The People's Councilmember Monica Montgomery Council District 4

Important COVID-19 Weekly Update May 6, 2020

## Dear Community,

This week, the <u>Budget Review Committee</u> is in session. As we continue to review the Mayor's proposed budget cuts and <u>hear from the public</u> on their priorities, I want to commend our community members who responded to the call for action and made your demands known during public testimony.

During the <u>May Revise of this budget</u>, we are looking to restore some of the proposed cuts to library hours, code enforcement, Parks and Recreation Department, and other key neighborhood services.



## Community Budget Overview <u>Friday, May 15 at 5:30 p.m.</u>

Independent Budget Analyst (IBA) Andrea Tevlin and her staff prepared a <u>thorough analysis</u> of the Fiscal Year 2021 Proposed Budget. The IBA and Jeff Kawar, of her staff, will join us to discuss our Community Budget Overview. We will address your questions and discuss our community's priorities and the neighborhood services that I will fight to restore.

> Please email your questions to <u>cd4news@sandiego.gov</u>. A link to the webinar will be emailed next week.

#### **Call for Equity in Enforcement**

After viewing video footage of Ms. Tysheinna Duckett's arrest at Ocean Beach, I released a statement calling for equity in enforcement. Please read my complete statement.

Since my campaign, I have called for police reform and equity in enforcement for people of color.

My office did receive a lengthy response from the San Diego Police Department that detailed events leading up to Ms. Duckett's arrest, and concluded with <u>the</u> <u>assurance that the officer's conduct is under review.</u> We look forward to the outcome of this investigation. We will continue to work diligently to bring inequity to light and change the conversation around police reform.



# STATEMENT ON THE CALL FOR EQUITY IN ENFORCEMENT

"As restrictions were relaxed over the weekend in order to allow passive use of City beaches, video footage was captured of a young Black woman walking her dog, being detained, and eventually arrested by the San Diego Police Department.

"The footage is particularly concerning and disturbing, as this incident occurred on the heels of protests that clearly violated the public health orders. No arrests were made.

"My office is demanding answers as to why this young woman did not receive equitable enforcement and treatment. We have reached out to the leadership at the San Diego Police Department and the Mayor's Office, and look forward to their swift response," said Councilmember Monica Montgomery, chair of the Committee on Public Safety and Livable Neighborhoods. Page 2

Non-filers may be eligible for Economic Impact Payments. For more information:

https://www.irs.gov/ coronavirus/nonfilers-enterpayment-info-here

#### For Spanish:

https://www.eztaxreturn.com/scriptse z/start.exe/eztax/p/alliance2020/start. html?lang=es&r\_link=www.irs.gov



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# READY TO RECOVER: STRATEGIES TO REOPEN SAN DIEGO'S ECONOMY

#### Employee Health

Actions include providing Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) for employees

#### > Entry to Worksite

Actions include controlled entrances and exits to avoid lines and crowds, and processes for symptom checks

#### Workplace Distancing & Conditions

Actions include evaluating occupancy and capacity to ensure proper physical distancing

#### **Employee Training & Compliance**

Actions include signage regarding hand washing and physical distancing, and reporting procedures for employees who become ill

#### **Enhanced Cleaning and Sanitation**

Actions include placing hand sanitizers in high-touch and common areas, and developing a sanitation plan for frequent cleaning of restrooms, workstations or public spaces

#### For full list of guidelines businesses can use to reopen: SanDiego.gov/coronavirus

#### Strategies to Reopen San Diego's Economy

The Responsible COVID-19 Economic Reopening (RECOVER) Advisory Group brings together binational and bipartisan expertise to advise our region on how businesses can prepare to safely reopen. To find out more information on how to safely reopen your small business, please visit:

<u>https://www.sandiego.gov/sites/default/files/san\_diego\_ready\_-</u> <u>\_strategies\_to\_reopen\_san\_diegos\_economy.pdf</u>

**Tackling Food Insecurity** 

I Am My Brother's Keeper Grab & Go Fresh Food Bank is open on Tuesdays at 4 p.m. Pre-register: <u>https://bit.ly/3bKyYpP</u>

For a complete list of District 4 Food Banks, please see the resource compiled by our office:

https://www.sandiego.gov/sites/default/files/cd4-food-bankinformation.pdf

### Sincerely,

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Monica Montgomery, Councilmember Fourth Council District

