



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



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**As you know, helping to make San Diego the most financially literate city in America is one of my goals. On Monday, March 6, 2006, the City Council unanimously approved the Independent Budget Analyst's report regarding the development of the City's 2007 budget and the process for the public's input on the budget.**

This is another historic first for the Mayor and Council because under our new form of government, the Mayor is responsible for developing and proposing a budget to the City Council by April 15<sup>th</sup>. We as a Council must adopt the Mayor's proposed budget or make changes to it before June 15<sup>th</sup>. The Mayor can veto our changes. However, the Council can then override the Mayor's veto with 5 votes. The budget then becomes effective once this process is concluded. The public will not be left out of this process. A series of public hearings will be held at both the regular scheduled meeting of the City Council and special meetings convened by the Budget Committee which I serve on and is chaired by Councilmember Toni Atkins. The first public hearing on the budget will be Wednesday, April 19, 2006 at 9:00 a.m. in City Council Chambers.

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**I am excited for the residents of my District that get a financial opportunity to become owners of Market Creek Plaza, a major commercial development in the heart of the 4<sup>th</sup> District.**

Special presentations about this exciting opportunity are scheduled for the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday evenings of the month and on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday mornings of the month. All presentations will take place at Market Creek Plaza, Ste. 401 If you live in the communities of Chollas View, Emerald Hills, Lincoln Park, Mount Hope, Mountain View, Oak Park, Valencia Park and Webster, you are eligible to participate. This is an excellent opportunity to increase your financial knowledge about investment opportunities for you and your children. For additional information, please call (619) 527-6160.

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**The City-County Reinvestment Task Force, co-chaired by Supervisor Ron Roberts and myself will be hosting our first annual Financial Literacy Summit on April 8, 2006 at the San Diego City Concourse.** This free event titled "Smart Money Summit

and Expo is for those living in low to high budget households. It will provide an opportunity to learn about the many financial programs, services and opportunities that are available. Most importantly, it is designed to help educate San Diego about the importance of being financially literate. This one day event is free to the public and will consist of several workshops designed to inform and increase the financial knowledge of San Diego residents. Homeownership, Responsible Budgeting, Basic Banking and Investing, Access to Capital, Consumer Rights and Predatory Lending, and Improving Credit are some of the topics discussed in the Smart Money Summit and Expo workshops. The Summit will have several booths that will be providing information on first time homebuyer programs, financial planning, income tax preparation, identity theft prevention, small business development, financial literacy programs for children and youth, and new financial product information from our sponsors and community partners. I look forward to seeing you there. Please call (619) 236-6644 for more information.

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**Major changes are being proposed to bus services throughout San Diego.**

Metropolitan Transit Services staff is proposing changes designed to increase riders on the buses, faster travel times for buses, and more efficient operation of bus services.

**However, your input on these proposed changes is needed. A public hearing on these proposed changes is scheduled for 9:00 a.m. Thursday, March 9<sup>th</sup> at Golden Hall 2020 C Street, Downtown San Diego.**

I can not emphasize enough how important it is to hear from you about these proposed changes in bus services. For additional information or to give your opinion by telephone, please call (619) 595-3711.

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**A community clean-up in the 4<sup>th</sup> District Community of Mount Hope will be conducted on Saturday March 11, 2006.** Members of the Mount Hope community, are herby commended and thanked for their outstanding efforts to keep their community clean and free of debris.

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**On Saturday March 18, 2006 at 8:00 a.m, Robert Robinson and the Broadway Heights Community Council will be hosting a Pancake Breakfast.** Please join me in sharing a good breakfast, neighborly spirit, good conversation and having a good time with the community residents. For more information please call (619) 993-7612

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**On Thursday, March 23, 2006 at 6:00 p.m, my office will be sponsoring a Public Safety Forum featuring City Attorney Michael Aguirre at the Malcolm X Library.**

This will be an opportunity for you to come and learn about the role of the City Attorney's office in our community. Please contact my office at 236-6644 for additional information about this event.

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**Again, my thanks go out to you for supporting me in my efforts to make this City and the 4<sup>th</sup> District a better place to live, work, and raise a family**

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