



Councilmember  
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Council District 4



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## Community, we did it!

On December 10, 2018, I was sworn into office as your Councilmember - to bring the voice of the community to City Hall. I am so proud of our historic voter turnout as we energized nearly 35,000 people to vote. We made history in District 4!

Since being sworn in, my team and I have been working long hours to wrap our arms around the budget priorities, outstanding issues and **advocating at Council meetings for Equal Opportunity Contracting** – among other things.

I want you to hold me accountable. However, I do need your patience and understanding during this transition. We have so many needs, as a community, that I am taking my time to make sure we capture them all.

In this special edition newsletter, I share the following:

- ✚ **Committee assignments**
- ✚ **My budget priorities**
- ✚ **The new Council District 4 website and special features**
- ✚ **And, a new community calendar**

Together, we can achieve real benefits for this district. I am from the community and for the community. Thank you for putting your trust in me.

Warm Regards,



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## Economic Opportunity For All. Police Reform. Safe & Healthy Communities.

*It is not enough to have a seat at the table.* I want to create policies that make a difference for the people who live in our community.

Last week, my staff and I prepared budget priority memos that focus on the needs of the community. My priorities aim to establish equity, and to build a community that we can all be proud of. We need essential resources such as adequate police, fire-rescue resources, personnel, safe streets, sidewalks that are paved and well-lit by streetlights, libraries, parks and more.

**As Chair of the Committee on Public Safety and Livable Neighborhoods, public safety remains my highest priority.** It is important that law enforcement agencies reflect the cultural, racial and gender diversity of the communities they are employed to serve and protect. I urged the City to focus its recruitment efforts on attracting a diverse force, and a force that respects the communities it serves.

We also elaborated on the need for "Community-Oriented Policing" to be defined and to establish policies that achieve the true spirit of this approach. Each neighborhood has unique needs and **the community should take the lead in defining what public safety means and what role police play.**

We explained the need for police trainings, metrics and impacts; continued implementation and monitoring of AB 953 (*Racial and Identity Profiling Act of 2015*); restoration of police civilian positions as resources to meet needs in the community; the homeless outreach program and housing first expansion; a permanent Skyline Hills Fire Station (FS 51) and a permanent facility for the Encanto Fast Response Squad (FRS 55)/Encanto Fire Station; Also, additional resources must be identified for the Citizens Review Board (CRB) on Police Practices and much more.

## Community. Courage. Consistency.

**As Vice Chair of the Economic Development and Intergovernmental Relations (ED&IR) Committee,** my priorities are focused on both economic empowerment and opportunity for my community.

**Economic Development remains a top priority** - included in my memo was a component that focuses on Small Business Advocacy.

It is critical that the City prioritize the historically underrepresented communities by refocusing funds and resources to supporting small businesses. Incentivizing growing industries to expand in underrepresented districts is critical in both generating revenue for a community, but most importantly providing residents access to middle skilled jobs to leading towards their economic self-sufficiency.

Providing pathways to higher paying jobs for our residents is a step towards expanding economic opportunities for a community. **Providing local jobs is a crucial step** towards providing a sustainable career pathway for those re-entering society. As a result, it is critical we support any initiatives that help to employ residents in their respective locally sponsored projects. In addition, I urged the City to develop, implement and monitor Community Benefits Agreement policies.

***"I have made it clear that I will only support priorities that are equitable and responsive and that identify and seize opportunities to improve the quality of life for all communities."***

