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**MONDAY, MAY 18, 2026, AT 10:00 AM, 2:00 PM AND 6:00 PM**

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[ສໍາລັບຂໍ້ມູນເພີ່ມເຕີມກ່ຽວກັບວິທີການເຂົ້າຮ່ວມ ແລະ ສະແດງຄໍາຄິດເຫັນກ່ຽວກັບລາຍການການປະຊຸມສະພາ ກະລຸນາກົດລົງຄໍາຕໍ່ໄປນີ້](#)

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**MONDAY, MAY 18, 2026 AT 10:00 AM**

**ROLL CALL**

**INVOCATION**

**LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION**

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Comment](#)

CLOSED SESSION PUBLIC COMMENT IS TAKEN DURING THE 10 AM MORNING PORTION OF THE AGENDA. THE COUNCIL ADJOURNS INTO CLOSED SESSION AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE CLOSED SESSION PUBLIC COMMENT AND RESUMES THE PUBLIC PORTION OF THE MEETING AT 2 PM.

PLEASE NOTE: Non-Agenda Public Comment will only be taken during the afternoon portion of the agenda at the conclusion of all informational/discussion items.

**MONDAY, MAY 18, 2026 AT 2:00 PM**

**ROLL CALL**

**NON-AGENDA COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR, COUNCIL, INDEPENDENT BUDGET ANALYST, CITY CLERK, CITY ATTORNEY**

**REQUESTS FOR CONTINUANCE BY COUNCILMEMBERS**

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

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**Item 200: Fiscal Year 2026 Third Quarter Budget Monitoring Report.**

**This item will be considered in the afternoon session which is scheduled to begin at 2:00 p.m.**

Total Estimated Cost of Proposed Action and Funding Source:

Please see attached Fiscal Year 2026 Third Quarter Budget Monitoring Report.

Council District(s) Affected: Citywide.

Proposed Actions:

This is an informational item only.

Committee Actions Taken: N/A

*Department of Finance: Ambar Gutierrez, (619) 533-6297*

**Item 201: Presentation on the Status of Vacancies, Recruitment and Retention Efforts Per Government Code Section 3502.3.**

**This item will be considered in the afternoon session which is scheduled to begin at 2:00 p.m.**

Total Estimated Cost of Proposed Action and Funding Source:

This item is for information only.

Council District(s) Affected: Citywide.

Proposed Actions:

Informational item, no action required.

Committee Actions Taken: N/A

*Human Resources: Brian Mallard, (619) 707-1785*

**NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT**

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This portion of the agenda provides an opportunity for members of the public to address the Council on items of interest within the jurisdiction of the Council. (Comments relating to items on today's docket will be taken at the time the item is heard.)

**REPORT OUT FROM CLOSED SESSION**

**Monday, May 18, 2026 AT 6:00 PM**

**ROLL CALL**

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS (6 PM SESSION)**

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**Item 202: May Revision to the Fiscal Year 2027 Draft Budget and Public Hearing on the 2027 Draft Budget.**

**This item will be considered in the afternoon session which is scheduled to begin at 6:00 p.m.**

Total Estimated Cost of Proposed Action and Funding Source:

This is an informational item only.

Council District(s) Affected: Citywide.

Proposed Actions:

This is an informational item only.

Committee Actions Taken: N/A

*Department of Finance: Benjamin Battaglia, (619) 533-3717*

**PUBLIC NOTICES**

Items are listed under Public Notices as a matter of public record only. These items do not require Council action and there is no public testimony.

**Item 250: Submission of Ballot Proposals for the November 3, 2026 Ballot.**

[City Council Policy 000-21](#) establishes a procedure for submittal of ballot proposals to the City Council, by members of the public, Councilmembers, the Mayor or mayoral departments, independent department directors or a public agency. Ballot proposals may be submitted to the Office of the City Clerk. The City Clerk shall then transmit them promptly to Rules Committee Consultant. The Office of the City Clerk has established the following calendar for the ballot proposals for the November 3, 2026 election.

**Please submit all proposals to [cityclerk@sandiego.gov](mailto:cityclerk@sandiego.gov)**

Date	E-	Event
<b>Friday, 03/06/2026</b>	242	<b><u>LAST DATE (5:00 P.M. DEADLINE)</u></b> for ballot proposals submissions to the City Clerk for review by Committee.
<b>Wednesday, 03/18/2026</b>	230	<b><u>Committee Meeting Review may Begin</u></b> <i>The Committee Consultant shall place the proposals on the Committee meeting agenda for subsequent review and comment by the Committee. The Committee may approve or reject proposals submitted for review. Ballot proposals may advance from initial review and proceed to a second Committee review. Only proposals approved or forwarded to the full Council by the Committee may be acted upon by Council.</i>
<b>Monday, 06/08/2026</b>	148	<b><u>FIRST DAY</u></b> City Council may discuss ballot proposals and adopt ordinances prepared by the City Attorney to place measures on the ballot.
<b>Friday, 08/07/2026</b>	88	<b><u>LAST DAY</u></b> City Council may discuss measures and adopt ordinances prepared by the City Attorney to place measures on the ballot ( <i>per the adopted Legislative Calendar the last regular meeting of the City Council prior to this date is July 14, 2026</i> ).
<b>Monday, 08/10/2026</b>	85	<b><u>LAST DAY</u></b> to submit the Fiscal Impact Analysis; Ballot and Title Summary; and Impartial Analysis with City Clerk.
<b>Wednesday, 08/12/2026</b>	83	<b><u>LAST DAY</u></b> to file ballot arguments with City Clerk.

