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## Interim Mayor Todd Gloria

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### Update from Interim Mayor Todd Gloria

*SAN DIEGO (December 12, 2013)* – Interim Mayor Todd Gloria today provided an update on several items of interest.

Next Monday, December 16, the San Diego City Council will consider adoption of a Zero Waste Objective. The Environmental Services Department is proposing the Objective for the City, with an initial goal of diverting 75% of waste generated in the City from landfill disposal by 2020, and a goal of zero waste by 2040.

**“Monday’s item is a starting point for this initiative, and I hope my Council colleagues will agree to direct the Environmental Services Department to develop a Zero Waste Plan in the coming year that establishes a framework for the City’s planning and decision-making process that will help us meet our climate reduction goals,”** said Interim Mayor Todd Gloria.

The draft plan will be reviewed by the Committee on the Environment. The Interim Mayor invites San Diegans to weigh in on the plan.

Feedback and input are also desired on the draft Economic Development Strategy which was presented to the Economic Development and Intergovernmental Relations Committee yesterday.

**“I want to thank Bill Fulton, Tom Tomlinson, and Russ Gibbons for their work on the draft and Council President Pro Tem Sherri Lightner for spearheading the effort,”** said Interim Mayor Gloria. **“I look forward to more discussion on the topic and for the Plan’s eventual implementation for the good of the entire region.”**

The Economic Development Plan is expected to return to the ED&IR Committee for discussion in February 2014 after additional input is received.

The Interim Mayor also offered clarification about the Barrio Logan Community Plan Update status.

The City Council approved an ordinance and a resolution for the Barrio Logan Community Plan Update. Opponents collected signatures against each of them separately. At the City Council meeting on Tuesday, December 10, the City Clerk presented an information item that the Registrar of Voters has found the signatures collected against the resolution to be sufficient, and the City Council is scheduled to take action on that next Tuesday, December 17. At that time, the City Council will consider rescinding its previous action or placing the issue before the voters at the next regularly scheduled election.

At this time, the Registrar of Voters has not determined the sufficiency of the efforts against the ordinance. Should that occur, the City Council would consider the same actions for that effort.

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