



News from
Councilmember Todd Gloria
City of San Diego ▪ District Three

Friends,

Thank you for signing up for email updates from my office. I appreciate the opportunity keep you up to date about items that may interest you. Today, I am sharing information about the most current water conservation plans and about upcoming events.

Water Conservation

As you are well aware, no issue exists with the same sort of immediacy or long-range impact as our water supply. On June 1, the City of San Diego will move from a Stage 1 Water Emergency to a Stage 2 Water Emergency, meaning a change from voluntary to mandatory water conservation.

Last week, our suppliers mandated the City of San Diego cut our usage by 13%. Because this is a smaller decrease than we anticipated, the City is now proposing implementation of behavioral changes instead of the user allocation originally recommended by the Mayor. Behavioral changes proposed in the new plan to reach the 13% reduction will include:

- Outdoor irrigation only between the hours of 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 a.m.
- Trees and shrubs not irrigated by a landscape irrigation system must be watered by a hand-held hose with a positive shut-off nozzle, hand held container, or a garden hose sprinkler system on a timer.
- Irrigation of nursery and commercial growers' products is permitted in the hours between 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 a.m. or at any time when using a hand-held hose with a positive shut-off nozzle, a hand-held container, or drip/micro-irrigation.
- Landscape irrigation is limited to no more than three assigned days per week on a schedule established by the Public Utilities Director and subject to hardship variance process.
- Odd number addresses irrigate Tuesday, Thursday, Sunday
- Even number addresses irrigate Monday, Wednesday, Saturday
- Lawn watering and landscape irrigation using sprinklers is limited to no more than 10 minutes per watering station per assigned day.

- Trees and shrubs not irrigated by a landscape irrigation system may be watered no more than three assigned days per week by using a hand-held container, hand-held hose with positive shut-off nozzle, or low-volume non-spray irrigation (soaker hose).
- All leaks must be stopped or repaired upon discovery or within 72 hours of notification by the City of San Diego.
- Operation of ornamental fountains must stop except to the extent needed for maintenance.

The City Council's Natural Resources and Culture Committee has reviewed and approved the behavioral change approach. The policy will now move to the full City Council for consideration, likely at the end of May, for implementation on June 1. If you have feedback on this proposal, please let me know.

Coffee with your Councilmember

The community coffees over the past few months have proven to be great venues for the dialogue I find so valuable. The questions asked, the concerns voiced and the suggestions raised have helped to shape my perspective, and I am grateful to all who have participated. Two additional coffees are scheduled for this Saturday, and a number of other events in which you may be interested are also listed below.

Saturday, April 25
9:30 -11:00 a.m.
Rebecca's Coffee House, 3015 Juniper

Saturday, April 25
12:30 -2:00 p.m.
Bread & Cie, 350 University Ave.

Other Upcoming Events

9th Annual 2009 City Youth Forum

Saturday, April 25
10:30 am - 2:00 pm
Reuben H. Fleet Science Center
1875 El Prado in Balboa Park

High school students throughout San Diego are invited to attend the "Green Students" Youth Forum, focused on education and career opportunities in the emerging "green" industry. Registration is required by April 18. For more information, please visit my website, www.sandiego.gov/cd3.

36th Annual Adams Avenue Roots Festival

Saturday & Sunday, April 25 -26

On Adams Avenue between 34th Street and 35th Street

Presented by the Adams Avenue Business Association For more information, please visit <http://www.adamsaveonline.com/>

Night Time Street Lighting Survey: Your Help is Needed

Tuesday, April 28, 2009

7:30 - 10:00 p.m.

Near Balboa Park-- More details to follow

Be part of the public review of new street lighting technology and help inform the City in future purchasing decisions. Surveyors will walk less than one mile. Snacks and water will be provided. The first 100 volunteers will be eligible for eight \$25 gift card drawings. If you're interested, reply no later than Thursday, April 23 to the City Environmental Services Department at Energy@SanDiego.gov and include your name, phone number and zip code. Staff will get back to you with complete details.

Dining Out for Life

Thursday, April 30

All Day: Participating restaurants, bars, coffeehouses and nightclubs will donate at least 25% of sales to The Center's HIV/AIDS services and preventive programs. For participating restaurants and more information, please visit www.diningoutforlife.com/sandiego.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve you and District Three,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Todd". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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