



Office of
Council President Pro Tem Anthony Young
District four
JUNE 19, 2007 Weekly Update



*A father's love and guidance nurtures our children — our leaders for a brighter future!
HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!*

City Council Actions:

On Monday, June 18, 2007, we approved an Ordinance which requires the Mayor or his representative to return the billing cycle water and sewer customers to every two months.

This puts the billing on the same cycle as when meters are read. Unfortunately, when the City was billing on a monthly basis, there seemed to be more issues of over billing customers. Billing on a bi-monthly basis should address this problem. The City and taxpayers will also save money in mailing costs because bills will be sent out every two months instead of every month.

On Tuesday, June 19, 2007, my fellow Council members unanimously supported my recommendation to provide \$500,000 for improvements and new equipment for the children's playground area of Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Park.

I thank my colleagues for their support of my continuing efforts to improve the parks and recreation centers in the 4th District. I thank the Mayor and Council for supporting my efforts on this matter.



YOU MAY WANT TO KNOW . . .

On Saturday, June 23, 2007, the Soul of San Diego is featuring a Gospel Fest and Juneteenth Celebration at Market Creek Plaza. Javen, 5AM Praise and other local gospel artists will be performing. There will also be lots of food, fun, and face painting for the kids. Come out and enjoy the entertainment while celebrating a very significant holiday. Admission is free and the celebration lasts from 10:00am-7:00pm. Call (619) 527-1246 for more information.

On Thursday, June 28, 2007, the 2007 Summer Food Service kick-off event will be held at Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Park from 11:00am—1:00pm. This event is being held to celebrate the partnership between the Park and Recreation Department and the San Diego City School District to provide free lunches and snacks to children ages 2-18 during the summer months. Free lunches and snacks will be provided in 18 recreation centers citywide including Encanto, Skyline Hills, Mountain View, Paradise Hills and Willie Henderson Recreation Centers. Keeping our children and youth healthy and safe is a top priority. I commend and thank all those involved in these efforts and look forward to you joining me at the kick-off event.

On Saturday, June 30, 2007, the U.S. Department of HUD is hosting a HOME Clinic at the Tubman-Chavez Center. This clinic is for distressed homeowners facing difficulties in making mortgage payments. Any homeowner who is in danger of losing their home because of rising mortgage interest rates or other issues should attend this helpful seminar to receive counseling from housing and credit counselors and attorneys.

Calling All Artists!!! The Southeastern Economic Development Corporation (SEDC) invites artists to implement original and creative paintings directly onto a series of traffic signal controller and utility boxes located on Imperial Avenue between 45th and 65th streets. This project is being done as a part of Imperial Avenue's ongoing street beautification process and in recognition of the fall 2007 re-opening of the new Lincoln High School. You can receive complete instructions at www.sedinc.com or by calling (619)527-7345. The deadline for submittals is June 29th, 2007. This is a great opportunity for artist to participate in this public art project and help beautify our community.

The California Optometric Association is providing free comprehensive eye exams and eye glasses for qualified patients. To qualify: there must be at least one adult in the household that is employed at least part-time; the person(s) seeking an eye exam must have no public or private insurance that covers eye care; applicants must not have had an eye exam in the past 2 years; and applicants must be low-income and unable to pay for eye care. To apply, receive an application in English or Spanish on-line (www.californiavision.org) or call to request one by fax or mail. Qualified applicants are matched to an optometrist, and will receive



a letter with the name, address and telephone number of the optometrist that they can call to schedule an appointment. For additional information please call Sean South, Sr. Health Community and Regulatory Advocate at (916) 441-3990 (800) 877-5738 Fax: (916) 448-1423

Community Clean-ups are continuing to be held throughout the 4th District. A community clean-up and recycling event was held in the community of Valencia Park and over (14) tons of waste and recyclables were removed from the community. I commend, thank and congratulate Martha Ryder and the many community volunteers and city staff that assisted in this effort. Keeping our communities clean and free of debris is an ongoing effort, which we all must continue to be involved in.

