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GETTING IT DONE



Last December, the City Council adopted a resolution to protect Barrio Logan residents from the pollution created by heavy duty trucks driving through the community. Vehicles weighing more than 5 tons are now banned on certain streets. Councilmember Moreno was adamant about its implementation.

Thank you to Environmental Health Caalition for spearheading this important effort, and to SDPD for enforcing this new ordinance. The complete list of impacted streets can be found on our Facebook page.

City of San Diego's Streets Division recently resurfaced Saturn Boulevard, between Grove Avenue and Dahlia Avenue. Fresh paint will be applied soon.

For a complete overview of ongoing and upcoming resurfacing projects, please visit <u>Streets.SanDiego.Gov</u>

DID YOU KNOW?



The official City of San Diego smartphone application, Get it Done, allows for residents to seamlessly report neighborhood issues and code violations on the go. Download it today, or access it online at www.sandiego.gov/get-it-done

IN THE COMMUNITY

On March 2nd, my office helped organize an I Love a Clean San Ysidro Community Cleanup. Thank you to the over 200 volunteers who came out to help beautify San Ysidro.





Our next cleanup event will be in the northern communities of District 8 on Saturday, April 27, from 9AM to 1PM. Meeting location will be Memorial Park, and all volunteers will receive hot dogs and free entry to our great raffle.





My staff and I continue to visit residents and provide assistance for City related issues. The District 8 team will be canvassing neighborhoods throughout the district each week, rain or shine, morning and afternoon.

To report any City-related issues, please call my office at (619) 236-6688 or email VivianMoreno@SanDiego.gov

CITY HALL UPDATES



Councilmember Moreno released a memo to the Mayor and City Council urging them to oppose Senate Bill 615. The Councilmember believes in the public's right to know what its government is doing and strongly opposed this legislation. Entire memo can be found accessed at: www.SanDiego.gov/citycouncil/cd8/news

The San Diego City Council unanimously agreed with Councilmember Moreno and also voiced their opposition to SB615. On March 12, due in large part to the City's opposition, the legislation was officially withdrawn from consideration by the State's Rules Committee.



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Public Records Disclosure

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This legislation will make it more difficult for a member of the public to gain information about their government

In short, this bill would devastate the Public Records Act and diminish the general public's ability to compel a government agency to release documents

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SB615 does not support greater transparency in government and, in fact, decreases the public's ability to remedy a government agency's unlawful denial of public documents





This month, federal officials and local community partners have agreed to allocate \$70 million into programs to improve education and socio-economic outcomes for youth in Barrio Logan, Logan Heights and San Ysidro. Councilmember Moreno is thrilled about the opportunities offered by this initiative. The programs will include parental education, tutoring and after-school programs among others. Similar programs in New York and Chula Vista have reported improved outcomes for their children

South Bay Community services are spearheading the Promise Neighborhood program, and will include Perkins Elementary, San Ysidro High, San Ysidro Middle, Smythe Elementary and Logan Memorial Education Complex. During the March 13 Public Safety and Liveable Neighborhoods Committee (PS&LN), Recreation Center budgets were up for discussion. Councilmember Moreno identified signifcant funding disparities between recreation centers inside and outside District 8. One example being Carmel Valley Recreation Center having a budget 13-times greater than Robert Egger Recreation Center. Councilmember Moreno urged the committee to consider a more equitable budget redistribution policy and requested City staff to return with a plan to the PS&LN Commitee within 90 days, and this was unanimously supported.

The PS&LN Committee meets one Wednesday per month in the Committee room on the 12th floor of City Hall. The next meeting will be April 17 at 9AM.



For more information on Committee agenda and actions, go to www.sandiego.gov/city-clerk/councilcomm

HIKING IN DISTRICT 8 TIJUANA RIVER VALLEY

District 8 offers numerous locations for hiking in our parks and trails. With the amount of rainfall landing in San Diego over the past few weeks, the wildflowers and surrounding greenery can provide a spectacular viewing experience. Horseback riding on the beach is also available in the Tijuana River Valley.



The Tijuana River National Research Reserve is responsible for overseeing and maintaining the wetland estuary. They host free group walks several times per month starting at their research reserve on 301 Caspian Way, Imperial Beach 91932.

Bird Walks: 1st, 3rd and 5th Sundays of the month at 3:00PM Nature Walk: 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month at 11:00AM







Several open park trails lead to the mesas down by the border. The downtown San Diego skyline is visible from the top.

All trails are open for pedestrian access from 9AM to 5PM daily. Parking is available at Border Field State Park on 1500 Monument Road, 92154.

OTAY VALLEY REGIONAL PARK



Otay Valley Regional Park features over 9,000 acres of open park space. Over 200 bird species have their habitat here, including red-tailed hawks and snowy egrets.







On Saturday, May 18, the park is hosting the annual Discover OVRP day. This includes workshops and events for the whole family. It will be located at the staging area on 500 Saturn Boulevard. Please RSVP by May 5 to AdventurePassportOVRP@gmail.com The park can be accessed through entrances at Saturn Boulevard, Hollister Street, Beyer Boulevard, Beyer Way and Byrd Street.

It is open from 9AM to 5PM. Thank you to our park rangers who keep the area clean and accessible for our residents.



MEET A RESIDENT

Ms. Mary Rodrigiuez was born in Tecoman, Mexico and at the age of 14, she moved with her family to Tijuana, Baja California and began working.

She moved to San Ysidro with her husband in 1988 after being a cross-border commuter for almost 15 years. She has always helped others, including volunteering at her sons' schools and at Shriners Hospital for Children's severe burn unit. Ms. Rodriguez is the proud grandmother of nine grandchildren. She continues to help her community, especially children, to ensure they receive the educational opportunities she never had.





As her neighbors became older, Ms. Rodriguez identified the need for a senior citizen group in San Ysidro. "Many seniors experience loneliness and spend most of the day by themselves once their children move out. That's why I wanted to start this group". She knocked on doors in her community to recruit members. She also spoke with the previous Councilmember, David Alvarez, who liked the idea, but wanted to see a specific plan and various proposals and thus, Los Años Dorados was formed.

Los Años Dorados currently hosts workshops for seniors ranging from cooking to various arts and crafts. They also arrange field trips to Mexico and other places in California. Last summer they traveled to Valle de Guadalupe for sightseeing and to attend museums.

Los Años Dorados meets every Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 2PM to 6PM at the San Ysidro Senior Services Center 125 E. Park Avenue. "There is no cost to attend, and there are no rules. We let people be and offer them help by listening", concludes Ms. Rodriguez.

2020 BUDGET PROCESS

By April 15, the Mayor will release his Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2020 for the City of San Diego. In early May, the City Council Budget Review Committee will hold departmental budget hearings to consider adjustments.

A complete guide to the City's budget process can be found at www.SanDiego.gov/IBA



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This can be done by:

- Contacting my office to weigh in on important issues in your community.

- Attending and participating in the City Council and the Budget Review Committee meetings.



The Budget Review Committee will hold meetings every weekday in the City Council Chambers starting May 1 through May 8 at 9AM.

MEET THE STAFF



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Kamil is a fourth-year student at SDSU and is double majoring in Political Science and Criminal Justice. He was raised in San Diego and has lived San Ysidro, National City and City Heights among others. Kamil believes it is important that every person is informed of what is going on in their community and hopes to one day empower those from his to community to seek out higher education through his work in the legal field.

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