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University City Planning Group Begins Analysis of Costa Verde Construction Project

The images above and below are those of the proposed new development at the Costa Verde Center, located at the corner of Genesee Avenue and Nobel Drive, across from the Westfield UTC Shopping Center and adjacent to the upcoming Mid-Coast Trolley Terminus location. The proposal is a partnership between two developers: Regency Centers (shopping centers) and Alexandria (research and development office space). The project proposal includes 400,000sf of office space in three R&D buildings, a 200-room hotel, as well as 178,000sf of retail space. There are some major differences with the new proposal compared to the existing layout. The University City Planning Group's Costa Verde Subcommittee has begun meeting to discuss the proposal, with the EIR (Environmental Impact Report) having a comment deadline of May 26, 2020. To see the EIR and Draft Documents for public comment, search Costa Verde Revitalization at: sandiego.gov/ceqa/draft. See page 9 for additional articles.



I ♥ University City

These beautiful I ♥ University City 2020 handmade 100% cotton bandanas will be given to UCCA volunteers for use during activities and events. They were printed by UC resident Wendy Lee, of AlphaPrint. More details to be announced, if the fashionable bandanas will go on sale. AlphaPrint is also making signs for UCHS seniors. For info and to order, contact: wendy@wikitiki.com.



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Guidelines:

- Your article should be approximately 250 words or less, sent in a Word document and attached to an email.
- Include who, what, why, where, and how.
- Be as brief and concise as possible. Editing may result in errors.
- DO NOT send articles in a pdf formats.
- UCCA does not guarantee publication.
- Submitted materials may be published on the Internet.
- The Editor reserves the right to edit articles as needed.
- Articles or ads considered to be political will not be accepted.
- Attach photos separately in a picture format at high resolution or straight from camera as a jpeg or png.
- Send to UCCAeditor@gmail.com or jemmasamala@gmail.com.

Deadline for the JUNE issue: MAY 14, 2020

Please send your submission as early as possible. The deadline for the June issue is May 14, but the newsletter can fill up before the deadline. Articles and news items are reviewed as they are received. Priority may be given to UCCA members and time sensitive material. Articles may also be edited for allowed space. UCCA does not discriminate against nor endorse all information in the monthly newsletter. The UCCA Newsletter receives information and advertising from a variety of sources. UCCA cannot and does not guarantee the accuracy of the information or the complete absence of errors and/or omissions, nor does UCCA assume responsibility for the same. Publication does not constitute an endorsement.

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UCCA Meeting Synopsis April 15

(held via Zoom without public guests)

by Jim Beshears, UCCA Secretary



The issues discussed and the actions taken were as follows:

- The Senior Grad Night Party organizers requested \$2,000 for funding a Grad Night celebration. The motion for approval was continued to the next meeting given the uncertainty of whether there will be a grad night and the need for more details of the event.
- The Newsletter Committee reported the newsletter will continue as both an online issue and a paper copy with only 500-1,000 copies produced.
- Diane Ahern reported the UCCA will produce 80 bandanas at a cost of \$320 that say "I love UC" with a heart for the word "love". They will be used for promotion and volunteer recognition.
- Mack Langston reported on the Costa Verde Advisory Sub-Committee meeting. It requested an extension of time to respond to development plans, which includes 400,000 square feet of office space and a hotel. Traffic and parking problems are concerns for the proposed development.
- Diane Ahern reported on the difficulties in obtaining a County grant for new banners for the UC area because of economic problems for the County.
- The landscaping company responsible for median maintenance will be contact regarding weed removal necessary after all the rains.
- UCCF "Pure Water" lawsuit: Merle Langston reported on updates regarding the lawsuit. She reported that the City of San Diego agreed to a settlement that required the City to spend up to \$1.15 million to upgrade and maintain the medians. Diane Ahern noted that the committee needed more information of what the City will do..
- It was reported that membership enrollment had stalled and thought to be as a result of not having the newsletter delivered to homes.
- The Treasurer's report from Don Hotz was approved.
- For new business, it was reported that that construction on the Gullstrand property was temporarily halted due to City regulations concerning new corona virus. Debates for Mayor and City Council will be held in the fall.
- The next meeting will be held on May 13, 2020 via zoom at 6:00pm and open to the public. (To join the meeting, go to zoom.us, and enter meeting ID# 469 012 1178.



UCCA President Barry Bernstein

Dear Newsletter Readers,

With all the rain we've experience this past month we can expect May to bring us colorful Spring flowers to spruce up our gardens/planters, as well as to enjoy their beauty while traveling on the freeways.

Hope springs eternal...and with it brings a special sort of needed "hope" at this difficult and challenging time.

Thanks to all of you for doing your best as citizens of our planet Earth...as the 50th anniversary of Earth Day had special meaning this past month. We will be celebrating "Mother's Day" and Memorial Day very soon...and once again we'll be

needing to be find safe ways to celebrate these two meaningful and traditional events that feature family gatherings.

This 2020 Leap year has jump-started many of us who may need to communicate with one another into learning and using technology tools. It helped to bring us together for the traditional Easter and Passover family events, however finding the afikomen or Easter eggs just wasn't the same.

Nowadays binge TV viewing, refrigerator snacking, and "casual" clothes have become the hallmark of these past two months. Food delivery, grocery shopping, "take-out" have now become a main event,...as well as the daily outdoor adventure of a walk, jog, with a polite passing hello to neighbors we hardly knew before.

UCCA wants you to have the opportunity to read and learn about the planned Costa Verde revitalization plans. The Draft EIR, (Environmental Impact Report) is being reviewed by a selected sub-committee of UCPG and is encouraging your reaction/public comment. Please read UCPG chair Chris Nielsen's article on the front page, and open the link on our website, (universitycitynews.org) for viewing of the proposed project.

I wish I could tell when we'll be back to some level of normalcy...The UC 4th of July Celebration may face cancellation. Our hope would be that some sort of modified event can be held with participants following City/County/and State guidelines.

UCCA will be providing some complimentary "I ♥ University City" face-covering bandanas for our volunteers, (see front page for photo). If popular, they will be produced for sale to interested University City residents, with the proceeds going to identified front-line medical workers.

On behalf of the UCCA Board, I want to wish you and yours the very best...stay well, follow published safety guidelines, and where and when possible show your appreciation to those working to make our lives safer. UCCA appreciates your support and welcomes your membership. Stay well University City, where we're more than just a neighborhood. ~Barry

VIRTUAL UCCA MEETING

The next UCCA meeting will be held via Zoom on Wednesday, May 13, starting at 6:00pm – the regular monthly meeting time.

