My Council colleagues and I unanimously approved our FY2024 Budget last week. The FY24 Budget will increase funding to allow us to tackle many issues important to District 2, including homelessness, public safety, street paving, and infrastructure, among other issues. Additionally, funding for the restoration of the Mission Beach Seawall was included in the final version.

Here are some other highlights from this month's Council meetings.

- Last week, my Council colleagues and I approved the Unsafe Encampment Ordinance with a 5-4 vote to address the impact of illegal encampments on public property, including sidewalks. Passing the ordinance is a win-win because our unsheltered neighbors camping on unsafe sidewalks and in unhealthy conditions will be able to live in clean and safe sleeping camping areas with 24-hour security, meals, showers, restrooms, and social services, all while being helped to find permanent housing. The ordinance will also help families who must navigate through items blocking sidewalks, and health hazards, such as human waste.

- I want to thank Mayor Todd Gloria and Councilmember Stephen Whitburn for bringing this ordinance forward to help our unsheltered population get the needed assistance. I will continue to advocate for increased sheltered space, affordable housing, and full staffing of our mental health care providers and public safety responders to implement this ordinance successfully.

- The City adopted a new three-year Economic Development Strategy (EDS) to guide City Departments on actions and policies to support the
The Midway Rising Project is moving forward with a major investor, the Kroenke Group. I joined Mayor Todd Gloria to announce the great news during a June 12, 2023, news conference. The new project will bring a new state-of-the-art arena, 4,000 new housing units, of which 2,000 will be affordable, restaurants, shops, and parks. I want to thank the Kroenke Group, Zephyr Partners, Legends, and Chelsea Investment Corporation for joining the efforts to redevelop the Midway District. When completed, the Midway District will be a new and revitalized neighborhood for San Diegans to enjoy for generations. To stay updated, follow the link: https://midwayrising.info/
For the first time, we will celebrate "Juneteenth" as a holiday in the City of San Diego on June 19, 2023. As a result, City Administrative offices will be closed in observance of the holiday.
It was on June 19, 1865, when more than 250,000 enslaved African Americans were declared free in Texas. It was the day when the Union Army marched into Galveston, Texas, and announced that all slaves were now free. Today, let's remember "Juneteenth" and celebrate the freedom of all Americans.

OB PIER RENEWAL PROJECT

Many residents came to the Ocean Beach Pier Renewal Project Public Workshop on June 10, 2023.
This was the second OB Pier Public Workshop where San Diegans spoke about what they want to see for the Renewal Project.
For more information on the OB Pier Renewal Project, follow the link: OB Pier Renewal Project

Photo: The second OB Pier Renewal Project Public Workshop.
Eloise Battle is an extraordinary person who is passionate about the environment, and thanks to her many efforts, we can all admire and enjoy Tecolote Canyon Natural Park and Nature Center in District 2. Eloise presided at countless meetings in the early 1970s to help legislate the ordinance that created the Park. The Park was dedicated on April 1, 1978. I presented her with the Eloise Battle Day Proclamation on May 22, 2023, for all of her contributions to San Diego. The presentation was just a few days after her 94th birthday. Congratulations, Eloise!

Liberty Station is celebrating 100 years! Mayor Todd Gloria and I joined the Liberty Station Centennial Kick-Off Event with the opening of the USS Recruit ship exhibit on June 7, 2023. We presented a Proclamation to community leaders at Liberty Station. The USS Recruit ship exhibit allows visitors to learn about the Naval Training Center’s military history.
Here’s a link if you want to learn more: Liberty Station Centennial Celebration

Photo: At the Liberty Station Centennial Celebration.

CABRILLO NATIONAL MONUMENT

My staff recently visited the Cabrillo National Monument in Point Loma, which is in District 2. The park is a beautiful spot along the coast, where visitors can enjoy the outdoors and learn about San Diego's early history. The Cabrillo National Monument Foundation provides community projects, programs, and summer camps. For more information, visit their website: Cabrillo National Monument

My staff visiting the Cabrillo National Monument in Point Loma.

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