# COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM MONICA MONTGOMERY STEPPE COUNCIL DISTRICT 4

## **#CD4** Monthly Newsletter

In January, we celebrate the first full month of serving our new District Four communities, Ridgeview and Mountain View! I'm proud to represent communities that bring diversity, pride, and rich history to Council District Four. With the expansion of our District, the communities that make up the Fourth Council District continue to be vibrant and deserving of resources. My commitment to advocating for my constituents remains strong, and I look forward to serving our new neighbors.

In addition to changes in the District, Council has also rearranged committees and appointments. While I had the honor of serving the Public Safety and Livable Neighborhoods Committee for 4 years, this committee has split into two separate committees to prioritize and better serve our departments and constituents. These two committees are the "Public Safety" and "Community and Neighborhood Services."

It is now my pleasure to serve as the Chair of the Budget and Government Efficiency Committee, where I will have the opportunity to oversee a fair and equitable budget process that elevates our city to its best. Please look out in the future for more information about budget hearings and more information about the process in the coming months.



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# **INSIDE CITY HALL**

#### **PILLARS OF GOVERNANCE**

ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY FOR ALL REIMAGINING PUBLIC SAFETY SAFE AND HEALTHY COMMUNITIES

#### JANUARY 24 | CITY COUNCIL

### REQUEST FOR ANALYSIS ON IMPROVING HOUSING AFFORDABILITY

From the direction of City Council members, the Office of the Independent Budget Analyst (IBA) prepared the IBA Report 22-30: Response to Request for Analysis on Improving Housing Affordability. report outlines The nine administrative and structural barriers that have challenged housing affordability in the City of San Diego.

To review the full IBA report, visit: <u>www.sandiego.gov/iba/reports/</u> <u>reports22</u>

#### JANUARY 24 | CITY COUNCIL

#### TERMINATION OF STATE OF LOCAL EMERGENCY REGARDING COVID-19

On January 24th, the San Diego City Council voted unanimously to end the city's COVID-19 Emergency Declaration on Feb. 28 in order to be consistent with the county of San Diego and the state of California. The state of emergency allowed the city to receive state, county and federal funds for resources to respond to the pandemic. JANUARY 11 | BUDGET AND GOVERNMENT EFFICIENCY

#### **BUDGET PRIORITIES AND WORKPLAN**

As the newly appointed chair of the Budget and Government Efficiency committee, I was proud to put forth the public discussion of a work plan that reflects prioritizing an equitable budget and improving government efficiency. The Budget and Government Efficiency Committee will continue the dialogue of a work plan in the next meeting on February 8th at 9:00 a.m.

Stay up to date with information by signing up for email updates at <u>www.sandiego.gov/council-committees</u>.

#### JANUARY 23 | CITY COUNCIL

# PERFORMANCE AUDIT OF THE CITY'S TOWING PROGRAM

On January 23rd, City Council heard the City Auditor's Performance Audit of the City's Towing program. This purpose of this audit was to evaluate the financial, equity, and public benefit effects of the City's vehicle towing program. While the availability of parking is a concern in all districts, we should also be concerned about the quality of this towing program.

To review the full audit report and its recommendations, visit: <u>www.sandiego.gov/auditor/reports/auditreports/fy23audit</u>.

#### JANUARY 30 | CITY COUNCIL

#### APPROVAL OF STATE FUNDING TO HOUSE PEOPLE LIVING IN ENCAMPMENTS

On January 30, City Council authorized the expenditure of a \$2.45 million grant awarded to the City of San Diego to help end people's homelessness in East Village.

San Diego was one of eight communities across the state last October to be awarded a portion of \$48 million in Encampment Resolution Funding (ERF). This grant will focus efforts on placing clients into long-term permanent supportive housing (PSH) through the Coordinated Entry System. It is imperative we address the ongoing challenges of encampments with long-term solutions to help San Diego's residents experiencing houselessness.

