



OFFICE OF
COUNCIL PRESIDENT ANTHONY YOUNG
 DISTRICT FOUR
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CITY OF SAN DIEGO



Lao New Year Celebration

Council President Tony Young presents an official San Diego City Council Resolution to representatives from the Lao Community Cultural Center at the two-day Lao New Year celebration at Market Creek Plaza on April 2 and 3.

The annual event featured traditional and modern music, workshops, art exhibitions and traditional Southeast Asian food.

COUNCIL ACTIONS:

COUNCIL TAKES A SPRING BREAK

The San Diego City Council is on legislative recess the week of April 4th. The City Council will reconvene for regular sessions on April 11 and 12, 2011. To review the upcoming meeting docket, visit the City of San Diego's website: www.sandiego.gov.

YOU MAY WANT TO KNOW:

REDISTRICTING COMMISSION DRAWS PRELIMINARY MAP

The 2010 Redistricting Commission needs your testimony to help determine how district boundaries will be drawn. Nine pre-map public hearings will be held in San Diego City Council Districts throughout April and May, including one in **District 4 at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, April 19, Valencia Park/Malcolm X Library, 5148 Market Street.** Other hearings (all at 6 p.m.):

Wednesday, April 20 (District 8)
 Otay Mesa/Nestor Library
 3003 Coronado Avenue, San Diego

Wednesday, May 4 (District 2)
 Point Loma/Hervey Library
 3701 Voltaire Street, San Diego

Monday, April 25 (District 5)
 Qualcomm Headquarters
 5775 Morehouse Drive, San Diego

Monday, May 9 (District 6)
 Bayside Community Center
 2202 Comstock Street, San Diego

Wednesday, April 27 (District 7)
 Tierrasanta Recreation Center
 11220 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard, San Diego

Wednesday, May 11 (District 1)
 La Jolla Library
 7555 Draper Avenue, La Jolla

A special weekend hearing also is set for 10 a.m., Saturday, April 30 at the Balboa Park Club, 2144 Pan American Road. For more information and listing of other upcoming public hearings, call: (619) 533-3060, or visit the commission's website: www.sandiego.gov/redistricting.



YOU MAY WANT TO KNOW:

GET INVOLVED WITH LOCAL PLANNING GROUPS

District 4 Planning Groups invite you to participate in making good things happen in our neighborhoods.

Community planning groups provide a great opportunity for you to get involved in advising the City Council, the Planning Commission, and other decision-makers on development projects, general or community plan amendments, re-zonings and public facilities. Recommendations from local planning groups are integral components of the planning process, and are highly regarded by the City Council and by staff. There are five Planning Groups that impact District Four: City Heights, Eastern Area, Encanto, Skyline Hills/Paradise Hills and Southeastern. If you'd like more information on ways to get involved, please contact District 4 Representative Bruce Williams in my office: (619) 236-7175.

KEEP THE HEAT/S OUT OF OUR COMMUNITY

Community forum to discuss human exploitation and trafficking in sex of our youth (HEAT/S) will be held Wednesday, April 6

from 6 to 7:30 p.m., Bayview Baptist Church, 6126 Benson Ave. Sponsored by the NAACP San Diego Branch, National Council of Negro Women, Inc. San Diego Section, Bayview Baptist Church Women's Ministry and Youth Department have joined together to have a frank discussion about what is happening and how we can help. Speakers include representatives from the San Diego Police Department and District Attorney's Office. For more information, call Lei-Chala I. Wilson: (619) 507-1304.

FREE CHEER AND DANCE CLINIC

San Diego Show All-Stars is offering a free spring clinic on Saturday, April 9 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at 5275 Market Street. Check in begins at 9:30 a.m. Clinic is geared to first-time participants who want to learn cheer motions and jumps, as well as experienced youth cheerleaders looking to enhance their skills. Cool hip hop dance moves also will be taught to boys and girls ages 5 and older. Space is limited and pre-registration is recommended. Contact Coach Debbie at: (619) 518-8184 or visit website:

www.sandiegoshowallstars.com.

