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# COUNCILMEMBER MYRTLE COLE DISTRICT FOUR

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## **RECENT COUNCIL ACTIONS:**

On Monday, July 8 the San Diego City Council approved overnight parking restrictions targeting recreational vehicles, trailers and campers on San Diego's streets. The proliferation of illegally parked vehicles is a public safety and quality-of-life issue that impacts our District 4 neighborhoods. The ordinance, which will be implemented citywide later this year, bans the street parking of oversized vehicles between 2 and 6 a.m. daily.

On Tuesday, July 9 the San Diego City Council confirmed appointments to the Community Reinvestment Review Advisory Committee, including District 4 resident Carlton Stephen Walters. He is president of the nonprofit Southeastern Diamond Business Association (BID) as well as president of PCS World Network and a successful entrepreneur in a variety of small businesses throughout San Diego. Other advisory committee members appointed are: Vicky Rodriguez, Stephen Russell and Gabriel Gomez del Rio.



Councilmember Cole is getting things done with the help of San Diego City Streets Crew on Pothole Tuesday in District 4. More than 30 potholes throughout southeastern neighborhoods were patched and filled, including this one at 65th and Skyline Drive. Next District 4 Pothole Day is coming up on Tuesday, July 23. Don't forget to report streets and roads in your community that need repair by calling our office at: (619) 236-6644.



### **MESSAGE FROM MYRTLE:**

With over 11 years experience as a police officer, I know what it takes to make our District 4 neighborhoods safer for all families. It takes more than criminal arrests and more police officers on the streets. It takes listening to community needs and reaching out to residents with programs and services that work.

I am helping communities by supporting

more Neighborhood Watch groups and strengthening vital partnerships with the San Diego Police, Commission on Gang Prevention and Intervention, Metropolitan Transit Service, San Diego Unified School District and many others to improve public safety.

Regular town hall meetings are being held with District 4 constituents, business owners and community leaders to hear your concerns and then taking them back to City Hall for action. As a member of the City Council's Public Safety & Neighborhood Services Committee, I recently supported crime reporting and reduction tools such as the online NextDoor.com and will continue advocating for neighborhood policing and public safety programs for our southeastern communities.

Have a safe summer!

## **MENSAHE GALING KAY MYRTLE:**

Sa higit ng 11 taong karanasan bilang isang opisyal ng pulis, alam ko kung ano ang kinakailangan upang gawin ang ating Distrito 4 mga kapitbahayan mas ligtas para sa lahat ng mga pamilya. Inaabot ito ng higit pa sa kriminal arrests at higit pulis opisyales sa mga ating kalye. Inaabot sa pakikinig sa mga pangangailangan at mga pakikipag-ugnayan sa mga residente sa mga programa at mga serbisyo na talagang kailangan.

Ako'y tumutulong sa ating pamayanan ng pamamagitan, upang bumubuo ng higit pa sa mga grupo ng Neighborhood Watch at pagpapatibay ng mahalaga sa Buhay sa pakikipagtulungang sa San Diego Police Department, Parke at Libangan, Komisyon sa Gang at Prevention Intervention, serbiso sa Metropolitan Transit, Pinag-isang San Diego Distrito ng Paaralan at marami pang iba, upang mapabuti ang kaligtasan ng publiko.

Mga pulong na Regular town hall meetings ay gaganapin sa Distrito 4, kasakup ang mga may-ari ng negosyo at mga lider ng komunidad upang marinig ang iyong mga alalahanin at pagkatapos ay pagkuha ng mga ito, ibabalik sa City Hall para sa aksyon o pagkilos. Bilang isang miyembro ng Konseho ng Lunsod ng Pampublikong Serbisyo sa Committee ng Kaligtasan at Kapitbahayan, isinoporta ko ang programa ng pag re-report ng krimen at pagbabawas ng mga tools, tulad ng mga online na NextDoor.com at matindi ang pagtuloy ng mga pampublikong programa sa kaligtasan at para sa aming mga komunidad ng Southeastern Communities. Ingat sa inyong mga pamilya habang tag-init!

