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City Council Rules Committee to Consider 17 Proposals for November Ballot

Ideas Come from San Diego Residents, Advocacy Groups, City Officials

SAN DIEGO – The City Council’s Rules Committee on Wednesday, May 13, will discuss 17 proposed measures and decide which of them merit further consideration for placement on the November 2020 ballot.

Nine of the measures were submitted by individual San Diegans, four by local advocacy groups, and four by City officials, including Council members, the City Attorney, the City Auditor, and the Chief Financial Officer. The ideas include removing the coastal height limit in the Sports Arena area, implementing ranked choice voting in San Diego’s general elections, and updating the City’s contracting policies to remain eligible for state grant funding.

“It’s great to see so many ideas coming from engaged members of our community,” Council President and Rules Committee Chair Georgette Gómez said. “I look forward to discussing these proposals with my committee colleagues, and also hearing from the public which ones should be advanced to the ballot.”

Those measures that the committee advances for additional analysis will return to the Rules Committee to be considered for review by the full City Council.

The meeting begins at 2 p.m. To keep everyone safe, in-person attendance is limited to committee members, City staff, and members of the press. However, the public is encouraged to participate by calling in and voicing their opinions. The call-in number is 619-541-6310, and the access code is 877861. The meeting will be broadcast on Cox and Time-Warner cable Channel 24 and AT&T Channel 99. It will also be [streamed online](#).

In addition to Council President Gómez the Rules Committee is composed of Council President pro Tempore Barbara Bry (vice chair) and Councilmembers Mark Kersey, Monica Montgomery, and Chris Ward.

The agenda and details of the proposals can be found [here](#). The proposals are summarized in the [latest post](#) of “The People’s Business.”

Please note that the groups that submitted the proposals in Sub-items I and L under Item No. 2 have withdrawn their proposals.

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Council President Gómez represents the Ninth Council District of the City of San Diego, which includes the communities of Alvarado Estates, City Heights, College Area, College View Estates, El Cerrito, Kensington, Mountain View, Mt. Hope, Rolando, Southcrest, and Talmadge. She chairs the City of San Diego Rules Committee and sits on the Metropolitan Transit System Board of Directors and on the SANDAG Board of Directors and Executive Board.