

The People's Councilmember

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Councilmember
**Monica
Montgomery**
Council District 4



Dear Community,

This month, we continued our fight for police reform, economic opportunity for all, and safe & healthy communities.

Police Reform

During the Public Safety & Livable Neighborhoods (PSLN) Committee meeting on October 23, City Attorney Mara Elliott presented the legal analysis of the Women Occupy San Diego ballot proposal. The four (4) key components of this proposal are: **1. Establish independent commission; 2. Establish independent counsel; 3. Establish investigative authority; and 4. Establish subpoena power. The proposal will now be docketed on the Tuesday, November 5, San Diego City Council agenda to receive meet and confer authorization. We have a long road ahead for the measure to reach the ballot, but we will continue to work together.**

Economic Opportunity for All

At the October meeting of the Economic Development & Intergovernmental Relations Committee, an updated **San Diego Region Revolving Loan Fund Plan and Program** was discussed. Revolving Loan Funds (RLFs) are utilized throughout the region as a source of financing which may not otherwise be available for small businesses. As these loans are repaid, funds become available for new loans to other businesses, thus creating a revolving loan fund. The SD Region RLF targets businesses within the service area to grow their businesses. **Generally, priority will be given to smaller businesses within our communities of concern or within older commercial neighborhoods.** The RLFs will be available to small businesses in all nine council districts.



Safe & Healthy Communities

In the heart of our community at the Educational Cultural Complex, the **4th Annual San Diego Hip Hop Health & Wellness 5k Festival** proved to be one of the best races in our region. Whether participants walked, jogged or ran the race, they were awarded a medal as they crossed the finish line. The race culminated with a robust health and wellness festival including: vendors, entertainment, and a family-fun atmosphere. If you missed the race, we will be there next year. Find more [community events](#) by visiting our community calendar:

<https://www.sandiego.gov/citycouncil/cd4/eventscalendar?date=2019-11>

Sincerely,

Monica Montgomery, Councilmember
Fourth Council District

Ballot measure to create an independent Commission on Police Practices
City Council progress report

- ☒ Rules Committee
- ☒ Public Safety & Livable Neighborhoods Committee: First Hearing
- ☒ Public Safety & Livable Neighborhoods Committee: Second Hearing
- ☐ City Council: Meet and Confer Authorization
- ☐ Meet and Confer
- ☐ City Council: Ballot Vote
- ☐ On the ballot!

San Diegans Just4ce

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Proudly Representing the Community

Alta Vista • Broadway Heights • Chollas View • Emerald Hills
• Encanto • Greater Skyline Hills • Jamacha • Lincoln Park &
Knox • Lomita Village • North Bay Park Terraces • Oak Park •
O'Farrell • Paradise Hills • Redwood Village • Rolando Park •
South Bay Terraces • Valencia Park • Webster

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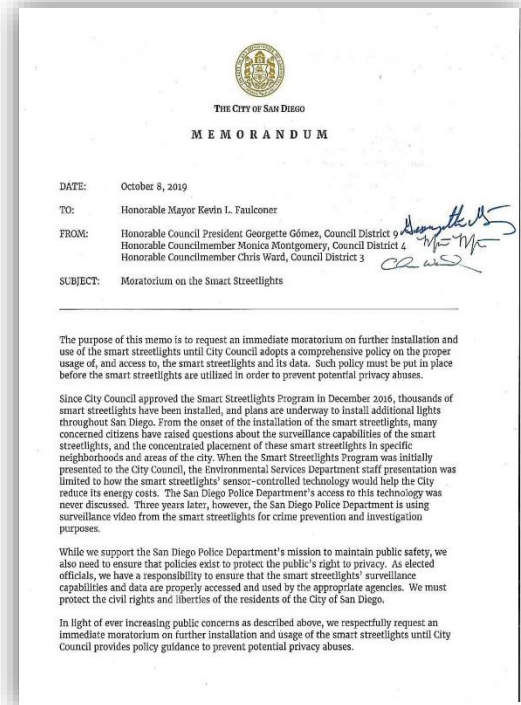
October 8 | Moratorium on Further Installation of Smart Streetlights

The Councilmember joined colleagues, Council President Georgette Gómez (D9) and Councilmember Chris Ward (D3), in calling for a moratorium on any further installation of smart streetlights until a comprehensive policy is adopted by City Council that will prevent privacy abuses.

