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DISTRICT FOUR

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RECENT COUNCIL ACTIONS:



On Tuesday, Jan. 10 the San Diego City Council took initial action to establish the City as the successor agency for its 13 redevelopment organizations. In response to the California Supreme Court's decision to allow the

State to eliminate redevelopment agencies, effective February 1, 2012, the City Council will now preside over the dismantling of the agency and its assets. Various legislative efforts are underway to restructure redevelopment agencies. The Council will be reviewing and providing input on new legislation at its Rules Committee meetings and City Council meetings. The Council will also continue to work with SEDC and CCDC on their efforts to address economic development and affordable housing.

On Tuesday, Jan. 10 the San Diego City Council voted to approve Council President Young's establishment of a new standing committee focusing primarily on the local economy and job creation. The Committee on Economic Development and Strategies will be chaired by Councilmember Sherri Lightner and include Councilmembers Marti Emerald, Kevin Faulconer and Lorie Zapf. They will concentrate on city involvement in economic development; workforce development and education; attracting, retaining and expanding businesses; and other matters that address both short-term and long-term economic strategies. The committee will meet on Mondays, beginning later this month.

On Tuesday, Jan. 10 the San Diego City Council gave its unanimous support for a privately financed and operated cross-border terminal in Otay Mesa that will serve Tijuana's Rodriguez International Airport. The \$78 million project will be the first of its kind on the U.S.-Mexico border and connect directly to the Tijuana airport through a unique port of entry – a pedestrian bridge for ticketed passengers only. This terminal will make it more convenient for San Diegans to fly in and out of Tijuana, while reducing traffic congestion at other nearby border crossings. The approved plan allows for construction of the terminal facility as well as a hotel, parking structure and some commercial space.

The San Diego City Council will be on legislative recess in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. until Monday.



Council President Young discusses public education reform with Michelle Rhee, CEO of StudentsFirst and former superintendent of Washington, D.C. schools and Sacramento Mayor Kevin Johnson at a recent forum held at USD as part of a statewide series being promoted by the California Mayors Education Roundtable.

IN THE NEWS:

San Diego City Council President Tony Young received the "2011 Public Official of the Year" award from BOMA San Diego. Other council members recognized at the Jan. 10 luncheon program for their support of the San Diego commercial real estate industry include Kevin Faulconer, Carl DeMaio and Lorie Zapf.

San Diego City Council President Tony Young discussed the Council's 2012 top priorities on *KPBS Radio's "Midday Edition"* and *KPBS TV's "Evening Edition."* Click on link to hear the news reports: kpbs.org/news/2012/jan/05/sd-city-council-president-tony-young-councils-2012/.

More than 250 guns were collected on Dec. 16 during an annual firearms exchange in Southeast San Diego organized by the non-profit **United African American Ministerial Action Council (UAAMAC)** The fourth annual "Gifts for Guns" program, supported by **Council District 4** and the San Diego District Attorney's Office, was created to help curb violence and in previous years has collected over 540 guns in exchange for \$100 gift cards.

Later this month local ABC affiliate KGTV Channel 10 will start airing local celebrity promotion ads for San Diego Foundation's "Show Your Love San Diego" campaign. Catch **San Diego City Council President Tony Young**, Mayor Jerry Sanders and former NBA player and broadcaster Bill Walton encouraging residents to go online (showyourlovesd.org) and voice your vision for San Diego's future.





TOYS FOR JOY:

More than 2,500 volunteers from the Rock Church gave away over 10 tons of food and 8,000 toys to thousands of kids and their families throughout southeastern San Diego. San Diego City Council President Young joins Pastor Miles McPherson (far left), Scott Peters and California State Assemblyman Nathan Fletcher at the Toys for Joy event held Dec. 17 at District 4's Lincoln High School.



YOU MAY WANT TO KNOW:

MLK CELEBRATIONS

San Diego honors the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. with a variety annual events and celebrations, including: San Diego State University's annual luncheon honoring Dr. King's memory and legacy will be held on Thursday, Jan. 19 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Parma Payne Goodall Alumni Center. For ticket information, contact LaShae Collins at: 619-594-5341.

YMCA of San Diego County is proud to host the Human Dignity Award Breakfast on Friday, Jan. 13 from 7 to 9:30 a.m. at Town & Country, 500 Hotel Circle North. This annual award honors an individual or group that has demonstrated extraordinary achievement and commitment in promoting the value and importance defined by the life and legacy of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. For more information, call the YMCA at: 619-264-0144x104 or register online: jackierobinson.ymca.org.

City of San Diego, Martin Luther King Recreation Council and 100 Strong will host the 2nd Annual MLK Family Reunion Celebration and All Men March on Saturday, Jan. 14. The 7 a.m. march starts at Morse High School and ends at MLK Park with an all day reunion featuring entertainment, food and sports activities. For more information, contact the MLK Park and Rec Center Director Maxine Faulcon at: 619-527-3415 or online: 100strongsd.com.

The 32nd Annual Martin Luther King Jr. Day Parade, hosted by the local Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity chapter and featuring floats, bands and community organizations, will march along downtown's Harbor Drive starting at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Jan. 15. For more information or to participate, contact Bob Matthews at: 619-264-0542 or online: alpha-zsl.org/mlkdayparade.

United African American Ministerial Action Council's 17th MLK Annual Community Breakfast is set for 7 a.m. on Monday, Jan. 17 at the Joe & Vi Jacob Center, 404 Euclid Ave. For tickets and program information, contact UAAMAC at: 619-264-1213.