Since libraries are still closed, the meeting will be held virtually via Zoom.

To participate, join at us02web.zoom.us/j/4690121178

You may also go to zoom.com, and join meeting ID: 469 012 1178

And you can also call in at: 408.638.0968, 4690121178#

We hope to "see" you there!

calendar

RAMADAN

Continues through May 23

NATIONAL NURSE'S DAY

Wednesday, May 6

(National Nurse's Week – May 6 - 12)

CINCO DE MAYO

Tuesday, May 5

NATIONAL TEACHER DAY

Tuesday, May 5

(Local schools celebrate
Teacher Appreciation Week

May 17 to 23)

MOTHER'S DAY

Sunday, May 10

UC PLANNING GROUP

Agendas and meeting information posted on
planuniversity.org

UCCA MEETING

Wednesday, May 13, 6:00pm

Zoom.us, meeting ID#469 012 1178

UC Community Plan Committee

Agendas and meeting information posted on
planuniversity.org

MEMORIAL DAY

Monday, May 25

(Also National Wine Day!)

University City Parks Council Standley Park Community Rec Group

Contact Rec Center for meeting info:
858.552.1652

TASTE OF THE TRIANGLE

Postponed

4th of July – UC CELEBRATION

TBD

People for a Clean UC

(3rd Sundays – on hold)



Neighborhood Watch Notes

by Barbara Gellman

Neighborhood Watch Signs

Walkin' the streets? Please note if the Neighborhood Watch signs in your area, the ones with the eyes, are still in readable condition. If they are faded, cracked or peeling, we can replace them with some donated from Barbara Bry at no cost to you. (limited quantity).

If they just seem dirty, put on gloves and a mask, grab your floor swiffer and spray it with window cleaner, stand on the sidewalk and clean the sign. Voila, it may not need to be replaced. But, if this doesn't work, please contact me with the location at bggellman@yahoo.com.

RSVP Services

Update from Officer Bognuda: RSVP is not working at this time since they are mostly comprised of our vulnerable population and we want to do our best to protect them from possible exposure. The RSVPs were allowed to take the information home with them so they can continue to check on the YANA members by making phone calls.

Fraud Watch Network helpline with AARP

Report any type of fraud, phone, email, etc. to 877.908.3360, toll-free

COVID Scams

A recent article written by Robert S. Brewer Jr., the U.S. attorney for the Southern District of California which includes San Diego and Imperial counties, discussed "scams" related to the coronavirus and to report suspected fraud schemes by calling the National Center for Disaster Fraud (NCDF) hotline 1.866.720.5721 or emailing at disaster@leo.gov. The NCDF will enter complaints into a centralized system that is accessible to all U.S. attorneys, the Justice Department and additional federal law enforcement agencies, as well as state attorney generals and local authorities.

Ignore any claims of a vaccine or cure that come from an email, phone call or unsolicited contact. Never give out your social Security number, financial information or any direct payment; the government agencies never call you to ask for this information.

City Attorney's Office Protecting Public During Health Emergency

by City Attorney Mara W. Elliott



Even in the best of times, there is an abundance of legal work for the attorneys who advise our elected officials and department heads.

During a crisis, however, unprecedented situations may require original solutions and even new laws. At these times, our Civil Advisory Division attorneys are the unsung heroes, ensuring the City can respond to rapidly developing situations swiftly and legally.

Issues covered by our Office have included nearly every aspect of City operations:

- The use of City facilities and property for emergency housing and other purposes necessary to combat the spread of COVID-19,
- Definitions of "essential" and "non-essential" businesses under the Governor's executive order, and the City's powers to enforce closures of businesses that don't comply,
- The City's ability to preemptively cancel public events in parks and on leased property that violate the Governor's executive order,
- Keeping City business flowing smoothly when the employees needed to review and sign documents are working remotely, and
- Rules for holding public meetings under the Brown Act when members of the public cannot be physically present.

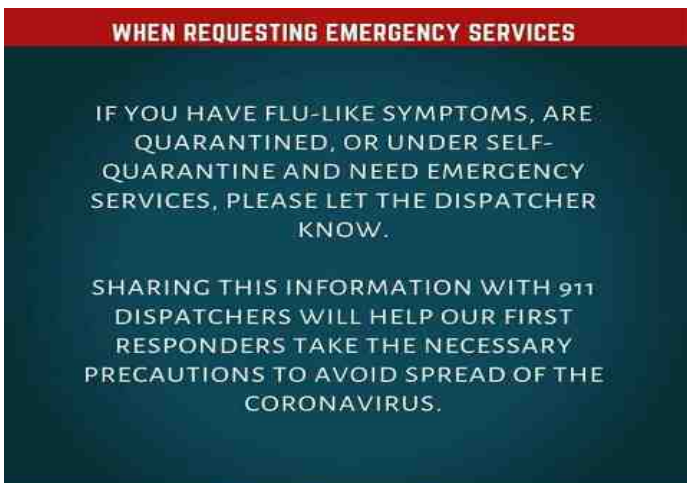
In addition to these issues, our Office quickly drafted the Eviction Moratorium and Business Relief resolutions that were approved by the City Council March 25.

Other divisions in our Office are working equally hard. Our Affirmative Civil Enforcement Unit (ACE) protects consumers from price gouging and scams. ACE is cracking down on retailers who raise the price on essential goods more than 10 percent, which is illegal during a state of emergency. To make a report, call (619) 533-5618.

Even though courts are closed, restraining orders related to gun violence and domestic violence are still being obtained. Domestic violence victims may reach our Family Justice Center staff at 619.533.6000 or 619.533.6001.

During this difficult time, the City Attorney's Office is working diligently to protect the health and safety of you and your community.

Listen to and view the UC Talks podcast with City Attorney Mara Elliott, as she discusses COVID-19 related issues. Go to universitycitynews.org, and search for UC Talks Podcasts.





Council President Pro Tem Barbara Bry

COVID-19: Keep Up the Good Work

So far, as a community, we have done a tremendous job adapting quickly to new orders and incorporating them into our daily lives. Whether that be social distancing or face coverings, we have risen to the occasion, and it's working. San Diego appears to be flattening the curve because of our efforts.

As the rain breaks and the sun comes out, it may be tempting to leave the face covering at home and go on a picnic or sneak a walk on the beach, but it's important to remember that COVID-19 is an invisible enemy. The privilege of thinking the worst is over is an accomplishment we achieved by taking early precautions, and one that can be taken away if we let down our guard too early.

Please keep up the good work by maintaining social distancing, washing your hands regularly, and wearing face coverings when you go out.