From the onset of the installation of the smart streetlights, many concerned residents have raised questions about the surveillance capabilities of the smart streetlights, and the concentrated placement of these smart streetlights in specific neighborhoods and areas of the city.

Initially, the Smart Streetlights Program was presented as technology that would help the City reduce its energy costs. **The San Diego Police Department's access to this technology was never discussed.**

Three years later, however, the San Diego Police Department is using surveillance video from the smart streetlights for crime prevention and investigation purposes. In light of ever increasing public concerns, an immediate moratorium was requested on further installation and usage of the smart streetlights until City Council provides policy guidance to prevent potential privacy abuses.



October 14 | Item 201: Strategic Plan to Address Homelessness

On October 14, San Diego City Council approved the Strategic Plan to Address Homelessness. One of the goals of the plan is to reduce homelessness by 50% in the next three years.

To achieve this goal, the Councilmember believes that we must break down the barriers that stand in the way of our unsheltered population's access to services.

The City Council must lead with compassion, not criminalization, in order to fulfill the plan's goals.

The Councilmember is committed to implementation of the plan moving forward.



October 21 | Item 200: For A Better San Diego Initiative Ballot Measure

The Councilmember's "no" vote sent a strong message about the money invested by the private prison industry for this initiative.

The private prison industry always finds new ways to reinvent itself. The Councilmember wants to ensure that this industry does not take advantage of our most vulnerable populations, including the unsheltered.

In response to these concerns, the coalition has agreed to donate the funds received from the private prison industry to charity.



Community. Courage. Consistency.

- ❖ For a complete list of **community council meetings** and events, please visit our online community calendar:

<https://www.sandiego.gov/citycouncil/cd4/eventslisting>

- ❖ **Government Jobs:** <https://bit.ly/2VWTQSB>
- ❖ **The Peace Movement: Let's Live, Let's Love Community Partners Alignment Meeting**, Oct. 30, 6 p.m. Valencia Park/Malcolm X Library, 5148 Market St.
- ❖ **NOW – Nov. 19 – The County of San Diego invites you to PROVIDE YOUR INPUT ON THE SOUTHEASTERN LIVE WELL CENTER PROJECT DESIGN:**
<http://www.livewellsd.org/content/livewell/home/community/live-well-communities/southeastern-live-well-center.html>
- ❖ **FREE Movie at the Cemetery**, Nov. 2, 5:30 p.m. Mount Hope Cemetery, 3751 Market St.
- ❖ **Fair Housing Workshop**, Nov. 13, 5:45 p.m. – 7:45 p.m. Valencia Park/Malcolm X Library, 5148 Market St.
- ❖ Now through Friday, November 15, the San Diego Tourism and Marketing District is accepting applications for direct funding of contractors for various events and programs. For more info:
<https://www.sdtmd.org/applications/>
- ❖ **Broadway Heights Community Council's Annual Meeting & Celebration**, Nov. 16, 1 p.m. – 5 p.m. Valencia Park/Malcolm X Library, 5148 Market St.
- ❖ **Paving Great Futures: A Discussion on How Human Sex Trafficking Impacts Communities of Color**, Nov. 19, 6 p.m., Bayview Baptist Church, 6134 Benson Ave.
- ❖ **3rd Annual Turkey Trot**, Nov. 23, 10 a.m. – Noon. Martin Luther King Recreation Center, 6401 Skyline Drive.
- ❖ **Blue Heart's 13th Annual Christmas Awards Breakfast**, Dec. 14, 8 a.m. Four Points Sheraton of San Diego, 8110 Aero Drive.

Save the Date | Wednesday, January 22, 2020
Educational Cultural Complex
4343 Ocean View Blvd., San Diego, CA 92113
Doors open at 6 p.m. Program starts at 6:30 p.m.

STATE OF THE DISTRICT

Be a part of our very first State of the District!