The 3rd Annual Filipino-American Arts and Culture Festival will be held on Paradise Valley Road on October 6, 2007. This event will showcase the great diversity that is found in our wonderful District through cultural performances, educational booths, ethnic foods and art displays. In order to ensure a successful event, the Filipino-American Arts and Culture Committee is now currently in the planning stage and would like to extend the invitation to any interested members of the community who would like to help plan and organize for this grand festival. This would be a great opportunity to meet new neighbors in the Fourth District and to bring the community together for a day of fun. If interested, please contact Liezl Mangonon from my staff for more information at 619-236-6644.

Community Council Meetings:

I am of the opinion that my life belongs to the community, and as long as I live it is my privilege to do for it whatever I can.

- George Bernard Shaw

I am in total agreement with him and I am very proud and thankful of the fact that residents throughout the 4th District also share this belief. Please join me or a member of my staff at the following Community Councils meeting this week:

- **Diamond Business Improvement District** will meet on Wednesday June 20th, 2007 at 8:00 a.m., 5106 Federal Boulevard St. 105, San Diego, CA 92105 (Venus Molina staffs this meeting)
- **Mountain View Community Council** will meet on Wednesday June 20, 2007 at 6:00 p.m., Mt. View Park, 551 S. 40th Street (Lourdes Borboa staffs this meeting)
- **Paradise Hills Village Council** will meet on Wednesday, June 20, 2007 at 6:30 p.m., St. Timothy Church located at the corner of Rancho Hills and Reo Drive (Liezl Mangonon staffs this meeting)
- **Lomita Village Town Council** will meet on Thursday June 21st, 2007 at 6:00pm, Skyline Park Rec. Center, 8285 Skyline Drive (Venus Molina staffs this meeting)



- **Martin Luther King Rec. Council** will meet on Thursday June 21st, 2007 at 12:00pm, Martin Luther King Rec. Center, 6401 Skyline Drive (Derrick White staffs this meeting)
- **Southeastern Planning Committee** will meet on Monday June 25, 2007 at 7:00 p.m., Neighborhood House Association, 851 S. 35th Street (Petrina Burnham Branch staffs this meeting)
- **Coalition of Neighborhood Council** will meet on Monday June 25th, 2007 at 6:00pm, Jacobs Center 5160 Federal Boulevard (Jimmie Slack staffs this meeting)
- **Willie Henderson Rec. Council** will meet on Tuesday June 26th, 2007 at 6:00 p.m., Willie Henderson Rec. Center, 1035 S. 45th Street (Lourdes Borboa staffs this meeting)
- **Chollas Lake Recreation Council** will meet on Tuesday June 26th, 2007 at 7:00 p.m., Holy Spirit Catholic Church, 2755 55th Street (Venus Molina staffs this meeting)
- **The Grand Mother's Connection meets every Thursday morning from 10:00 a.m.-12:00 noon at Tubman/Chavez Center, 415 North Euclid.** This exemplary group of 4th District grand mothers provides support and assistance to grandparents or relatives who are raising children under the age of 18. We all know how unfortunate it is when a child has to be raised by his/her grandparent or a relative. I commend and congratulate this group of grandmothers who are doing what they can to raise their children's children and assist others who are experiencing the same. Any assistance or resources you can provide to them will be very helpful. Thank you for your help and support. For additional information, please contact Sheryl Lambert at (619) 931-9548.

Boards & Commissions:

“Everybody can be great because anybody can serve. You don't have to have a college degree to serve. You don't have to make your subject and verb agree to serve. You only need a heart full of grace. A soul generated by love.”

—Dr. Martin Luther King

An opportunity for you to volunteer your services exists with the many City of San Diego Boards and Commissions.



Please visit the City's web site at www.sandiego.gov and view the many boards and commissions available for you to possibly serve on. You will find that several members' terms are expiring, who is responsible for nominating and appointing members, and what the terms and requirements for service are.

Please call Benelia Santos-Hunter at 236-6644 if you are interested in serving as a 4th District representative on a particular Board and/or Commission.

Save this Date:

Saturday, June 30, 2007 for the San Diego Monitor's 20th Anniversary Celebration at 6134 Benson Ave., San Diego, CA 92114. Call (619) 668-1007 for more information.

Thank You.....

for reading my E-mail Message for the Week. If you would like to receive this E-mail on a regular basis, please e-mail me at anthonyyoung@sandiego.gov.

