

CAMPBELL CHRONICLES

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POLICY CORNER



Photo: Mayor Todd Gloria signing the FY2024 Budget at City Hall.

Mayor Todd Gloria signed the City Budget for FY2024. The Council unanimously approved the \$5.06 billion Budget, which went into effect on July 1, 2023. Funding priorities include updating the City's water, sewer, stormwater infrastructure, water recycling program, repairing sidewalks and dangerous intersections, a new conservatorship unit in the City Attorney's office, and shelters for homeless individuals. For more on the FY2024 Budget, follow the link: FY2024 Budget More Policy Updates:

- Council approved the Safe Sleeping Camping Sites for homeless individuals who have raised tents on the City's sidewalks. They will now have the option of having safe sleeping sites with immediate individualized social work, three meals a day, bathrooms, showers, and help to find permanent housing. The first site opened at 20th and B Street on June 30, 2023. The second site will be at Parking Lot O near the Naval Medical Center and is expected to open in a few weeks.
- Council approved the expenditure of the County of San Diego Capital Emergency Housing Solutions Grant. The funding will allow the City to continue to provide shelter options to address the specific needs of each homeless population and fund the following homeless programs:
 - Rose Canyon Safe Parking Lot (in District 2)
 - Old Central Library Shelter Program
 - Bridge Housing Shelter for Seniors
 - Shelter for Families
- The Council received an update from the Department of Real Estate and Airport Management (DREAM) on the City's Midway Rising Project in District 2.
- The Council accepted the expenditure of Round 4 of the State of California Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention (HHAP) Grant. It is a series of grant awards from the State of California to cities to address the housing and homelessness crisis throughout the state.

CLAIREMONT AFFORDABLE HOUSING



Photo: Groundbreaking Ceremony in Clairemont.

It was an honor to attend the Chelsea Investment Corporation Affordable Housing groundbreaking ceremony in Clairemont on June 29, 2023. This project on Mt. Etna will create 309 affordable units with wrap-around services for seniors, veterans, disabled and homeless citizens. I want to thank the Chelsea Investment Corporation, County Supervisor Chair Nora Vargas, Mayor Todd Gloria, the San Diego Housing Commission, and Clairemont residents for moving this project forward. The project is expected to be completed in two years. I look forward to the ribbon-cutting and seeing San Diegans move into their new homes.

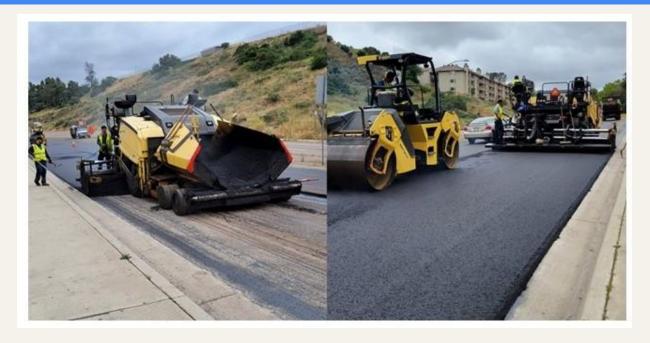
OB PIER RE-OPENING

The Ocean Beach Pier re-opened to San Diegans just in time for the 4th of July celebration. Necessary repairs to the pier's facilities and railings have been completed. However, the pier's restrooms will remain closed until the pump station repairs are complete. The City continues to receive input from the OB Pier Renewal Project. Currently, our office has obtained \$8.4 million in state funding designated for the project, and the City will pursue other state and federal grants.



Photo: The OB Pier.

CLAIREMONT STREET PAVING



City crews worked to repave Genesee Avenue between Mount Alifan Drive and

Marlesta Drive. The one-mile segment includes a smooth roadway and improved bike facilities. This is part of an asphalt overlay project that will repave 21 miles of roadway throughout San Diego. For more information on street repairs, follow the link: **Street Division**

LGBTQ+ PROCLAMATION





Photos: The LGBTQ+ Month Proclamation presented at Council Meeting.

July is Pride Month in the City of San Diego, and as a proud member of the Stonewall Generation, I want to celebrate how far we have come in gaining equal rights. To mark San Diego Pride Month, Mayor Todd Gloria, my Council colleagues Stephen Whitburn, Marni von Wilpert, and I co-led the LGBTQ+ Pride Month Proclamation. We must keep fighting to ensure that LGBTQ+ legal equal rights, won so recently, continue, even in light of the recent Supreme Court decision. When any American communities' rights are taken away, all Americans' rights are in jeopardy. Everyone deserves equal rights, dignity, compassion, and respect.

WOMEN IN PRIDE PANEL

The California Women's
Museum held a Women of
Pride Panel to discuss
issues impacting San
Diego's LGBTQ+
community on June 23,
2023. The panel included
local women artists,
educators, and community
leaders. I shared my
experiences witnessing the
progress made over the last
several decades towards
civil rights for all.



Photo: The Women in Pride Panel.

OB STREET FAIR & CHILI COOK-OFF





Photos: The Ocean Beach Street Fair and Chili Cook-Off Festival.

The 43rd Annual Ocean Beach Street Fair and Chili Cook-Off Festival was a rousing success. I was honored to attend the event. Thank you to the OB MainStreet Association for sponsoring the Festival!

CONGRATULATIONS, RUTH TORRES!



Ruth Torres, District 2 Director of Office Administration and Scheduling, on her 10th Anniversary with the City of San Diego. Her skills, passion, and experience help keep the office running efficiently. Many thanks to Ruth.

Photo: Ruth Torres receiving the City's 10th Anniversary pin.

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