



**OFFICE OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT TODD GLORIA
COUNCIL DISTRICT THREE**

M E M O R A N D U M

DATE: May 15, 2013

TO: Honorable Councilmembers

FROM: Council President Todd Gloria, Chairman, Budget and Finance Committee *Todd Gloria*

SUBJECT: Call for Budget Priorities and Revisions to the Fiscal Year 2014 Budget

Thank you for your active participation in this year's budget process. Our weeklong discussions have provided us with a greater understanding of the Mayor's FY2014 budget proposal.

Now that the departmental hearings have concluded, and in order to facilitate the Council's adoption of budget recommendations, **I am requesting that each Councilmember submit directly to Independent Budget Analyst Andrea Tevlin by close of business on Friday, May 31, 2013, a memo outlining top priorities, budget amendments, service/program restorations and other goals for inclusion in the FY2014 budget.** Your response to this request will allow the IBA to develop a final report on recommended changes to the Mayor's proposed budget—a report that will ultimately guide the Council regarding next year's funding priorities. For any proposed restorations, please identify corresponding funding sources and uses. Consistent with our Budget Policy, one-time, short-term fixes are discouraged to fund ongoing expenses. Instead, implementation of holistic, long-term remedies is favored.

The budget is our primary vehicle for setting priorities and allocating resources. In fulfilling our commitment to successfully lead and manage the affairs of the City, it is essential that we remain aware of our purpose in equitably serving the entire San Diego community. In light of the many uncertainties that are beyond our control, like the winding down of our redevelopment agency, it is critical at that we keep an eye toward fiscal restraint.

As your Budget Chairman, it is my priority that we deliver a budget that prioritizes public safety and infrastructure, is respectful to our City workforce, and has no service level reductions. We must all be mindful of the work it took to get to this positive place and stand by the fiscal policies that have allowed us to overcome the challenges of the past several years.

I have great confidence that we will once again join together to establish a solid and responsible spending plan reflective of true community priorities for FY2014. **Again, please submit your budget priorities memo directly to IBA Andrea Tevlin by close of business on Friday, May 31, 2013. Please do not mass distribute your memo at this time.**

For your information, I am providing you with the remaining FY2014 key budget process dates:

Tuesday, May 21, 2013	Mayor Issues FY 2013 Year-End Budget Monitoring Report and FY 2014 Recommended Revisions Report (May Revise)
Wednesday, May 22, 2013	City Council reviews 2014 May Revise and FY 2013 Year-End Budget Monitoring Report (first public hearing)
Friday, May 31, 2013	City Council budget memos due to IBA
Wednesday, June 5, 2013	Independent Budget Analyst's final report issued on recommendations to the Mayor's budget
Monday, June 10, 2013	City Council decisions on Final Budget Modifications (second public hearing – adoption of Budget Resolution) and City Council approval of FY 2013 Year-End Budget Monitoring Report. Per City Charter, budget adoption is required no later than June 15.
<i>Tuesday, June 11, 2013</i>	<i>Available for additional Council decisions and final budget adoption (if needed)</i>
Tuesday, June 11 - Wednesday, June 12, 2013	City Clerk to transmit resolution to Mayor within 48 hours of passage
Wednesday, June 12, 2013	Mayor's veto period begins (five business days)
Tuesday, June 18, 2013	Mayor's veto period ends. If appropriate, Council has five business days to override Mayor's veto.
Wednesday, July 17, 2013	Budget and Finance Committee review of Appropriation Ordinance
Monday, July 22, 2013	City Council introduces and adopts Appropriation Ordinance
Monday, July 29, 2013	City Council adoption of Tax Rate Ordinance per City Charter August 31 deadline

cc: Mayor Bob Filner
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