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## **MAYOR JERRY SANDERS FACT SHEET**

### **COUNCIL VOTE OFFICIALLY LAUNCHES CITY'S MANAGED COMPETITION PROGRAM**

*Publishing Services function prepared for competitive bidding*

Aiding Mayor Jerry Sanders' aggressive agenda to streamline city operations, increase accountability and reduce pension costs, the San Diego City Council unanimously approved the Preliminary Statement of Work for Publishing Services – officially launching the first managed competition process since the voters approved the initiative in 2006.

“Today’s vote was an early and important step in the managed competition process for this function,” Sanders said. “It signifies that we’re honoring the desires our citizens voiced clearly when they overwhelmingly approved managed competition four years ago.”

The preliminary statement of work defines the current level of service, which will help determine what level of service the city will require from bidders, which will include city employees. Publishing Services this year had a budget this fiscal year of \$5.84 million and 25 full-time employees to provide graphic design, printing, bindery and reprographic services to city departments.

The Fleet Services function is scheduled to go to council committee next month in preparation for managed competition.

Today’s approval was the second unanimous vote in two days that enables the city to engage in money-saving competitive bidding. Yesterday, the City Council voted on a contract that will pave the way for bidding out the city’s \$37 million information technology services, which is currently provided by the city-owned San Diego Data Processing Corp.

Since taking office in 2005, Mayor Sanders has taken aggressive action to reform city government. He instituted a top-down restructuring of every city department, eliminated more than 1,400 positions, implemented compensation reductions for city employees and created a less costly pension system. To date, Sanders’ reform measures have produced a taxpayer savings of more than \$180 million a year.

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