







- 1) Team Ward out canvassing North Park businesses, letting them know about opportunities to improve the 30th Street corridor.
- 2) Councilmember Ward at one of his favorite events of the year! For 17 years, the San Diego Imperial Court has hosted an Easter Egg Hunt, providing baskets and festivities to hundreds of San Diego families.
- 3) Councilmember Ward with LGBTQ+ elected officials enjoying a Padres game at Out At The Park! Thank you, Padres for your commitment to diversity and our city.
- 4) Councilmember Ward with members of the University Heights Community Association for Party on Park! Great to spend time with neighbors and support local businesses.

Councilmember Ward serves on the following: Chair, Economic Development & Intergovernmental Relations Chair, Regional Task Force on the Homeless

Vice-Chair, Committee on Active Transportation & Infrastructure Member, SANDAG Regional Planning Committee





Dear Neighbor:

Mayor Faulconer announced his proposed Fiscal Year 2020 budget which safeguards essential city services and expands San Diego's commitment to public safety and homelessness. In a year where we expected to deal with significant budget deficit the initial outlook is a good sign for maintaining services in our neighborhoods.

NEWS FROM COUNCILMEMBER CHRIS WARD

The proposed budget significantly invests infrastructure improvements and throughout our neighborhoods with an allocation of \$79.9 million to pave, repair, and replace 430 miles of street, \$387 million to deliver clean water through the Pure Water Program, and the largest Capital Improvements Project Program budget in San Diego's history.

The proposed budget utilizes the \$14.1 million in funding from the Homeless Emergency Aid Program (HEAP) to fund many of the homeless services that Councilmember Ward has been advocating for: new storage facilities, safe parking programs, expand family reunification efforts, a flex spending pool, and more rapid rehousing dollars.

The Council and I will review the allocations for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program, which will include \$12.7 million for homelessness programs, services, and projects. Additionally, \$6.3 million to expand the "Clean SD" initiative so personnel can provide a clean and safe environment at beach areas, canyons, parks and other open spaces throughout the city, and a significant investment of \$8.4 million to train qualified police officers and mitigate the current retention crisis.

I encourage everyone that can participate in this process to attend a budget meeting and if you cannot make it, share with my office what your priorities are. If we get involved, if we make our voices heard, our City budget can genuinely be an expression of the values we hold.

You can find additional information on the Fiscal Year 2020 Budget at https:// www.sandiego.gov/fm/proposed.

CQ Wes

May 2019

### IMPROVING ACCESS TO QUALITY AFFORDABLE CHILD CARE

#### Last month, Councilmember Ward led a discussion focused on how we can make San Diego a more inclusive environment for working families by supporting and improving access to child care systems in our city. There are several barriers that families face when looking for affordable, quality child care services for their children. The pressure this creates is detrimental for families already struggling with high housing costs and a barrier to our regional economic growth.



We have an obligation to address the lack of child care services city-wide and develop economic opportunity for all our communities. San Diego must lead on this issue and embrace solutions like identifying adequate space to house additional child care programs, a creative partnerships with the US Navy and other stakeholders, and dedicated policy that will facilitate access to affordable, quality child care. Numerous challenges were raised in today's discussion and Councilmember Ward intends to explore policy solutions and introduce them at the Economic Development and Intergovernmental Relations committee as specific policy actions.

## **30TH STREET CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS**

We have an exciting opportunity to add improved bikeways along 30th Street in North Park!

The 30th Street Pipeline project, which will replace water pipelines from Juniper Street to Polk Avenue in North Park, is currently underway and resurfacing presents an opportunity to add improved bike facilities through striping modifications. To find current design options, please visit www.sandiego.gov/citycouncil/cd3

Councilmember Ward is leading community outreach efforts for this project, so please consider attending an

upcoming meeting on May 14th at 6:30PM at 2901 North Park Way (2nd Floor) to learn more. If you have any additional questions, please contact Tyler Renner, my community liaison for North Park at trenner@sandiego.gov or (619) 236-6527.

## DOCKLESS SCOOTER REGULATIONS

San Diego's first dockless vehicle regulations promote safety and ensure scooters are removed from downtown sidewalks. The regulations find a balance that keeps San Diegans safe on our sidewalks and streets, while establishing permitting terms for scooters as a meaningful part of a safe, accessible, and sustainable mobility network.



San Diegans are frustrated with scooters on our sidewalks, weaving through pedestrians and blocking access to public rights-of-way. These regulations limit their ability to be parked, displayed, or made available for rent on city sidewalks. Councilmember Ward is also happy to see recommendations he made during Infrastructure committee integrated into the regulations, such as including Piazza della Famiglia as a 3 mph zone. This is a necessary first step in regulating these devices and Councilmember Ward looks forward to hearing an update on operations and data in six months. This is also an opportunity to ensure funds collected are dedicated to mobility infrastructure improvements and education to ensure this mobility option works for everyone.

# **Budget Review Schedule**

#### Wednesday, May 1, 2019

- 9:00 AM Budget Review Committee
- 2:00 PM Budget Review Committee
- 6:00 PM Budget Review Committee
- Thursday, May 2, 2019
  - 9:00 AM Budget Review Committee
  - 2:00 PM Budget Review Committee
- Friday, May 3, 2019
  - 9:00 AM Budget Review Committee
- Monday, May 6, 2019
  - 9:00 AM Budget Review Committee
  - 2:00 PM Budget Review Committee
- Monday, May 13, 2019
  - 6:00 PM Budget Review Committee
- Friday, May 17, 2019
  - 2:00 PM Budget Review Committee

Location: 202 C Street, 12 Floor, San Diego, Ca 92101



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