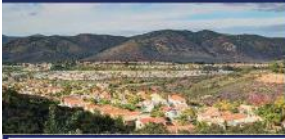


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NEWS AND INFORMATION FROM THE FIFTH DISTRICT



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Rebuilding San Diego: Rancho Carmel Drive



The long-awaited resurfacing of Rancho Carmel Drive is finally underway. Crews are currently doing concrete and ADA work on the sidewalks, in preparation for repaving the road. The entire process to repave north and south bound lanes will take several months to complete, so we ask for your patience with traffic impacts in the area.

Rancho Carmel Drive is the first road within this contract that will repave 35 miles of streets throughout the City. I will update you on other District 5 roads in this contract as schedules become available. You can also explore past and future/ongoing road repair at <http://streets.sandiego.gov/#>. As we chip away at the City's infrastructure backlog and rebuild San Diego, I will continue to advocate tirelessly for District Five roads to receive needed repairs.

Water Bill Resources



You should always be able to expect that you are receiving a fair water bill. If you have concerns regarding a water bill and would like an individual investigation, please contact my office to be connected to the appropriate Public Utilities Department (PUD) staff, or contact PUD directly at water@sandiego.gov or 619-515-3500. I closely monitor the Public Utilities Department's handling of your billing issues and support the independent City Auditor's expanded audit of PUD customer billing, as well as the additional accuracy safeguards that have recently been implemented.

For resources on how to read your water meter and calculate your water bill, visit <https://www.sandiego.gov/water/rates>



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Request a Free Tree



The City is offering [free trees](#) in an effort to boost our urban canopy. You can arrange to have a tree planted in the public right-of-way near your home or business at no cost if you agree to water the tree while it grows.

Request a free tree by emailing tsw_freetree@sandiego.gov or calling 619-527-7500.

Building a Smarter City



The City of San Diego was one of nine cities awarded the [‘What Works Cities Certification,’](#) the first-ever standard of excellence for data-driven local governments. The award recognizes the City’s use of data and technology to better serve residents with innovations like ‘Get It Done,’ a tool for reporting non-emergency problems in your neighborhood. Download ‘Get It Done San Diego’ to your smartphone at <https://www.sandiego.gov/get-it-done>

I am proud to have drafted the City’s Open Data Policy with a great team of local tech experts. You can explore San Diego datasets such as street repair work, traffic volumes, operation budgets and more at <https://data.sandiego.gov/>

Nominee for SDPD Chief– Dave Nisleit



[Assistant Chief Dave Nisleit](#) has been nominated by Mayor Kevin Faulconer to succeed Chief Shelley Zimmerman as San Diego Police Chief. With so much internal talent at SDPD, I was pleased to see a 30-year veteran get the nod. Both Chief Zimmerman and Assistant Chief Nisleit are District 5 residents, so be sure to say hello if you see them in the community.

Assistant Chief Nisleit’s City Council confirmation hearing will be held on Monday, February 26, and I welcome your feedback in preparation for this big vote. If you cannot attend the hearing, please call or email my office in the coming week to share your thoughts.

In the Community



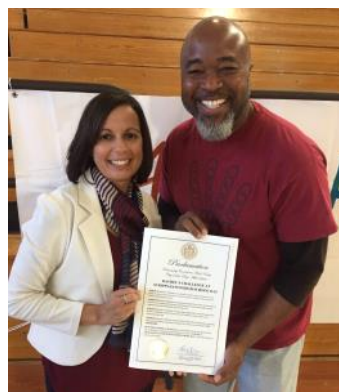
I spoke to nearly 100 local Scouts who are on their way to receiving the Arrow of Light Badge. For their "Building a Better World" requirement, I spoke to them about important issues facing our community and the opportunities and challenges of rebuilding San Diego.



I had the privilege of meeting with Gary Kelly, CEO of Southwest Airlines, to discuss the need for a new Terminal 1 at the San Diego International Airport. Southwest is the largest carrier at SAN carrying 38% of all passengers.



I was able to meet with Rancho Bernardo resident, Lew Gary in his home, and thank him for his dedication to the community. Lew does not remember everything he has done, but the community does—every day, we enjoy the results of his tireless work to beautify our neighborhoods. I'm honored to have presented him with a proclamation, proclaiming February 8, 2018 as '[Lewis Gary Day](#)' in the Fifth District of the City of San Diego.



Principal Nicole DeWitt and Scripps Ranch High School was the first school in District 5 to host [Rachel's Challenge](#), a non-profit committed to empowering every person to start a chain reaction of kindness and compassion. For their dedication to empowering 2,300 students to create a more connected school, February 13, 2018 was proclaimed Rachel's Challenge at Scripps Ranch High School Day in the Fifth District of San Diego.

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Community Calendar

Macy's Museum Month

Feb 1-28 | Various Locations

<https://www.sandiegomuseumcouncil.org/museum-month>

Lunar New Year at Seaworld

Feb 10-25

<https://seaworld.com/san-diego/events/lunar-new-year/>

Emerging Leaders Advisory Council

Feb 20 | North San Diego Business Chamber

<https://chamber.sdbusinesschamber.com/events/>

News Literacy and You

Feb 20 | Scripps Miramar Ranch Library

<http://sandiego.librarymarket.com/librarian-presentation-fake-news-media>

Friends Restoration Project

Feb 25 | Black Mountain Ranch Park

<http://penasquitos.org/>

MMS Band Festival Concert

Feb 28 | Marshall Middle School Theatre

<https://www.marshallmiddle.org/apps/events/2018/2/?id=0>

Scripps Miramar Ranch Library– 25th Anniversary

March 10, 24

<http://srfol.org/>

Rancho Bernardo Hall of Fame

March 10

<http://rbhalloffame.org/>

Feedback Needed

Commuter Survey- How do you commute? The City is collecting data to help shape future plans for alternative modes of transportation. Take the survey at <http://www.sdcommutersurvey.org/> and have the chance to win a one-year membership to Discover Bike, the City of San Diego's bike share partner.

Constituent Survey- Your responses to this survey will help me better understand your needs as a resident of the City of San Diego. Please take a moment to complete the survey today at <http://bit.ly/sdconstituentsurvey>



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Rancho Encantada | Rancho Peñasquitos | Sabre Springs | San Pasqual
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