# **CAMPBELL CHRONICLES**

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# DE ANZA COVE UPDATE





Photo and Map: De Anza Cove

Progress is being made in moving towards revitalizing De Anza Cove. The San Diego City Planning Commission unanimously approved the De Anza Natural Plan to the Mission Bay Park Master Plan, signaling progress in the revitalization of the De Anza Cove, which includes four Project Goals:

- Expand wetlands for habitat, public enjoyment, climate resilience, and water quality benefits.
- Create an iconic recreation destination that maximizes the benefit offered to the region by this extraordinary waterfront amenity.
- Provide for the highest and best use of the project area to serve the needs of a broad range of local and regional users.
- Identify a mix of uses that will provide sustainable revenue-generating leaseholds for the City.

The proposal is expected to be reviewed by a city council committee early next year.

# OCEAN BEACH LIBRARY



Photo: OB Library

The Ocean Beach Library expansion project is one step closer to moving forward. Last week, the City Council greenlit the acceptance and approval of a crucial federal grant from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development earmarked for the OB Library. This grant adds \$4 million to the OB Library expansion project. It will enhance one of the oldest libraries in the San Diego Public Library Branch System. The older part of the OB Library will be remodeled and expanded, adding community meeting space, and a children's section. For more information, visit: **OB Library Expansion Project** 

# MISSION BAY PLAYGROUND RE-OPENING





Photos: Ribbon Cutting Ceremony.

After a year of redesigning the Tecolote Shores South Playground, it was an honor to reopen it with a ribbon-cutting ceremony last week. The playground is the first in the city to achieve inclusivity for everyone, introducing unique features like Braille

signage, a fully accessible merry-go-round, rockers, swings, a zipline, shades over the play structures, picnic shelters that offer protection from the sun, new lighting, landscaping, irrigation, restrooms, parking lot, and enhancements along the Mission Bay Bike Path. I want to especially thank Rania Amen, Department Director of Engineering & Capital Projects, Andy Field, Director of Parks and Recreation, Kevin Nguyen, Project Manager for the City, and city staff who worked on the project for their dedicated efforts in bringing this transformative project to life.

# ROAD REPAIRS CLAIREMONT





Photos: Road repairs in Clairemont.

More Clairemont streets are undergoing slurry seal repairs, enhancing our roads and neighborhoods. You may have also noticed that Clairemont Drive has been undergoing placement of the new water pipes needed for the Pure Water Project. Thank you to our City Transportation and Water Crews for their dedicated work, improving the overall quality of life for District 2 constituents. For more information on road repairs, visit: **Clairemont Road Repairs** 

## SDCCD 50TH ANNIVERSARY

Congratulations to the San Diego Community College District for 50 years of dedicated service since 1972. I am proud to have San Diego Mesa College in Clairemont within District 2. Community colleges offer affordable, quality education, serving a diverse student population. They are a crucial starting point, with many students transferring from them to universities for a brighter future. This year, San Diego's Community Colleges will serve 100,000 full- and part-time students.



## HOLIDAY CHEER



Photo: My staff and I serving meals in Clairemont.

My staff and I visited the Safe Parking Lot in Clairemont, where we served a warm meal to our unhoused neighbors living in their vehicles or trailers. A special "Thank You" to the Jewish Family Services of San Diego for their work in operating this site for the City. The Safe Parking Lot provides essential wrap-around services to assist unhoused individuals in transitioning to permanent housing. The program currently includes four Safe Parking Lots within the city. For more information, visit: Safe Parking Lot Enrollment is required for all locations. To enroll, call (858) 637-3373 or start the process online.

#### **OB PARADE**





Photos: OB Holiday Parade.

I thoroughly enjoyed participating in the 44th Annual OB Holiday Parade this year. Seeing thousands of OBceans and visitors lining Newport Avenue to celebrate the "Santa's Disco Luau" themed parade on Saturday, December 2nd, 2023, was truly wonderful. The OB Town Council says the OB Holiday Parade is considered to be one of the best in Southern California.

# SAN DIEGO PARADE OF LIGHTS



Photo Courtesy: Marv Sloben Photography

The 53rd annual San Diego Bay Parade of Lights returns this year with 80 festively adorned boats showcasing the theme of the season. Enjoy the free event on Sunday, December 17, 2023, starting at 5:30 p.m. The parade will navigate San Diego Bay, promising approximately an hour and a half to two hours of holiday cheer. Please note that the provided times are approximations.

- Shelter Island 5:30 p.m.
- Harbor Island 6:15 p.m.
- The Embarcadero 6:45 p.m.
- Seaport Village 7:15 p.m.
- The Pier at Cesar Chavez Park 7:30 p.m.
- Ferry Landing at Coronado 7:45 p.m.

For more information, visit: SD Parade of Lights 2023

## CHRISTMAS TREE RECYCLING



The Holidays are here, and we want to remind you to recycle your Christmas Tree. Over the last 50 years, the City has recycled approximately 52,153 tons of Christmas trees, which equates to 104.3 million pounds! The Environmental Services Department's Annual Christmas Tree Recycling Program kicks off on December 26, 2023, through January 23, 2024. You can either dispose of your tree in your green

bin – making sure to cut it in pieces so that it fits entirely inside the bin and the lid can be closed – or you can drop off your tree for free at one of 16 locations. For a full list of tree drop-off locations and information on how you can recycle other items this holiday season, visit: **Christmas Tree Recycling** 

# LEGISLATIVE RECESS



Due to the Legislative Recess, the City Council will not meet during the weeks of:

- December 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023
- December 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023
- January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024

My staff will be available should you need to contact our office, you can call 619-236-6622 or email jennifercampbell@sandiego.gov

#### A direct and compelling headline



My staff and I want to wish you and your loved ones a joyous holiday season! May the coming year be filled with health and happiness. Happy Holidays!

#### **CONTACT MY OFFICE**



If you need assistance with nonemergency community concerns, please use the **Get It Done App** or you can call my office or email me directly.



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