COVID-19 Communication from my Office

COVID-19 news, regulations, and assistance availability change frequently - things that may be true one day are invalid less than 24 hours later. My office is committed to doing our best to provide timely, accurate COVID-19 information. To do this, I have created several new COVID-19 specific communication initiatives. I invite you to partake in as many or as few as you need.

Twice a week (Tuesday and Friday), I publish newsletters. These newsletters include government updates at the local, state, and federal levels; local resources; health information; and government websites. If you would like to sign up to receive an email version of this newsletter, you can do so at sandiego.gov/citycouncil/cd1 or by emailing mgaynor@sandiego.gov. Also, archived newsletters can be accessed at sandiego.gov/citycouncil/cd1/news.

Additionally, I facilitate a weekly webinar on various COVID-19 related topics for participants to hear from and engage with experts. These webinars are conducted on Monday evenings via Zoom, and previous topics have included the science of the virus, the economic impact of COVID, and the experiences of nurses on the front line.

Past experts have included SANDAG economist Ray Major, Gates foundation funded immunologist Dr. Erica Ollmann Saphire, and associate dean of the USC Hahn School of Nursing and Health Science & Beyster Institute for Nursing Research Dr. Kathy Marsh. (see captured photo above of one of my webinars) The topics and registration information is released a few days prior to the event on my social media channels (@barbarabryd1) - I look forward to seeing you there!



Kristin Gaspar

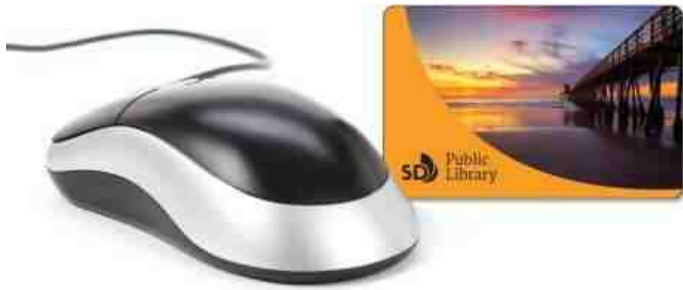
SD County Board of Supervisor, District 3

I am proud and I am awed by the incredible generosity of our businesses and charities, the close coordination of our healthcare network, and the tireless work of our government at all levels that led us to this point... a 202-bed hospital within a hospital at Palomar Medical Center to be used at any time in this COVID battle when capacity becomes an issue. It is my hope that we never have to open these doors and use a single bed. We may not know exactly what the next few weeks may hold, but I can assure you that there is nowhere better equipped to handle this than San Diego County. Thank you to the 3.3 million people who call San Diego home, for your sacrifices in the last several weeks. We are truly seeing the best of humanity and I am so grateful.

As we enter our second month under a stay at home order, I am concerned that the risk of not allowing increased recreational outlets will cause undue harm on our collective health and wellness. I believe the County should remove this restriction and restore local control. I asked our County to consider restoring local control over swimming, surfing, paddle boarding, and boating, providing they can maintain standard social distancing. I have also had numerous phone calls with golf course operators to discuss best practices for sanitation and safety for both employees and patrons. In the past several weeks I have been working closely with the community throughout this pandemic to express their concerns, provide relief and prepare for the future. I continue to believe that activities that can be done in open spaces and with proper social distancing should be allowed. This change would allow cities to make their own decision on these forms of recreation provided they can maintain social distancing guidelines. presented the County a safety plan for consideration of thoughtfully reopening golf courses.

Seniors and low-income families need your help. Schools and libraries are closed so many of them don't have access to computers anymore. The San Diego Futures Foundation is accepting donated computers, servers, monitors, and accessories, even if they are not working. Your donation is tax deductible and helps reduce e-waste. More information here: sdfutures.org/e-waste-recycling/

It is my honor to serve as District 3 Supervisor. Please feel free to contact me at Kristin.Gaspar@sdcounty.ca.gov or 619.531.5533.



San Diego Public Library

*A Message from
San Diego Public Library Director Misty Jones*

The San Diego Public Library is following California and San Diego County Public Health guidance and keeping buildings closed until further notice to mitigate the spread of COVID-19. And while we are not physically open, Library staff continue to provide helpful online resources. I know some of you are worried about past due materials. Please don't worry. All library materials with due dates since March 13 have been extended and currently are due on May 22. Drop off boxes are closed. So, please hold onto your materials and return them once it is safe for our Libraries to reopen. Visit this FAQ section for more details: sandiego.gov/blog/library-faqs

Our primary concern is the health of our community. Please follow the guidance of our Mayor and health leaders by staying home, limiting physical contact, and keeping at least six feet of separation if you must leave your home (find more guidance [HERE](https://www.sandiego.gov/coronavirus): <https://www.sandiego.gov/coronavirus>). We know this creates challenges. I'm inspired by our patrons who are learning, and instructing their children, in new ways. There are many educational online resources that can help.

Visit the eLibrary to browse the entire portfolio of resources. Thank you to the San Diego Public Library Foundation for their recent \$20,000 donation to expand these resources and to the Friends of the Mission Hills-Hillcrest/Knox Library for supporting e-resources. sandiego.gov/public-library/elibrary

I'm extremely proud of our Library staff for stepping up. As always, they are creative and have adapted to find new ways to serve the community. Visit us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram to see some of that work. And, in a very exciting development, our Public Technology Library team is working with community partners to use Library 3D printers to provide critically-needed personal protective equipment for healthcare workers (fox5sandiego.com/news/local-news/watch-live-mayor-to-deliver-daily-coronavirus-update/).

Thank you again to the Library Foundation for facilitating these partnerships and funding equipment. I'm glad the Library is serving the public remotely during this crisis but am looking forward to returning to full service as soon as we can. If you have any questions, please email Library staff at weblibrary@sandiego.gov. Please stay safe and be well.

Apply online for a Digital Library Card to access San Diego Public Library's eLibrary resources. With a Digital Library Card you can download digital materials (such as ebooks, eaudiobooks and digital magazines), use electronic databases, take online classes, and much more. Digital Library Cards are available to San Diego County residents only. Go to: sandiego.gov/blog/digital-library-card



Pandemic Drives Home the Power of the Parent

As schools shut down to prevent the spread of the novel coronavirus, Spring Break transformed into more of a spring breakdown for many of America's parents stuck in their homes with their students. For San Diego Unified students, distance learning has begun and parents now play an even larger role in their child's education. School officials signaled that they're here to take the pressure off: Teachers are still in charge of ensuring students master the material.

