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Councilmember Todd Gloria

City of San Diego — District Three

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Fact Check: Business Community's Participation in Minimum Wage Discussions

SAN DIEGO, CA (February 2, 2015) – Councilmember Todd Gloria today provided his 2014 calendar entries to clarify a statement from the San Diego Regional Chamber of Commerce in the KQED radio story, [“Bumper Year for Referendums Could Be New Normal in San Diego Politics.”](#)

The Chamber's President and CEO claimed, “We were unsuccessful in getting anyone to sit down and talk with us about it on the Council majority, so we were literally left with no choice but to referendum.”

“This very clearly demonstrates the business community was asked to be part of the process. Saying that they still didn't like the resulting language (because carving out exemptions or creating legally impossible tiers as they requested weren't accepted options) is okay, but saying they were not part of the conversation is incorrect,” said Councilmember Gloria.

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| 2/10: | Lunch with Jerry Sanders | 4/28: | Neighborhood Market Association meeting |
| 2/25: | Chamber Anniversary Dinner
(Councilmember Gloria received the
"Moving San Diego Forward" Award.) | 4/30: | ED&IR hearing |
| 3/5: | Stakeholder Meeting. Participants: Jerry
Sanders, Kris Michell, Jack McGrory, Mel
Katz, Alan Ziegau, Chris Frahm, Rafael
Castellanos, and Yehudi Gaffen. | 4/30: | San Diego North Chamber of Commerce
meeting |
| 3/7: | Stakeholder Meeting. Participants: Dennis
Stein, Matt Gordon, Will Gustwiller, Namara
Mercer, John Schafer, Mike Staples, Jody
Blackington, Douglas Korn, Rhondda
Begley, and Jacob McKean | 4/30: | Gaslamp Quarter Association |
| 3/20: | Stakeholder Meeting. Participants: Chris
Duggan, Mark Arabo, Rhondda Begley,
Jacob McKean, Barbara Bry, Michael
Sardina, Elke Patton, Chris Cramer, Jeff
Motch, Jeffrey Brown, and Lee and Jennifer
Chase | 5/2: | Bill Evans meeting |
| 3/24: | Economic Development and
Intergovernmental Relations Committee
(ED&IR) hearing | 5/14: | Discussion with business owners from
South Park |
| 4/9: | Non Profit Stakeholders Meeting.
Participants: Delores Jacobs, Sister
RayMonda Duvall, Kathy Lembo, Diana
Ross, Michael Hopkins, Shaina Gross, Liz
Brosnan, Michael Gomez, and Danny
Sherlock | 5/14: | Jody Blackington, Bill Evans, and David
Cohen |
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Cohen |
| | | 5/27: | Matthew Fink and local business owners |
| | | 6/4: | Harry Schwartz of Ace Hardware |
| | | 6/11: | ED&IR vote |
| | | 6/18: | San Diego North Chamber Dinner (the
issue was raised at the event, and
Councilmember Gloria was honored with an
award) |
| | | 6/24: | Keith Jones lunch |
| | | 6/25: | Alan Ziegau |
| | | 6/30: | CA Grocers Association |
| | | 7/9: | Chris Duggan and Tracy Borkum |
| | | 7/14: | Council hearing |
| | | 7/17: | Kris Michell |
| | | 7/22: | Asian Business Association luncheon |
| | | 7/28: | Council second reading |

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