CAMPBELL CHRONICLES

April 5, 2024



Dear District 2 residents,

Enforcement of the updated Sidewalk Vending Ordinance began on March 29th after my amendments were approved by the City Council in February of this year. The updated ordinance provides clarity on which vending activities are safeguarded under the First Amendment as free speech, sidewalk vending impounding procedures for rogue vendors, and enforcement mechanisms by San Diego Police Department and the City's Park Rangers.

These amendments were necessary to clearly outline what types of activities are protected as free speech under the First Amendment, and what types of activities are not. Activities that are not considered free speech include the sale of items handcrafted or mass-produced - like jewelry, mugs, clothing, pottery, incense burners, rocks, or skin care products. Exercise and yoga classes and various other classes are also not considered free speech and are not protected by the First Amendment.

An artist, author, musician, or other type of busker selling their original work and performing live is protected under the First Amendment.

The amended ordinance also laid out reasons why enforcement officers may impound a vendor's equipment if they are found in violation of any City codes. These reasons include vending without valid permits - for item vendors, this includes a Sidewalk Vending Permit, a City of San Diego Business Tax Certificate, and a California Sellers Permit. For food vendors, this also includes a County Health Permit and Food Handler's Card.

These amendments were critical to addressing the many concerns I have heard from residents of Council Districts 1, 2, and 3 who were struggling with rogue vendors not following the terms of the original ordinance. Meanwhile, the City has over 500 permitted vendors who have been respecting the law. The new amendments will protect lawful, permitted vendors and people expressing free speech, while also maintaining public safety, order, and accessibility on sidewalks, parks, and beaches.

For more information on the ordinance or to apply for vendor permits, please visit the City's Sidewalk Vending website.

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Best,

Councilmember Jennifer Campbell

UPDATES FROM RECENT COUNCIL MEETINGS

Consideration of Amendments to the Municipal Code Regarding Buffer Zones at Health Care Facilities, Places of Worship, and School Grounds:

• On March 20th, the Public Safety Committee unanimously voted to advance proposed amendments to the Municipal Code that would create buffer zones around health care facilities, places of worship, and school grounds to ensure that women have safe access to reproductive health care, San Diego families and kids can get to school grounds safely, and all people can attend their places of worship with a sense of security. Thank you to our City Attorney for leading the way on these amendments to keep San Diego an inclusive and welcoming city where our residents and visitors are protected from harassment and intimidation.

Approval of Measures to Eliminate Library Department Juvenile Accounts Referred to Collections and Provide Youth with the Opportunity to Clear Charges for Lost Library Materials:

• On March 21st, the Community and Neighborhood Services Committee voted to approve measures that would end the referral of juvenile library accounts to Collections for overdue fines, and create a new program for youth to apply to have any charges cleared on their accounts. Thank you to the Library Department staff for their work on creating these measures to promote equity in our City libraries, and to the Library Foundation for their generosity in stepping in to cover the replacement fees for thousands of San Diego's youth to give them a clean slate to access library services.

DISTRICT 2 NEWS

Ocean Beach Pier Renewal Project Community Workshop:

• On Saturday, April 6th, join the City of San Diego and its consultants as they present the preferred design concept for the potential replacement of the

Ocean Beach Pier. The design concept was created based on three preliminary design concepts and feedback gathered from San Diego residents. The workshop will begin at 2pm at the Liberty Station Conference Center.

Ocean Beach Pier Renewal Community Workshop #4

Preferred design concept for a potential Ocean Beach Pier replacement will be unveiled



During this workshop, the City of San Diego and its consultants will present the preferred design concept for a potential Ocean Beach Pier replacement. The preferred design concept was created based on public input of the three preliminary design concepts that were presented in September 2023.

Saturday, April 6th, from 2pm to 5pm

The presentation will begin at 2:15pm, followed by interactive workshops.

Liberty Station Conference Center 2600 Laning Road, San Diego, CA, 92106



To learn more, or provide public comment, scan the QR code to the left or visit www.OBPierRenewal.com



City Begins Road Repair Projects in Clairemont Mesa, Ocean Beach, and Peninsula Neighborhoods:

- Several streets across the City, many of which are located in District 2, are scheduled to receive slurry seal maintenance through the months of March and April. A slurry seal is a cost-effective maintenance measure used to prevent the deterioration of streets, and it reduces the need for a more expensive and invasive overlay and reconstruction. Some of the streets that will receive a slurry seal are:
 - Littlefield Street, from Morena Boulevard to Frankfort Street
 - Voltaire Street, from Sea Colony Court to Chatsworth Boulevard
 - Hiawatha Way, including Hiawatha Court
- Click the button below to see the full list of streets scheduled for repairs.

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Mayor Gloria Announces Plan for City's Largest Homeless Shelter:

Yesterday, Mayor Gloria unveiled his plan for a proposed homeless shelter in District 2 that would add 1,000 beds to the City's shelter network. I have always been committed to providing and expanding diverse shelter options, and these additional beds will help get our unhoused neighbors off the streets and on their way back into permanent housing. Federal courts have mandated that cities cannot move unsheltered folks off the streets without proper shelter or housing available, and in these shelters they can be connected to wraparound services, including case management, to help them end their homelessness. Click the button below to read about the plan for the site.

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Balboa Theatre 100 Year Anniversary Celebration:

Last week, I joined the Balboa Theatre to celebrate their 100 year anniversary.
The Balboa Theatre has been a popular center for arts and culture since 1924,
and was recognized on the National Register of Historic Places in 1996. Thank
you to the team at Balboa Theatre for continuing to provide a place where all
San Diegans can enjoy the arts, and congratulations on this milestone
anniversary!



Assistant Chief Scott Wahl Named Next Chief of Police:

 Mayor Gloria has appointed SDPD Assistant Chief Scott Wahl as the next Chief of Police for the City of San Diego. Assistant Chief Wahl is a 25-year veteran of SDPD and will succeed Chief David Nisleit, who will retire in June after 36 years with the San Diego Police Department. Click the button below to read more about Assistant Chief Wahl and his service to the City of San Diego.

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San Diego Fire-Rescue Chief Recruitment:

 The City of San Diego is asking for resident feedback on the characteristics and qualifications that are important for the next Fire-Rescue Chief. Click the button below to complete the Community Survey and share your priorities as the City begins recruitment for the next person to lead the San Diego Fire Department.

Take the Survey

RESOURCES

Have a question or need assistance from the City? Contact your respective Community Representative from my Office:

- Manuel Reyes: Community Representative for Ocean Beach, Old Town, and South Clairemont (South of Balboa Ave)
 - Email: MaReyes@sandiego.gov
- Carrie Munson: Community Representative for North Clairemont (North of Balboa Ave) and Mission Bay Park
 - Email: CMunson@sandiego.gov
- Seamus Kennedy: Community Representative for **Mission Beach**
 - Email: SKennedy@sandiego.gov
- Margaret Doyle: Community Representative for Point Loma and Midway
 - Email: MargaretD@sandiego.gov



Click here to File a Get It Done!

If you need assistance with nonemergency community concerns, please use the **Get It Done App** or you can call my office or email me directly.



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