We want to include our community in our video presentation.

Please send in your testimonials and photos of improvements in your neighborhoods; or you can be a volunteer.

Please email cd4news@sandiego.gov. Let us know if you will volunteer or send in your content.



Thanksgiving Dinner

Hosted by "Praise & Glory", a non-profit 501(c)(3)

SATURDAY
NOVEMBER 23RD

12:00 pm to 4:00 pm

You are invited to join us for a free, Community Thanksgiving dinner. Everyone welcome!

For more information call:

Alice Lloyd at 619-200-5960

Janice Paige at 619-204-6446



Tubman Chavez Center

415 Euclid Avenue, San Diego, CA 92114-2209

Let's Go To Work.

Oak Park Community Clean Up



Thank you to our Oak Park Community Council on the first clean-up crew at North Chollas.

Now, Teen Challenge International will support the community's volunteer efforts when needed.

Thank you to our Oak Park Community organizers and to Teen Challenge International.



Graffiti Removal in Skyline | Before & After



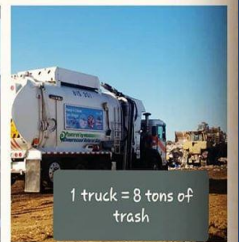
Clean Air Day

In honor of Clean Air Day on October 2, 2019, we visited the Miramar Landfill to highlight the significance of the tons of trash that have been eliminated from our district. The photo shows 100 tons of trash.

Through our collective cleanup efforts, we have removed nearly 150 tons of trash from our neighborhoods.

In doing so, we have improved air and storm water quality, and improved the overall sanitary conditions of our communities.

Thank you to everyone who joined in our cleanups. It takes all of us working together.



1 truck = 8 tons of trash





Querida comunidad,

Este mes, continuamos nuestra lucha por la reforma policial, la oportunidad económica para todos y comunidades seguras y saludables.

Reforma policial

Durante la reunión del Comité de Seguridad Pública y Vecindarios Habitables (PSLN) el 23 de Octubre, la Procudora Mara Elliott presentó el análisis legal de la propuesta de la boleta electoral de Women Occupy San Diego. Los cuatro (4) componentes claves de esta propuesta son: 1. Establecer comisión independiente; 2. Establecer un consejo independiente; 3. Establecer autoridad investigadora; y 4. Establecer el poder del apercibimiento. **La propuesta esta en la agenda para el Martes, 5 de noviembre, del Ayuntamiento de San Diego para recibir la autorización de reunión y conferir.** Tenemos un camino largo por delante para que la propuesta llegue a la boleta electoral, pero seguiremos trabajando juntos.

Oportunidad económica para todos

En la reunión en Octubre del Comité de Desarrollo Económico y Relaciones Intergubernamentales, se discutió el **Plan y Programa de Fondos de Préstamos Rotatorios de la Región de San Diego (RLF)**. Los fondos rotativos de préstamos (RLF) se utilizan en toda la región como fuente de financiamiento que de otro modo no estaría disponible para las pequeñas empresas. A medida que se reembolsan estos préstamos, los fondos se vuelven disponibles para nuevos préstamos a otras empresas, creando así un fondo rotativo de préstamos. El RLF apunta a negocios dentro del área de servicio para hacer crecer sus negocios. **En general, se dará prioridad a las empresas más pequeñas dentro de nuestras comunidades o en vecindarios comerciales más antiguos.** Los RLFs estarán disponibles para pequeñas empresas en los nueve distritos del consejo.

Comunidades seguras y saludables

En el corazón de nuestra comunidad en el Complejo Cultural Educativo, el 4º Festival Anual de Hip Hop, Salud y Bienestar 5K de San Diego resultó ser una de las mejores carreras de nuestra región. Si los participantes caminaron, trotaron o corrieron la carrera, se les otorgó una medalla al cruzar la línea de meta. La carrera culminó con un festival de salud y bienestar que incluyo vendedores, entretenimiento y un ambiente de diversión familiar. Si te perdiste la carrera, estaremos allí el año que viene. Encuentre más eventos comunitarios visitando nuestro calendario comunitario:

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