

## Serving the Neighborhoods of the 7<sup>th</sup> District

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## Sherman Holds Fire Safety Townhall Walks Community to Spread Word on Wildfire Dangers

The month of October has historically been the most dangerous month for wildfires. To help spread the word on fire safety, my office has been working hard to meet with residents and give them information on how to keep their properties safe.

The warning signs couldn't be more ominous. Earlier in the year, fires scorched over 27,000 acres and destroyed several homes in San Diego County.

In June, a wildfire started in Mission Trails Regional Park burning 93 acres of land in the heart of District 7.

These fires serve as an excellent reminder for residents to get prepared immediately for wildfire season if they have not done so already.

To be proactive, my office produced an informational fire safety brochure to District 7 residents with important information regarding how to keep property safe. To view the brochure, please click [here](#).

Also, my office organized a fire safety townhall with fire experts where safety techniques were given to residents.

Finally, my office teamed with the San Diego Fire Department to walk all neighborhoods near canyon lands to meet with residents and give informational brochures.

The Fire Departments "Ready, Set, Go" program provides information regarding brush fire management and family preparedness in case of fire. More information can be found [here](#).

It takes everyone to keep a community safe. A wildfire only needs one unprepared home to spread to an entire neighborhood. This is why it is important that we all stay diligent in the upcoming months.

If you have any questions or concerns in your community, please don't hesitate to contact my office at 619-236-6677 or email me at [ScottSherman@SanDiego.Gov](mailto:ScottSherman@SanDiego.Gov).

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<http://www.sandiego.gov/citycouncil/cd7/faq/index.shtml>

## Sherman and Volunteers Remove Over 125 Pounds of Trash and Recycling from Lake Hodges



Councilmember Sherman meets with residents and gives instructions before the District 7 Lake Murray Cleanup

Councilmember Scott Sherman and his staff joined with the “I Love a Clean San Diego” organization to volunteer for their annual Coastal Cleanup Day at Lake Murray in District 7.

There were two sites that were cleaned in District 7. The first was Lake Murray and the second was Ruffin Canyon.

I Love a Clean San Diego sponsors several annual cleanups in San Diego and has played an important role in the community for the last 60 years.

## Audit Chairman Report: Audit Committee Reviews Fire Department Overtime Expenses



Councilmember Sherman chairs a recent meeting of the Audit Committee

At the September 15<sup>th</sup> meeting, Councilmember Sherman, Chairman of the Audit Committee heard a report from the City Auditor regarding the use of overtime staffing in the San Diego Fire Department.

The report found that current practices of using extensive overtime to fill vacancies were roughly the same cost as hiring new firefighters to fill those vacancies. However, as benefit packages have changed recently, this practice will become more expensive over time.

The report recommends that the Fire Department begin hiring new firefighters to fill those vacancies instead of using overtime

in order to take advantage of those cost savings in the future as well to provide other benefits such as improving firefighter safety by not overworking staff and having a larger public safety force to deploy in an emergency.

## Events Attended by Councilman Sherman

9/3: Attended Balboa Park Conservancy Breakfast

9/3: Fire Safety Town Hall at Mission Trails Visitor Center

9/4: Met with Serra Mesa Residents after Water Main Break

9/6: Fire Safety Community Walk

9/11: Ribbon Cutting at Hearst Elementary School in Del Cerro

9/15: Audit Committee Meeting

9/17: 34<sup>th</sup> Annual P.A.E.S.A.N. Police and Emergency Services Appreciation Night

9/20: Clean up Day at Lake Murray

9-22: Briefing from Bicycle Advisory Committee

9/23: 6<sup>th</sup> Annual SDMAC Military Economic Impact Study Luncheon

9/25: Community Housing Works First Time Homebuyers Workshop

## Sherman Visits with Serra Mesa Residents After Water Main Break

Last month, the community of Serra Mesa suffered a major water main break. Also, a strong storm passed through San Diego that knocked down several trees throughout the city, including Serra Mesa.

In emergency situations like these, Councilmember Sherman wants to ensure that all residents have the necessary emergency numbers to call.

Below are the main numbers to call in the event of an emergency:

**Street Hazards: 619-527-7500**  
**Water Emergencies: 619-515-3525**  
**SDGE Electrical Emergencies: 800-411-7343**

Sherman applauded the Public Works, Transportation, and Storm Water Departments for addressing the water main break and fallen trees in a quick and effective manner.



Mayor Faulconer and Councilmember Sherman met with Serra Mesa residents affected by a water main break in September.

## Councilmembers Sherman and Emerald Hold CPR Training for Allied Gardens Community



Councilmembers Scott Sherman and Marti Emerald co-hosted a “Neighborhood Beat” seminar at the Allied Gardens Benjamin Branch Library.

At the free event, District 7 residents learned CPR basics as well as how to operate an AED device. These skills are important and necessary to save a life in case of a medical emergency.

Throughout San Diego, over 400 people have undergone the emergency training sponsored by San Diego Project Heart Beat and Rural/Metro Ambulance.

If you have a community group that would be interested in scheduling a neighborhood beat, please contact Liz at 619-236-6677 or via email at [esaidkhanian@saniego.gov](mailto:esaidkhanian@saniego.gov).