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*This does not include other processes, such as citizen initiatives, that can place a measure on a ballot.*

**Item 251: Ballot Propositions Forwarded for 2ND Committee Review**

The following ballot proposals have been referred from the Rules Committee to a second hearing for consideration for placement on a future ballot as noted.

<b>Proposal</b>	<b>Target Ballot</b>
Consideration of a ballot measure proposed by Katheryn Rhodes to amend the Municipal Code related to Transient Occupancy Tax, including, reclassifying online travel companies/agencies as hotel operators.	November 3, 2026
Consideration of a ballot measure proposed by Zachary Russem to amend the Transient Occupancy Tax to apply to online and other travel companies.	November 3, 2026
Consideration of a ballot measure proposed by Councilmember Raul Campillo to establish free parking at beaches and bays in the City of San Diego.	November 3, 2026
Consideration of a ballot measure proposed by Council President Pro Tem Kent Lee to advance fiscal accountability and transparency reform with an amendment to remove term limits for the City Auditor.	November 3, 2026
Consideration of a ballot measure proposed by Councilmember Sean Elo-Rivera to reform campaign finance and ethics laws.	November 3, 2026
Consideration of a Ballot Measure proposed by Council President Pro Tem Kent Lee to Advance a Large-Portfolio Homeownership Speculation Tax.	November 3, 2026

**NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

**REPORT OUT FROM CLOSED SESSION**

**ADJOURNMENT IN HONOR OF APPROPRIATE PARTIES**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**HOW TO SPEAK TO A PARTICULAR ITEM OR DURING NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT:**

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**In-Person Comment on Agenda Items.** Each speaker must file a written request (speaker slip) with the City Clerk at the meeting at which the speaker wishes to speak indicating which item they wish to speak on. Speaker slips may not be turned in prior to the day of the meeting or after completion of in-person testimony. In person testimony will conclude before virtual testimony begins.

Each person who wishes to address the Council shall approach the podium and state who they are representing if they represent an organization or another person.

For meeting management during the Closed Session portion of the agenda, speakers will have one (1) minute per item and up to a maximum of three (3) minutes if there are three (3) or more items in that portion of the agenda.

For discussion and information items each speaker may speak up to three minutes, subject to the Council President's determination of the time available for meeting management purposes, in addition to any time ceded by other members of the public who are present at the meeting and have submitted a speaker slip ceding them time. These speaker slips should be submitted together at one time to the City Clerk. The Council President may also limit organized group presentations to 10 minutes or less.

**Virtual Public Comment on Agenda Items.** Members of the public may participate virtually (by telephone or internet streaming) as indicated below. Speakers who wish to provide virtual public comment must enter the virtual queue by raising their virtual hands before the queue closes. The queue will close when the last virtual speaker finishes speaking or five minutes after in-person testimony ends, whichever happens first.

Each speaker may speak up to three minutes, subject to the Council President's determination of the time available for meeting management purposes. Speakers participating virtually may not allocate their time to other speakers and may not share video or visual aids (i.e. pdf, ppt, docs) during their comment period.

**Quasi-Judicial Items.** Immediately following the City's presentation on the item, the Applicant (and/or the Appellant in the case of an appeal) will be allowed up to 10 minutes for an organized presentation. Longer than 10 minutes will only be granted if the City's presentation exceeds 10 minutes. No written request (speaker slip) need be filed with the Clerk for either the applicant or appellant for those presentations, instead please contact the City Clerk at [cityclerk@sandiego.gov](mailto:cityclerk@sandiego.gov) or 619-533-4000, before noon the Friday before the item is to be heard to ensure proper meeting management. Upon the conclusion of those presentations, the Council President will then open the

item for Public Comment which will be managed by the City Clerk and the Council President as described under **In-Person Comment on Agenda Items** and **Virtual Public Comment on Agenda Items**.

**Non-Agenda Public Comment.** Every agenda for a regular Council meeting shall provide a period on the agenda for members of the public to address the Council on items of interest to the public that are not on the agenda but are within the jurisdiction of the Council. Non-Agenda Public Comment shall be subject to the exercise of the Council President's discretion for a given agenda.

In order to ensure that the Council has time to consider all agenda items, Non-Agenda Public Comment on particular issues and for each individual speaker will be as follows:

Each speaker will be limited to two minutes. Speakers may not allocate their time to other speakers. If there are eight or more speakers on a single issue, the maximum time for the issue will be 16 minutes. The order of speaking generally will be determined on a first-come, first-served basis, however, priority may be given to speakers who have not addressed the legislative body during Non-Agenda Public Comment at the last regularly scheduled Council meeting. A member of the public may only provide one non-agenda comment per agenda.

If providing comment in person, please submit your speaker slip and any visual aids to the City Clerk. In-person testimony shall conclude before virtual testimony begins.

Speakers who wish to provide virtual Non-Agenda Public Comment must enter the virtual queue by raising their virtual hands before the queue closes. The queue will close when the last virtual speaker finishes speaking or five minutes after in-person testimony ends, whichever happens first. Those participating virtually may not share video or visual aids (i.e. pdf, ppt, docs) during their non-agenda comment period.

**Please note:** On Mondays, Non-Agenda Public Comment is taken during the 2pm session after all discussion items are complete. On Tuesday's non-agenda public comment is taken during the 10am session.

**Comment on Agenda Items, Non-Agenda Public Comment, and Closed Session Public Comment** may also be submitted using the [webform](#) indicating the comment type and item number (if relevant) for which you wish to submit your comment. Comments received by 8:00 AM the day of the meeting will be distributed to the City Council and posted online with the meeting materials. All webform comments are limited to 500 words but may include attachments. Comments received after 8:00 AM the day of the meeting but before the item is called will be submitted into the written record for the relevant item.

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