

Fiscal Year 2019 Budget Gets Approved!

On June 11, the City Council approved the Fiscal Year 2019 Budget, now signed by the mayor. The adopted version includes \$8 million for homeless services, \$76 million for streets, \$154 million for projects and programs related to the Climate Action Plan, \$28.3 million for police recruitment and retention, \$2.3 million for streetlights; \$882,000 more for tree trimming; \$400,000 for five additional code compliance positions;



\$300,000 for more graffiti abatement, and \$100,000 more for Library Programing.

After holding a Budget Town Hall in May, Councilmember Gómez heard about the importance of these programs and services for our communities and is please to have secured funding for more street lights, road repair, library programing, tree trimming, and code compliance officers.

Below are some highlights of the budget and its impact to our district. For more information on the budget, visit www.sandiego.gov/cd9/FY19.

Addressing Housing & Homelessness



- **\$300,000** for Companion Unit Fee Waiver **\$7.7 million** for Homeless Services, including:
- **\$3.3 million** for temporary bridge shelters
- **\$40,000** for Expansion of the San Diego Misdemeanants At Risk Track (S.M.A.R.T.) Program

Installing more Street Lights

- **\$555,000** for Kensington Street Light Modernization
- Allocated funding for lights at 42nd St. & Myrtle Ave., Swift Ave. from Wightman St. to Landis St., along University Ave. from Fairmount Ave. to Euclid Ave., and at Seminole Dr.

Making our Streets Safer & More Walkable

- **\$16.8 million** to improve deadliest intersections
- **\$535,000** for pedestrian improvements in D9.
- Sidewalk construction projects in College Area, City Heights, and Southcrest.

Protecting Neighborhood Services

• \$4.2 million in litter abatement & Code Enforcement

Supporting our Libraries, Arts & Culture

- **\$14.5 million** for Arts & Culture
- \$1.8 million for D9 Libraries

Investing in Public Safety

\$150,000 for Fairmount Fire Station

Maintaining Our Parks and Recreation Services

- **\$1.3 million** for facility repairs in D9, including:
 - Colina Del Sol Community Park
 - Mountain View Community Park
 - Southcrest Community Park
 - Willie Henderson Sports Complex

Promoting Economic Prosperity

 \$675,000 for CONNECT2Careers Program, a program to connect residents with work opportunities.

Protecting Our Environment

\$68,971 for dedicated staff to improve tracking the City's Implementation of the Climate Action Plan

Promoting Government Efficiency

• \$132,332 for Citywide Grants Coordinator



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Out In The Community



Councilmember Gómez reads to students at Edison **Elementary School.**





Councilmember Gómez helps kick off the first meeting of Viet Vote to help engage our Vietnamese community members.

Councilmember Gómez talks about the benefits of California Gas Tax, bringing money to our district.

Office Hours - Every Friday

Weekly office hours every Friday from 2:30 to 6 p.m. at the City Heights Rec Center, by the tennis courts. 4380 Landis St. Drop on by, no appointment neces-

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Check Out Our Calendar!

Don't miss events happening in the District or around town. Check out our calendar at www.sandiego.gov/cd9/calendar. See you out in the community!

Your Community Reps

Kelvin Barrios (619) 236-7042 kbarrios@sandiego.gov Fairmount Village, Azalea Park, Castle, Cherokee Point, Teralta East & West, Colina Park, Corridor, Fox Canyon,

> **Gloria Cruz Cardenas** (619) 236-6681

and Hollywood Park

gcardenas@sandiego.gov Ridgeview, Chollas Creek, Swan Canyon, Islenair, Fairmount Park, Bayridge, Southcrest, Mountain View, Mt. Hope

Roberto C. Torres (619) 533-4774 robertot@sandiego.gov College Area, College View Estates, Alvarado Estates

Christopher "Stopher" Vallejo (619) 236-6725 cvallejo@sandiego.gov El Cerrito & Rolando

Matt Yagyagan (619) 533-5897 myagyagan@sandiego.gov Kensington & Talmadge

District 9 Highlight: Troy Murphee

Troy Murphee has been a strong advocate in San Diego. She retired from Sweetwater Authority as their first ever Environmental and Watershed Coor-



dinator and was a member of the Association of Environmental Professionals. She also previously served on the Board of Directors for "People for Trees" in San Diego.

Troy currently serves as Co-Chair of the Mesa Colonies community group, board member on the College Area Community Council and Planning Board, and District Nine representative for the Community Forest Advisory Board for the City.

Troy earned her B.A in Geography from San Diego State University and has a broad history of community activism in San Diego. Thank you for all your work Troy!

Committee Continues Discussion on Housing

On May 21, Councilmember Gómez held a Smart Growth & Land Use (SGLU) Committee meeting, where the San Diego Housing Commission pre-



sented the current status of affordable housing and how the City currently preserve affordable housing stock.

After much discussion, Councilmember Gómez asked the Housing Commission and Planning Department to put together a comprehensive list of affordable housing units which have expiring affordable housing regulations and ways to prevent them from becoming market rate housing units.

Housing is one of Councilmember Gómez's top priorities, and the conversation on housing will continue at the SGLU committee on June 27 at 2 p.m. in the Council Committee Room at City Hall.

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