# Community Calendar

- ❖ **SoCal Pre Apprentice Program** | Classes Begin January 28, 2019 | San Diego City College | For more info: call Ethan Mitchell (619) 598-4346 or [emitchell@constructionworkers.com](mailto:emitchell@constructionworkers.com).
- ❖ **Understanding the City's Budget Process** | Learn how to get involved! Wednesday, January 30, 2019, 5p-6p | 202 C Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor | to RSVP, call (619) 236-5555.
- ❖ **27<sup>th</sup> Annual Kuumba Fest Celebration** | February 8<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> | The Lyceum, 79 Horton Plaza | For more information, please visit: [www.kuumbafest.com](http://www.kuumbafest.com).
- ❖ **SDPD Southeastern Division | Coffee with a Cop** | Tuesday, February 5<sup>th</sup>, 8 am – 10 am | Project Reo Collective Coffee Shop | 2335 Reo Drive #6.
- ❖ **February 13<sup>th</sup> – Teen Idea Lab gets new hours** | 5148 Market St. | for more info, please call (619) 527-3431.
- ❖ **Health and Wellness Workshop by Sharp** | Tuesday, February 19<sup>th</sup>, 12:30p – 1:30 p. | Mountain View/Beckwourth Branch Library, Community Room, 721 San Pasqual St.
- ❖ **Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Promenade Ribbon-cutting presented by Broadway Heights Community Council** | Saturday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 10am | Unveiling of Dr. King's bust | Tiffin Ave and Martin Luther King Way.
- ❖ **Black Excellence in Public Service Panel** | Saturday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> | Noon – 1:30p | Skyline Hills Library, 7900 Paradise Valley Road.
- ❖ **Free Apprentice Readiness Program** | 12-week program begins mid-March | Space is limited. For more information, please email [SDGateway@SDCCD.edu](mailto:SDGateway@SDCCD.edu) or call (619) 388-4880.
- ❖ **Public Service 35<sup>th</sup> Annual Children's book party** | Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup> | 8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. | Organ Pavilion in Balboa Park. For more information or to volunteer, please call Roosevelt Brown at (619) 226-4118 or cell (619) 804-7992.

## Proudly Representing District 4

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

New Council District 4 Website  
1.23.19  
[www.sandiego.gov/citycouncil/cd4](http://www.sandiego.gov/citycouncil/cd4)

You will be able to [request a meeting](#) with the Councilmember, request the Councilmember's appearance at an event, [submit an issue or concern](#), [report a pothole](#), [register to vote](#), identify [your community representative](#) to address your everyday neighborhood needs and much more. Note: CTRL + F5 will clear your computer's cache to view updates.



## San Diego Women's March



**San Diego Women's March** | I march to acknowledge the strength of women in our country. I march because of our tattered history as a nation, knowing that we can make things better if we continue to work together.

**Celebrating the Legacy of Dr. King with HBCU Alumni Expo, UAAMAC, All Peoples Celebration and MLK Parade** | I challenge all of us to not water down the legacy of Dr. King but be accountable to continuing the work.



L to R: Council President Georgette Gómez & Chaunteal Webb-Candler, Founder – HBCU Alumni San Diego



Councilmember sharing remarks at United African American Ministerial Action Council (UAAMAC)



L to R: Asm. Shirley Weber and Alyce Pipkin-Allen at All Peoples Celebration



Councilmember was honored to have been the Grand Marshal at the MLK Parade presented by Zeta Sigma Lambda Chapter of the Alpha Phi Alpha


**Councilmember Montgomery’s Council Committee assignments:**

- Chair, Committee on Public Safety and Livable Neighborhoods
- Vice Chair, Committee on Economic Development and Intergovernmental Relations
- Member, Committee on Budget and Government Efficiency

**Councilmember Montgomery’s outside organizations’ appointments:**

- City-County Reinvestment Task Force
- SANDAG Board of Directors – Second Alt. to Council President Georgette Gomez
- SANDAG Executive Committee – Second Alt.
- SANDAG Transportation Committee – Rep
- San Diego MTS – Board Rep. & Executive Committee Rep

**The first meeting of 2019 for the Committee on Public Safety and Livable Neighborhoods**

- Members:** Monica Montgomery (Chair), Barbara Bry (Vice Chair), Chris Cate and Vivian Moreno
- When:** Wednesday, February 6 at 9 a.m.  
View the  [Legislative Calendar](#) for specific dates.
- Where:** City Council Committee Room, 12th Floor, [City Administration Building](#)
- More Info:** Updated Public Safety and Livable Neighborhoods Committee Work Plan COMING SOON!