

COUNCILMAN MARK KERSEY

NEWS AND INFORMATION FROM THE FIFTH DISTRICT



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Expanded 'Get It Done' Services

The 'Get It Done' platform, which I'm proud to have led the effort to develop, has recently been expanded again, allowing residents to engage with City Hall in easier, more accessible ways.

In addition to reporting potholes, graffiti and broken street lights, residents are now able to report:

- Illegal parking
- Violation of the City's oversized vehicle ordinance
- Scavenging
- Missed trash pick-ups
- Hazardous materials issues
- Exposed electrical wires



Residents can also use 'Get It Done' to make appointments to obtain or renew a passport.

Since 'Get It Done' debuted in 2016, more than 42,000 people have downloaded the app, helping bring government closer to those we serve. Download the app or review all of the services available on 'Get It Done' at http://bit.ly/_GetItDone.

New San Diego Fire Department Chief

With unanimous City Council confirmation, Colin Stowell has been appointed Chief of the San Diego Fire-Rescue Department. Chief Stowell began his firefighting career at SDFD in 1988 and steadily rose through the ranks to Assistant Chief before leaving in 2016 to lead Heartland Fire & Rescue. In District Five, you may know him as a Rancho Peñasquitos Little League coach. I know we will be well served by his experience and understanding of San Diego's unique needs. Welcome back, Chief!

The month of September is National Preparedness Month. Whether it's a wildfire or another disaster, Chief Stowell advises that preparedness is always your best defense. Review disaster preparedness resources at <http://www.readysandiego.org/> and <http://www.readyforwildfire.org/Prepare-For-Wildfire/>.



Include Your Pets When Planning for an Emergency



For National Preparedness Month, the San Diego Humane Society encourages pet owners to also include their animals in emergency planning. One way you can prepare is by registering with Finding Rover, an app that uses facial recognition to reunite lost pets with their owners. For other pet owner emergency preparedness tips, visit <http://www.sandiegopetsmagazine.com/tips-tricks/in-case-of-emergency/>.

Drink Up in District 5: Local Craft Beverages



The San Diego City Clerk's display case, located in City Hall, currently features a variety of small businesses in District Five that specialize in craft beverages.

Whether you're up early and need to jumpstart your day with a solid cup of coffee, or are winding down the evening and looking for a great happy hour with choices like cider, beer and wine, the display case highlights how District Five has it all. From [Newtopia](#)

[Cyder](#), [Abnormal Beer Co.](#), [Second Chance Beer Co.](#), [Savagewood Brewing](#), and [Urge Gastropub](#) to [Bernardo Winery](#), [Koi Zen Cellars](#), [Mostra Coffee](#), and [Manzanita Roasting Company](#), each local business offers a unique flavor profile to classic beverages, often using local ingredients and sustainable practices.

Do you have a favorite local craft beverage? I encourage you to explore these special small beverage businesses and taste for yourself the difference that local brewing, barreling, infusing and roasting makes to our favorite drinks. Cheers!

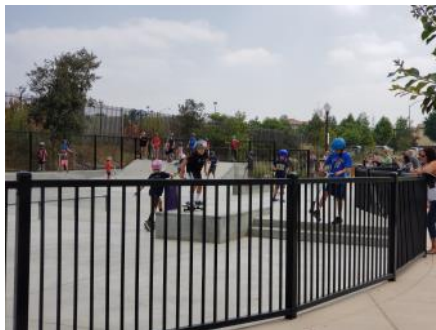
Share Your Ideas about Parks and Recreation



The City of San Diego boasts more than 42,000 acres of parks and open space, 13 miles of shoreline and 57 recreation centers, helping make San Diego a great place to live, work and visit.

As the City prepares for the next 20 years of planning, acquisition and development of parks and recreation services, you're invited to provide feedback about your experiences and what you would like to see in your City parks. Take the online survey at www.cityofsandiegoparksplan.com.

A Community Gem: The Del Sur Neighborhood Park



The long-awaited Del Sur Neighborhood Park is now open! More than 100 Del Sur neighbors celebrated the grand opening of the new five-acre Del Sur Neighborhood Park last month and the sense of community pride was undeniable. Complete with a children's play area, basketball and tennis courts and plenty of open space, the new park also boasts the northernmost skatepark in the City of San Diego.

Many thanks to The Schreiber Team for providing refreshments and raffle items, and to former MLB player Brett Bochy, Steve Leffler of the Rancho Peñasquitos Rec Council, and Anne Schreiber for joining me to cut the celebratory red ribbon.

How are you enjoying the Del Sur park and other parks in your neighborhood? Share your park pictures with me on my Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/CouncilmanMarkKersey/>.

Community Vision: The Rolling Hills Neighborhood Park



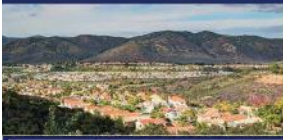
It was my honor to join Mayor Kevin Faulconer and the Palkovic family to break ground on significant improvements to the Rolling Hills Neighborhood Park in Rancho Peñasquitos. The groundbreaking ceremony celebrated an important milestone in the project for many in the community, particularly the Palkovic family whose 16-month-old daughter, Sienna, loved playing in the park before she passed away in 2012.

Sienna's mother, Jennifer Palkovic, spearheaded Sienna's PlayGarden Community Project as its chair and raised more than \$250,000 from local businesses, community members and the City and County. I'm proud to have contributed \$21,000 in savings from my office budget to the project and celebrate the great partnership between this community and the City. Built in 1978, this will be the first time the park has received upgrades and enhancements since the installation of original playground equipment in 1986.

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Community Calendar

Scripps Ranch Farmers Market

Saturdays, 10380 Spring Canyon Road

<http://www.srfm.org/>

PQ Certified Farmers Market

Saturdays, Salmon River Road and Fairgrove Lane

<https://www.facebook.com/PQCertifiedFarmersMarket/>

Nutrition Basics Class: The Key to Healthy Eating

Sept 18, Rancho Bernardo Library

<https://www.sharp.com/health-classes/nutrition-basics-class-the-key-to-healthy-eating-2140/section-31965>

Aging Successfully Lecture

Sept 21, Scripps Miramar Ranch Library

<https://sandiego.librarymarket.com/aging-successfully-4>

Scripps-Mesa Garden Club

Sept 25, Scripps Miramar Ranch Library

<https://sandiego.librarymarket.com/scripps-mesa-garden-club-7>

College for (Almost) Free

Sept 25, Carmel Mountain Ranch Library

<https://sandiego.librarymarket.com/college-almost-free>

Stargazing

Sept 28, West Sycamore Staging Area

<http://sdaa.org/events.htm#SWS>

8th Annual Safety Fair and 1st Annual First Responders Appreciation BBQ

Sept 29, RB Community Park

<http://www.rbcommunitycouncil.com/>

MTS and NCTD Free Ride Day

Oct 2

<https://www.sdmts.com/free-ride-day>

Scripps Ranch Fire Safe Council 'Play to Protect'

Oct 20, The Vineyard Golf Course

<http://srfiresafe.org/>

Fiscal Year 2020 Community Development Block Grants

Fiscal Year 2020 Community Development Block Grants are now open to organizations that provide services to under-served communities in the City of San Diego. To learn how to get qualified to submit project proposals and receive CDBG funds, please visit

<https://www.sandiego.gov/cdbg/apps>. The RFQ deadline is October 1.



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