But parents can do three things to help, school officials say: Check in to make sure your student is organized; provide space to work; and show an interest in what they're learning. That color of curiosity might just be what your child needs to keep the faith in fractions or physics homework.

In fact, how your student fares during school in normal times already depends a lot on parent involvement, said Richard Barrera, vice president of San Diego Unified School District. It's just another one of COVID-19's little life lessons. More information at sandiegounified.org.

Meal Pickup for Children

San Diego Unified Food and Nutrition Services will be conducting a drive thru / walk-up distribution of daily prepared meals, free of charge.

The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) no longer requires children to be present at the school sites for pick-up, but a student ID and/or photo of the child/children will need to be shown during food pick-up.

There will be no congregate feeding; all food is to be taken and consumed offsite. See social distancing guidelines to stay safe. For pre-cooked frozen meals, see our frozen foods information sheet. sandiegounified.org

Starting the week of April 20, the district will launch the "7 Meals in 5 Days Plan," which expands grab-and-go meal distribution to help cover student nutrition needs over weekends. The district will distribute one extra breakfast and one extra lunch on each Thursday and Friday of the week. That allows each child to receive two breakfasts and two lunches on these days. The first day of weekend lunch distribution will be Thursday, April 23. On Thursday, April 30, the district will add breakfast, along with lunch, to the weekend meal distribution.

Meal distribution times for all locations will be from Monday through Friday, 11:00am to 1:00pm. Locations nearest University City are: Kearny High School - 1954 Komet Way, San Diego, CA 92111
Madison High School, 4833 Doliva Dr, San Diego, CA 92117

UCHS Students Give Back



TEAM FIGHTS FOR A FRIEND

Pictured above from left: Honieh Hemati, Phoebe Truong, and Lily Bates all helped create the Childhood Cancer Awareness Club at University City High School in honor of Phoebe's sister who had acute lymphoblastic leukemia. Thankfully, she was able to beat it. These young ladies played key leadership roles in the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's Student of the Year (SOY) program by rallying other students to create Team Fight for a Friend and working together to raise funds during this 7 week campaign.

UC High school's Team Fight for a Friend student of the year candidates raised a total of \$8,187, which is INCREDIBLE! The San Diego-Hawaii team (16 high school teams total) raised \$511,826! In addition to making a significant impact in the fight against blood cancer, these students developed professional skills such as entrepreneurship, leadership, marketing, and project management. Congratulations to Phoebe, Honieh & Lily....and to all UCHS students that took action to support the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society's fight against cancer!



STUDENTS DELIVER FOR AT RISK RESIDENTS

UCHS students Cameron Blevins, Audrey Jason, Eleah Lee, Aida Soltanean, along with other students from SDUSD are volunteering their time and going to grocery stores on behalf of people who can't/don't want to leave their homes.

The group is called Store 2 Door SD and one of their recent trips was to get groceries for a woman in Point Loma that has a newborn baby and doesn't want to leave her house in fear of his safety. They want to help during this difficult time, and would like to make a special impact on the UC community. If you know of someone in the University City area that could use their services, contact Cameron Blevins at: Blevins_cameron@yahoo.com. Read more at: sandiegounified.org/newscenter/node/2250

EDUCATE!

Helps Honor UC Teachers

Now's the perfect time to honor an educator who's going above and beyond to keep quality education alive in University City. EdUCate!'s Honor a Teacher program recognizes teachers, counselors, administrators, and coaches who have gone the extra mile. With Teacher Appreciation Week just around the corner, and teacher's working to make the adjustment to distance learning, this is your chance to raise up our valued educators through EdUCate!'s Honor A Teacher program at uc-educate.org.

When you make a donation in honor of an educator, they'll receive an Amazon gift card, a virtual certificate with your personalized message, and recognition within their school and on the EdUCate! website. EdUCate! is your public school foundation, contributing vital funding for teacher and principal grants and unique experiences for students in all five University City public schools. Visit uc-educate.org to honor a teacher today.



COMMUNITY TO HONOR UC TEACHERS

We need your help! The University City community would like to honor our local teachers. Traditionally, our five local public schools will hold a Teacher Appreciation Week event in May. But, with schools being held virtually, there is not an ability to do so in person. Instead, we are asking current or past students to submit photos of themselves, families, or signs showing your appreciation to teachers/staff members from Curie, Doyle, Spreckels Elementary, Standley Middle, or UC High School.

Please submit photos by Monday, May 11 to jemmasamala@gmail.com. EdUCate! president Mark Salata will take all the photos and create an appreciation virtual photo album for each school. Thanks for your help!



A Message from Colonel Charles Dockery Commanding Officer, MCAS Miramar

I would like to take this opportunity to let you know of the mitigation measures Marine Corps Air Station Miramar is taking during the CoVID-19 outbreak. As a large military installation within the City of San Diego, it is important that I communicate what we are doing on-base to protect the health of the local community and those who live, work, and play aboard the air station while we continue to provide national defense.

As part of the critical federal infrastructure, I have a duty to maintain our critical capabilities. MCAS Miramar is one of the largest and most capable air transport facilities in the Department of Defense and I want to ensure that we can meet our national defense mission and also assist local, state, and federal governments if asked. I have directed those who work in my command to maximize their telework capability and work from home as much as possible. A number of Marines, Sailors, and civilians, many of whom live off-station, still need to be physically present to serve essential functions on the base. They understand that the statewide "Stay-at-Home" order pertains to them and they should only be leaving home to go to work or to take care of their own essential needs.

Some of the actions I have already taken on-base include closing gyms and other non-essential facilities. Food service is still available on base with modified serving measures. The commissary will remain open with controls in place to ensure appropriate social distancing. We have reduced the throughput at our rifle and pistol ranges to ensure social distancing while ensuring our Marines remain ready. These preventative measures are in place alongside the County of San Diego's own measures, and we attempt to mirror the effective steps they take as we all move forward together.

Finally, I appreciate the support of the San Diego community and I know that we will get through this challenging time. It's clearly evident that San Diego has, and continues to do its part bending the CoVID-19 curve and MCAS Miramar will continue to do the same. We are fortunate to be your neighbors. For more information, visit www.miramar.marines.mil



CANCELLED FOR NOW

In an effort to keep our community healthy and follow the safe distancing protocols, the scheduled University City neighborhood garage sale is cancelled for June 6, 2020. After more than 20 years of amazing success for our community, we are eager to bring this popular event back when practical. Please email coldwellbankeruc@gmail.com if you have any questions.

What's the future of our parks?

