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## **Media Advisory**

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### **Council President Sherri Lightner Announces the First Meeting of the Charter Review Committee**

SAN DIEGO --- San Diego City Council President Sherri Lightner is pleased to announce the commencement of the Charter Review Committee today.

“I am pleased to announce that the first meeting of the Charter Review Committee will take place today. My Council colleagues and I have been working on forming this committee since 2013, and we are looking forward to making significant progress in preparing Charter updates for the ballot this year,” Council President Lightner stated.

**WHAT:** Charter Review Committee Meeting

**WHO:** Sherri S. Lightner, Chair, Council President, District 1  
Chris Cate, Vice Chair, Councilmember, District 6  
Mark Kersey, Councilmember, District 5  
Marti Emerald, Councilmember, District 9

**WHEN:** Thursday, January 15, 2015 at 2:00 p.m.

**WHERE:** City of San Diego  
City Administration Building (CAB)  
Committee Room, 12<sup>th</sup> Floor  
202 C Street  
San Diego, CA 92101

The agenda for today’s meeting will include a report from the City Clerk’s office on the history of the City of San Diego’s charter updates, and a report from the Independent Budget Analyst’s

office comparing charter updates undertaken by other large cities and jurisdictions in California, including the County of San Diego.

All meetings will be open to the public. The City is currently soliciting input from all Councilmembers and city departments on which provisions of the Charter they would most like to see changed or improved. The City will also be soliciting input from the general public and will be including a link on the city's homepage where the public can submit feedback. They can also provide their suggestions to [sherrilightner@sandiego.gov](mailto:sherrilightner@sandiego.gov).

“We are looking forward to receiving feedback and recommendations for improvement from Councilmembers, city departments and the public. The Charter impacts the City as a whole, so suggestions on revising it and bringing it into the 21<sup>st</sup> Century will be greatly appreciated. Our goal is to ensure that our Charter is easy to read and understand, promotes openness and transparency, and helps our city government to function better,” Council President Lightner concluded.

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