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THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO OFFICE OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT SEAN ELO-RIVERA NINTH DISTRICT

#### MEMORANDUM

DATE: January 9, 2023

TO: Honorable City Councilmembers, The Public, Community Based Organizations

FROM: Council President Sean Elo-Rivera, District 9

SUBJECT: Call for Nominations to the Commission on Police Practices

The Commission on Police Practices (Commission) is an investigatory body of the City, independent of the Mayor, Police Chief, and Police Department. Effective December 18, 2020, City Charter section 41.2 established the Commission on Police Practices, which supersedes and replaces the Community Review Board on Police Practices. The implementation ordinance for the Commission on Police Practices took effect on November 19, 2022.

In accordance with <u>SDMC \$26.1105</u>, City Council is responsible for appointing all members of the Commission. Council Policy 000–13: Procedure for Mayor and Council Appointments, includes a process for each Council member to submit nominations to fill these seats. Nominations shall also be considered from the public, community-based organizations, or the Commission.

The public and community-based organizations may nominate a candidate by filling out a nomination form with appropriate supportive documents at <u>bit.ly/nominatecpp</u>. The public and community-based organizations may submit one nominee for each seat. The Council shall only consider written nominations made by the public and community-based organizations if nominees accept their nomination in writing prior to Council consideration.

Each Councilmember may also submit one nominee for each seat. In the appointment process, Council shall submit a nomination packet, which shall include the nomination memo, a copy of the completed onboard application, and any additional information in support of the such nominee. Council shall submit all nominations packets directly to applytocpp@sandiego.gov.

The deadline for submission for Council review is February 15, 2023 11:59pm.

# Organic Waste Recycling Program

The City's Environmental Services Department is rolling out a new Organic Waste Recycling program to allow every San Diegan to easily recycle food scraps, food-soiled paper and yard trimmings and do their part to help the environment.

To learn more about this program and how to recycle organic waste, you are invited to register for an upcoming Informational Green Bin Presentation, held both virtually and in person. To register, visit: <u>www.sandiego.gov/environmental-</u> <u>services/recycling/sb1383</u>

# Commission on Police Practices

Nominations to fill the 25 seats of the Commission on Police Practices are due on February 15, 2023.

San Diego City Council members, the public, community based organizations, and the Commission can nominate candidates. All candidates interested in serving on the Commission must submit an application.

To access the nomination form, visit<u>bit.ly/nominatecpp</u> To apply, visit <u>bit.ly/applycpp</u>.



Sdrecyclingworks@sandiego.gov



# **COMMUNITY HIGHLIGHTS**



Council President pro Tem presents a proclamation declaring January 22, 2023 "Trinity Lutheran Day" in the City of the San Diego. Trinity Lutheran Church, located in the Skyline neighborhood, celebrated their 125th anniversary.

The 13th Annual Martin Luther King Community Celebration and Parade was honored on January 21, 2023 with a proclamation from Council Preseident pro Tem Montgomery Steppe. This annual celebration takes place in the heart of Council District Four at the Martin Luther King Jr. Recreation Center.





City Council declares January 23-27 to be Lunar New Year week in the City of San Diego. The City is proud to celebrate and uplift those within our community who celebrate the Year of the Rabbit and Cat.

On January 27th and 28th, the California Reparations Task Force met in San Diego for their twelveth meeting since its formation. The next meeting will take place March 3-4 in Sacramento. View the interim report or sign up for meeting updates at oag.ca.gov/ab3121.



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#### **COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS**

COUNCIL COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS Chair, Budget and Government Efficiency Committee

Vice Chair, Rules Committee Vice Chair, Public Safety Committee Vice Chair, Economic Development and Intergovernmental Relations Committee Member, Active Transportation and Infrastructure Committee

OUTSIDE ORGANIZATIONS APPOINTMENTS Co-Chair, City-County Reinvestment Task Force Board Representative, San Diego MTS - Board of Directors

Alternate Representative, San Diego MTS -Executive Committee

**Chair,** San Diego MTS - Public Security Committee

First Representative and Alternate Chair, San Diego Consortium Policy Board Member, California Reparations Task Force



#### DISTRICT 4



## **OFFICE HOURS**

## FRIDAYS 1:30 PM - 4:30 PM

30 MIN VIDEO/TELECONFERENCE

# SCHEDULE APPOINTMENT AT SMSANCHEZ@SANDIEGO.GOV

## CONFIRM APPOINTMENT

PREPARE



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