

# MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** January 16, 2015

TO: Councilmember Mark Kersey, Infrastructure Committee Chair

**FROM:** Councilmember Lorie Zapf, District 2

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SUBJECT: Infrastructure Committee Priorities 2015

### **Coastal Infrastructure Assessment**

As the newest representative of District 2, I would like to have this committee study the needs in our coastal communities when it comes to infrastructure. An assessment of these needs would be invaluable to ensuring that one of our most visited regions has the resources it needs to deal with issues regarding erosion of our coastal bluffs and cliffs, increased beach destination traffic, coastal flooding, and general wear and tear as it impacts those who work and live in the area. Our beaches and bays are a destination point for people all over the world and to study their continued impacts on our infrastructure could benefit the City as we continue to address the issue.

# **Pump Stations**

The committee should continue to receive reports regarding funding needs and assessments for pump stations throughout the City. Of the 14 pump stations currently being operated by the Storm Water Division, 6 were constructed over 70 years ago. While improvements are being made, continuing to provide new condition assessments on these stations is critical as possible shutdowns and pump failures could have severe environmental consequences and potential fines imposed upon the City. Because of that, we need to be updated regularly and follow the Watershed Asset Management Plan to ensure that these pump stations are a priority and look into federal programs that can offset the cost of implementing upgrades.

# **Multi-Year Capital Plan**

Continuing to update and implement the multi-year capital plan will be critical in addressing our long-term infrastructure assets needs. It will also continue to serve as a guiding document for the Capital Improvement Projects and the prioritization of those projects. I will look forward to the FY 2016 – 2020 Consolidated Multi-Year Capital Planning Report coming to the committee and for more public input on how to best implement infrastructure results for San Diego.

# 1,000 Miles of Street Repair

The Infrastructure committee should bring forth items that support our Mayor's ambitious goal of repairing more than 1,000 miles of streets in our City over the next five years. I am happy to see this new initiative and promising vision by our Mayor as we continue to work to fix San Diego.

### **Implementing Levels of Service and Performance Measures**

The committee should request reports on how levels of service are determined and begin to look at better ways to implement performance measures when it comes to infrastructure. It is important that we set baselines and use quantifiable data as a way to prioritize repairs to our aging infrastructure to ensure that we continue to address this problem. One example would be to have at least 75% of our roads in "good condition" at any given time. By doing this, we can begin to hold our City accountable and allow for repair schedules to be created on a rolling basis.

cc: Mayor Kevin Faulconer City Councilmembers