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City Council Unanimously Approves Urban Agriculture Incentive Zones

Recently, the San Diego City Council unanimously approved my and Supervisor Ron Roberts Urban Agriculture Incentive Zone Proposal, a program that will help expand community access to fresh produce through a property tax incentive for urban agriculture on vacant, blighted land.

The new program will provide communities throughout the entire City an economic tool to incentivize the development of community gardens on eyesore properties. An Urban Agriculture Incentive Zone reduces the property tax of a participating parcel owner in exchange for a minimum five year contract for the usage of the site for urban agriculture.

The new measure is made possible as a result of State Assembly Bill 551 introduced by Assembly member Phil Ting (D) which was signed into law during the 2013 state legislative session.

I appreciate the support of my Council Colleagues for approving my measure that will incentivize the development of urban agriculture in San Diego

and property owners an additional tool to transform blighted property in their communities.

This new program will also help further our mission of developing and maintaining an equitable, healthy, and sustainable food system in San Diego.

Once the measure is approved by the County Government in the next couple months, our office will be looking for empty lots in the community and property owners that may be interested in the new program.

If residents may know of locations for a potential community garden, please contact my office at 619-236-6677 or email ScottSherman@SanDiego.Gov

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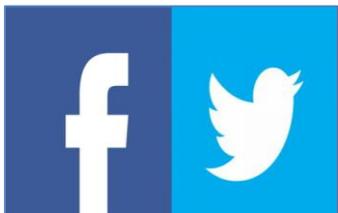
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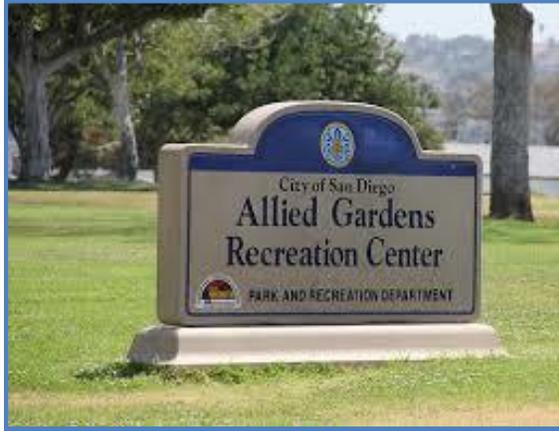
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Visit the new City resource page for a directory of City services on our website:

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



Free Sandbags Now Available at Recreation Centers Throughout City



With the potential for more El Nino rains in the months ahead, the City of San Diego is making it easier for City residents to receive free sandbags.

Sandbag distribution will be moved from fire stations to selected recreation centers in each City Council District. The new plan will ensure that sandbags are readily

available in advance of potential storms.

The Fire-Rescue Department handled sandbag distribution and gave out more than 70,000 bags over a three month period. However, the department was unable to hand out sandbags when fire crews were out on calls. The new distribution will ensure that the sandbags are available on a regular schedule and in convenient locations.

District 7 residents can pick up sandbags at the Allied Gardens Recreation Center located at 5155 Greenbrier Avenue, San Diego, CA 92120. For more information, please contact Councilmember Sherman's office at 619-236-6677 or email at ScottSherman@SanDiego.Gov.

Allied Gardens/Benjamin Library Closed Through April 11th

 **Allied Gardens/ Benjamin Branch Library**
5188 Zion Ave., San Diego, CA, 92120

NOTICE OF TEMPORARY CLOSURE

This location will be closed for improvements Tuesday, March 1 - Sunday, April 10

Please visit the San Carlos Branch Library for your holds and other library needs:
7265 Jackson Dr.
(619)527-3430

The branch will reopen Monday, April 11

We apologize for the inconvenience.

The Allied Gardens/Benjamin Library will be closed temporarily for the installation of new ADA compliant and ergonomic desks for patrons. New flooring will also be installed.

The library will reopen on April 11th. Until then, items on hold are available for pick up at the San Carlos Library.