NHA UNVEILS NEW HOMEWORK CENTER

Neighborhood Association's new Homework Center will open its doors on Monday, April 11.

The center, located at NHA's Social Service building at 841 S. 41st Street, will offer middle and high school students a safe after school study environment, complete with homework assistance, computer and internet access, daily snacks and school supplies. Transportation also will be provided free of charge from select area schools. Hours of operation will be 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. For more information or to enroll your child, please call: (619) 224-5240 or go online:

www.neighborhoodhouse.org/homework_center.



URTAIN GOES UP ON COMEDY

Season finale comedy “Octette Bridge Club” will be staged through April 24 at the Community Actors Theatre, 2957 54th Street in Oak Park. Show times are 8 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays, 3 p.m. on Sundays. For reservations and more information: (619) 264-3391.

OUT OF THIS WORLD DOCUMENTARY

EIS will screen “Hubble’s Diverse Universe” documentary on Saturday, April 30 at 12:30 p.m. in the Lecture Theatre, 605 51st Street. The 40-minute film focuses on the research and science careers of nine African American and Hispanic American astronomers and astrophysicists. Space is limited at reservations required. RSVP by April 28 to (619) 263-2302 or email: cfields@eisca.org.

KUDUMU COMMEMORATIVE SCHOLARSHIP

High school seniors are invited to apply for \$1,000 Walter & Maisha Kudumu Commemorative Scholarship. Presented by Pazzaz Inc. and the New ERAA (Everyone Recommitting to Academic Achievement) Planning Committee, **deadline for applying is Friday, May 6.** For an application or more information, call Pazzaz: (619) 264-6870 or email Barrie Owens: kudumu2010@gmail.com.

FRIDAY FARMERS MARKET

People’s Produce Farmers Market is open Fridays, 2 – 6 p.m., 606 Euclid Ave., in Chollas View. Local farmers offer a bounty of fresh produce; local artisans display handmade crafts; and gardening/growing enthusiasts gather to share tips and resources. For information about upcoming classes and exhibit opportunities, call: (619) 262-2022 or visit: www.projectnewvillage.com.

BOARDS & COMMISSIONS:

There are many volunteer opportunities with City of San Diego Boards and Commissions. Please call Breanna Zwart at (619) 236-6644 if you are interested in serving on one of the following:

Arts and Culture

- (1) Advocate strongly for a substantial increase in funds for arts and culture.
- (2) Recommend to the Mayor, City Council and the City Manager all City funding decisions for the arts and culture; and directly and exclusively make all granting recommendations to the City Council.
- (3) Explore new sources of funding for arts and culture and evaluate the current allocation of Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT) funding as it pertains to arts and culture.
- (4) Develop, coordinate and regularly reevaluate a comprehensive City cultural arts policy.
- (5) Consistent with City Council policy, advocate for arts and culture with the City Council, as well as the private sector, local, regional, state and federal governments, and international entities, such as Mexico, Canada, Japan and Pacific Rim countries.
- (6) Serve as the State/Federal local arts program partner.
- (7) Manage the City public arts program, which shall include the following:
 - a) Advise on the acquisition and placement of works of art on property of the City of San Diego, except for any museum, art gallery, or City-owned performance facility. No work of art shall be installed or existing work of art removed from public areas of City property without prior review by the Commission.
 - b) Develop and recommend to the Mayor, City Council and City Manager programs to promote public performances and the public exhibition of the arts, and legislation to provide incentives to the public sector for inclusion of the arts in private developments.
 - c) Develop and recommend legislation and policies to involve artists in selected City Capital Improvement Projects.



Human Rights Commission

Conduct programs designed to bring groups together to close gaps resulting from past discriminatory practices; address current or ongoing intergroup tensions; mediate disagreements among groups, individuals, and organizations which result from discriminatory practices within the scope of this Division. Process complaints which cannot be resolved through mediation. Render a written report of its activities to the Mayor and Council. Prepare and disseminate educational and informational material relating to prejudice and discrimination and recommend ways and means of eliminating such prejudice and discrimination.

