



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

M E M O R A N D U M

DATE: August 8, 2013

TO: Councilmember Marti Emerald
Chair, Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee

FROM: Council President Todd Gloria *Todd Gloria*

SUBJECT: Emergency Medical Services

I am writing to follow up on our conversation last week during which I requested that you docket a comprehensive review of our current emergency medical services (EMS) system at the Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee and provide recommendations so they can be considered along with any results of the Mayor's \$100,000 undefined EMS study as the City prepares plans for our next contract period.

You have made clear your prioritization for effective and efficient public safety services for San Diego's residents and visitors. Recent reports and a previous City audit highlight potential shortcomings within our EMS system, including but not limited to our first responder resources levels and response times, which deserve the City Council's examination and action.

I appreciate your consideration of this request and look forward to the upcoming PS&NS hearing on this critical topic.

cc: Mayor Bob Filner
Honorable City Councilmembers
Chief Javier Mainar, San Diego Fire-Rescue
Andrea Tevlin, Independent Budget Analyst