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San Diego Kicks Off Community Conversations About Next Police Chief

CITY WELCOMES RESIDENTS TO SHARE PRIORITIES VIA CITYWIDE WORKSHOPS AND ONLINE SURVEY

SAN DIEGO – San Diegans are encouraged to participate in the City of San Diego’s search for its next Chief of Police. Public input will be gathered during six community conversation workshops throughout the City and through an [online](#) survey, which is now available.

“The police chief serves all of San Diego and so it is important that every resident has the opportunity to have their voice heard as we conduct this search,” said Mayor Kevin Faulconer. “This survey is just one of several ways San Diegans can participate in the selection process and I encourage everyone to participate.”

The first community conversation workshop is scheduled to begin at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 23 at the Jacobs Center for Neighborhood Innovation, 404 Euclid Ave. The full workshop schedule is below and available [online](#).

“It is important for the community to come out and voice their thoughts on what qualities, principles, values and effective leadership skills they want in their next police chief,” said Council President Myrtle Cole.

The community conversations will be structured similarly to successful workshops held by other cities in their police chief recruitment processes. The workshops will feature discussions with small groups and then a large group conversation led by a facilitator to provide an opportunity for input from all interested attendees.

Spanish translation services will be available at every workshop. Additional language services will be available as noted below.

Saturday, Sept. 23, 2017 - 1 p.m.

Jacobs Center for Neighborhood Innovation

404 Euclid Ave.
San Diego, CA 92114

Tuesday, Sept. 26, 2017 - 6 p.m.

Mira Mesa Senior Center

8460 Mira Mesa Blvd.
San Diego, CA 92126

Thursday, Sept. 28, 2017 - 6 p.m.

San Diego LGBT Community Center

3909 Centre St.
San Diego, CA 92103

Note: An American Sign Language (ASL) interpreter will be providing interpretation at this workshop.

Wednesday, Oct. 4, 2017 - 6 p.m.

Mid-City Gym

4302 Landis St.
San Diego, CA 92105

Note: East African language interpretation is being coordinated with community members.

Thursday, Oct. 5, 2017 - 6 p.m.

Standley Recreation Center

3585 Governor Drive
San Diego, CA 92122

Tuesday, Oct. 10, 2017 - 6 p.m.

Col. Irving Salomon San Ysidro Community Activity Center

179 Diza Road
San Diego, CA 92173

San Diego Charter section 57 provides that the Police Chief is appointed by the Mayor and the appointment is confirmed by a majority of the City Council. The community forums are being conducted solely by Mayoral staff, to assist the Mayor with his decision making in appointing the City's next Police Chief. The community forums are not being conducted by the San Diego City Council or by any City of San Diego Board or Commission.

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