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Dear San Diego Residents,

Before I was Council President, I was a community organizer and a crisis counselor. I believe in the power of connection.

Last Sunday, I stood between protestors and police to create space for dialogue and to make sure that the people's voice was not silenced. We need to invest in communities and in all the things that provide for lives lived with dignity, respect, and safety.

We need to create the change that is so necessary in these times. I stand with you to do the work.



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Last week:

- **Carotid Restraint:** I stood with Councilmember Monica Montgomery, Mayor Faulconer, and San Diego Police Chief David Nisleit as the City announced the immediate elimination of the use of the carotid restraint. This is a long-overdue critical step. I am committed to continuing the work to hold our institutions accountable to equal justice and treatment of all residents with dignity and respect.
- **Resolution Denouncing Xenophobia and Anti-Asian Racism:** The City Council approved [a resolution to denounce xenophobia and anti-Asian racism](#) arising due to fears of the COVID-19 pandemic and affirming the City's commitment to the well-being and safety of the Asian Pacific Islander communities. I am proud to have worked with the San Diego Asian Pacific Islander Coalition on this resolution.
- **Independent Police Practices Commission Ballot Measure:** I announced that the [Independent Police Practices Commission measure](#) will be heard at the **June 23** Council meeting. I am calling on my Council colleagues to approve placing the measure on the November ballot.
 I thank my colleague Councilmember Monica Montgomery for being a driving force behind this measure since its introduction. It is time.
- **Immediate and Thorough Investigation:** Last Thursday evening, plainclothes San Diego Police detectives [pulled a woman into an unmarked vehicle and threatened to shoot protesters](#) asking who they were and what they were doing. I have [called for an immediate and thorough investigation](#) into this incident, and for the officer who threatened to kill unarmed protesters to be placed on leave. It is incredibly disturbing to hear police officers threaten people's lives.

This week:

- **FY2021 Budget:** The City Council will be having the final discussion on the FY2021 Budget tomorrow, June 8, beginning at 11:00 a.m.
 I encourage you to [participate via email or phone call](#). The budget is **Item 602**.
- On Tuesday, the Council will be holding a meeting on [regular City business](#).
- On Wednesday, the Rules Committee will take the next steps to decide what citizen's measures will be placed on the November ballot.

Office of Council President
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Join our final discussion on the City Budget

Have your say!
Item # 602 🖱️

Monday, June 8
11 a.m.

PHONE-IN TESTIMONY

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☎️ Dial 619-541-6310

📞 Enter Access Code 877861 then press #

🔊 Listen and wait until you hear, "Your phone has been un-muted."

🗣️ When it's your turn, state your name and make your comments. When finished, hang up.

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

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