Planning

The [Planning Commission](#) conducts hearings on all special use permits, all re-zonings, all community plans, the General Plan, considers land use ordinances and such other improvements as Council may, by ordinance, determine.

Senior Affairs Advisory Board

Serves in an advisory capacity to the Mayor and City Council on policy and issues relating to transportation, security at home, improved intergenerational interaction, meal delivery, housing, improved City-County cooperation, and other issues as determined by the Chair. Make recommendations for improving communications between seniors and City government; review City employment policies for seniors; perform studies and surveys as requested by the Mayor and Council; advise on relevant issues and formation of laws, policies, or procedures which may affect seniors; and report annually to the Mayor and Council on the “State of the Seniors” within the City of San Diego.

Parking Advisory Board

Advise the Mayor, City Council, and City Manager on policy issues relating to parking. The Board shall convey community concerns, advise the City Manager regarding parking control implementations decisions, provide support and input to Community Parking District advisory boards when requested, and address other parking related policy matters.

Small Business Advisory Board

Develop a cooperative and supportive atmosphere on behalf of the small business community in its relationship with the City of San Diego. Act as an ombudsman to open a channel of communication between the City of San Diego and its relationship with small business owners on specific problems or requests for information and assistance. Initiate a review of procedural requirements and existing laws to determine if they are conducive to a small business owner seeking to do business with the City. Review private sector performance ability and recommend potential transfer of functions performed by City forces to private enterprise. Serve as an advocate of the small business community and advise the Mayor, City Council and City Manager on relevant issues, and formulation of laws, policies, or procedures which may affect the management, operation or financial stability of the small business owner. Encourage private sector leadership and application of expertise and resources for public benefit. Monitor the growth or decline of small businesses with the City of San Diego and identify trends responsible for their success or failure. Perform other studies and surveys on the status of small business as may be specifically requested by the Mayor, Council or City Manager and provide information and advise thereon. Schedule at least one widely-publicized meeting each year, wherein members of the small business community shall be invited to participate in Advisory Board discussions. Report annually to the Mayor and City Council on the “State of Small Business” within the City of San Diego.



COMMUNITY MEETINGS:

Meeting Date	Community Meeting (District 4 Staff)	Meeting Time	Meeting Location
Thursday April 7	Mount Hope Community Meeting (Venus Molina)	6:00 p.m.	Mt. View Park and Recreation Center 641 S. Boundary Street
Thursday April 7	Valencia Park Town Council (Bruce Williams)	6:30 p.m.	Valencia Park Elementary 5880 Skyline Drive
Thursday April 7	Paradise Hills Recreation Council (Roosevelt Williams III)	7:00 p.m.	Paradise Hills Recreation Center 6610 Potomac Street
Thursday April 7	Oak Park Community Council (Jimmy Slack)	7:00 p.m.	Oak Park Elementary 2606 54 th Street
Monday April 11	Southeastern Planning Committee (Venus Molina)	6:00 p.m.	Neighborhood House Association 841 S. 41 st Street
Monday April 11	Jamacha Community Council (Bruce Williams)	7:00 p.m.	Trinity Lutheran Church 7210 Lisbon Street
Tuesday April 12	Emerald Hills Neighborhood Council (Breanna Zwart)	6:00 p.m.	Johnson Elementary 1355 Kelton Road
Tuesday April 12	Skyline /Paradise Hills Planning Committee (Bruce Williams)	7:00 p.m.	Paradise Hills Recreation Center 6610 Potomac Street
Tuesday April 12	Eastern Area Planning Committee (Bruce Williams)	7:00 p.m.	Holy Spirit Catholic Church 2755 55 th Street
Thursday April 14	O'Farrell Park Town Council (Bruce Williams)	6:00 p.m.	MLK Park and Recreation Center 6401 Skyline Drive

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