



THE SPOTLight

News From Councilmember Sherri Lightner
City of San Diego, District One

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- Carmel Valley
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- La Jolla
- Pacific Highlands Ranch
- Torrey Hills
- Torrey Pines
- University City



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University City is BOOMING

District One has been busy celebrating groundbreakings and ribbon cuttings for several exciting and anticipated projects.

BioMed broke ground on the new i3 Facility in UTC. The facility is in the heart of our science innovation cluster, close to UCSD, and demonstrates the importance of high tech and bio-tech in the area.

We officially welcomed Lytx to UTC in February. Lytx is a global leader in video-based driver safety technology.

Scripps Hospital recently held the ribbon cutting for the new Prebys Cardiovascular Center in La Jolla. The Center is truly a groundbreaking facility that will bring San Diego's leading experts in cardiovascular care together, all under one roof.

In addition, UCSD hosted the 2015 STE(A)M Connect Conference, which brought together 500 educators, administrators, nonprofits, businesses and policymakers who share a common interest in STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) education.

The City joined the University Community, Scripps Hospital, the County, Caltrans and SANDAG at the groundbreaking of the new I-5/Genesee interchange, which will help reduce traffic in the surrounding area.



Sherri attended the ribbon cutting for Prebys Cardiovascular Center in La Jolla.

Plastic Bag Reduction Ordinance Returns to San Diego

Sherri will bring forward a plastic bag reduction ordinance for San Diego now that the statewide plastic bag ban will not go into effect as planned due to a referendum.

The ordinance would reinforce San Diego's reputation for environmental stewardship and help reduce the 123,000 tons of plastic bags that Californians throw out each year. It is estimated that less than 5% of plastic

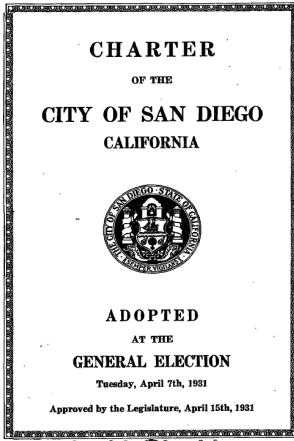
bags used each year get recycled.

The reduction will protect the health of wildlife, and minimize ocean and waterway pollution. It will also serve to divert waste from the Miramar Landfill, helping to extend its lifespan and save taxpayers money.

Recommendations include exemptions for certain types of businesses or products, as well as for those participating in select government programs.

There would be a 6-12 month grace period. Outreach and education will be conducted by the city's Environmental Services Department, with efforts to secure sponsorships from local organizations and businesses to provide reusable bags to low-income families.





The City of San Diego's original Charter from April 1931.

Charter Committee Updates and Upcoming Agenda Items

The March 5 Committee meeting included the Grand Jury's recommendation that the Councilmembers' and Mayor's salaries be linked to external benchmarks. Currently, salary increases are recommended by a Salary Setting Commission, but the Council has not voted to accept its recommendations and has not received a pay raise since 2003. The Com-

mittee voted to refer the matter to full Council. The Committee also voted to adopt the City Clerk's recommendations to increase Redistricting Commission membership from seven to nine members, and require one member from each Council district. The Committee also asked for more work on a draft preamble to the Charter, and voted to recommend using

gender neutral and inclusive language throughout the document. You can watch the full [Charter Review Committee March 5th meeting](#) on City TV.

You can also read the [Charter Committee documents](#) on the City Clerk's Website.

Please see the [Charter Review Committee webpage](#) for additional meeting dates.



Kids enjoy the Skate Park and annual egg hunts.

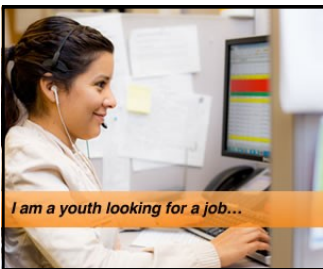
Spring and Summer Programs with Park & Recreation

Park and Recreation has launched the Spring line-up, with Summer activities in the planning stages. With six recreation centers in District One, residents have lots of options. Most centers offer dance, gymnastics, soccer, martial arts, arts/crafts, soccer, t-ball/baseball/softball and tennis. Specialty classes offered

include a kids cooking class, acting classes, babysitter safety classes and the STEAM Academy. Most centers will be hosting a Spring Egg Hunt, and some will host a Summer Kick-off Celebration. As always, Standley Rec Center will be having their UC Summer Concerts. Swanson Pool is already

open and offering swim lessons, as is Carmel Valley Pool. The Carmel Valley Skate Park also offers lessons. For more information, visit the [Recreation Centers and pools webpage](#). Visit [SDRecConnect](#) to conveniently browse the variety of activities offered. Sign up for an account, find a class or activity, and register!