The proposed Master Plan for Parks is now open for Public Comment. As we work through the COVID-19 crisis, we've seen how critical our parks are to our neighborhoods. Referred to as Play Everywhere, the Parks Master Plan vision provides for an interconnected Citywide park system with more options for play, exercise, and social interactions. This is the document that will guide the future of our parks and recreation system. And the City wants public input by May 25, 2020. To view the Master Plan and submit your public comments, go to the Provide Feedback link at www.sandiego.gov/playeverywhere.



UCPG Community Plan Update Subcommittee April 21, 2020 Meeting Update

by Katie Rodolico

Agenda, supporting documents, and a video recording of this meeting, and previous meetings can be found at the new plan update website: planuniversity.org/. The meeting was held as a webinar. Katie Witherspoon hosted the meeting. She introduced Councilwoman Barbara Bry who discussed the budget shortfalls and challenges the city is facing. To submit ideas or priorities for the upcoming budget, please contact the councilmember's office. Andy Wiese, covered the roll call of subcommittee members and votes to approve minutes.

Public Comment:

- Allysa Helper of UCSD talked about the UCSD community plan. If you wish to be included in updates about the UCSD planning, please send an email to commplan@ucsd.edu.
- Barry Bernstein mentioned that UCPG and CPUS meetings are recapped and posted/published by UCCA. He spoke of the need for the plan to address the safety of the community and the need for more than the main artery of Genesee for safe bike and pedestrian passage and for emergency vehicle access between the north and south parts of the planning area.
- Aaron Barrall requested that all planning group meetings use Zoom to allow more access for residents and UCSD students.

Agenda Items:

- Katie Witherspoon reviewed the progress to date and upcoming steps. She reviewed the housing and economic trends and uses. The city's draft Housing Element for 2020-2029 has been released. It priorities walking, biking, and transit use. Housing production is not keeping up with the demand. Calculations of housing needs were based on number of jobs, number of housing units, and number of residents. Questions from the audience centered around whether UCSD housing units (dorms) were included in the calculations of housing needs since UCSD students were included in the number of residents. Other questions concerned housing that is in process of being replaced or torn down.
- Diego Velasquez reviewed the urban design framework. There was discussion of the five focus areas previously identified. Discussion of superblocks and how to provide access across superblocks for pedestrians and bikes.
- Gabriella Folino reviewed the economic forum that was held on February 27, 2020.

The next community plan update meeting will be held via webinar on May 19. Please contact Katie Witherspoon at katiw@sandiego.gov to be included.



UCPG Costa Verde Subcommittee Update

by Chris Nielsen, UCPG Chair

The UCPG's Costa Verde Subcommittee began meeting last week via Zoom to produce a draft comment letter for the entire UCPG to consider, amend, approve, and send to the City by the EIR comment deadline. On April 20, the comment deadline was extended to May 26 by the City. The UCPG thanks Regency, Alexandria, Councilmember Bry's office, and the Development Services Department for granting this extension.

On April 14, the first Subcommittee meeting was held to begin analysis of the Costa Verde EIR. The EIR is a large document, and covers the overall project, project alternatives, and individual topics such as Traffic, Circulation, Parking, Noise, Visual Effects, and Storm Water. 43 people attended the meeting, including 15 subcommittee members, six community members, and 16 representatives from Regency and Alexandria and their project team. John Murphy represented Regency and Dan Ryan represented Alexandria.

At this meeting general questions and comments on the project were given by the members and public. Topics included number of expected trips, biking along Nobel Drive, expected use of the Trolley by employees, amount of parking, and the sufficiency of the traffic studies done in October, 2018, given the changes since then. Concerns were expressed by the Vi senior living facility, which includes a skilled nursing facility, about the closeness of the proposed buildings to the Vi, operational and construction noise, and traffic circulation.

At the conclusion of this meeting, the subcommittee was split into working groups to analyze various parts of the EIR. They are:

- Traffic: Mack Langston, Debby Knight, John Bassler, Lou Rodolico, Tamara Milic, Janay Kruger
- Visual: Nancy Groves, Michael Leavenworth, Stephanie Boudreau, Bill Beck, Joann Selleck
- Noise: Tamara Milic, Stephanie Boudreau
- Storm Water: Isabelle Kay, Erin Baker, Jon Arenz

What's ahead? Further subcommittee meeting will be held the week of May 27 and April 4. The latter meeting(s) will produce a draft comment letter for the full UCPG meeting to be held remotely by Zoom on the regular meeting night of May 12 at 6:00pm. The primary agenda item will be the comment letter on the Costa Verde EIR. The comment letter must be sent to the City by Tuesday, May 26. The agenda and Zoom meeting information can be found at sandiego.gov/planning/community/profiles/university/agendas



Traffic Working Group Looks Into Costa Verde Request

Developers asking for right to exceed currently authorized size of the Costa Verde mega block

by Mack Langston, UCPG Subcommittee Member

Thirty people were present for the 90-minute Zoom Costa Verde Traffic Group meeting led by Chris Nielson, Chair of the University Community Planning Group. The public and members of the UCPG Sub-committee gave input, asked questions and expressed concerns relating to Traffic, Circulation and Parking issues arising from the "developer's proposal to develop 400,000sf of office space across from Westfield on Genesee and a hotel (their EIR was requested that will cover them for a total of a 9-story structure.)"

Concerns were voiced about likely overwhelming traffic congestion, lack of safe, reasonable access to the site by bicyclists and the acknowledged past failure of City to enforce key elements of developer's plans for on-site parking. Low trolley ridership expected by planners, developers and City officials raised concerns that the development as planned will not achieve the Community's nor the City's goals for this highly significant tract of land in the heart of University City and commitments related to San Diego's Climate Action Plan.

Next meeting of the Sub-committee is planned on Zoom at 6:00pm on April 30. Public comments will be accepted through May 26.



San Diego Blood Bank Seeks Blood and Plasma Donations

School closures, work-from-home, and social distancing policies have resulted in cancelled blood drives. All blood types are needed and people who have never donated before are encouraged to donate. The Blood Bank is also seeking to identify recovered COVID-19 patients, as they may be eligible to donate "convalescent plasma" to help treat patients fighting the virus. For more information, visit sandiegobloodbank.org or call 619.400.8251.

Note that the regularly scheduled UCUC Blood Drive at the Sprouts Marketplace on May 2 has been cancelled. The following Blood Drive 2020 dates are still on the schedule for now: Saturdays, July 11, September 12, and November 14, from 8:00am to 1:30pm. Go to mysdbb.org to sign up in advance.