During the closing, Allied Gardens residents are urged to visit the San Carlos Library at 7265 Jackson Dr. For more information on held items please call the library at 619-527-3430. We appreciate your patience as we work to improve our community libraries in District 7.

Events Attended by Councilman Sherman

2/2: Attended Vietnamese New Year's Celebration in Linda Vista

2/5: Took tour of San Diego Lifeguard Operations Center

2/10: Spoke with residents at Navajo Planners meeting.

2/17: Met with Chamber of Commerce Educational Sub-Committee to promote Charter School Reform Measure

2/20: Firestation 45 Open House in Mission Valley

2/24: Took tour of Rancho Mission Canyon Playground in San Carlos

2/25: AB 551 Workshop at the Bayside Community Center in Linda Vista

2/26: San Diego Workforce Partnership Policy Board Meeting

2/27: Threw first pitch at Allied Gardens Little League opening day

Linda Vista 75th Anniversary Kick-Off Event March 20th



CELEBRATE!
Linda Vista's 75th Anniversary Kick-Off Event
Sunday, March 20th
2:00 – 4:00 PM
Linda Vista Shopping Center
6900 Linda Vista Rd.

Events Throughout the Year Grand Celebration – Sep 17th

What Was the 1940's Linda Vista Like?
◆ Talk with "Eleanor"
◆ Historic Photos
◆ Food, Music, Fun & Festivities

Info: www.lindavista.org

The Linda Vista Town Council is organizing events throughout the year to commemorate the 75th Anniversary of the Community. The kick-off event will be held on Sunday, March 20th beginning at 2:00 pm at the Linda Vista Shopping Center on Linda Vista Road.

Linda Vista began as part of a government project to house aircraft workers during the height of World War II. In fact, beginning in 1941, over 3,000 homes were built within 200 days!

The Linda Vista Community has progressed and changed since then, but thanks to the help of organizations like the Linda Vista Town Council, the area continues to thrive.

In addition to delicious food, good music, and activities, the kickoff event will also include an historic impersonator of Eleanor Roosevelt. The former first lady visited Linda Vista during WWII to dedicate the Linda Vista Shopping Center, one of the first planned shopping centers in the country. Historic photos of the era when Linda Vista was created will also be on display.

For more information about this exciting event, please visit www.lindavista.org.

Hundreds Attend Fire Station 45 Open House in Mission Valley



Councilmember Scott Sherman Speaks with Fox 5 San Diego about the Open House event. Click on the picture to watch interview.

Councilmember Scott Sherman teamed with the San Diego Fire-Rescue Department to hold a community open house for residents to tour the brand new Fire Station 45.

The fire station, located at 9366 Friars Road, is the first to be built in District 7 in over 20 years and is the first permanent fire station in Mission Valley.

The family friendly event featured tours, free medical training, delicious food, and inflatable structures for children.

Constituent Issues Resolved in District 7

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 February:

- Assisted constituent in Mission Valley with information about bicycle paths
- Reported damaged directional signs in Del Cerro
- Assisted a constituent in Allied Gardens with their water conservation rebate
- Bypass water valve leak fixed at intersection of Linda Vista Road and Fulton Street in Linda Vista
- Traffic sign re-installed on entrance to highway 52 in Tierrasanta

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

16,000 Pounds of Hazardous Waste Collected During City Recycling Event

Recently, the Environmental Services Department held a special recycling event to collect used motor oil, oil filters, automotive batteries, antifreeze, bulbs, and batteries.

Over 600 residents participated in the event dropping off more than 16,000 pounds of recyclable household hazardous waste which included:

