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The Mayor's FY 2017 Revised Budget

On Tuesday, May 17, the Mayor released his revisions to the FY 2017 budget. The May Revise identifies an increase of \$10.5 million in resources and expenditures. responses to requests from the Council and members the community.

Additions to the FY 2017 budget include:

- \$4.0 million to support Police Officer recruitment and retention
- \$652,000 to address Police Dispatcher recruitment and retention
- \$487,000 to add 12 Fire

academy participants to each academy for a total of 24 additional participants

I am encouraged by the increased focus on public safety, with additional funds allocated Several additions were direct to the Police and Fire Departments.

> I am also pleased to see the increased funding for Police Dispatchers, which should help to shorten hold times for callers to the emergency and nonemergency police lines.

I continue to advocate for specific projects in my district, as well as increased funding for libraries and arts & culture events and programs.

A final vote to approve the budget is scheduled for mid-June. Once approved, the FY 2017 budget takes effect July 1, 2016.

I would like to thank everyone who submitted input during this process, and I invite District One constituents to share their budget priorities with me by emailing me at SherriLightner@sandiego.gov or by attending the budget review meetings.

The final budget for FY17 is scheduled to be approved by the Council on Monday, June 13. The meeting agendas can be found at:

www.sandiego.gov/city-clerk.

City Charter Amendments on the June Ballot

On Tuesday, June 7, all City of San Diego voters will see Propositions A through G on the June ballot. Each of these propositions is an amendment to the City's Charter to make our City government function better for City staff and citizens.

Prop A: Redistricting — This amendment will improve the City's redistricting process for Council Districts, which occurs every 10 years after the US census.

Prop B: Issuing Bonds—This will streamline the language related to issuing bonds in the Charter and put all the

detailed bond language in the scribes the City budget pro-Municipal Code, where it can be more easily updated as times change.

Prop C: Taxation— This clarifies that the City only levies property taxes that are legally authorized by the state. It does not impose any new taxes.

Prop D: Power to Fix Sala-

ries— This amendment will update the Charter to reflect the strong mayor form of government and state law governing collective bargaining.

Prop E: Budgeting—This de-

cess in one easy-to-read place and includes a schedule for how the city budget is proposed, reviewed and adopted.

Prop F: Financial Opera-

tions—This will allow the City to approve contracts for bond-funded projects faster, to pay claims using electronic funds transfer, and will protect the City's reserves.

Prop G: Audits of Accounts of Officers - This details how officers who leave City employment are audited.

For more information, please visit www.sdvote.com.

Charter Review Committee Holds Final Meeting



The City's original Charter on display as part of the City's historical collection.

In the fall of 2014, the City Council formed the Charter Review Committee as an 18 month special committee. The Committee has worked quickly and thoroughly and will complete its work asscheduled in the budget allotted. As a result of the Committee's work, multiple Charter revisions are being included on the June Ballot.

The Charter Review Committee held its final meeting on Wednesday, May 18, recommending a prioritized list of ballot measures to the City Council for the November ballot.

The last major revision addressed the removal, succession and interim authority of elected officials, along with initiative, referendum and recall.

The Rules Committee will consider Charter work going forward. The Rules Committee will next meet at 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, June 15 on the 12th floor of the City Administration Building to consider proposals from the public for the November ballot.

Watch the <u>Charter and Rules</u> <u>Committee meetings</u> on City TV, and see <u>Committee docu-</u> <u>ments</u> and <u>meeting schedules</u> online.

Send comments to <u>charterre-</u> <u>view@sandiego.gov</u> or call (619) 236-6611.



Help support literacy in San Diego by donating books!

Library Summer Reading Program Accepting Donations until May 31 According to an Afterschool mer helps build engagement, Library is now accepting new

According to an Afterschool Alliance study, when young people are not engaged in educational activities during the summer, they experience learning loss. This learning loss can be cumulative, leaving students who do not read over the summer potentially two years behind their peers once they enter 6th grade.

Reading just five studentselected books over the summer helps build engagement, prevent summer learning loss, and can lead to better performance on standardized tests.

The San Diego Public Library's Annual Summer Reading Program supports summer learning by providing participating children with a selection of books to read over the summer.

As part of "Reading Awareness Month," the San Diego Public

Library is now accepting new or gently used children's books for this summer reading program. They are in need of books geared toward young people and young adult literature.

Collection bins in District 1 are located at the Carmel Valley Library, La Jolla/Riford Library, and University Community Library. Donations will be accepted until May 31.



The City of San Diego's Public Utilities Department offers FREE water surveys for residents.

