

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

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## Pure Water to Provide San Diego with Safe, Secure, and Reliable Drinking Water

Last month, the City Council unanimously voted to move forward on a Pure Water system that will provide one-third of San Diego's water supply, reducing the reliance on costly imported water.

After reviewing several extensive reports and meeting with stakeholder and concerned parties, I became convinced that Pure Water is a safe and important step for our city to take to become water independent.

San Diego is in the middle of a severe drought that is taking its toll on ratepayers. Currently, city residents are at the mercy of imported water. Nearly 85% of our city's water supply comes from outside our region.

Due to our reliance on imported water, ratepayers are at the mercy of the Metropolitan Water District based in Los Angeles.

Like many of you, I have seen my water bill increase dramatically over the years. The new Pure Water system will provide San Diegans with nearly 83 million gallons of clean water per day. This new influx of local water will help stabilize and possibly reduce our water bills in the future.

Our investment into creating a stable Pure

Water system will help stabilize the water supply for future generations of our children and grandchildren and will help ensure that we have the water necessary to grow our San Diego region.

Pure Water-technology is a highly scientific process that uses the latest technologies to make clean water that meets and exceeds federal and state drinking water standards.

Pure Water is only a part of the answer for a diversified water supply. I will also continue to push for water desalination and the construction of more reservoirs to store our local water.

If you would like further information regarding the Pure Water System, please visit the following website:

<http://www.sandiego.gov/water/purewater/>

Scott Sherman  
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# District 7 Library Hours Extended

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Last month, the City increased weekly library services by 203 hours a week for District 7 residents.

The additional funding to increase library hours came from the Fiscal Year 2015 budget. Councilmember Sherman advocated strongly for the increased hours to be included in the budget.

The increased hours continues Mayor Faulconer's and Councilmember Sherman's commitment to invest more funding back into San Diego's communities.

Each branch library in San Diego will add four total service hours Monday through Saturdays. Twelve select branches will extend hours on Saturday and Sundays.

In District 7, the Mission Valley and Serra Mesa – Kearny Mesa Branches will have extended weekend hours and will be open on Saturdays from 9am – 6pm and Sundays from 12:30pm – 5pm.

For a complete list of all San Diego Branch Library hours please visit this link (<http://www.sandiego.gov/public-library/pdf/2014/141009libraryhoursflyer.pdf>)



Libraries throughout the district such as the San Carlos library above have had their hours extended thanks to the FY 2015 budget.

## Sherman Celebrates Graduation of RLA and Step by Step in Linda Vista



Councilmember Sherman joined with members of the Linda Vista community to celebrate the graduation of the latest Resident Leadership Academy (RLA) and the Step by Step program.

The RLA helps residents gain knowledge, tools, and the confidence needed to be a leader in the community. The Step by Step program offers financial tools and training for residents in need.

For more information regarding these important programs, please visit the Bayside Community Center website at: <http://www.bayside-lindavista.org/>

Councilmember Sherman congratulates the Resident Leadership Academy and Step by Step graduation classes.

Visit the new City resource page for a directory of City services on our website:

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

## Events Attended by Councilman Sherman

11/1: Third Annual Pumpkin Smash at San Carlos Community Garden

11/1: Troop 959's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration

11/6: Ground breaking ceremony iFLY Indoor Skydiving Facility

11/11: Celebrated Veterans Day with Linda Vista Community

11/12: Hampton Inn Grand Opening / Ribbon Cutting

11/14: Toured NASSCO Shipyard Facilities

11/17: Declared Nov. 17<sup>th</sup> Ssubi is Hope Day in Honor of Humanitarian Group

10/18: Workforce Partnership Policy Board Meeting

11/20: Attended benefit to support the SD Police Foundation

11/20: Chaired Audit Committee Meeting at City Council

## New Indoor Skydiving Facility Breaks Ground in Mission Valley



Councilmember Sherman addresses the media about the new indoor skydiving facility and his past experience in skydiving **Click on picture to watch.**

Councilmember Scott Sherman took part in the ground-breaking of a new indoor skydiving facility that will be built in Mission Valley. The new attraction will be another exciting feature to a popular tourist and entertainment destination.

The \$10 Million investment into Mission Valley will be a three-floor, 70-foot-high facility that will consist of a 48-foot-high wind tunnel, 14 feet in diameter. The tunnel is capable of handling 12 people every 30 minutes.

Not only will the tunnel bring in additional revenue for local businesses, the company will also bring 35 new jobs to the community.

“The new iFLY San Diego facility will be a welcome addition to the Mission Valley

community that is already well established as a popular tourist and entertainment destination. This facility will add to the unique experience that Mission Valley has to offer,” said Councilmember Sherman.

## Sherman Recognizes PetSmart for Generous Donation to Rady Children’s Hospital in Serra Mesa



Councilmember Sherman declared Oct 28<sup>th</sup> to be “PetSmart Day” in honor of their support of Rady Children’s Hospital in Serra Mesa. **Click on picture to watch video.**

Recently, Councilmember Scott Sherman awarded a proclamation to PetSmart in honor of their generous donation of \$250,000 to fund Rady Children’s “PetSmart Paws for Hope” Program.

The program takes advantage of the unique healing power that pets can have on people especially young patients.

The donation from PetSmart will help the program provide thousands of children with access to canine comfort units.

