Economic Opportunity for All

Dear Community,

My work on the Reinvestment Task Force (RTF) and the Economic Development and Intergovernmental Relations (ED&IR) Committee continues to focus on “economic opportunity for all.” As policymakers, it is not enough to say we want to create economic opportunity, we must put policies in place that support these pathways and connect those in need with resources.

This month, during the ED&IR Committee meeting, I asked my colleagues to support inclusion of my efforts to enhance the Community Reinvestment Act (CRA) for Low-Moderate Income (LMI) communities to the 2020 State and Federal Legislative Platform. The CRA was enacted in 1977 to counteract discriminatory credit practices, which included redlining in LMI communities. The CRA incentivizes bank lending and investment in workforce development, affordable housing, small business loans, single family mortgages and financial education.

In addition to the CRA, I asked my colleagues to also support federal legislation that enhances efforts of the Workforce Innovation & Opportunity Act (WIOA). The WIOA was signed into law by President Barack Obama on July 22, 2014. I sit on the San Diego Workforce Partnership Policy Board. San Diego Workforce Partnership is a 501(c)(3) organization chartered by the County and the City of San Diego to support workforce development in the San Diego region. The organization’s primary funding is allocated by the Department of Labor under the provisions of WIOA. Both priorities were successfully added to the City’s official state and federal legislative platform.

It takes all of us working together to overcome years of disinvestment in our community. We are committed to doing the work and carrying the voice of the community with us.

Sincerely,

Monica Montgomery, Councilmember
Fourth Council District
February 12 | Committee on Public Safety and Livable Neighborhoods

This month, the San Diego Police Department (SDPD) made an informational presentation on its response to resistance and de-escalation training.

After the presentation, the Councilmember asked questions that will require additional clarification, including: the hours for the Psychiatric Emergency Response Team (PERT) - noting that during the critical overnight hours - PERT is not available, and how those resources are distributed; how does SDPD’s paradigm need to shift now to implement AB 392 and the change in the use of force policy? What exactly are the de-escalation techniques? Is the carotid restraint considered a de-escalation technique?

The Councilmember is committed to changing the conversation around police transparency and accountability.

February 5 | Rules Committee

Item 4: Get It Done Program Update

The Councilmember, as a new member of the Rules Committee, pointed out that delays in responding to graffiti abatement requests can lead to public safety issues.

Last summer, to address the uptick in violence across the city of San Diego, the Councilmember launched the Peace Movement: Let’s Live, Let’s Love. Some of the incidents of violence stemmed for gang graffiti. It is vitally important that graffiti is reported and abated in a timely manner.
Community.
Courage.
Consistency.

Please visit our online community calendar to get a complete list of events and meetings: https://www.sandiego.gov/citycouncil/cd4/eventslisting

Do you want to meet with the People’s Councilmember to share your community concerns? Our Friday district office hours will now be at a new location: George Stevens Fourth District Seniors Resource Center, 570 S 65th St. To schedule your 20-minute appointment, please email Ms. Stephanie Sanchez: SMSanchez@sandiego.gov, or call (619) 236-6644.

FREE PGK Dance classes, on Mondays (March 2nd – June 22nd), 7 p.m. – 8 p.m. Jackie Robinson YMCA, 151 YMCA Way.

The Peace Movement: Let’s Live, Let’s Love Cascade Meeting, Taking the peace movement across San Diego, Theme: March for Peace, Wednesday, March 4th, 6 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Bayview Baptist Church, 6134 Benson.

Boone Elementary School Joint-Use Field Second Public Input Workshop, Thursday, March 5th, 6 p.m. Paradise Hills Recreation Center, located at 6610 Potomac St.

Public Safety and Livable Neighborhoods Committee, Wednesday, March 18th at 9 a.m. 202 C St, 12th floor.

Paradise Hills Branch Library Events for the Month of March
Skyline Hills Branch Library Events for the Month of March
Valencia Park/Malcolm X Library Events for the Month of March

Black History Month Celebration
At the annual Black History Month celebration, the Councilmember declared it Black History Month in the city of San Diego.

L to R in photo: Greg Woods, Black Employees Association, Professor Chuck Ambers, and Jasmine Sadler.

FREE! Smoke Alarms for Seniors!
Smoke alarms are a critical part of a home fire escape plan.

Are You Prepared?

The majority of fatal home fires occur at night, and the smell of smoke won’t always wake you up. In fact, the products toxic gases which can cause you to pass out and make a working smoke alarm in a home the harshest of warnings in a house fire by 50% because it alerts you to the danger in time to escape.

The Burn Institute will install free smoke alarms in your home! smoke alarm installation event!
Requirements:
- Minimum 62 years and older
- Owner of current residence

To sign-up for your free smoke alarm installation, contact our Senior Smoke Alarm Coordinator today at:
(858)-541-2277
or email: smokealarm@burninstitute.org

The Burn Institute is a local non-profit serving the San Diego community for over 45 years. Learn more at BurnInstitute.org

March for Black Women
San Diego

We are strong, beautiful, and demand respect.

March for Black Women
MAR 8
Meet at Euclid & Logan
Kids, Allen, & Martin Luther Center
TIME
10 am

M4BWSD.COM

Tree Planting Ceremony

Saturday, March 14, 2020 | 10 a.m.
You are cordially invited!
Bay Terrace Community Park
Tree Planting Ceremony
7373 Tooma Street
San Diego, CA 92139

Smoke for Seniors
Let’s Go To Work.

Get It Done Casework | Graffiti Abatement, Illegal Dumping and More

It takes all of us working together!