The People's Councilmember e-Newsletter May 29, 2019

#### Councilmember Monica Montgomery Council District 4



### Mayor's FY 2020 Proposed Budget

Thank you, community, for engaging in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2020 budget process. This process is important. It identifies funding for critical services and capital improvement projects that will contribute to the sustainability of our community.

This month, our students, educators, community organizers, and advocates converged on city hall to request funding for neighborhood services, libraries, parks, the arts, small businesses and much more.

In this budget, I am grateful to see allocations to services including, enhancements to the "Get It Done" application to better address community non-emergency issues, a homebuyer program pilot to help with down payment assistance for our police officers to encourage officers to live where they serve, a disparity study, and brush and graffiti abatement.

There are also several capital improvement projects in the budget for our community including, repairing the moisture intrusion at Martin Luther King Recreation Center, and the addition of streetlight and traffic signal upgrades, respectively on 45<sup>th</sup> Street and Market Street, and 62<sup>nd</sup> Street and Imperial Avenue.

I will continue to advocate for funding to improve our neglected community parks, and a feasibility study for an Oak Park library. **Equitable investment in our underserved community is needed to further address disparities**.

My <u>budget priorities</u> are intended to improve the quality of life in our community, and to enable a commitment to equity and fairness in the City of San Diego.

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## Your Voice at City Hall.



#### May 14<sup>th</sup> Council Docket | Assembly Bill 392: The California Act to Save Lives Passed by a vote of 6 – 2

Community, thank you for sharing powerful public testimony about your encounters with law enforcement, and our critical need to support the AB 392 resolution.

This bill, authored by our own Assembly Member Dr. Shirley Weber, will put California at the forefront of strong use of force policies that will help to set the standard across the nation and will undoubtedly save the lives of both community members and officers.

I will continue to support measures that address police accountability and transparency.

I look forward to tackling this and other important public safety issues as outlined in our Public Safety and Livable Neighborhoods workplan.

## Councilmember Reacts to Eyewitness Video of Police Use of Force Action

The eyewitness video released on May 7th, depicting police officers exerting use of force on Mr. Trenelle Cannon, is deeply troubling. As I clearly stated in my Public Safety & Livable Neighborhoods Committee Work Plan, police accountability and transparency are my top priorities. I'll be receiving updates as more facts and details emerge.

#### May 14<sup>th</sup> Council Docket | Vehicle Habitation Ordinance | Passed by a vote of 6 - 3

As Chair of the Committee on Public Safety & Livable Neighborhoods (PSLN), I cast the sole "**no**" vote to send this proposed ordinance back to city staff at our PSLN meeting in April. I was disappointed in this vote by the Council to pass this ordinance.

Councilmembers Ward, Sherman and I recommended priorities for a comprehensive system that included:

**Safe Parking**: each council district without an operational safe parking lot would have to identify at least one mile of industrial or commercial zoned area(s) that will allow unsheltered San Diegans to use their vehicles for dwelling. Resource maps would be available online, at libraries, and via coordinated outreach to provide information on permissible areas. Included in the resource maps should be information for 24-hour restroom facilities, food bank sites, and related services.

**Enforcement**: we requested an amendment that made violators eligible for referral to a prosecutorial led diversion program.

This ordinance that passed is vague, lacks detail on the specifics of enforcement, and most importantly does not contain language to ensure that our most vulnerable populations are protected and not further criminalized.