The CONNECT2Careers (C2C) Program is Accepting Applicants



CONNECT2Careers connects youth with local businesses, leading to employment options.

Do you know a student looking for a summer job? Applications for San Diego Workforce Partnership's CONNECT2Careers (C2C) program are now being accepted at <http://c2csd.org>. C2C aligns young adults' career aspirations and educational backgrounds with community-minded businesses to create meaningful **paid** sum-

mer work experiences aimed at preparing them for 21st-century jobs. In the fall of 2012, the City of San Diego—through the support of the Mayor's office and multiple city council districts—awarded the San Diego Workforce Partnership (SDWP) funding to reinvigorate and re-imagine its summer employment program,

formerly known as Hire-A-Youth. C2C participants take part in work-readiness training that addresses communication, professionalism, teamwork and other workplace skills so they are ready for the workplace. For more information, please call 619-228-2927 or visit <http://c2csd.org>.

Sherri Around Town



Left to right, from top: 1. Sherri attended the ground breaking for the new I-5 Genesee Ave. Interchange, which will help reduce gridlock in the UCSD and UTC areas. 2. Sherri joined former Mayor Sanders and Congressman Peters to welcome Lytx, a San Diego company, to District One. 3. Sherri proclaimed the fourth week in February as Engineers Week in the City of San Diego to celebrate how engineers make a difference in our world, and recognize them for their hard work and dedication. 4. Sherri proclaimed March 10th as Bird Rock Elementary Day. Bird Rock Elementary has earned recognition from the California Business for Education Excellence Foundation Honor Roll and was honored as a California Distinguished School. 5. Sherri spoke at the 77th Fire Academy Graduation, and commended our firefighters for providing such a vital service to our communities. 6. Sherri attended the groundbreaking for Cielo Carmel, a new affordable housing community being built in Pacific Highlands Ranch.

Local Business: CrossRoads Deli

Sherri likes to regularly highlight a new or unique business in Council District One.

This month's selection:

What: CrossRoads Deli

Where: 9085 Judicial Dr #100, UTC, La Jolla Crossroads Apartment Complex. Closed Sundays.

What you'll find: A vast assortment of sandwiches, salads and soups, plus daily specials such

as "Test Kitchen Thursdays" and "Falafel Friday." They also feature a coffee bar and breakfast menu (sandwiches and burritos).

Note: The deli is in a large apartment complex, so parking can be tricky, but there are visitor spaces.

For information: Visit www.ljxdeli.com or contact them at (858) 458-0921 or via email at CrossroadsDeliSD@Gmail.com.



The popular Jamaican Jerk Chicken Sandwich is one of many specials offered at CrossRoads Deli.

Working Hard for You and Your District One Neighbors

Work Requests Completed by City Crews in District One

- Pothole patched on Calle Majorca at the intersection of Buckingham Dr.
- Potholes filled at Avenida Chamnez and Via Espana.
- The sidewalk at 1216 Cave St. was repaired with an asphalt patch.
- Graffiti removed from Genesee Ave. bridge near UCHS.
- Replaced light bulb in basketball courts at Carmel Valley Rec Center.
- Work has begun on the Torrey Pines View Corridor. Shrubbery trimming has commenced, and fence replacement will begin in late March.

Upcoming Events

Wednesday, March 18th: La Jolla Shores Undergrounding Meeting. 6:00-8:00 pm, Sumner Auditorium, Scripps Institution of Oceanography.

Thursday, March 19th: Grand Opening of the Japanese Friendship Garden Inamori Pavilion. 5:00-7:00pm, Balboa Park. FREE.

Saturday, March 21st: San Diego Festival of Science and Engineering Expo Day! 10:00am-5:00pm. Petco Park. www.lovestemsd.org. FREE.

Friday, March 27th: Trader Joe's Grand Opening. 8:00am. Pacific Highlands Ranch (Carmel Valley). FREE.



Friday, March 27th: Solana Ranch Park Grand Opening. 1:30pm. Pacific Highlands Ranch. FREE.

Saturday, April 4th: First Robotics Competition. 8:00am-6:00pm. Valley View Casino Center (Sports Arena). FREE.

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Important City Department Contact Numbers

Need help with an issue in your neighborhood? Here are some important City numbers you can call, or please don't hesitate to contact Sherri's office for assistance.

Emergency (Police, Fire, Medical)	911
Non-Emergency Police (Minor crime report)	619-531-2000
Graffiti Removal	619-525-8522
Pothole Repair	619-527-7500
Street Lights	619-527-7500
Illegal Dumping	858-694-7000
Missed Trash Pick Up	858-694-7000
Neighborhood Code Compliance	619-236-5500
Building Permit Information	619-446-5000
Lifeguard Information	619-221-8899
Traffic Division	619-495-7800
Dead Animal Pick-Up/Animal Control	619-767-2675
Abandoned Vehicle	619-531-2000