For more information regarding canine comfort units please visit the following website: <http://www.rchsd.org/programs-services/canine-care-program/>

# Constituent Issues Resolved in the Community

**My top priority at City Hall is to help improve the lives of those I represent  
And the communities they live in. Below are just a few of the issues  
that my staff helped resolve in the month of November:**

- *Water leak at Mission Heights Park in **Linda Vista** fixed after being notified by a District 7 resident*
- *Assisted an **Allied Gardens** constituent with replacing a defective water meter*
- *Street light repaired on **Viacha Dr.** in **Tierrasanta** within three days after resident notified the office*
- *Assisted **Rady Children's Hospital** in **Serra Mesa** on important permitting issues*
- *Fixed water ponding problem in front of the **Linda Vista** Firestation 23*
- *Litter picked up at the end of **Tierrasanta Blvd** after constituent contacted District 7*
- *Assisted in scheduling free interior and exterior water conservation surveys in **San Carlos** and **Del Cerro**.*
- *Lights fixed at **Dailard Park** in **San Carlos** after notification that Daylight Savings had caused issues*

**Do you have an issue or problem in your community? Please contact my office  
at 619-236-6677 or email at [ScottSherman@SanDiego.Gov](mailto:ScottSherman@SanDiego.Gov). We are here to help!**

## Councilmember Sherman and Linda Vista Community Celebrate Opening of Empower Charter School

Councilmember Scott Sherman joined Empower Charter School Executive Director Demi Brown, faculty, parents, and students to celebrate the official opening of the elementary school in Linda Vista.

The Empower Charter School is a vibrant and unique school that serves low income, hard working families in Linda Vista. The school was in danger of not opening due to a last minute hurdle put up by local governments.

Empower Charter School offers an innovative Spanish Immersion program along with a focus on health and fitness.

The school believes that equipping children with creative and critical thinking, and the ability to communicate in more than one language will give children an advantage.

Being in a region that is so close to the border, a bilingual education is twice as important and will give children the skills they need to be competitive in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

“Empower Charter School is vitally important to the hardworking families of Linda Vista, I am proud to have helped the dedicated staff open their doors and serve this important community,” said Councilmember Sherman.

To learn more, please visit: [www.empowercharter.org](http://www.empowercharter.org).



Councilmember Sherman speaks with faculty, parents, and students at the grand opening of Empower Charter School in Linda Vista.

### 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 November:**

# Upcoming District 7 Events

## 2014 City Council Inauguration Ceremony – December 10<sup>th</sup> 10:00 am – 1:00 pm

The public is welcome to attend the 2014 Inauguration Ceremony for the Seventieth City Council for the City of San Diego. The Ceremony will be held at Golden Hall, Charles C. Dail Concourse at 202 C St. San Diego, CA.

## Mission Trails Regional Park Stars at Mission Trails – December 12<sup>th</sup> 12:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Please join the San Diego Astronomy Association at their monthly star viewing. They meet at Sunset (5 PM) at the Kumeyaay Lake Campground Day Use Lot. Telescopes are provided for those that do not have one.

## Serra Mesa Council Meeting to Explore Senior Issues – December 14<sup>th</sup> 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

The Serra Mesa Community Council Steering Committee will hold a meeting to explore “The Village” concept of seniors networking with other seniors to provide resources and community to create an “unplanned retirement community.” The meet and greet events will be held at the Serra Mesa/Kearney Mesa Library on Aero Dr. from 2:00 to 4:00 PM. For more information, please contact the Serra Mesa Community Council at [communitycouncil@serramesa.org](mailto:communitycouncil@serramesa.org) or 858-565-2473.

## Build It With Legos Event at the San Carlos Library – December 18<sup>th</sup> 4:00 pm – 5:30 pm

Children age six and up are invited to the San Carlos Branch Library for a junior maker space kick-off. The Library provides the LEGO's and the children provide the imagination. The address for the San Carlos library is 7265 Jackson Dr. 92119. Please call 619-527-3430 for more information.

## San Carlos Library Writing for Literacy Library Essay Contest – December 19<sup>th</sup>

The 18<sup>th</sup> annual student writing for literacy library essay contest is open to all students who attend a public, private, parochial, or home school served by the San Diego Public Library system that are in the 4<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, or 10<sup>th</sup> grade. The contest originally began just for students in the San Carlos/Navajo area but has since expanded. The deadline for receipt of entries is 3:00 pm Friday, December 19<sup>th</sup>. All essays may be turned in at the library. For more information please visit

<http://sancarlosfriendsofthelibrary.org/>

## Sherman to Speak at San Carlos Area Council Meeting – January 7<sup>th</sup> 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Councilmember Scott Sherman will attend the San Carlos Area Council Meeting and be a guest speaker. Sherman will give an update on the latest legislative news at City Hall and answer any concerns or questions residents may have.

# Sherman In the Community



From Left to Right

- Accepting an award from Bayside Community Center in Linda Vista.
- Taking a tour of the NASSCO shipbuilding facility.
- Breaking ground at the new Ifly Indoor Skydiving facility in Mission Valley.
- Awarding a young student at Empower Charter School a city proclamation.
- At the opening of December Nights at Balboa Park.
- Honoring Ssubi is Hope founder Laura Luxemburg for her tireless work to the people of Uganda.