



OFFICE OF
COUNCIL PRESIDENT ANTHONY YOUNG
 DISTRICT FOUR
APRIL 27, 2011 WEEKLY UPDATE

CITY OF SAN DIEGO



COUNCIL ACTIONS:

On April 12, the San Diego City Council approved advisory boards and budgets for citywide Business Improvement Districts (BID), including the newly formed Diamond BID in District 4. The council will adopt a final resolution in mid-May to establish the Diamond BID, which will use public and private resources for improvements and activities that help strengthen the small business community, create new jobs, attract new business and revitalize our southeastern neighborhoods. I'm looking forward to working with this group to make our community safer, cleaner and more vibrant for residents and businesses alike.

.On April 25, the City Council voted to continue its long-standing policy of not requiring a special-events permit for coastal fireworks (unless food or alcohol is being sold at the event). I joined the majority vote with the annual 4th of July fireworks shows very much in mind. For years and years, holiday fireworks shows have offered free family fun and promoted patriotic community gatherings. Let's continue celebrating this important American holiday with traditional fireworks.



YOU MAY WANT TO KNOW:

CITY BUDGET BRIEFING

Mayor Jerry Sanders and city staff will preview the city's proposed Fiscal Year 2012 Budget

From 6 to 7 p.m. on **Thursday, April 28 at Joe and Vi Jacobs Center, 404 Euclid Avenue.** The City Council, which has the final budget approval, will consider the Mayor's plan at public hearings over the next few weeks. I have vowed to work with my fellow councilmembers to look for more cost-savings and revenue-generating ideas to restore fire engine brownouts as well as minimize proposed cuts to our local libraries, community parks and recreation programs. Maintaining public safety and core city services are top priorities as we look for ways to close a \$56.7 million budget gap. Please join me for important departmental budget hearings being held May 4 – 12 at City Hall.

REDISTRICTING COMMISSION DRAWS PRELIMINARY MAP

The 2010 Redistricting Commission needs your testimony to help determine how San Diego City Council district boundaries will be drawn. Every 10 years following the U.S. census, San Diego City Council districts get redrawn. You can have input creating new political boundary lines – including the addition of a new 9th district – by attending and participating in one of several upcoming community forums. I encourage you to attend one of the upcoming pre-map public hearings being held in April and May, including the following 6 p.m. meetings:

Wednesday, May 4

Point Loma/Hervey Library
3701 Voltaire Street

Monday, May 9

Bayside Community Center
202 Comstock Street

Wednesday May 11

La Jolla Library
7555 Draper Avenue

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: www.sandiego.gov/redistricting.

CLEAN SWEEP IN DISTRICT 4

Each year the City of San Diego's Environment Services Department conducts special community cleanup events in neighborhoods throughout the city. On April 16, this department, along with the Broadway Heights Community Council, conducted a community cleanup in the Broadway Heights area. This successful cleanup removed a total of 36.48 tons of waste (28.74 tons of non-recyclables and 7.74 tons or recyclables) consisting of metals and appliances from the neighborhood. I commend, thank and congratulate Broadway Heights Community Council and the many local volunteers who participated, as well as the exceptional staff of the Environmental Services Department, non-profit organizations and EDCO Waste & Recycling Services that assisted in these efforts. Keeping our communities clean and free of debris is an ongoing effort we all must continue to be involved in. Please feel free to call Solid Waste Compliance Supervisor Lisa Poston regarding cleanup events at: (858) 492-5045.

FREE SWIM LESSONS

In recognition of May as National Drowning Prevention Month, the City of San Diego Parks and Recreation will hold FREE swimming lessons throughout the month at select pools, including District 4's Martin Luther King Jr. Pool. Lessons for children and adults will be held from 4 to 6 p.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at Martin Luther King Jr. Pool, 6401 Skyline Drive; Memorial Park Pool, 2902 Marcy Avenue; City Heights Swim Center, 4380 Landis Street; Colina Del Sol Pool, 4150 54th Place; and Vista Terra Pool, 301 Athey Avenue (San Ysidro).