## **MENSAJE DE MYRTLE:**

Con más de 11 años de experiencia como oficial de policía, yo sé lo que se necesita para hacer que nuestros vecindarios del Distrito 4 sean más seguros para todas las familias. Se necesita algo más que arrestos y más policías en las calles. Se necesita escuchar las necesidades de la comunidad y ofrecer a los residentes programas y servicios que realmente funcionan.

Estoy ayudando a las comunidades mediante la formación de más grupos de vigilancia, y el fortalecimiento de alianzas vitales con el Departamento de Policía de San Diego, Parques y Recreación, Comisión de Prevención de Pandillas y la Intervención, Servicio de Tránsito Metropolitano, el Distrito Escolar Unificado de San Diego y muchos otros para mejorar la seguridad pública.

Frecuentes reuniones en el ayuntamiento se están formando con los constituyentes del Distrito 4, propietarios de negocios y líderes de la comunidad para escuchar sus preocupaciones y luego llevarlos de regreso a la Alcaldía para acción. Como miembro del Comité de Servicios de Seguridad y Barrio Pública del Ayuntamiento, recientemente he apoyado el reportar crímenes y herramientas para la reducción tales como la presentación de informes NextDoor.com y seguiré firmemente la defensa de los programas de seguridad pública y policía comunitaria del barrio para nuestras comunidades del sureste. Que tengan un buen verano!

# (RECENT COUNCIL ACTIONS CONT.):

On Tuesday, July 9 the San Diego City Council approved a new bike-sharing program that will make at least 1,800 bicycles available for self-service use citywide starting next year at no cost to tax payers. Councilmember Cole wants to bring more pedal power to southeastern San Diego, and is pushing to add bike lanes and other programs like bike-sharing that will make District 4 streets and neighborhoods more bicycle-friendly.

On Tuesday, July 9 the San Diego City Council voted unanimously to ban the retail sale of dogs, cats and rabbits in pet stores and other commercial establishments in the city. San Diego is now the second largest city (behind Los Angeles) with such a ban. Pet stores will need to keep certificates that identify the sources of their for-sale animals. Private breeders and nonprofit organizations that adopt animals to the public will be unaffected by the ban.

# **GETTING THINGS DONE IN D4:**

Councilmember Cole and her staff are putting residents first and getting things done in neighborhoods throughout District 4, including these recent public safety and community improvements:

- -Upcoming Cleanup Event is set for Saturday, July 13 in the Encanto neighborhood.
- -Graffiti was removed from a fence at Euclid and Groveland Avenues in Valencia Park.
- -Asphalt Overlay was laid in early July along Imperial Avenue between 61<sup>st</sup> and 63<sup>rd</sup> Streets in the Encanto neighborhood.
- **-Pothole Patching** will take place regularly in streets throughout District 4. City Streets Crew will be working in our communities on <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>July 23</u>. Be sure to request pothole repairs for your neighborhood.



# **PUTTING PEOPLE TO WORK:**

We're committed to connecting people in our District 4 communities with job search and employment-related assistance. A great local resource is the **South Metro Career Center**, 4389 Imperial Ave., that will host the upcoming business services recruitment events:

- Wednesday, July 17 from 12:30 to 2 p.m. with Swift Transportation
- Thursday, July 18 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. with Military Sealift Command
- Friday, July 26 from 9 a.m. to noon with Veterans' Employer Panel
- Tuesday, July 31 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. with Military Sealift Command

For interview tips and more information about these and other employment services, contact the South Metro Center at (619) 266-4200



# <u>PUTTING PEOPLE TO WORK:</u>



The <u>San Diego Workforce Partnership</u> recently issued a Request for Proposal (RFP) to interested applicants with experience in developing On-the-Job Training (OJT) agreements where there is a career pathway with wage progression for in-demand industry clusters. OJTs are designed to meet the needs of local employers and jobseekers, who have the opportunity to earn wages during training while businesses are reimbursed up to 50 percent of those dollars. For more information on this funding opportunity, call: (619) 228-2972 or online: workforce.org

# **YOU MAY WANT TO KNOW:**

NON-PROFIT SUMMIT

The City of San Diego is hosting a Non-Profit Summit to discuss ways to tap into national and international investment funds on Thursday, July 11 from 10 a.m. to noon and 4 to 6 p.m. at the NAAC office at 9850 Black Mountain Road. The grassroots meetings are open to the public and will address the needs of local non-profits such as funding, capacity building, training, mentoring, best practices, collaborations and partnerships. For more information, contact Faith Bautista, chair of the Home Ownership Advisory Committee for the City of San Diego at: (650) 892-8469.

