



# THE SPOTLight

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Representing the communities of:

- Carmel Valley
- Del Mar Mesa
- La Jolla
- Pacific Highlands Ranch
- Torrey Hills
- Torrey Pines
- University City



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## New Year's Message and 2015 Priorities

Happy 2015!



I am proud to serve as the newly elected San Diego City Council President. As we enter the new year, there are many issues to address, and I'm looking forward to working collaboratively with the Mayor and my Council colleagues to tackle the challenges

ahead.

My top priorities for the coming year include:

1. Fiscal Year 2016 Budget: I look forward to approving a budget that increases essential public services such as police, fire and lifeguards, includes more funding for essential infrastructure needs, including more street resurfacing, as well as restores services such as tree trimming and recreation center hours.
2. Economic Development: I am excited about working on topics such as closing the job

skills gap and promoting the San Diego/Tijuana Mega Region. I am especially looking forward to positioning San Diego as THE hub for innovation, and advancing our tech and cyber-security sectors.

3. Water Policy: I am committed to developing an affordable and sustainable water supply for our future. I am excited to work with partner agencies on expanding the use of grey water, as well as storm water capture and re-use.

## Newly Formed Charter Review Committee

On Thursday, January 15th, the newly formed Charter Review Committee convened for the first time. The goal of the committee is to bring our Charter into the 21<sup>st</sup> century and make it work better for both our citizens and city departments. Many sections of the Charter are outdated, confusing and contradictory and need to be corrected or updated. In the first meeting, the committee discussed, and heard reports on, the his-

tory of Charter reform in San Diego, as well as Charter reform in other large California cities and jurisdictions, including the County of San Diego. In examining the changes made and processes used elsewhere, the Committee hopes to approach Charter revisions in San Diego in the most efficient way possible. The City is currently soliciting input from all Councilmembers and all city depts. on which provisions of the Charter they would most

like to see changed or improved. The City will also be soliciting input from the general public and will be including a link on the city's homepage where the public can submit feedback. In the meantime, members of the public can email suggestions to [sherrilightner@sandiego.gov](mailto:sherrilightner@sandiego.gov). The goal is to have a package of items ready for the June 2016 ballot and another package for the November 2016 ballot.



*One Paseo site, on the corner of El Camino Real and Del Mar Heights Road*

## One Paseo to be Heard in Council Chambers on February 23rd

After a comprehensive community search, the hearing regarding the One Paseo development project in Carmel Valley will be heard in Council Chambers on Monday, February 23, 2015 at 2:00 p.m.

Due to multiple requests from Community Planning Groups and residents, City staff made every attempt to find a location in Carmel Valley to hold the meeting. Unfortunately, due to a lack of

locations that meet the required criteria, such as access to public transit and multiple ADA and capacity requirements, staff were unable to secure a suitable site. The most viable location, Canyon Crest Academy, is not a suitable alternative at this time due to the absence of public transportation in the area as well as capacity concerns. In addition, the facility would not be available for use until mid-March,

and Sherri would like to ensure a timely Council hearing. Sherri's goal in starting the hearing at 2 p.m. is to come to a decision in one hearing. Also, due to traffic congestion between Carmel Valley and downtown San Diego in the late afternoon and evening, community members have indicated they would prefer the hearing to start at 2:00 p.m.



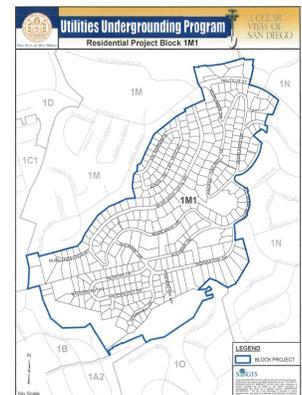
*Map outline of Undergrounding Project Block 1J in La Jolla*

## La Jolla Undergrounding Status Update

The next round of utility undergrounding is moving forward in La Jolla. The upcoming projects are in the Muirlands neighborhood (Block 1M1) and the La Jolla Shores area (Block 1J phase 1 and 2), with phase 2 extending south toward Mt. Soledad. Pre-construction meetings with the community are currently being scheduled for mid-February through early

March. The meetings will be an opportunity for residents to ask questions and address concerns such as streetlight and utility box placement with city staff. Our office will provide additional information to the community as soon as the meeting details are finalized. Visit [www.sandiego.gov/undergrounding](http://www.sandiego.gov/undergrounding) or call

(619) 533-3841.



*Map outline of Block 1M1*



*Need assistance in getting a pothole fixed? Call Sherri's office at (619) 236-6611. We are here to help.*

## State of the City: Infrastructure and Streets

In his State of the City Address on January 14th, Mayor Faulconer highlighted infrastructure improvements, and particularly street repair, as one of his top priorities for 2015. The City will be looking to redirect 50% of all new incoming funds towards infrastructure, with an aggressive plan to repave 1,000 miles of streets in the coming years.

