandhok, vice president of public affairs and strategic communications, in response to a request for comment on Santana’s letter. “The 49ers Management Company has generated a profit for the Stadium Authority in every year of operation,” Chandhok said. “This past year alone, we provided the authority with \$68 million in revenue.”

“The mayor, city manager and their army of taxpayer-funded political consultants have done everything in their power to destroy the stadium event business...”

Rahul Chandhok, vice president of public affairs and strategic communications for the 49ers, said the City Council's vote clearly is "an act of retaliation after it became public that the 49ers would join civil rights leaders to defeat Measure C."

"The City's latest announcement is just another step in a self-destructive process they began years ago as part of a petty political vendetta. All of those efforts failed, just as this latest attempt will also fail," Chandhok said in a statement.

“Let’s be clear, Mayor Gillmor’s Measure C threatens to disenfranchise minority communities and strip them of equal representation in our local government, while simultaneously ignoring a court order. No amount of manufactured allegations will distract from the fact that Measure C is anti-democratic and on the wrong side of history. We are proud to stand with Santa Clara civil rights leaders from the NAACP, La Raza, and the Asian Law Alliance to defeat Measure C.”

“Levi’s Stadium has posted positive financial numbers in every year before City Manager Santana’s reign,” Chandhok said in a statement Tuesday night. “To justify her nearly \$1 million salary Ms. Santana has pushed improper costs onto the (Santa Clara Stadium Authority) ledger, created enough dysfunction to run off the Rolling Stones, and had Ed Sheeran cancel his record-breaking tour stop altogether.”

Chandhok	7/28/2020	City of Santa Clara Turns Up Heat on San Francisco 49ers City of Santa Clara to 49ers: 'Terrible off the field'	SJ Inside KTVU
Chandhok	2/13/2020	COUNTY VOTES TO NO LONGER LET 49ERS MANAGE LEVI'S	Mercury News
Chandhok	2/6/2020	49ERS OWNER POURS \$317,125 INTO CAMPAIGN AGAINST MEASURE C	CBS SF Mercury News
Chandhok	12/17/2019	Santa Clara to allow 49ers an exception to Levi’s Stadium purchasing agreement	SJ Spotlight

"After City Manager Santana's dysfunction with respect to stadium events was exposed, she has chosen to spiral even further," the team said in a statement released Tuesday. "Her actions are purely retaliatory, and we are not surprised that she has commenced yet another legal battle. She is abdicating her fiduciary duty by destroying a city asset for petty, political vendettas."

Chandhok 9/18/2019 Santa Clara votes to end the 49ers' management of Levi's Stadium SV Biz Journal

Rahul Chandhok, vice president of public affairs and strategic communications for the 49ers, said the complaints from the Rolling Stones' staff reflect a combative city attitude that will ultimately hurt the stadium's ability to book competitive talent. Referring to Santana, Chandhok said, "Her actions would have directly harmed concertgoers. Such stunts may appease Mayor (Lisa) Gillmor, but they continue to harm every Santa Clara resident."

Chandhok 9/12/2019 Rolling Stones, San Francisco 49ers, City Of Santa Clara All Extremely Mad At Each Other Deadspin

"It is challenging to understand Mayor Gillmor's finger-pointing when the documents used to procure services at the stadium were created and approved by her staff," Chandhok said. "While the mayor's political strategy is transparent, it remains disappointing and tired. This is not her first threat, and I imagine not her last."

Chandhok 5/3/2019 SPAT BETWEEN CITY, 49ERS WORSENS - OFFICIALS THREATEN TO CUT TEAM'S MANAGEMENT FEE FOR FACILITY AND REVOKE ITS AUTHORITY TO ISSUE CONTRACTS RELATED TO LEVI'S STADIUM OPERATIONS Mercury News

"We accept the arbitrator's decision to increase our annual rent payment by one percent," said 49ers VP of public affairs and strategic communications Rahul Chandhok, calling the Mayor's accusation that the 49ers had "a history of withholding documents and payments" another chapter in her history of "deceitfulness" in her dealings with the NFL team.

Chandhok 8/15/2018 Stadium Authority Rent Win: \$10 Million Over 40 Years Silicon Valley Voice

In a statement, the team's vice president of affairs Rahul Chandhok, blasted the request, saying, "The stadium lease is a matter of public record. Attempting to give it new life in the media is a distraction tactic to avoid questions about her use of public funds for spin doctor Sam Singer."

