

## OFFICE OF INTERIM MAYOR TODD GLORIA CITY OF SAN DIEGO

## MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** October 22, 2013

**TO:** Honorable City Councilmembers

**FROM:** Interim Mayor Todd Gloria

**SUBJECT:** Appointment of the Chief Operating Officer

Due to the resignation of Interim Chief Operating Officer Walt Ekard, I am appointing Scott Chadwick to be the City of San Diego's Chief Operating Officer effective October 31, 2013, subject to confirmation by the City Council.

San Diego Charter section 265(i) provides that "during the period of time when an appointment or election is pending to fill a vacancy in the Office of Mayor, the presiding officer of the Council shall be vested with the authority to...direct and exercise control over the City Manager in managing the affairs of the City under the purview of Mayor..." Pursuant to Charter Section 265(b)(7), that includes the authority to appoint the City Manager, subject to Council confirmation.

Scott Chadwick currently serves as the Assistant Chief Operating Officer and held the position of Acting Chief Operating Officer earlier in 2013. Mr. Chadwick's almost 10 year tenure at the City of San Diego has included work as a Labor Relations Officer, as the Labor Relations Director, and as the Human Resources Director. Prior to joining the workforce at the City, he served in the United States Army, received his Bachelor of Arts from Purdue University, and was a Business Representative for AFSCME, Local 127.

Mr. Chadwick's mastery of City issues and operations, his calm leadership style, his positive working relationship with and respect for City employees, and his ongoing dedication to delivering high quality service to San Diegans make him the right choice for Chief Operating Officer.

I appreciate his partnership moving the City forward and look forward to your confirmation of Scott Chadwick as our Chief Operating Officer.

cc: Honorable City Attorney Jan Goldsmith Andrea Tevlin, Independent Budget Analyst Liz Maland, City Clerk