



**MAYOR KEVIN L. FAULCONER  
CITY OF SAN DIEGO**

## **STEPS TOWARD A STADIUM SOLUTION – 2015**

- ✓ JANUARY: Mayor Kevin Faulconer appointed a Citizens' Stadium Advisory Group (CSAG) to pick a location for a new stadium and recommend how best to pay for it.
- ✓ FEBRUARY: CSAG agreed to expedite its timeline and issue its final report within 90 days at the Chargers' request.
- ✓ MARCH: CSAG selected the current Qualcomm Stadium site in Mission Valley as the best location for a new stadium.
- ✓ APRIL: City and County leaders unanimously approve a partnership to work collaboratively and share consultant costs for a potential new stadium.
- ✓ APRIL: The City hired investment banker Citigroup and law firm Nixon Peabody as stadium consultants. Both firms have extensive experience with NFL stadiums.
- ✓ MAY: CSAG released its recommendations for a \$1.1 billion stadium project in Mission Valley and identified funding sources of \$1.4 billion as a financing framework.
- ✓ JUNE: City began preliminary environmental review for the stadium replacement project.
- ✓ JUNE: City-County negotiation team holds three negotiating sessions with Chargers representatives. City-County negotiators provide the Chargers with several options for a special election before June 2016, all of which would comply with applicable laws and regulations, including the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). All the following would allow for a vote by December 2015 or early January 2016. The options include:

1. The City would provide substantial evidence to support the use of the existing categorical exemption provided for in CEQA for the reconstruction of existing facilities (new stadium replacing current stadium).
2. The City would explore providing substantial evidence to support the use of an addendum to the previously prepared Environment Impact Report (EIR) and Mitigated Negative Declaration prepared in the past for prior stadium expansions.
3. The City would complete a full EIR for a stadium replacement project this year. The schedule saves time by using a dedicated City team and outside experts working expanded hours and weekends to meet project deadlines.