**National
Nurses Week**
May 6-12, 2020

Honoring Our Nurses

by Councilwoman Barbara Bry, District 1

Our San Diego nurses spend the greatest amount of time with patients. They draw blood, administer IV's, take samples and provide most of the care prescribed by physicians. And, when medical intervention fails, they're the ones comforting and caring for the patients and their families.

Our nurses serve as members of health-care administration and management teams, evaluating the care given and researching methods of improving it. And while most San Diegans shelter in place, it is our nurses who, every day, bravely run *toward* the burning fire that is COVID-19, providing critical care to the most severely afflicted victims of this dreadful pandemic.

National Nurses Week begins on May 6 and ends on May 12, Florence Nightingale's birthday. I urge you to join me in giving praise where it's long overdue -- to all the nurses who ever sacrificed their own well-being to improve someone else's.

And giving doesn't have to stop at praise. Scripps Health is collecting donations this week to help expand its nursing programs: giving.scripps.org/what-we-do/celebrate-nurses-week-with-scripps. The Red Cross desperately needs volunteers to assist with COVID-19 efforts, from delivering supplies to helping with blood drives. There are even at-home volunteer opportunities available, see the information at: redcross.org/volunteer/become-a-volunteer.html.

Nurses, a grateful community thanks you.



Spitfire Tacos and Head Lettuce restaurants continues their efforts to donate meals to hospitals, care centers, and families in need through their San Diego Ready Meals program – matching every dollar donated. Go to spitfirtacos.com to donate. Also, listen to the UC Talks podcast interview with Spitfire Tacos and Head Lettuce owner Scott Slater – find the link at universitycitynews.org.



Sharing the Music to the UC Neighborhood

Greg Zinser, who you may remember collaborated with Tom Ventimiglia on the UC songs "More than just a neighborhood" and "Happy days are here again", performed Driveway Concerts on his front driveway along with Scott Preece. Neighbors enjoyed the music while social distancing.

Greg also created a Pandemic Parody – Another Saturday Night with my Hand Sanitizer, that he has shared with the community. You can view two different video recordings of Pandemic Parody on UCCA's website. Search "Pandemic Parody" at universitycitynews.org. It's a wonderful and perfect reflection of our current conditions.



The love of music has also led Greg to begin recording videos of stories and songs that elementary school teachers can upload to their remote learning platforms. He has a new YouTube channel called Music 123 Education that currently includes over 30 stories, songs and music education programs. The channel provides a central location for easy access, and it's free. You can subscribe for free at [YouTube.com](https://www.youtube.com) and search for the Music123 Education channel.

Greg has already been working with local elementary schools, principals and teachers, who can now use these videos for their music education programs. You can find more info on the UCCA website at universitycitynews.org, as well as finding links to the UC neighborhood songs performed with Tom Ventimiglia.





GREAT HORNED OWLS

by Ruth De Santis,
University City Community Foundation President

(above photo was taken by Ruth through her backyard telescope)

Residents love their wildlife! A recent post on Nextdoor about owls in our area garnered over 200 positive responses in just a matter of days. To further show where your hearts are, of all the work UCCF has done, none has received more praise than the owl boxes we installed in area parks. Clearly, preserving, protecting and enjoying nature is of great importance to locals. We are fortunate to have beautiful canyons and mature trees as a fertile home for many types of wildlife. However, with all the development around us, we must continue to protect our canyons and our wildlife.

The lens has been focused recently on the beautiful Great Horned owl. Many residents reported hearing more “hoo hoo” hooting in the past year than ever before. Then this spring, residents delighted in finding several Great Horned nests, one of which was in Marcy Park. Even though the park was closed, bird watchers were still sneaking in to take a peak at the beloved baby owls, called owlets. This type of owl builds its nest in the relative open, such as a tree, as opposed to Barn owls, who like to build their nests in a closed in space, such as a barn or owl box.



U.C. resident, Alison Dorvillier was kind enough to share several wonderful photos of the Great Horned owlets taken at Marcy Park by her mom, Frimmel Smith. With no shortage of interest or talent among our residents, San Diego Audobon Photographer, Karen Straus then spent days patiently tracking and photographing the fledgling Great Horned owlets as they took flight and moved from the nest to the canyon. For now, they are still getting their strength, spending most of the day sleeping and hiding in the canyon behind Marcy Park. Momma & papa owl hunt and return with food at night and soon the owlets will begin to do the same.



While many thought there were only 2 owlets, we recently found 4 baby owls perched next to each other in one tree. It's extremely rare to have four owlets survive leaving the nest. These owlets still have a long way to go to thrive, but they are on their way, and need a little luck. Small owls are threatened by menacing crows, hawks, hungry coyotes, feral cats and of course, a dwindling food supply. Great Horned owls feed off rodents and I have witnessed mama owl stealthily attack both a rabbit and a rat off the back of my deck. These owls stand a better chance of surviving if we all discontinue the use of rat poison. Please allow these owls a chance to control our rodent population naturally. All too often cats and birds die from eating a poisoned rat. If we allow nature to do what its does best, we will all enjoy more owl sightings.



The Great Horned owls live to an average of 13 years old, but can survive twice that in the right environment. While they are almost silent when they fly, look for them in the sky, with a wide wingspan, sometimes up to 5 feet. They are truly a beautiful sight to behold!

Photos courtesy Karen Straus

Domestic Violence Help

Courtesy of California State Senator
Toni Atkins – District 39

The stay-at-home order due to the COVID-19 health crisis can feel isolating to many, especially those who may be experiencing domestic violence. Anyone in immediate danger should call 9-1-1. If you or someone you know is at risk or has experienced domestic violence, there are a host of resources to help.

- San Diego District Attorney's Office has resources available to help victims and survivors in the San Diego region during the pandemic. A new website offers information in English (preventdv1.org/) and Spanish (preventdv1e.org/) on free local services, along with an anonymous quiz that determines one's risk for domestic violence.
- Family Justice Center (sandiego.gov/sandiegofamilyjusticecenter) staff assist with planning, advocacy, and connecting individuals to community resources. Call 619.533.6000.
- National Domestic Violence Hotline has an online chat available at thehotline.org (or text LOVEIS to 22522). Call the hotline at 1.800.799.7233.

To view a comprehensive list of resources in our area, visit sdca.org/helping/domestic-violence.html. Anyone in immediate danger should call 9-1-1.

