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## **Interim Mayor Todd Gloria**

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### **Scott Chadwick Confirmed as San Diego's New Chief Operating Officer** *Chadwick's Calm Leadership Will Serve the City and Citizens Well*

*SAN DIEGO, CA (October 29, 2013)* – Interim Mayor Todd Gloria today announced the appointment of Scott Chadwick as the Chief Operating Officer of the City of San Diego effective October 31, 2013. The City Council unanimously confirmed Chadwick's appointment today.

**“Scott Chadwick’s mastery of City issues and operations, his calm leadership style, his positive working relationship with and respect for City employees, and his ongoing dedication to delivering high quality service to San Diegans make him the right choice for Chief Operating Officer,”** said Interim Mayor Gloria.

Chadwick currently serves as the Assistant Chief Operating Officer and held the position of Acting Chief Operating Officer earlier in 2013. His almost 10 year tenure at the City of San Diego has included work as a Labor Relations Officer, as the Labor Relations Director, and as the Human Resources Director. Prior to joining the workforce at the City, he served in the United States Army, received his Bachelor of Arts from Purdue University, and was a Business Representative for AFSCME, Local 127.

Chadwick will have the opportunity to oversee the daily operation of 10,000 employees with a strengthened management structure. On Monday, the City Council unanimously approved a plan developed by Interim Mayor Gloria, Chadwick, and Walt Ekard which created three new executive management positions, formed a new Department of Planning, Neighborhoods and Economic Development, and instituted an aggressive approach to training talented employees through an annual series of leadership and management academies.

In the COO position, Chadwick will succeed Ekard, whose last day at the City will be October 30. He is returning to private life.

**“In the two months since I assumed the position of Mayor, Walt Ekard and Scott Chadwick have been my partners moving our City forward. These two gentlemen well represent the 10,000 City employees they lead in their consistent dedication to public service and the betterment of San Diego,”** said Interim Mayor Gloria.

The City Council also proclaimed today “Walter Francis Ekard Day” in the City of San Diego in honor of his tremendous positive impact.

Chadwick will join Interim Mayor Gloria at the weekly media briefing this Thursday, October 31, at 10:00 a.m. on the 13<sup>th</sup> floor of the City Administration Building.

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