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Councilmember Georgette Gómez Named Vice Chair for Select Committee on Homelessness

SAN DIEGO – Today, the City Council took action on establishing a temporary special issues council committee named the Select Committee on Homelessness. In its formation, Councilmember Georgette Gómez was appointed Vice Chair of the committee.

In a statement, Councilmember Gómez said, "This committee is an important first step towards truly addressing the homelessness crisis in our City. We need bold leadership to fully address this crisis and I look forward to working with my colleagues on moving San Diego in the right direction."

Councilmember Chris Ward (D3) leads the committee as Chair, and is joined by Councilmembers Lori Zapf (D2) and Chris Cate (D6).

The Select Committee on Homelessness will primarily work to clarify and strengthen the City's role in addressing homelessness. Detailed discussions will focus on current programs, new programs and solutions, funding mechanisms, various City departments' efforts to address homelessness, and updating the City's Comprehensive Homeless Council Policy 000-51, established in 1995.

The Committee is set to deliberate on issues around homelessness until June 2018, at which point the City Council can extend the Committee's existence for six additional months.

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