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- Carmel Valley
- Del Mar Heights
- Del Mar Mesa
- La Jolla
- Pacific Highlands Ranch
- Torrey Hills
- Torrey Pines
- University City



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Budget Priorities for Fiscal Year 2017

The FY 2017 Budget season is upon us, and I will continue to advocate for a budget that prioritizes services that will improve the quality of life for District One constituents and all San Diego residents.

In my FY17 Budget Priorities Memo, I have requested funding to improve public safety in District One. This includes converting the South University City FAST response squad to a temporary fire station that is staffed 24/7. I have also requested funding for a temporary fire station in Torrey Hills, a FAST response squad for Torrey Pines, and an additional Park Ranger to patrol our Shoreline Parks, including the Torrey Pines Gliderport, to enforce rules and improve public safety.

I am also requesting funding to continue the application of odor-neutralizing treatments at Connect2Careers program. La Jolla Cove.

I will continue to request that community services be brought & Culture Commission, the back to pre-recession levels. I would like to see all recreation center hours back at full-time operation. Additionally, community swimming pools, such as Swanson Pool and Carmel Valley Pool, need increased funding to operate at pre-

recession levels.

I would also like to see more funding for youth services and education-related programs. This includes funding for the San Diego Festival of Science and Engineering and San Diego Workforce Partnership

Finally, the Council should prioritize funding for the Arts Climate Action Plan, and infrastructure improvements, including streets, sidewalks and streetlights.

Please see the City's website at www.sandiego.gov/cityclerk for upcoming Budget Hearings and information.

Voting for President in the June Primary Election

If you are registered as a nonpartisan voter and you receive your ballot by mail, the Registrar of Voters wants you to know that presidential candidates will not be listed on your ballot. The Registrar's office is sending out more than 300,000 postcards to nonpartisan vote-by-mail voters this month to let them know that they have choices.

Nonpartisan voters can request a primary ballot for the American Independent, Democratic, or Libertarian parties because they allow nonpartisan voters to take

part in their primary presidential elections. Selecting one of these political party ballots will not permanently change your party registration. To participate, choose which of the party ballots you'd like to receive for the primary on the postage paid postcard and return it by April 13, 2016.

Conversely, the Green, Peace and Freedom, and Republican parties allow only registered members of their parties to take part in their presidential primary elections. If you want to vote for the presidential candidate of one of

these political parties, you will need to re-register with that party before May 23, 2016. You can re-register to vote online. If your signature is confirmed through Department of Motor Vehicles records, it will automatically be sent to the Registrar of Voters office. If the signature is not confirmed, print the form, sign it and mail it to the **<u>Registrar</u>**, or drop it off in person in Kearny Mesa at 5600 Overland Ave, San Diego, CA, 92123.

For additional information, call (858) 565-5800 or visit sdvote.com.

Charter Review Committee Updates and Upcoming Agendas



The City's original Charter on display as part of the City's historical collection.

At the March 2nd meeting, the Committee considered salary setting for elected officials. The Committee agreed that elected officials should not be put in a position to approve their own salaries and that a neutral, standard mechanism to adjust salaries is preferable. Yet, differences of opinions existed between decision-makers on which mechanism to use and how it should be implement-

ed. Since no decisions were made, the Committee will reconsider this issue at a future meeting.

March 23 at 9:00 a.m., the Rules Committee will consider Affordable Rental Units, a proposed bond to build fire stations, a proposed ordinance regarding public business conducted on private devices, and a revised ticket policy for the City boxes at Qualcomm and Petco Park.

On April 20, the Committee will discuss the Citizen's Review Board on Police Practices and improvements to the City's purchasing and contracting practices.

Watch the Charter Committee meetings on City TV, and see Committee documents and meeting schedules online. Send comments to charterreview@sandiego.gov or call (619) 236-6611.



The Mid-Coast Trolley Project will bring trolley service to University City.

The Mid-Coast Trolley will extend light rail service from the Santa Fe Depot in Downtown San Diego to the Univer- na Boulevard and along porsity City community, serving major activity centers such as Old Town, UC San Diego, and Westfield UTC. Its service is anticipated to begin in 2021.

In order to make way for the construction of this trolley extension project, crews have underground systems. The begun relocating underground utilities such as water and sewer lines. Work has

been underway and will continue along Balboa Avenue from Santa Fe Street to Moretions of Genesee Avenue near the intersection with Eastgate Mall.