Councilmembers Sherman and Emerald with medical emergency professionals at the Neighborhood Beat event in Allied Gardens

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The City of San Diego has a variety of [boards and commissions](#) offering an excellent opportunity for individuals to volunteer their services on significant matters. Boards and commissions may be fiduciary, regulatory, policy-setting and/or advisory; and in all cases, members' contributions are invaluable to the Mayor, the City Council, and the City.

A list of current vacancies and an application form to be considered for an appointment can be found at [www.sandiego.gov/city-clerk/boards-commissions/](http://www.sandiego.gov/city-clerk/boards-commissions/).

If you have any questions or would like to apply for an appointment please contact Barrett Tetlow at 619-236-6677 or [btetlow@sandiego.gov](mailto:btetlow@sandiego.gov).

## Sherman Teams with Non-Profit Organization Community HousingWorks for Homebuyers Workshop in Tierrasanta

Councilmember Sherman teamed with non-profit organization Community HousingWorks (CHW) for a free workshop for first-time homebuyers.

Several residents attended the workshop to receive important information and strategies on how they can start the process for homeownership. Financial experts were also on-hand to help residents with poor credit to start a strategic and comprehensive path to restore their credit.

Buying a home is a dream for many San Diegans but after the great recession, many residents have lost faith in owning a home of their own.

Because of this, Sherman felt it was important to provide as much information as possible to San Diego residents.

"The pride of homeownership is an important and powerful community builder and I am thankful to CHW for the work they do in the community," said Sherman

CHW is a nonprofit that helps people and communities move up in the world through opportunities to own, rent and achieve. For more information regarding CHP please visit their website at: <http://chworks.org/> or call at: 888-884-4CHW



Homebuyer experts from Community HousingWorks answers questions from Tierrasanta residents at a homebuyers workshop.

### Casework Corner

**One of my top priorities is improving customer service at City Hall. I believe our government should be using these five simple words more:**

**"How may I help you?"**

**Neighborhood Issues Successfully Resolved in September:**

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# Upcoming District 7 Events

## San Carlos Friends of the Library Book Sale- October 4<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 am to 3:00 pm

Please join the San Carlos Friends of the Library at their monthly book sale. These are held on the first Saturday of every month and proceeds go to purchase books, programs, and equipment for community use and enjoyment at the San Carlos Library.

## Linda Vista “Step by Step” Financial Literacy Program – October 7<sup>th</sup> 6:00 pm to 7:15 pm

The Bayside Community Center invites members of the community to participate in the “Step by Step” program, a financial literacy and credit management workshop that starts on October 7<sup>th</sup> and will continue every Tuesday for 7 weeks. Participants will learn skills and techniques to improve their finances, save money and build their credit score. Please contact Jasmine Sereno at [jsereno@baysideecc.org](mailto:jsereno@baysideecc.org) or call 858-278-0771 ext. 3015 for more information. Residents can also sign up at Bayside’s reception desk. The address for the community center is 2202 Comstock St. 92111.

## Workshop to Increase Walkability and Biking in Linda Vista – October 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm

Resident input is needed from Linda Vista residents to help city staff develop a network that provides direct and convenient connections for residential areas, schools, employment centers, transit stations, public places, retail, and community destinations. Please visit the following link for more information: [sandiego.gov/planning/community/profiles/lindavista/cats.shtml](http://sandiego.gov/planning/community/profiles/lindavista/cats.shtml).

## Art in the Park Fundraiser – October 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm.

The third annual “Art in the Park” is being held at the Mission Trails Regional Park Visitors Center located at 1 Father Juniper Serra Trail, San Diego, CA 92119. The event will feature a great selection of nature related art on display and for purchase, and will include an expanded silent auction and live entertainment. For more information and to purchase tickets, please visit: [www.mtrp.org](http://www.mtrp.org).

## 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Tierrasanta/Murphy Canyon Oktoberfest – October 11<sup>th</sup> 4:00 pm to 9:00 pm

The 25<sup>th</sup> annual Oktoberfest will be held at the Tierrasanta Community Park. There will be food, music, refreshment, and fireworks for the whole family. The net proceeds will go towards charitable activities to support our local youth. The address of the park is: 11220 Clairemont Mesa Blvd. 92124.

## Mission Trails Regional Park Art in the Park – October 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm

Mission Trails Regional Park will be holding their third annual “Art in the Park” on Saturday, October 11<sup>th</sup>. There will be lots of great nature related art on display and available for purchase that evening. As well, two local District 7 breweries, Benchmark and Groundswell, will be providing samples throughout the evening. Tickets are available for \$25 at [www.mtrp.org](http://www.mtrp.org).

## Tierrasanta Concert in the Park – October 26<sup>th</sup> 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Enjoy the beautiful Tierrasanta Community Park and enjoy local music at the Tierrasanta Concert in the Park. The San Diego Music Youth Band and local band Wild Blue Yonder will perform at the event. Food trucks and local vendors will also be at the event. The address of the park is 11220 Clairemont Mesa Blvd. 92124.

# Sherman In the District

From Left to Right

- Taking part in the opening of Hearst Elementary after school day care in Del Cerro.
- Councilmember Sherman and colleagues honor the SD Workforce Partnership at Council
- Starting the free CPR training session at the Allied Gardens Library
- Giving instructions to volunteers at the Lake Murray cleanup day.
- Sherman kicks off the Fire Safety Town Hall at Mission Trails Regional Park
- Speaking with volunteers before the fire safety community walk in district 7