Schedule a Residential Water Survey for Water Awareness Month

May is Water Awareness Month in the City of San Diego, where we acknowledge water as one of our most precious natural resources. San Diego's superb quality of life depends on reliable, sustainable and high-quality drinking water. The Public Utilities Department has delivered safe and healthy drinking water to San Diego for more than a century, and wants to help you protect this resource by providing free water surveys to San Diego residents.

Leaks in your plumbing and high-flow water fixtures can be responsible for driving up your water bill. Over-irrigation outside your home can cause significant water waste.

The City of San Diego provides free Residential Water Surveys for single and multi-family residences. During the survey, you'll learn how to read your meter, look for leaks, and adjust your irrigation to the most efficient schedule. You will also learn about current rebates and restrictions.

Visit the Water Survey Program page for more details. <u>https://www.sandiego.gov/</u> <u>water/conservation/</u> <u>surveyprogram</u>

For a survey appointment and more information, call (619) 570-1999 or email <u>watersur-</u> vey@sandiego.gov.

Sherri Around Town



Left to right, from top: **1**. On April 15, 2016, Sherri was honored by the Kiwanis Club of La Jolla with a Distinguished Service Award. **2**. Sherri and the Council proclaimed April to be "Donate Life California Month," where we acknowledged and thanked over one million San Diegans who have signed up with the organ donor registry. **3**. Sherri and staff took part in "Fire Ops 101," a training exercise for policy makers and members of the media to experience scenarios that our firefighters face daily to keep our communities safe. **4**. Sherri celebrated Earth Day and Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day with City staff. Over a dozen city departments and partners were on hand to provide environmental education. **5**. Sherri attended the grand opening of the new San Diego Lifeguard Headquarters, which was refurbished completely by city public works staff.

Local Business Spotlight: Duke's La Jolla

Sherri likes to regularly highlight a new or unique business in Council District One.

This month's selection:

Duke's La Jolla

What: A Hawaiian-fusion restaurant named for Hawaiian Olympian Duke Kahanamoku

Where: 1216 Prospect Street La Jolla, CA 92037

What you'll find:

Duke's offers a contemporary take on traditional island dishes. Specialties include mussels adobo, Tahitian octopus, a kaffir crusted ahi steak and their famous Hula Pie. Their La Jolla location feature a playful atmosphere complete with surfboards and beautiful ocean views.

Contact: (858) 454-5888

www.dukeslajolla.com



Duke's La Jolla is located above La Jolla Cove and has an island-inspired atmosphere.

Community Updates in District 1



New Torrey Hill Park Opens

Coast View Park in Torrey Hills is now open as of May 3. With a little over an acre of space, the new public park sits between Ocean Air Apartments and Torrey Gardens on East Ocean Air Dr.

The playground includes swings, slides and climbing nets and a mix of sand and a soft rubber mat surface. Beyond a grassy area, barbecue pits and picnic tables are clustered together toward the back of the park, with benches under a shady trellis.

San Diego Lifeguards Issue Beach and Pool Safety Message

Memorial Day Weekend is the official start of swim season. Last year Lifeguards performed 7,303 water rescues and over 340,000 preventative actions at City beaches. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, nearly ten people die from unintentional drowning every day. Drowning ranks fifth among the leading causes of unintentional injury death for people of all ages and is the second leading cause of injury death for children.



Follow Sherri:

Lifeguards would like you to remember these tips while swimming at the beach or in a pool this summer:

- 1. Learn To Swim
- 2. Swim Near a Lifeguard
- 3. Swim with a Buddy
- 4. Check with the Lifeguards
- 5. Learn Rip Current Safety
- 6. Enter Water Feet First
- 7. Obey Posted Signs and Flags
- 8. Wear a Life Jacket
- 9. At Home, You're the Lifeguard
- 10. Use Sunscreen and Drink Water
- 11. Keep the Beach and Water Clean

www.sandiego.gov/lifeguards.

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Important City Department Contact Numbers

Need help with an issue in your neighborhood? Here are some important City numbers you can call or contact Sherri's office for assistance.

Emergency (Police, Fire, Medical)	911
Non-Emergency Police (Minor crime report)	619-531-2000
Graffiti Removal	619-525-8522
Pothole Repair	619-527-7500
Street Lights	619-527-7500
Illegal Dumping	858-694-7000
Missed Trash Pick Up	858-694-7000
Neighborhood Code Compliance	619-236-5500
Building Permit Information	619-446-5000
Lifeguard Information	619-221-8899
Traffic Division	619-495-7800
Dead Animal Pick-Up/Animal Control	619-767-2675
Abandoned Vehicle	619-531-2000
Think Blue/Storm Water Hotline	619-235-1000
Public Utilities Department Leak Line	619-515-3525