

District 2 Update



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SAN DIEGO RIVER PARK FOUNDATION LEGISLATOR OF THE YEAR

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Photo Above: San Diego River Park Foundation President and CEO, Rob Hutsel and daughter with Councilmember Zapf after receiving the Legislator of the Year Award. Right: Councilmember Zapf at the SDRP Kayak Cleanup last February.

I was so touched to be honored by the San Diego River Park Foundation as the 2016 Legislator of the Year. This tremendous group of dedicated staff and volunteers work extremely hard to protect and clean



our river valley. It has been my absolute pleasure to work side by side with this amazing group.

Thank you for this honor and congratulations on your 15th Anniversary and many more to come.

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I LOVE A CLEAN SAN DIEGO COASTAL CLEANUP DAY



Above: Councilmember Zapf getting the volunteers ready at the De Anza Cove Cleanup site. Right: Planting new shrubs at Mission Bay.

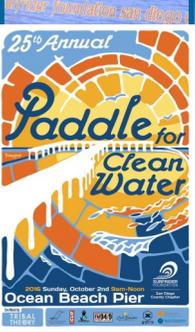
It was my pleasure to help kick-off the I Love a Clean San Diego Coastal Cleanup Day! Congratulations and thank you to the 7,500 volunteers who helped at the 114 cleanup sites. Together 150,000 pounds of trash and pollutants were removed. Additionally, graffiti was removed and invasive plants were replaced with water-wise plants.



SURFRIDER PADDLE OUT FOR 25 YEARS



It was a blast helping the Surfrider Foundation San Diego County Chapter celebrate its 25th Annual Paddle for Clean Water in Ocean Beach. Hundreds of surfers and ocean enthusiasts paddled around the Ocean Beach Pier to raise awareness for clean water and healthy coastlines.



Additionally, Surfrider's "Rise Above Plastics" program that advocates for the reduction of single-use plastics and the recycling of all plastics had something to celebrate! I was pleased to support the City of San Diego's plastic bag reduction initiative to keep our communities cleaner.

Photos: Top Left—presenting proclamation to Executive Committee Chair, Mark West in honor of the 25th Paddle Out. Left: Enthusiastic participant!

OCEAN BEACH LIBRARY CELEBRATES 100th ANNIVERSARY

For over a hundred years the Ocean Beach Library has been serving the community of Ocean Beach and this year we were successful in securing funds to begin the library expansion process. The centennial celebration was hosted by the Ocean Beach Friends of the Library and attended by several hundred. A great time was had by all and it was a pleasure to honor the following members of the library expansion committee (pictured right): Maureen Roeber, Mary Cairns, Laura Dennison, George Murphy, Tony Cataldo, Judy Collier and Suzi More.



PACIFIC BEACH PAESAN AWARDS

The Police and Emergency Services Appreciation Night (PAESAN) was launched in 1980 by the Pacific Beach Town Council. Each year, the Pacific Beach community has gathered and thanked the 4 branches of our Public Safety Services with a picnic at Crown Point Park. Thanks to the generosity of many donors, this year, the PAESAN organizers were able to award the San Diego Police Departments Northern Division



Pictured above: PAESAN Awardees -SDPD Officer Phillip Worthington, SDFD Firefighter David Garcia, Lifeguard Mike McDaniel, Mission Bay Park Ranger Sylvia Sowadski, Councilmember Zapf, Chief Fennesy, Chief Zimmerman, Chief Wurts, Cathie Jolley and Assemblymember Toni Atkins.



with a brand new Polaris 4-wheel ATV for the patrolling of our many miles of coastline .

HOTEL CHURCHILL—A Place to Call Home

Just a few years ago the vision for Hotel Churchill was in danger of not getting completed. As chair of the Smart Growth and Land Use Committee we were able to shepherd this project through a very complicated process. Together, Councilmember Gloria, the San Diego Housing Commission and myself worked diligently to make sure that a revitalized Hotel Churchill would become a reality.

With the project complete the first group of homeless veterans have moved in. As a former foster youth, my top priority with this project was to secure housing for former foster youth who have aged out of the system. It is so exciting to see this once dilapidated building be refurbished to provide a place to call home for those in need.



Top photo: Ribbon Cutting with Mayor and other dignitaries. Above: with Councilman Gloria, presenting a City resolution in honor of the Hotel Churchill to Gary Gramling, - Housing Commission Chair.

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HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH ART EXHIBIT



Photo: Artist Manuel "Memo" Cavada, Members of the Latino City Employee Association and Councilmember Zapf at the ex-

During September, the City of San Diego Celebrated Hispanic Heritage Month and as the first Latina elected to the San Diego City Council, I was honored to participate in the many activities. The events were hosted by the Mayor's Office and the Latino City Employee Association. As part of the festivities, local artist Manuel "Memo" Cavada exhibited his "The Spirit of Mexico Collection" in honor of Hispanic Heritage month in the City Administration Building. Memo's art included beautiful photos capturing the true hearts of the working class



people of Mexico where he traveled for over 10 years into the heartlands of Mexico reaching the wood carvers, ceramic makers, painters, weavers, food vendors and farmers.



OUT AND ABOUT WITH Councilmember Lorie Zapf



Above: Councilmember Zapf reading at the Cal Coast Credit Union reading event. **Right:** Councilmember Zapf presenting a proclamation to Words Alive Director Susan Arias in honor of the literacy programs work with children.



Councilmember Zapf presenting a proclamation to California Coast Credit Union for their #SDReading Rocks sponsorship.



Celebrating 50 years of Community Planning Groups with many community planning leaders attending the City Council meeting.

STUDY SHOWS THE CONDITION OF SAN DIEGO CITY ROADS HAVE GREATLY IMPROVED

I was pleased to join Mayor Faulconer as new data was released on street conditions. The Mayor has made repairing our streets the top infrastructure priority and over 322 miles of San Diego streets have been repaired with another 300-plus miles of streets to be repaired this fiscal year.

The new study also found that 60 percent of City streets are in good condition, 34 percent are in fair condition and 6 percent are in poor condition. Those are all significant improvements compared to the 2011 assessment which rated 34 percent of City streets as good, 44 percent as fair and 22 percent as poor.



Councilmember Zapf speaking at Mayor Faulconer's press conference regarding road improvements.