Council District 1 stands to benefit from this priority, as there are several projects on the deferred maintenance list, and many roads that need repaving. Roads that are scheduled to be repaved in District 1 in the next month include:

- Repaving of Carmel Knolls and Dunham Ct in Carmel Valley.

- Repaving of multiple streets in University City, including Lakewood St., Maynard St., Via Papel, Via Regla, and the connecting courts such as Dunham Ct and Corlita Ct.
- New concrete streets are scheduled to be poured along Coast Blvd in La Jolla.

## Sherri Around Town



Left to right, from top: 1. Sherri helped distribute reusable bags at the Sprouts in University City. Kudos to the Environmental Services Department for organizing this great event. 2. Sherri recognized the Fire Station 35 crew, along with two citizen heroes, for saving the life of one of our University City residents after his vehicle plunged over a steep embankment. 3. Sherri stopped by various police stations in December to thank police officers for their service to our great city. 4. Sherri thanked La Jolla Town Council President Steven Haskins for organizing the first State of La Jolla event, and the community groups for participating and outlining their priorities for 2015. 5. Sherri joined Assistant COO Stacey LoMedico and the San Diego Municipal Employees Association in handing out holiday gifts to the City's dedicated senior volunteers, in appreciation of all of their hard work throughout the year.

### Local Business Spotlight: Stella Italianfare UTC

Sherri likes to regularly highlight a new or unique business in Council District 1.

**This month's selection:**

**What:** Stella Italianfare UTC

**Where:** Renaissance Center, 8935 Towne Center Drive, Suite #113, San Diego, CA 92122.

**What you'll find:** Delightful Italian cuisine, where famed Chef

Enzo Mauri creates inspiring cuisine reminiscent of his home town of Umbria, Italy.

**The upside:** An Italian menu pushes the boundaries of Italian cuisine by creating new dishes on a weekly basis and never deserting the traditional flavors of Italy.

**For information:**  
<http://stellautc.com>  
 or (858) 622-1202



Tagliolini ai tre Crostacei is a frequent diner favorite (fresh homemade pasta with lobster, crab and shrimp).

# Working Hard for You and Your District 1 Neighbors

## Work Requests Completed by City Crews in District One

1. Removed the overgrown shrubbery along northbound Via Sonoma, between Via Marin and Via Alicante.
2. Replaced the "Do not enter" sign across the street from 8008 Girard Ave.
3. Repaired asphalt at approx. 1000 Prospect St.
4. Replaced the "No Parking" sign that had been knocked down on southbound Regents Rd, 15ft south of Pennant Way.
5. Filled the large pothole on

Solymar Drive, at the stop before Muirlands Drive.

6. Removed weeds and debris on La Jolla Village Dr. at I-5.
7. Removed overgrown shrubbery on northbound Regents Rd, from SR-52 to Governor Drive.
8. Removed fallen tree limbs and dead brush from medians on La Jolla Scenic Dr. North.

If you notice a repair that is needed, please call it in to the appropriate city department so that we can keep District One beautiful.

## Internship Opportunities

Do you know a college or graduate student who is interested in an internship in City government? Council President Lightner's office is currently seeking interns for the spring and summer of 2015. Please send your cover letter, resume and a writing sample to [sherrilightner@sandiego.gov](mailto:sherrilightner@sandiego.gov) by Friday, January 30.

For additional information, please call (619) 236-6611.

Sherril is on the Web at  
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## Important City Department Contact Numbers

Need help with an issue in your neighborhood? Here are some important City numbers you can call, or please don't hesitate to contact Sherri's office for assistance.

<b>Emergency (Police, Fire, Medical)</b>	<b>911</b>
<b>Non-Emergency Police (Minor crime report)</b>	<b>619-531-2000</b>
<b>Graffiti Removal</b>	<b>619-525-8522</b>
<b>Pothole Repair</b>	<b>619-527-7500</b>
<b>Street Lights</b>	<b>619-527-7500</b>
<b>Illegal Dumping</b>	<b>858-694-7000</b>
<b>Missed Trash Pick Up</b>	<b>858-694-7000</b>
<b>Neighborhood Code Compliance</b>	<b>619-236-5500</b>
<b>Building Permit Information</b>	<b>619-446-5000</b>
<b>Lifeguard Information</b>	<b>619-221-8899</b>
<b>Traffic Division</b>	<b>619-495-7800</b>
<b>Dead Animal Pick-Up/Animal Control</b>	<b>619-767-2675</b>
<b>Abandoned Vehicle</b>	<b>619-531-2000</b>