OSHER LEARNING IS ZOOMING

Staying at home and tired of 24/7 news and old movies? The Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at UC San Diego has successfully moved its entire program online using Zoom videoconferencing. The Institute is offering its 1,000 members twice daily discussions of current events and lectures on a variety of academic subjects featuring distinguished faculty from UCSD and other local universities, community leaders, artists and musicians, and others. Recent lectures have discussed the future of the European Union, How Baby Brains are Formed, the Life and Works of artist Marc Chagall, among others. The online program format is typically a one-hour lecture followed by an always-lively question and answer period. See the Osher website at extension.ucsd.edu/olli/join for current online program offerings and how to become a member. "Face masks are not required and parking is free."



"TWO MILES EAST" FEATURED IN MAY MADNESS FILM FESTIVAL

by Diane Ahern

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, the Annual Asian Film Festival has moved online with a new name - May Madness. The Film Festival will include an encore presentation of the documentary film "The Paradise We Are Looking For", a collection of four short documentaries, commissioned on the occasion of the 20th anniversary of the San Diego Asian Film Festival.

One of the documentaries, "Two Miles East", revisits the 2008 F/A-18 jet crash in University City to contemplate the civilian relationship with the military and re-examine the suburban dream. When the film debuted in late 2019, the Voice of San Diego described it as quiet and somber storytelling; a patchwork vignettes of press conferences, the communities affected by the loss, cockpit recordings and the vast horizon over the ocean seen from a re-enactment plane.

The documentary includes scenes filmed in University City on December 8, 2018, the 10th anniversary of the crash, at the community memorial and tree dedication held at Village Park on Cather. For schedule and ticket information, visit the Pacific Arts Movement website at <https://pacarts.org/>



GRACE CITY

Grace City Church has put together a response team that's available to the community for anyone that needs help. You can go to gracecitysd.com/resources-for-covid-19/ for more info. The link also has info on health, food, mental health, and worker issues.

Strengthening Your Immune System

by Barbara Gellman

It is imperative to take charge of your health. The information and directions that our government is recommending is dealing with SLOWING down the spread of the virus, but hasn't addressed how to strengthen our immune systems; what we need to do from the inside out to build up our immunity for this virus and others in the future. Inflammation increases the risk of viral infection and there are personal steps to take to decrease the inflammation risk and cultivate immune power. Consider eliminating sugars, white flour, animal fats, dairy and stress, since these all cause inflammation in our bodies. We need a balance of exercise, proper nutritional support and some type of meditation to prepare ourselves to fight off disease.

The reporting is all about the number of deaths; how about data that shows how many people, who contracted the virus, lived. Dr. Barnett Meltzer, a leader in Preventative and Integrative Medicine for over 40 years offers immune building suggestions on his website, "maketimeforwellness.com". Keep in mind that all of us hold the key to wellness, our actions or inactions will determine the outcome.

Resources for Emotional Support & Well-Being

SUICIDE PREVENTION LIFELINE:
800-273-8255 OR TEXT 838255

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HOTLINE:
800-799-SAFE (7233) OR TEXT LOVEIS TO 22522

CALIFORNIA YOUTH CRISIS LINE:
800-843-5200 (CALL OR TEXT)

LGBTQ YOUTH TREVOR PROJECT HOTLINE:
866-488-7386 OR TEXT START TO 678678

SUBSTANCE ABUSE HOTLINE:
800-662-HELP

MEDI-CAL MENTAL HEALTH OFFICE:
888-452-8609

www.covid19.ca.gov

Helping Local Businesses

By Ginger Gainer

The Coronavirus Pandemic has been challenging to our families and neighbors on so many levels. Our University City community has been supportive of our wonderful local restaurants through take-out and delivery orders.

Facing an even more difficult financial challenge are our small businesses that have been forced to close indefinitely, but still have monthly overhead to prevent going out of business. Some are mired in the red tape of federal loan programs. Many are long time neighbors we patronize and with whom we have established personal friendships.

We were able to get in touch with several here in South University City about how our UC neighbors might help. Some businesses have websites where one can purchase a gift card. Others would be grateful for donations or gift card purchases through PayPal. If using PayPal, please designate in the "notes" section of your transaction if it is a donation or a gift card purchase. Your "gift card" (which of course can be used as a credit for future services), will be your hard copied receipt. Each business listed has designated their website (if applicable), their PayPal address, or current state of operation. Stay UC STRONG!

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STUDIO A SALON: Anita, StudioAsalonUC@gmail.com

SPROUTS Shopping Center:

UC TRAVEL: Hailey, UCTravel1@hotmail.com

HAPPINESS NAILS: Holly Pham, hollypham0705@gmail.com

BEAUTY KLINIEK: Linda Anne Kahn, beautykliniek.com

TAILORING EXPRESS: Van Bentley, PayPal.me/TailoringExpress

My IFIX: Alfredo, myifixsd@gmail.com

SIRI THAI BODYWORK: Sirimarn Binley, sirithaibodywork.com

or sirithaibodywork@gmail.com

VIDA PILATES: All classes available online and may be purchased at: vidapilatesstudios.com

UC CLEANERS: Open with limited hours 858.453.8600

POSTAL ANNEX: Open with limited hours 858.546.3845

WEE COMPANIONS SMALL ANIMAL ADOPTIONS:

Open Saturdays only for supply sales 9:00am-4:00pm.

Donation info on website at: weecompanions.org

UNITED STUDIOS OF SELF DEFENSE: "Jared"

USSDUC1@gmail.com, contact for private lesson appointments: 858.550.9079

ANIMAL ATTRACTIONS PET GROOMING: Nancy, nlj4115@gmail.com



In addition to the businesses listed above, an ongoing Google document listing the restaurants that are open for takeout and delivery is available to view on the universitycitynews.org website – find the image above to view the lists. Separate tabs are available for South University City, North University City, Clairemont Square, EdUcate Taste of the Triangle participating restaurants, and special grocery store senior shopping hours. The South University City section includes the businesses above. Additional information/updates will be added as available. Send info to uccaeditor@gmail.com if you have any info/updates.

COVID -19 RESOURCES

The coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak has led to a large number of government and informational sources. Rather than trying to duplicate the information, which is continuously changing daily, even hourly; UCCA has chosen to list the resources below, where more detailed information can be found. Additionally, UCCA's website master, Diane Ahern, regularly posts relevant articles at: universitycitynews.org

City of San Diego

sandiego.gov/coronavirus

County of San Diego

sandiegocounty.gov/coronavirus

State of California

COVID19.CA.gov

Federal Government Task Force

coronavirus.gov

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

cdc.gov/coronavirus

World Health Organization

who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019

2-1-1

211sandiego.org

Scripps Health COVID-19 Nurse Line: 888.261.8431
COVID Cabana available outside Scripps Clinic Torrey Pines

UCSD Health COVID-19 Nurse Line: 800.926.8273

Kaiser Permanente: 833.574.2273 (24/7)

Sharp Healthcare: 800.827.4277

San Diego Access and Crisis Line

888.724.7240

Drive-up testing at SDCCU Stadium – with doctor referral

San Diego Unified School District

sites.google.com/sandi.net/covid19

PBS Learning Resources

pbslearningmedia.org

LIVE WELL @ HOME



San Diego County and Live Well San Diego have launched Live Well at Home, a collection of free resources aimed at helping San Diegans in maintaining a healthy mind and body while staying indoors. These resources are categorized by age group and topic to match the needs of the community. For info, go to livewellsd.org/ and click on the Live Well @ Home link.

