



Need Help Finding Resources? The County's 2-1-1 System can help, in many languages. Call 211 on your phone or visit <https://211sandiego.org/>  
 For City of San Diego COVID-19 updates, visit: <https://www.sandiego.gov/coronavirus>

Dear San Diego Residents,

Last week, San Diego County issued a [new health order](#) requiring all residents to wear a face covering when going out in public beginning on Friday, May 1.

**Looking for face coverings in District Nine?**

- The Little Saigon Foundation is offering free masks. [Email](#) them or call/text them at (619) 362-6063. Thank you to the Little Saigon Foundation for this generosity to all our neighbors!
- Also, contact your favorite neighborhood tailoring shop to see if they are making face coverings and you can support their business. For example, [LK Fashion Boutik](#) on El Cajon Boulevard is making some with beautiful patterned fabric. Contact them at (619) 218-9686.



**Limited Park, Trail, and Beach Reopenings**

Last week, Mayor Faulconer opened City of San Diego [community and neighborhood parks](#), as well as certain trails in Open Space parks, for passive purposes only (walking, jogging, or hiking). Park parking lots remain closed and park patrons should only be visiting parks that are within walking distance from their neighborhoods. A list of District Nine parks that are open is [on my website](#) along with other COVID-19 resources.

[Phase One](#) of the beach reopening process began yesterday. Please maintain social distancing and wear a facial covering when out in public.

**Friday, April 24**, I sent a [letter](#) to Governor Newsom asking him to join me in denouncing the response to the COVID-19 outbreak at the Otay Mesa Detention Center and calling for the federal government to take action to protect ill and vulnerable detainees:

**Join us Thursday, April 30, at 6:00 p.m.** for a Special Evening Meeting to hear from the public on the upcoming FY2021 City budget that goes into effect on July 1. **We want to hear from you!** Earlier this week, the Mayor presented his [proposed budget](#) to the City Council giving a starting point for this process.

The COVID-19 pandemic has created a budget crisis for the city that will require extremely difficult decisions.

On Friday, April 24, I sent a [memo](#) to the Mayor stating that as the City begins its budget process, we must ensure that we are maximizing federal CARES Act funding (\$248 million) to minimize service and staffing cuts.

As the calendar shows, there will be [several hearings](#) for you to make your voice heard. In normal times, this would involve the opportunity for you to talk to us in person. Unfortunately, we can't do that this year - but we will make sure you can provide input. We want to know what your priorities are.

**Provide public comment** via online form, via telephone, or via email. Instructions are [here](#).

**Every Friday**, join me on Twitter and Facebook for a Live update at 5:30 in English and 5:45 in Spanish.

In Solidarity,

Office of Council President  
**SD Georgette Gómez**

**FY21 Budget Review – Key Dates**

- *Wed., April 29 – Independent Budget Analyst Releases Review of Mayor's Budget*
- *Thurs., April 30, 6 p.m. – Budget Review Committee Hearing on the Budget*
- *Mon. - Fri., May 4 - 8, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. – Budget Review, Department by Department*
- *Mon., May 11, 6 p.m. – City Council Receives Public Input on the Budget*
- *Thurs., May 21, 2 p.m. – Budget Review Committee Hearing on May Revise*
- *Mon., June 8, 2 p.m. – City Council Adopts Final FY 2021 Budget*

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