And he blamed Gillmor for using "fuzzy math" in her favor, pointing out that in addition to touting the questionable \$180 million figure, one of the early press releases from the city had erroneously said the rent would increase by \$238,000 rather than \$262,000.

"It's exactly this deceptive approach, her lack of transparency and fuzzy math that makes Mayor Gillmor difficult to trust," he said. "We accept the arbitrator's decision to increase our annual rent payment by 1 percent. It's deceitful of the mayor to say otherwise."

Chandhok also questioned Gillmor's judgment in hiring a pricy PR firm and pointed out "a basic math error" in the news release, which put the yearly rent hike at \$238,000.

"That is incorrect," he said. "The annual increase is \$262,000. We would hope the mayor and her personal PR consultant, Sam Singer, would have been more careful while being paid with taxpayer dollars."

"Mayor Gillmor will always put her interests before those of everyday Santa Clarans," he said. "The stadium lease is a matter of public record. Attempting to give it new life in the media is a distraction tactic to avoid questions about her use of public funds for spin-doctor Sam Singer. It also proves she was incorrect in her initial claims regarding the arbitrator's decision and shows a lack of focus on issues that concern everyday residents."

"His show will no longer come to Levi's Stadium because after being warned that the music ban would cost the stadium future shows, [Santa Clara Mayor Lisa Gillmor] played politics and refused to correct, or even address, the music ban."

"Now the community is paying the price," Guido said Monday.

"Four thousand hardworking individuals have lost their right to work, residents have lost out on millions of dollars in revenue, and music lovers have been denied an opportunity to view a world-class concert."

49ERS BLAST SANTA CLARA FOR ITS 'FUZZY' MATH - BITTER WAR OF WORDS, ER, NUMBERS: WILL TEAM BE PAYING \$10.5M MORE OR \$180M MORE OVER

Chandhok 8/14/2018 COURSE OF LEASE? Mercury News

Santa Clara Wins Legal Dispute Over S.F. 49ers' Stadium Rent

Chandhok 8/13/2018 Stadium Rent SJ Inside

Upcoming Coldplay Concert at Levi's Stadium is Denied

Guido 9/28/2017 Curfew Extension NBC Bay Area

<p>"They were forced to admit major errors and make significant changes to the draft report they previously leaked in a failed attempt to embarrass the 49ers," said team president Al Guido. "In the end, they wasted over \$200,000 in public funds to discover that the city of Santa Clara failed to bill \$115,000 in expenses — something which was their responsibility."</p>	Guido	8/22/2017	<p>AUDIT: 49ERS OWE \$300K LESS TO SANTA CLARA - THOUGH MAYOR OBJECTS, STUDY PARES AMOUNT OWED BY TEAM FOR LEVI'S STADIUM EXPENSES</p>	Mercury News
<p>Guido said Gillmor's plan to "create media headlines" backfired. "The sheer number of errors in the report demonstrated why any of the recommended CPA firms should have been selected," said 49ers President Al Guido, referring to a controversy over whether to give the audit contract to Harvey Rose or a different firm. "Instead, the mayor hand-picked a consultant against the city recommendation. We will continue to work with the city to manage the most successful public-private partnership in sports and entertainment."</p>	Guido	7/13/2017	<p>AUDIT SUGGESTS NINERS OWE SANTA CLARA \$424K - TEAM ATTORNEY, SOME CITY STAFF CALL REPORT INACCURATE, MISLEADING</p>	Mercury News
<p>"Look, question us for our record on the field? Sure, we deserve that," Guido says. "Question us on our decision for coaching or quarterbacks or management or drafts or free agency, fine. What [Gillmor] is doing is she's bashing our record on management of the building, and that's very black and white. "You'll notice she never says: 'Well, they didn't deliver on the money,'" Guido says. Instead, it's more a matter of "they just didn't make me as much money as I want. She can't point to one specific thing that we actually haven't delivered on financially."</p>	Guido	12/15/2016	<p>Moneybrawl: How the Mayor of Santa Clara, San Francisco 49ers Went to War over Levi's Stadium</p>	SJ Inside
<p>"Tonight's decision was expected and continues a disturbing trend of frivolous and groundless actions by the mayor and her allies on the council, putting politics ahead of civic responsibility," the 49ers said in an emailed statement. "We met with city staff last Friday to review all management agreement requirements, and they confirmed that we have complied fully."</p>	49ers	11/23/2016	<p>Bitter dispute between Santa Clara, 49ers takes new turn</p>	SV Biz Journal