SUBS FOR SUBS REGISTRATION STARTS

Registration is open for the annual Subs for Subs networking/outreach business opportunity fair sponsored by the Centre City Development Corporation and 11 local public agencies. The event will bring small and prime businesses together



focusing on construction and construction-related industries, architecture and engineering, professional and technical services as well as consultant and vendor services. The free event will be held **June 16 from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.** at the Port Pavilion on Broadway Pier, 1000 N. Harbor Drive. For more information and registration, please email: subsforsubs@ccdc.com.

HISTORIC BLACK INSTITUTIONS

Faculty from five historically black colleges and universities will talk about higher educational opportunities on Friday, April 29 from 2:30 – 3:30 p.m. at Logan Heights Library, 567 S. 28th Street. Hosted by the UCSD Early Academic Outreach Program and the Kettering Foundation Public Scholars, this free event will feature faculty representing Clark Atlanta University, Miles College, Morehouse College, Spelman College and Tougaloo College. For more information, contact Dr. Mario Aguilar at: (619) 948-8861 or email: meaguilar@ucsd.edu.

FREE BOOKS FOR KIDS

Free new books for kids at the 27th annual Children’s Book Party on Saturday, April 30 from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. at the Organ Pavilion in Balboa Park. Entertainment and refreshments also will be served at the Reading Literacy Learning’s free community event that has donated more than a million books to help children build their own home library. For more information, please call (619) 266-4118.

GIRLS SEEKING CAREERS IN MATH & SCIENCE

Free workshop for girls in 5th through 10th grades interested in careers in STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) will be held on Saturday, April 30 from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., Mary McLeod Bethune Elementary School, 6835 Benjamin Holt Road. The 10th Annual STEM workshop, sponsored by the National Council of Negro Women (NCNW), Inc. San Diego Section, includes breakfast and lunch as well as career presentations by local professional women. For more information, contact NCNW at: (619) 479-7375 or visit online: www.sandiegocnw.org.

DERBY ROLLS IN DISTRICT 4

San Diego All-American Soap Box Derby race will roll on Saturday, April 30, from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Skyline Drive between 61st and Omeara Streets. Dubbed the “Greatest Amateur Racing Event in the World,” boys and girls ages 8 through 17 (in three racing divisions) compete in simplified cars built from kits. This spring, the Soap Box Derby will stage two races in Southeastern San Diego. In addition to April 30 event, another race will staged on Saturday, May 28 in Sherman Heights. For additional information, call Derby Director James Justus: (619) 286-0913.

CREEK TO BAY CLEAN-UP

Join ‘I Love A Clean San Diego’ for its 9th Annual Creek to Bay Clean-Up on Saturday, April 30, 9 a.m. to noon, at 70 different sites throughout the county. Let’s all gather at the clean-up kick-off site in our community at Martin Luther King Jr. Park, 6401 Skyline Drive. For more information, call Morgan Justice-Black: (619) 704-2772.



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 and reservations required. Please RSVP by April 28 to: (619) 263-2302, or email: cfields@eisca.org.

FOUNDATION FOR OUR YOUTH

The Jackie Robinson Family YMCA works hard to offer a helping hand and establish a critical foundation for our young people through sports and character development programs.

From its youth sports and spring camps to the recent Healthy Kids Day, our local Y serves an ethnically diverse community of over 250,000 people. The **15th Annual Jackie Robinson Family YMCA Tribute & Scholarship Gala will be held on Saturday, April 30 at 6 p.m.** at the Sheraton Harbor Island Hotel & Marina. For more information, call: (619) 264-0144 or visit online: www.jackierobinson.ymca.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, drop by or call Pazzaz: (619) 264-6870 or email Barrie Owens: kudumu2010@gmail.com.

CARING FOR CAREGIVERS

Join other family caregivers at a free education event on Friday, May 13 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at George L. Stevens Senior Center, 570 S. 65th Street. Sponsored by the Caregiver Coalition of San Diego, free diabetes and hypertension screenings will be offered, and a continental breakfast will be provided. Register at: www.sharp.com or call: (800) 827-4277.

