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City of San Diego Adding Second Trash and Recycling Pickup in Mission Beach

WASTE COLLECTION SUPPORTS CITY'S ENVIRONMENTAL EFFORTS AND REDUCES SUMMER FLY INFESTATION

SAN DIEGO – Just in time for the start of the summer season, the City of San Diego is announcing additional trash and recycling pickup for Mission Beach. The City's \$4.6 billion budget for fiscal year 2022 includes added funding for twice weekly trash and recycling collection in the Mission Beach community, a high-density area that attracts large summer crowds.

The Environmental Services Department will increase trash routes beginning the week of Tuesday, July 6, and will continue through Saturday, Sept. 25. The second weekly pick-up will take place on Saturdays.

High tourist turnover brings an increase in trash to the beach areas, creating a breeding ground for flies. To address the need, the City Council included funding for the additional collections that were not previously funded in the fiscal year 2021 budget.

"I am pleased the budget includes funding for a second scheduled residential refuse collection in Mission Beach. The modest investment is very important for this community and the environment, especially as our beaches see an increase in visitors and an influx of trash," said City Council President Jennifer Campbell.

Residents and businesses in Mission Beach will be notified of the second collection schedule. The City will collect residential trash (black refuse bins) twice per week on Tuesdays and Saturdays, with the added collection beginning on Saturday, July 10.

Recycling collection (blue recycling bins) will begin a twice weekly pickup schedule starting Tuesday, July 6.

To ensure your trash is collected on your designated collection day, follow these important steps:

- Place waste containers in the street or alley at the point of collection no later than 6 a.m. on collection days.
- Take in trash bins as soon as possible.
- Park in legal spaces only (no alley parking) to allow space for trash and recycling collection.
- Bag and seal trash bags within the black refuse bins.

- Do not bag recyclables placed in blue bins.
- Keep waste container lids closed to discourage flies.
- Replace broken containers and/or cracked container lids.
- Do not overfill containers.
- Rinse recyclables to remove food remains prior to placing in the blue bin.
- Keep containers in cool dark locations away from bright sunlight.

For assistance or questions about trash and recycling pickup, contact Environmental Services at 858-694-7000 or trash@sandiego.gov. The City is actively hiring for Sanitation Drivers to meet trash and recycling collection needs. Want to join the team? Apply [online](#) at sandiego.gov/cityjobs.

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