AFRICAN AMERICAN HERITAGE NIGHT

# Come celebrate African American Heritage Night at Petco Park on Friday, July 12.

The San Diego Padres will be wearing Retro Pacific Coast League Jerseys and playing the San Francisco Giants. Great family fun and blocks of seats are available for neighborhood, business, church and community groups. Free fedora hats will be given to the first 25,000 attendees and stay after the game for Fireworks in the Park in the Park. For information, contact Clara Carter: (619) 265-2561.



HEALTH CARE & RESOURCE FAIR

A free Health Care Enrollment & Resource Fair will be held Saturday, July 13 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Jacobs Center, 404 Euclid Ave. San Diego residents can receive application assistance for Medi-Cal, CalFresh and other low-income health programs as well as receive health and dental screenings. For more information about this event, call: 2-1-1 or visit online: WEConnect.net.

FREE LEGAL WORKSHOPS

The Earl B. Gilliam Bar Association and the San Diego Raza Lawyers Association will be holding



the annual Neighborhood Law School Program to provide free legal workshops taught by top local attorneys. These free workshops (in English and Spanish) are held Monday evenings throughout the summer from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at the Jacobs Center for Innovation, 404 Euclid Ave., and cover a variety of legal topics of interest to employees, business owners, landlords, renters and residents of San Diego. Next up on Monday, July 15 is: Landlords & Tenants Rights. For more information about these informative sessions, please call: (619) 672-7201.

#### KEEP SAN DIEGO MOVING

Caltrans invites District 4 residents to attend a public workshop to provide input for potential community enhancement projects related to the State Route 94 Express Lanes Project.

The proposed project will connect the I-805 south express lanes with downtown San Diego and will accommodate new Bus Rapid Transit and carpools/vanpools. The workshop will be held Wednesday, July 17 from 6 to 8:30 p.m. at the Jacobs Center, 404 Euclid Ave. For more information, please contact Sarah Mojarro at: (858) 926-4008.

#### CAMP CHARLES LOOKING FOR A FEW GOOD MEN

The Charles L. Lewis III Foundation is sponsoring Camp Charles, a free one-day summer camp for young men ages 7-15. The 8th annual event will be held on Saturday, July 20 from 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the George L. Stevens Senior Center, 570 S. 65<sup>th</sup> Street. This year's theme "Looking Forward-My Mind, My Future" will feature interactive career-based activities. Space is limited to the first 40 participants. For more information and to pre-register, please call: (619) 434-3454 or visit online: <a href="mailto:charlesllewis3.org">charlesllewis3.org</a>.

RELAY FOR LIFE



Relay for Life of Southeastern San Diego will be held Saturday, July 20 at Morse High School, 6905 Skyline Drive. The American Cancer Society Relay for Life is a life-changing event that helps our community celebrate the lives of people who have battled cancer, remember loved ones lost and fight back against the disease. For more information, call: 1-800-277-2345.

#### SUMMER FEST 2013

<u>Sensation Summer Fest 2013 is be hosted Saturday, July 20 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Bayview Baptist Church, 6126 Benson Ave.</u> This free community-wide block party and festival will include entertainment, food and retail vendors, health screenings, petting zoo, car show and much more. For more information, call the church at: (619) 262-8384 or online: <u>sensationalsummerfest.com</u>.

## NATIONAL NIGHT OUT AGAINST CRIME

The Southeastern San Diego version of National Night Out Against Crime will be held on Tuesday, Aug. 6 from 6 to 7 p.m. at Skyline Park and the San Diego Police Department's Southeastern Division Headquarters. Also, on Tuesday, Aug. 7 from 6 to 8 p.m., a free community National Night Out Against Crime event will be hosted at the Salvation Army Kroc Center, 6845 University Ave. For more information on this event, please call: (619) 287-5762.