The 24th Annual All People's Breakfast will be held on Monday, Jan. 16 at 7:30 a.m. at the Hilton San Diego Bayfront. Presented by Equality Alliance of San Diego County, the often provocative and always popular annual celebration will feature keynote speaker Jose Antonio Vargas, a Pulitzer Prize winning journalist and founder of the nonprofit Define American project. For more information online: equalitysandiego.org.

SMART TAX SEMINAR

Join Council President Tony Young, County Supervisor Ron Roberts and IRS certified tax volunteers at the San Diego Reinvestment Task Force's free "Smart Tax" event on Saturday, Jan. 28 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Joe & Vi Jacobs Center, 404 Euclid Ave. Learn more about the Earned Income Tax Credit and Child Tax Credit that give a financial boost for working people in a recovering economy. Find out if you are among the millions of Americans who will qualify for the first time because your marital or parental status changed in 2011. For more information about the event, call: (619) 578-7538 or online: sandiegortf.org.



CHRISTMAS TREE RECYCLING

The City of San Diego's Environmental Service Department is pleased to announce that this year's Christmas Tree Recycling Program will run through Jan. 23. This program supplements the Curbside Greenery Collection Program by providing a Christmas Tree recycling drop off option at various locations throughout the city including libraries and park and recreation centers. Two local drop spots are at Cielo Drive and Woodman Street in Encanto; and at Chollas Lake in Gloria's Mesa parking lot (6350 College Grove Dr.). For more information and a listing of all recycling sites, please call: 858-492-5016 or visit website: sandiego.gov/environmental-services.



RADIO CANYON CLEAN-UP

A call for help is coming from a local non-profit organization planning to clear non-native species and replant 3,000 native plants in Southeastern San Diego's Radio Canyon on Saturday, Jan. 28. Located at Market Street just east of Euclid Avenue, a restored Radio Canyon will provide valuable open space and passive recreation for thousands of Encanto families. Groundwork San Diego was invited by the City of San Diego Parks and Recreation Department Open Space Division to help revive Radio Canyon. Funding is being provided by a grant from SANDAG Transnet. For more information or to volunteer in the planting effort, please contact: Leslie@groundworksandiego.org or call: (619) 543 0430.

YMCA ANNOUNCES COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS

Applications are now being accepted through Jan. 31 for the 16th Annual Jackie Robinson Family YMCA Scholarship Awards for high school seniors.



The scholarships are given to local students to support and encourage their pursuit of higher education in an effort to create avenues of opportunity for academic, social and career success. Ten scholarships of \$2,000 each will be awarded to graduating high school seniors from Alta Vista, Barrio Logan, Bay Terraces, Chollas View, Emerald Hills, Encanto, Gateway, Golden Hill, Grant Hill, Jamacha-Lomita, Lincoln Park, Logan Heights, Memorial, Mountain View, Mt. Hope, Oak Park, Paradise Hills, Shelltown, Sherman Heights, Skyline, Southcrest, Stockton, Valencia Park and Webster. For information, call the Jackie Robinson YMCA's Megan Blanek at: (619) 264-0144. Applications also are available onsite at 151 YMCA Way, or online at: www.jackierobinson.ymca.org/events/tribute-scholarship.html.

SUPER SONIC SAMBA SCHOOL

Super Sonic Samba School organized by Skyline-Paradise Hills community member Wayne English, is seeking students for classes in the New Year. The group practices at the Centro Cultural de la Raza every Sunday from 12:30 to 3 p.m. and at the World Beat Center in Balboa Park on Wednesdays from 7:30 to 10 p.m. For more information, contact Wayne at: (619) 267-6356.



COMMUNITY MEETINGS:

Meeting Date	Community Meeting (District 4 Staff)	Meeting Time	Meeting Location
Thursday January 12	Rolando Park (Jill Esterbrooks)	7:00 p.m.	Rolando Elementary School 6620 Marlowe Drive
Tuesday January 17	Webster Community Council Meeting (Roosevelt Williams III)	7:00 p.m.	Webster Elementary School 4801 Elm Street
Wednesday January 18	San Diego Youth Commission (Roosevelt Williams III)	4:30 p.m.	City Administration Building 202 C Street, 12 th Floor, Room A
Wednesday January 18	Mountain View Community Meeting (Diana Juardo-Sainz)	6:00 p.m.	Mt. View Park & Rec Center 641 S. Boundary Street
Wednesday January 18	Paradise Hills Village Council (Liezl Mangonon)	6:30 p.m.	St. Timothy Church 2106 Reo Drive
Thursday January 19	Valencia Park Town Council/O'Farrell Park Town Council (Bruce Williams)	6:00 p.m.	Valencia Park Elementary 5880 Skyline Drive
Thursday January 19	Lomita Village Town Council (Venus Molina)	6:00 p.m.	Skyline Park & Rec Center 8285 Skyline Drive
Saturday January 21	Ridgeview Neighborhood Association (Liezl Mangonon)	6:00 p.m.	TBA

IMPORTANT CITY NUMBERS:

Non-Emergency Police

San Diego Police Department
619-531-2000

Street Light Repair

Transportation Department
619-527-8000

Pot Holes

Streets Division
619-537-7500

Dead Animal Pick Up

Environmental Services (streets, alley, sidewalks)
858-694-7000
Cal Trans (freeways and off- ramps)
619-688-6670

Graffiti Removal

Graffiti Control Hotline
619-525-8522

Missed Trash Pick Up

Environmental Services
858-694-7000

Abandoned Trash/Debris

Environmental Services
858-694-7000

Abandoned Shopping Carts

Environmental Services
858-694-7000

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