Lunar New Year festivities are in full swing; my family, staff, and I have had so much fun partaking in the festivities. There’s so much energy in our city this time of year!

Our office was honored to celebrate Lunar New Year at San Diego City Hall. Joined by local API community leaders and the organizers of many of our region’s Lunar New Year festivities, the City Council proclaimed February 10th through the Lantern Festival Day of February 25th as “Lunar New Year Week” in San Diego. We also put forward the first proclamation in San Diego’s history recognizing this Zodiac year, the Year of the Dragon — also known as Năm Giáp Thìn or 龍年 to many San Diego families.

I want to also acknowledge that despite this past month being one full of celebrations for many families – this has also been an especially challenging time for many of our fellow San Diegans whose lives were changed forever by the floods on January 22nd.

As these San Diego families have been forced to be resilient in ways they never should have been, it is clear that our City has much-continued work to do in order to support families as they rebuild as well as to invest in much-needed stormwater infrastructure. I also want to express my heartfelt gratitude to all the first responders, City crews, and numerous volunteers who acted quickly to help their fellow San Diegans in need.

Please let me know if there’s anything I can do to assist you or your family. Let’s welcome the Year of the Dragon with its fiery spirit, as well as the hope, resilience, and community spirit our city needs right now. May this year bring prosperity, good fortune, and a brighter future for you and your loved ones.

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Here is a list of resource pages with information about the next steps for flooding, housing, and ways to help.

- City of San Diego Resource page - sandiego.gov/storm
- Emergency Response Grant - sandiego.gov/economic-development/about/emergencyresponsegrant
DISTRICT 6 HAPPENINGS

DISTRICT 6 NO-COST DUMPSTER DAY
SATURDAY, MARCH 2, 2024

VISIT THE LINK BELOW TO REGISTER

Our office invites District 6 constituents to a community event where residents can dispose of oversized items at no cost!

Saturday, March 2nd | Pre-registration is REQUIRED → visit https://bit.ly/dumpsterdayd6 to register. Registrants will receive an email with a time slot and drop-off location in University City.

- Hazardous waste, electronics, and mattresses are not allowed; please dispose of these items separately and free of charge by visiting sandiego.gov/environmental-services/recycling.

Visit the District 6 Calendar to view community planning groups, local events, and town council meetings.

The San Diego Union-Tribune featured six new establishments offering Chinese, Taiwanese, Japanese, Korean, and Filipino delicacies opening in San Diego in the past year. Notably, a majority of these bakeries mentioned in the article are located in District 6!

March is San Diego Theatre Month, an exciting San Diego Performing Arts League (SDPAL) program. The mission of San Diego Theatre Month is to highlight the variety and enhance the awareness of San Diego's diverse performing arts community.
DISTRICT 6 BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT

Smack'N Guamanian Grill

In honor of Black History Month, we're highlighting a fantastic Black-owned small business in District 6, SMACK’N Guamanian Grill. Established in February 2019 by owner Christian Graham, SMACK’N Guamanian Grill serves authentic Chamorro food, including BBQ, chicken kelaguen, and red rice. Visit them off of Miramar Road!

9506 Miramar Rd, San Diego, CA
Check them out on social media @Smackingg

Follow along on social media to see more weekly business spotlights!

COMMUNITY RESOURCES

Resiliency Advisory Board: Visit OnBoard2 | City of San Diego to learn more about this Board and apply.

For any questions related to District 6 vacancies or how to get involved, please email Madison Coleman at mocoleman@sandiego.gov

San Diego Stewardship Plan
The San Diego Tourism Authority is preparing the San Diego Tourism Stewardship Plan Update for 2024-2035. As the tourism and hospitality industry's official guide over the next decade and beyond, this plan would ensure that San Diego remains at the forefront of traveler preferences and sustains its reputation as a world-class destination.

Your opinion is important to the success of San Diego's Tourism Stewardship Plan update! Please help by taking the survey linked below.

Learn more and take the survey here!