To read the complete <u>memo</u>, please visit: <u>https://bit.ly/2vKST4X</u>

#### Public safety remains a top priority for my office.



# Community. Courage. Consistency.

**Attention:** The City of San Diego is looking for new leadership on Boards & Commissions. For more information on vacancies, please visit:

www.sandiego.gov/boards-and-commissions

#### Looking for a job, please visit: https://bit.ly/2VWTQSb

- Now Enrolling Full STEAM Ahead Summer Camp Program, June 17 – August 23, Ages 5-17. Please contact: (619) 263-8101 or summercamp@greaterlifesd.org.
- Emerald Hills Community Clean Up, June 1 from 9 a.m. Noon, Emerald Hills Neighborhood Council is hosting a community clean up. Curb side pickup will not be available. Corner of Derby & Roswell Street. Two bins available.
- First Saturdays, June 1 from 1 p.m. 5 p.m. at 6443 Imperial Avenue. Paid internships for youth, enjoy the Write Juice (fresh juice), and test drive an electric vehicle.
- Greater Skyline Hills Town Council, June 3 at 6 p.m. at Skyline Hills Recreation Center, 8285 Skyline Dr. San Diego, CA 92114.
- Committee on Public Safety and Livable Neighborhoods, June 5 and June 26 at 9 a.m. 202 C. Street, San Diego, CA 92101. 12<sup>th</sup> Floor Committee Room.
- Paradise Hills Recreation Council, June 6 at 6 p.m. at Paradise Hills Recreation Center, 6610 Potomac St. San Diego, CA 92139.
- Better-A-Block Summer Carnival, June 8 from 11 a.m. 2 p.m. at 4600 Logan Avenue, San Diego, CA 92113.
- Southeastern Planning Committee, June 10 at 6 p.m. at Mountain View Community Center, 692 S. Boundary St., San Diego, CA 92113.
- ✤ Jamacha Community Council, June 10 at 7 p.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church, 7210 Lisbon St., San Diego, CA 92114.
- Rolando Park Community Council, June 10 at 7 p.m. at Rolando Park Elementary School, 6620 Marlowe Dr., San Diego, CA 92115.
- Emerald Hills Neighborhood Council, June 11 at 6 p.m. at Greater Life Baptist Church, 1012 Derby St. – Trailer #2, San Diego, CA 92114.
- Bay Terraces Community Association, June 11 at 6 p.m. at Skyline Hills Branch Library, 7900 Paradise Valley Rd., San Diego, CA 92114.
- Eastern Area Communities Planning Committee, June 11 at 7 p.m. at Teen Challenge Center SD, 5450 Lea St., San Diego, CA 92105.
- Skyline-Paradise Hills Community Planning Group, June 11 at Skyline Hills Branch Library, 7900 Paradise Valley Rd., San Diego, CA 92114.
- Walls of Excellence Induction Ceremony, June 15 at 10 a.m. at the Walls of Excellence located on Willie James Jones Avenue at Imperial Avenue.
- Upcoming Environmental Services Department Community Cleanup: June 25 – Encanto

For a <u>complete list</u> of community meetings and events, please visit our digital platform:

https://www.sandiego.gov/citycouncil/cd4/eventslisting



**May 10<sup>th</sup>** | SD Hip Hop 5k and Paving Great Futures met with the Councilmember, during district office hours, at our Tubman-Chavez Community Center.

Community, we reserve our Tubman-Chavez district office appointments on Fridays just for you. Over 100 meetings have been scheduled with our constituents!

To request a meeting with the Councilmember, please email Jenny Yoo Williams at jywilliams@sandiego.gov.



# Let's Go To Work.





May 18<sup>th</sup> | The Councilmember organized a mini-cleanup of Market St. between Euclid Avenue and Pitta St. Weed abatement and illegal dumping were the main issues. Thank you, Connecting Hope for your help. Community, we need your help! If you see illegal dumping, please report it: https://www.sandiego.gov/get-it-done

**Paradise Hills Weed Abatement** 

## I Love a Clean Southeastern San Diego



Thank you, community for making our neighborhoods cleaner during the "I Love a Clean San Diego" Annual Creek to Bay Cleanup!

Eager volunteers showed up at our Skyline Hills Library, MLK Park, Paradise Hills/Canyon, Zena Canyon and North Chollas Park to take part in this annual event.

Safe and healthy communities are a top priority. It really does take <u>all of us</u> working together!