#### YMCA SUMMER SPORTS KICK INTO ACTION

<u>Jackie Robinson YMCA summer sports kick off in July</u>. This summer the YMCA will be offering youth basketball, soccer, pee wee sports for 3-5 years of age, as well as cheer and football clinics. We are starting competitive teen basketball clinics as well as running a teen basketball league this summer as well. We are also running adult soccer Monday through Friday! Get off the sidelines and get into the game! For more information, please contact Patricia King: (619) 264 0144 ext. 107 or visit the website online at: <u>jackierobinson.ymca.org</u>.

#### FREE LUNCHES FOR LOCAL KIDS

<u>San Diego Park & Recreation Department and San Diego Unified School District will provide thousands of free and nutritious lunches and snacks to children 18 and under through its 2013 Summer Fun Café program.</u> District 4 children can receive free lunches through the end of August. (Monday through Friday, from 12 to1 p.m.) at Chollas Lake, Encanto and Skyline Hills Recreation Centers as well as the Jackie Robinson Robins YMCA, Bell Middle School, O'Farrell Middle School and Lincoln High School. For detailed information about the citywide Summer Fun Café, please call: \*211 Info Line or online go to: <a href="mailto:sandi.net/food">sandi.net/food</a>.



#### FRIDAY FARMERS MARKET

Come to the People's Produce Farmers Market every Friday from 3 to 7 p.m. at 4981 Market St. This local marketplace features fresh produce, prepared foods and much more. Food stamps / EBT, WIC and senior nutrition vouchers are accepted and matched up to \$10 per month. For more information, please contact Project New Village at: 619 262-2022 or you can send an Email to: info@projectnewvillage.org.



#### REPORT D4 POTHOLES

The City of San Diego's Street Division repairs over 30,000 potholes each year using everything from a hot patch truck to bagged asphalt. Street Division's goal is to fix all potholes reported as soon as possible. Priority is given to potholes that may affect drivers, the rest are on a first come, first served basis. Every so often, and especially after a long rainy season, Street Division crews will work on a "Pothole Saturday." It is difficult for City crews to find all the potholes, so they rely on the public to make note of them. To report a pothole, please call: (619) 527-7500 or use the online Service Request system at: <a href="mailto:sandiego.gov/street-div/services/roadways/holes">sandiego.gov/street-div/services/roadways/holes</a>.

#### DISCOUNT INTERNET FOR STUDENTS

San Diego Futures Foundation, in sponsorship by Cox Communications, provides Internet discounts to low-income San Diego students and their families. To qualify for the recently launched Connect2Compete program, students must reside in a Cox service area and participate in the National School Lunch Program. For more information, please call: (619) 855-8007 or visit: sdfutures.org.

SENIOR LUNCH PROGRAM

Nutritious down-home style cooking featuring San Diego's nationally celebrated Chef Rick is served Monday through Friday from noon to 2 p.m. at the George Stevens Senior Center, 570 S. 65<sup>th</sup> Street. For reservations or more information about the low-cost meals, call: (619) 266-2066.

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# **COMMUNITY MEETINGS:**

Meeting Date	Community Meeting (District 4 Staff)	Meeting Time	Meeting Location
Thursday July 11	Valencia Park Town Council/ O'Farrell Park Town Council (Liezl Mangonon)	6:30 p.m.	Valencia Park Elementary School 5880 Skyline Drive
Thursday July 11	Rolando Park Community Council (Jill Estserbrooks)	7:00 p.m.	Rolando Park Elementary School 6620 Marlowe Drive
Wednesday July 17	Paradise Hills Village Council (Luis Natividad)	6:30 p.m.	St. Timothy Church Rancho Hills and Reo Drive
Wednesday July 17	Webster Community Council (Tylisa Suseberry)	7:00 p.m.	Webster Elementary School 4801 Elm Street
Thursday July 18	Martin Luther King Recreation Council (Community Representative)	12:00 p.m.	MLK Rec Center 6401 Skyline Drive
Thursday July 18	Lomita Village Town Council	6:00 p.m.	Skyline Park & Rec Center 8285 Skyline Drive

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