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August News Update

Hope everyone is enjoying these waning days of summer. With school back in session throughout much of District Five, I want to wish everyone a successful and productive school year. In an effort to keep you informed on City business, I've included some headlines below.

9-1-1 Wait Times Down Significantly



Good public safety news for San Diego. In the City's most recent report, 9-1-1 call wait times were down significantly since the reforms we made to our dispatch system were enacted. In July, of the more than 57,000 emergency calls to our 9-1-1 system, more than 80 percent were answered within 10 seconds. [Read more...](#)

Camino del Sur Road Widening Project Begins

If you live along Camino del Sur, you will likely have noticed the road widening project that began earlier this summer. We received a number of calls about how the project was impacting traffic near Westview High School. Working with City staff, we were able to get the contractor to provide traffic control during working hours and open an additional lane each way during non-working hours. City traffic engineering also re-timed the traffic signals to improve traffic flow. [This update was provided to residents via NextDoor.](#) If you haven't joined NextDoor yet, I encourage you to connect as we regularly provide community specific updates there.

Live WaterSmart Campaign Promotes Long-Term Efficiency Measures



matter the weather. One easy way people can ensure they are living WaterSmart is to get a free home water-use check-up by a trained professional. To schedule a checkup and learn about more great resources, go to WaterSmartSD.org.

The San Diego region is embracing ways to Live WaterSmart by continuing to save water even though state drought emergency mandates have ended. The San Diego County Water Authority's Live WaterSmart campaign promotes long-term water-use efficiency, no

Community Calendar

August 25: [SDPD Northwestern Division "Coffee with a Cop"](#)

August 27: [SDPD Northeastern Division "Day at the Lake"](#)

August 28: [Gently Hugged Open House](#)

August 29: San Diego Unified Schools First Day of Classes

September 3: [Rancho Bernardo Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast](#)

September 5: Labor Day Holiday

September 9: [Scripps Ranch Theatre's production of "Vanya and Sonia and Masha and Spike"](#)

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Calling All "Makers" to the 2016 Maker Faire



You are invited to showcase your innovative and clever projects at Maker Faire San Diego 2016. Maker Faire San Diego is a hands-on festival of invention and creativity and a celebration of the Maker movement. Applications are being accepted through September 15. More info and application information is available online at sandiego.makerfaire.com/makers.

I always appreciate your feedback so if you have any questions or comments, please email me at markkersey@sandiego.gov.

Best,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mark Kersey', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.



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