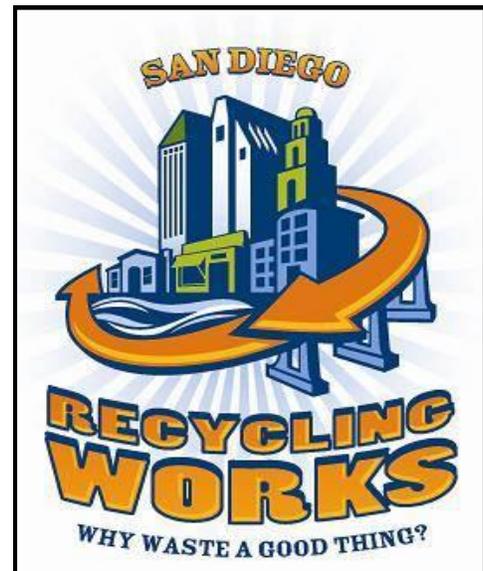
- 600 gallons of used motor oil
- 4,655 pounds of auto batteries
- 3,850 pounds of household batteries
- 265 oil filters
- 190 gallons of antifreeze
- 2,400 fluorescent bulbs

More recycling events are scheduled throughout the city to help residents to dispose of hazardous materials and keep our communities clean and safe. For information on future events please visit:

sandiego.gov/environmental-services/ep/hazardous/auto.shtml

For information and details about upcoming events please contact hazardous material program supervisor Joy Newman at 858-573-1204.

Recycling events are funded through the City's Cal Recycle Used Oil Payment Program and the Households Hazardous Waste Program.



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 February:

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Upcoming District 7 Events

Linda Vista's Farmers Market – Every Thursday in March 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Stop by the Linda Vista Farmers market every Thursday this month to buy delicious, organic, and local fruits and vegetables to feed your family. The Farmers Market is open from 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm and is located at the Linda Vista Plaza Shopping Center at 6939 Linda Vista Rd, San Diego, CA 92111.

Serra Mesa Craft Fair – March 19th 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

PTA organizations from two Serra Mesa schools are hosting an outdoor event at Taft Middle School. The event will include arts, crafts, unique products, clubs, food vendors and community service booths such as the Serra Mesa Community Council that will be in attendance. Vendors of all kinds are welcome. The middle school is located at 9191 Grammercy Drive, San Diego, CA 92123

Free Concert at Mission Trails Regional Park – March 20th 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Peter Sprague will perform at 3:00 pm at the visitor's center theater. The Mission Trails Regional Park Foundation sponsored concert series is free to the public, however donations are appreciated. The theater is located at 1 Father Junipero Serra Trail, San Diego, CA 92119. For more information please call 619-668-3281.

Friends of Ruffin Canyon Meeting in Serra Mesa – March 23rd 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm

Ruffin Canyon is Serra Mesa's natural open space with more than 84 acres. The canyon extends from the south end of Ruffin Road to Mission Valley and the unique habitat is in need of care. The goal of the organization is to foster community participation in the protection of Ruffin Canyon. The event will be held at the Serra Mesa/Kearney Mesa Library at 9005 Aero Drive, San Diego, CA 92123

San Carlos Friends of the Library Used Book Sale – April 2nd 9:30 am to 3:00 pm

The San Carlos Friends of the Library will be holding their monthly used book sale. They offer a large array of books in every genre and all proceeds go to support the library. The San Carlos Library is located at 7265 Jackson Dr. San Diego, CA 92119. For more information, please call 619-527-3430.

3rd Annual Henry Cluster STEMM Foundation Mini Golf Challenge – April 16th 8:30 am

The Mini Golf Challenge lets competitors put together a team to design and build a mini golf hole. Residents can take the golf hole to Pershing Middle School to make a community mini golf course. Music from student performers will be on hand and Maui Wowi and Cheesy Amigos food trucks will sell food and drinks. The event will be held at Pershing Middle School at 8204 San Carlos Dr. San Diego, CA 92119. For more information, please visit: www.hcstemm.org/minigolf.

Sherman in the Community



- From Left to Right
- At the 11th Annual National Pancake Day to support Rady Children's Hospital
 - Congratulating Tierrasanta student Alex Honore for being selected in the San Diego Opera's "My Voice in the Arts" Program
 - With Kearney High students for the unveiling of their project to help homeless Veterans
 - Speaking with Fire Chief Fennessey at the Fire Station 45 Open House in Mission Valley
 - Recognizing the dedicated service of outgoing members of the Navajo Planners Board
 - Entrance to Fire Station 45 During the open house