University City Mid-Coast Trolley Project Updates

The water and sewer relocation work includes opening sections of the street to identify and move portions of the majority of the work will be performed at night to minimize impacts to traffic, so

there may be some nighttime lane closures or detours. Additionally, some traffic controls may be in place while crews are working.

Access to driveways will be maintained for all residents and businesses in the area throughout the project.

For more information, email midcoast@sandag.org or visit www.KeepSanDiegoMoving.c om/midcoast or call SANDAG at (877) 379-0110.



The Bridges to Education program gives students real-world STEM projects.

Achieving Civic Engagement with "Bridges to Education"

On February 22, Mayor Faulconer and Councilmembers Sherman and Cate joined Sherri in the debut of several student projects aimed at repurposing the former downtown library into a veteran's center.

Through Sherri's "Bridges to Education" program, the City supplied juniors at the Stanley E. Foster School of Engineering, Innovation and Design at the Kearny Educational Complex with a real-world

architecture project that combined principles the students were learning with a current City initiative. Sherri's office connected the students with "Courage to Call," a local veteran's service, and allowed students full access to library facilities and staff. City staff then mentored students and provided feedback on their design solutions, some of which included a dormitory for vets in transition, a women's center, and a meditation

room.

A mentorship relationship with the city reinforces students' civic engagement, strengthens student learning, and allows city staff to educate and foster the next generation of San Diego's workforce.

For more information or to nominate a school for next year's program, please email sherrilightner@sandiego.gov.

Sherri Around Town



Left to right, from top: **1.** Sherri enjoyed meeting the innovative math teachers who wrote and performed math rap songs at the Festival of Science and Engineering. **2.** To promote literacy, Sherri participated in Read Across America and read to pre-K students at All Saints Preschool in University City. **3.** Sherri attended the FIRST Robotics competition, which encourages high school students to engage in an engineering challenge and builds students' leadership skills. **4.** To celebrate the kick-off of National Engineers Week, Sherri presented a proclamation to engineers from across San Diego County. **5.** Sherri attended the La Jolla Historical Society's re-enactment of the famous "Cows on the Beach" photograph in La Jolla Shores. The "Cows" photo is one of the most popular pictures in the La Jolla Historical Society archival collection and was taken in 1906.

Local Business Spotlight: Tender Greens UTC

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

<u>This month's selection</u>: Tender Greens

What: A fine casual restaurant with a farm-to-fork philosophy

Where: 4545 La Jolla Village Dr., Ste. E17, San Diego, CA 92122 (UTC)

What you'll find: Serving fresh and healthy dishes at an affordable price, Tender Greens prides itself on using the highest quality ingredients sourced from local ranchers and purveyors. They offer a laid back atmosphere, outdoor patio, and modern design made from sustainable products and decorated by local artists.

Best of all, its Sustainable Life Project helps emancipated foster youth become empowered, self-sufficient adults.

Contact: (858) 455-9395, www.tendergreens.com



Located in UTC, Tender Greens boasts sustainably farmed foods and a seasonal menu.

Upcoming Spring Community Events

Carmel Valley Spring Egg Hunt: Carmel Valley Community Park, Saturday, March 19 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.— For more information, call (858) 552-1616.

Spring Egg Hunt: Doyle Rec Center, Wednesday, March 23 from 12:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.— For more information, call (858) 552-1612.

Spring Egg Hunt: Nobel Park & Rec Center, Thursday, March 24 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.— Baskets provided for all children. For more information, call (858) 552-1626.

Spring Egg Hunt: La Jolla Rec Center, Saturday, March 26 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.— \$5 per child for activities. Egg hunt is free. For more information, call (858) 552-1658.

Torrey Hills Spring Egg Hunt: Torrey Hills Community Park, Saturday, March 26, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.— More information, call (858) 552-1687.

Spring Activity Week: La Jolla Rec Center, March 28-30 from 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.—Arts & crafts, reptile show, and ice cream social. Ages 2 1/2-10 years old. \$5 per child per day. For more information, call (858) 552-1658.

<u>Spring-tastic Arts & Crafts</u>: Doyle Rec Center, *March 28-29 from* **10:00** a.m. to **12:00** p.m.— Free arts & crafts for children ages 3-10 years old. For more information, call (858) 552-1612.



STEAM 2 Spring Break Camp: Carmel Valley Rec Center, April 4-8 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.— Spring break camp focused on Entomology, Botany, Space Science, Geology and Marine Science for children ages 4-9. \$150 for the week. For more information, visit steam2academy.org.



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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 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
Think Blue/Storm Water Hotline	619-235-1000
Public Utilities Department Leak Line	619-515-3525