BREAKFAST BOXES

Great Start! Breakfast Boxes filled with health foods will be distributed on Saturday, May 14 from 10 – 11 a.m. to residents of the Island Gardens apartment complex at 3545 Island Avenue. Research indicates that even mild under nutrition experienced by young children during critical periods of growth impacts their behavior, school performance and overall cognitive development. In an effort to address childhood hunger in our district, the Bayview Community Development Corp. (BCDC), Meals4Hunger and community volunteers will distribute breakfast boxes to low-income residents in local apartment homes. Participating families receive one box of nutritious and easy-to-prepare foods suitable for breakfast as well as free classes on nutrition and healthy food shopping and meal preparation. Donations of food items and/or money are needed and welcome. For more information, please contact Meals4Hunger at: (800) 916-0954 or Bayview Development Corp. at: (619) 582-8403.



DOING BUSINESS WITH THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

Learn how to do business with the City of San Diego at the 3rd Annual Potential Bidders

Conference on Wednesday, May 18 at the Balboa Park Club, 2150 Pan American Road. Space is limited for this free networking event. Registration required by May 16 at: (619) 236-6000.

OLDER AMERICANS LUNCHEON

Fourth District Seniors Resource Center is celebrating Older Americans Month on Wednesday,

May 18 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the George Stevens Senior Community Center, 570 S. 65th Street.

For more information or reservations, please call: (619) 266-2066.

100 STRONG COMMUNITY SURVEY

Residents in southeastern San Diego are being asked to voice their opinion on key issues in their neighborhood by completing a Community Survey sponsored by 100 Strong.

This local group promotes positive change in the community and supports activities such as neighborhood safety patrols, job training, youth mentorships, and crime-stopping programs that inspire people to look out for their neighbors. Surveys are being distributed throughout District 4, and also can be picked up at Imperial Barber Shop, 6377 Imperial Avenue. For more information regarding the community survey or 100 Strong, call: (619) 366-9386, visit the website: www.100strong.com or send an email to:

info@100StrongSD.com.

FRIDAY FARMERS MARKET

People's Produce Farmers Market is open Fridays from 2 to 6 p.m., 606 Euclid Avenue,

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 more information about classes and exhibit opportunities, call: (619) 262-2022 or visit: www.projectnewvillage.com.

FOOD ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE TO OUR RESIDENTS

Let's eliminate hunger in our community. We are working with faith-based groups and other local nonprofit organizations to help needy residents in District 4 put food on their tables. If you or someone you know is in need of food assistance, please call my office at: (619) 236-6644. We'll help find the nearest food pantries and meal distribution sites in your neighborhood.

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 live, or own a business or property in one of these areas and want more information on ways to get involved, please contact District 4 Representative Bruce Williams in my office: (619) 236-7175.



BOARDS & COMMISSIONS:

An opportunity for you to volunteer your services exists with the many City of San Diego Boards and Commissions. To learn more about the opportunity to serve please visit <http://www.sandiego.gov/city-clerk/boards-commissions/>. If you are interested in serving as a 4th District representative on a particular Board and/or Commission, please call Breanna Zwart at: (619) 236-6644.

COMMUNITY MEETINGS:

Meeting Date	Community Meeting (District 4 Staff)	Meeting Time	Meeting Location
Wednesday April 27	Encanto Community/Recreation Council (Roosevelt Williams III)	6:00 p.m.	Encanto Recreation Center 6508 Wunderlin Drive
Thursday April 28	Alta Vista Community Council (Liezl Mangonon)	6:30 p.m.	Nye Elementary 981 S. Valencia Parkway
Thursday April 28	Broadway Heights Community Council (Breanna Zwart)	7:00 p.m.	Tubman/Chavez Center 415 Euclid Avenue
Monday May 2	City Heights Area Planning Committee (Bruce Williams)	6:30 p.m.	San Diego Workforce Partnership 3910 University Avenue
Monday May 2	Skyline/Greater Skyline Hills Community Council (Breanna Zwart)	6:00 p.m.	Skyline Park and Recreation Center 8285 Skyline Drive
Thursday May 5	Mount Hope Community Meeting (Venus Molina)	6:00 p.m.	Macedonia Baptist Church 625 Quail
Thursday May 5	Valencia Park Town Council (Bruce Williams)	6:30 p.m.	Valencia Park Elementary 4801 Elm Street

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