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## Councilmember Moreno Statement on May Revision to the Fiscal Year 2022 Proposed Budget

SAN DIEGO- Today, the Council heard an informational presentation of the May Revision to the Mayor's Fiscal Year 2022 Proposed Budget. Councilmember Vivian Moreno has issued the following statement:

"The Mayor's revised budget is an improvement on the proposed budget. The allocations to the <u>Climate Equity Fund</u>, as proposed by the Mayor, will fund a number of important projects in underserved communities- such as the Cypress Drive Cultural Corridor and Southwest Park. I thank Mayor Gloria for recognizing the need to invest in CIP projects through the Climate Equity Fund. Getting these CIP projects built is essential in ensuring our communities are resilient in the face of climate change.

I have advocated since the budget was released for library services to be restored. I thank the Mayor for coming up with a plan to get our libraries fully staffed over the next fiscal year so they can once again be open 7 days a week. We need to ensure that our residents- particularly our students- have full access to our libraries. I have talked with a number of Principals at schools in my district who have communicated that the libraries are an absolute lifeline for the academic success of their students. If these services had not been restored- the effect would have been devastating.

I look forward to working with my colleagues to finalize this budget in a way that provides the services our communities deserve."

The Mayor's Fiscal Year 2022 May Revision can be found here.

Councilmember Vivian Moreno represents the Eighth Council District of the City of San Diego, which includes the communities of Barrio Logan, Egger Highlands, Grant Hill, Logan Heights, Memorial, Nestor, Ocean View Hills, Otay Mesa, San Ysidro, Shelltown, Sherman Heights, Stockton, and the Tijuana River Valley.