



News from
Councilmember Todd Gloria

City of San Diego ▪ District Three

Friends,

I trust everyone had a great Labor Day! As you either celebrated or grimaced about the unofficial end to summer, I hope you considered the purpose of the holiday which is to honor the contributions of workers. Please check out the events and news below so we can continue to strengthen our communities together. As always, I welcome your feedback.

Make San Diego More Walkable + Have Coffee with Your Councilmember

Join me on Saturday September 15 at Caffé Calabria as I debut BestWALK, a new walkability smart phone app custom made for the San Diego region. The app will crowdsource data from residents across San Diego to rate what it's like to walk in your community and contribute to a map of improvements for future funding.

Come along to help me walk the streets of North Park, enter in data, and rate North Park's walkability.

Following the walk and app demonstration, I will hold a community coffee session, and you are invited to attend and discuss important City issues.

Walk and Have Coffee with Your Councilmember

Saturday, September 15, 10:00 a.m. Walk / 10:30 a.m. Coffee
Meet at Caffé Calabria, 3933 30th Street

If you can't make it for the walk app demonstration, you can still help make San Diego more walkable.

Join friends and walkers of all ages the last two weeks of September to use WalkSanDiego's new BestWALK smart phone app. Don't have a smart phone? No worries. Paper survey forms can be downloaded at walksandiego.org.

Register as a volunteer today. No experience required. All ages welcome. You can volunteer to walk 1-2 hours in September and input data. You can also become a Volunteer Leader to help recruit and organize volunteers in your neighborhood. Sign up at www.walksandiego.org/get-involved/volunter.

Utility Undergrounding Workshop is September 24

Please join me for a workshop with local utility companies about the impact of utility boxes on neighborhood character, and the process for community input into the placement and aesthetics of the boxes. The workshop will be held on Monday, September 24 from 6:00 to 8:30 p.m. in the Santa Fe Room of the Balboa Park Club.

As efforts continue to transfer overhead wires and cables underground, many questions and concerns have arisen from neighbors about the work and about the utility boxes that result.

Early this summer, I brought forward community concerns about utility boxes to local utility companies, who agreed to a series of public workshops to address common issues. The first workshop was held by the Community Planners Committee on July 24. The session at Balboa Park will focus more on public comments and questions.

Representatives from local utility companies will be present to engage in an open dialogue with the public about ways that community impacts from utility boxes and might be reduced.

Utility Undergrounding Workshop

Monday, September 24

6:00 p.m.

Santa Fe Room at the Balboa Park Club

Please RSVP to toddgloria@sandiego.gov.

Redevelopment Planning Begins for Education Center Site

University Heights neighbors have long advocated for something great to happen at the Education Center site. San Diego Unified School District Board member Richard Barrera will outline the plans at both meetings. I am excited to share that two meetings have been scheduled to discuss the site's potential redevelopment, and encourage you to participate in this critical discussion.

The University Heights Community Association will host the first meeting on Thursday, September 6 at 6:30 p.m. at the San Diego Office of Education Auditorium, 4100 Normal Street. The University Heights Library Task Force will convene the second meeting on Wednesday, September 19 at 6:30 pm in the downstairs meeting room at the University Heights Library, 4193 Park Blvd.

The current draft of the Uptown Community Plan update would allow for over 500 new housing units on the site. The site also contains one historically designated building, the Teacher's Training Annex, as well as several other potentially historic buildings.

For more information about the fascinating history of this building and about University Heights, visit the UH Historical Society webpage by visiting <http://www.uhcdc.org/history.html>.

Get Involved in North Park

North Park Recreation Council seeks new members for Citizens Advisory Board: The Citizens Advisory Board was created by the North Park Recreation Council to help advise, plan, and promote recreational programs and special events for the community. Meetings are held the fourth Monday of every even month at 6:00 p.m. at North Park Recreation Center. Individuals residing in the community or operating a business in the community are encouraged to become active members of this advisory group. If you would like more information, please contact the Gordon Bordson, Park and Recreation Area Manager at 619-235-1152.

North Park Maintenance Assessment District has committee opening: The North Park Maintenance Assessment District (NPMAD) has an opening for a resident homeowner who lives in the NPMAD's boundaries. The Committee provides a means for private citizen advice to City staff on matters relating to NPMAD landscape projects, lighting, and special community improvements.

The Committee meets on the second Monday of the month at 6:00 p.m. at the North Park Adult Activity Center. Nominations will be accepted at the September 10 meeting, and an election will be held at the October 8 meeting. Please visit www.npmad.org or contact Beth Swersie at northparkmad@gmail.com for more information.

Free Recycling Event for Oil, Batteries, and More

Saturday, September 29

9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

Balboa Park

Park Blvd. & Presidents Way

Oil, oil filters, all batteries, antifreeze, CFL bulbs/tubes will all be accepted.

Maximum limit: 10 gallons

No business waste accepted.

For more information on collection events:

www.sandiego.gov/esd/recycling/events/usedoil.shtml

Thank you for the opportunity to serve,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Todd".

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If you would no longer like to receive updates, please visit

<http://www.sandiego.gov/citycouncil/cd3>.