



CITY OF SAN DIEGO
OFFICE OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM ANTHONY YOUNG



WEEKLY UPDATE JANUARY 4, 2006

Happy New Year! 2006 has arrived and I am excited about my new position as Council President Pro Tem. I look forward to working with the Council and Mayor to resolve the many legal impediments to our obtaining financial audits and restoring this city to sound fiscal health. I also look forward to the development and implementation of a city budget that does not reduce services for public safety and neighborhood quality of life such as parks, libraries, streets and infrastructure improvements. This will be a challenge for the Mayor and Council. However I remain confident and optimistic that with input from the citizens of my District and throughout the City we will make the right budgetary decisions to ensure we truly are a strong, viable city with 21st Century neighborhoods and communities.

Tuesday, January 17, 2006 will be the historic first meeting of the City Council under the new Mayor-Council form of government. Keep in mind that the Mayor will no longer preside over Council meeting nor vote on any matters before Council. Council President Scott Peters will preside over all Council meetings and in the event of his absence; I will preside over the council meeting in my capacity as Council President Pro Tem.

I commend and thank members of the 4th District Youth Advisory Board for their outstanding efforts in helping to paint out graffiti and clean up debris along Ocean View Blvd. It is through volunteer efforts such as these that our youth give back to the community and enhance their abilities to successfully achieve their goals in life.

On Wednesday, January 11, 2006 from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention will air a live video conference titled "Communities Respond to Youth Gangs in America." This conference, broadcast live from Washington, DC via satellite and on the internet, will highlight community programs and strategies from across the nation that address the problem of youth violence and gangs. Please visit their web site at www.trc.eku.edu/jj/. for more information.

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Thursday, January 12, 2006 at 6:00 p.m. Mayor Jerry Sanders will be presenting his first State of The City Address at Golden Hall. I look forward to hearing his plans and strategies for 2006 and I hope you will attend this very important event for our city. The State of the 4th District address will be presented in February. I will provide you with a date, place, and time in my next e-mail.

January is the month we celebrate the life and achievements of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Many events will be held throughout the city and county. I hope and trust you will support these events to the extent possible. Included in the events I informed you of in previous E-Mails is the 26th Annual Martin Luther King Jr. Parade held in downtown San Diego on Saturday January 14th, 2006. I want to thank in advance Dr. Robert Matthews and the Parade Committee for giving me the honor of serving as Parade Grand Marshall. Dr. King was a very important part of my life and I look forward to all of you joining me at the parade as we share in the parade's theme "Living the Dream- Let freedom Ring"

Sunday, January 15, 2006 at 3:00 p.m, Reverend Robert Ard and Christ Church of San Diego will be hosting its 32nd Annual Martin Luther King Jr. Birthday Celebration at 1355 Fern Street. Please call (619) 264-7240 for additional information and to reserve your seat.

Monday, January 16, 2006 at 4:00 p.m. Bishop Roy Dixon and Faith Chapel will be hosting a "Walk for Solidarity- a Candle Light Prayer Vigil" at 4999 Holly Drive. Please call (619) 266-2626 for additional information.

Again, Happy 2006. My thanks go out to you for supporting me in my efforts to make this City and the 4th District a better place to live, work, and raise a family

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