The University City Community Association (UCCA) is proud to be a recognized Live Well San Diego partner.

Fire Safe Council of UC South

by *Jemma Samala*

The Fire Safe Council of University City South will be concentrating on education to the UC community about fire safety during 2020. As part of a year-long series of fire safety articles. In February we talked about defensible space and fire facts, and in March we discussed making your home fire resistant. Last month we listed an emergency supplies checklist for your home and your cars. Now, we list how to prepare your household well in advance of a fire.

Use the checklist below to prepare for your own Family Disaster Plan. Each family's plan will be different, depending on their situation. Rehearse your plan with your entire family regularly. Info provided by the San Diego Fire-Rescue, sandiego.gov/fire. Save the info below for reference.

Bill Beck, retired Fire Chief, has written additional points you should consider:

- Do you have working smoke alarms and carbon dioxide detectors in your home, outside each sleeping area, on each level of the home, including the garage?
- Unless they are hard wired do you test your smoke alarms at least once a month?
- Do you change their batteries twice a year? Note some detectors batteries cannot be changed, so replacing the entire unit is necessary.
- Does everyone know the sound your smoke alarms make?
- If your detector is older than 10 years old, you need to replace it.
- Does your family have a home fire escape plan?
- Are there two ways out of each room in your home?
- Do you know to 'Get Out and Stay Out' when you hear your alarm?
- Are all the exits in your home clear of trash and toys?
- Once outside does everyone know how to call the fire department?
- Do you keep your cell phone near your bed so you are able to call the police and/or fire department once outside?

GET READY Prepare Your Family

- ___ Create a Family Disaster Plan that includes meeting locations and communication plans and rehearse it regularly. Include the evacuation of large animals, such as horses in your plan.
- ___ Have fire extinguishers on hand and teach your family how to use them.
- ___ Ensure that your family knows where your gas, electric, and water main shut-off controls are and how to use them.
- ___ Plan and practice several different evacuation routes.
- ___ Designate an emergency meeting location outside the fire hazard area.
- ___ Assemble an emergency supply kit as recommended by the American Red Cross. Keep and extra kit in your vehicle. (see UCCA April newsletter)
- ___ Appoint an out-of-area friend or relative as a point of contact so you can communicate with family members.
- ___ Maintain a list of emergency contact numbers in your emergency supply kit.
- ___ Have a portable radio or scanner so you can stay updated on the fire and weather emergency announcements.

Shift Program Construction Update

The government has deemed public works construction activities to be essential, so we're continuing to keep active construction projects moving during the COVID-19 pandemic. Protecting the health and safety of the San Diego region, including our partners, contractors, and stakeholders, is a top priority for SANDAG. Be assured that construction crews are following precautionary health measures, and we continue to monitor developments and follow all health guidance and orders. For additional information, visit sandag.org/COVID-19.

To protect the health and safety of staff, partners, and the general public, **SANDAG offices are closed to the public**. Our team is working remotely during this time to provide essential services, and to continue progress on critical regional projects. For any questions or inquiries regarding construction taking place in your neighborhood, please feel free to contact Shift at info@shiftsandiego.com.

Mid-Coast Trolley Construction, SANDAG Project

Mid-Coast Trolley crews have completed the removal of falsework—or temporary support structures—along Genesee Avenue. The final section was recently removed at the future UTC Terminus. Overnight closures of Genesee Avenue will be in place over the next several weeks as crews continue work on the Trolley bridge. The latest details, including impacts, will be posted to KeepSanDiegoMoving.com/MidCoast in advance of any closures.



Fire Station 50, City of San Diego Project

Fire Station 50, to be located on the southeast corner of Nobel Drive and Shoreline Drive, is anticipated to open in November 2020. Contractors have begun work on the sewer line and construction of the east driveway entry. Demolition of the median and concrete placements is scheduled to begin later this month. The electrical switch gear and drywall installation will be ongoing for the rest of the month. Traffic impacts may occur during the removal of the median on Nobel Drive.

North Torrey Pines Living and Learning Neighborhood, UCSD Project

Night work continues along Muir College Drive and will require lane closures at the North Torrey Pines intersection. Storm drain work, anticipated to be complete by the end of April, will connect the lines under the northbound lanes of North Torrey Pines at Muir College Drive. Additional work will include installing a new traffic signal at the intersection, connecting the storm drain and replacing the inner conduit and wiring around the intersection. In addition, new streetlights will be installed. Construction will take place during the day, from 9:00am – 3:00pm, with one lane of traffic to remain open during working hours.

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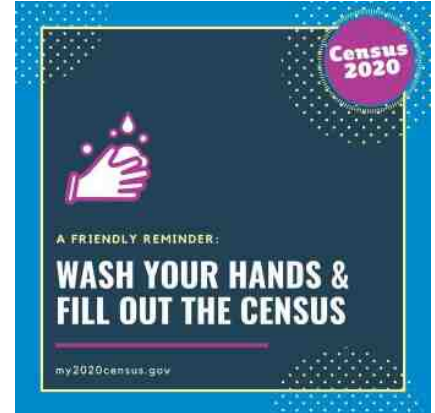
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Shape Your Community City Council Redistricting Commission Seeks Nominations

City Council district boundaries change every 10 years following the Federal Census. The redrawing of district boundaries is designed to ensure that local legislatures are representative of the City's population. How and where districts are drawn can shape a community's ability to elect the representative of their choice. The districts are used for all elections of City Council members, including their recall, and for filling any vacancy in a City Council office.

The nomination period for appointment to the Redistricting Commission of the City of San Diego is May 1 through June 30, 2020. Interested applicants and individuals or organizations desiring to nominate persons for appointment to the Redistricting Commission may obtain info and forms starting May 1 at sandiego.gov/city-clerk or call the Office of the City Clerk at 619.533.4000. To be considered, applications must be returned to the office of the City Clerk by close of business, 5:00pm on June 30, 2020.



Be Counted UC:

Complete the Census Today

If you haven't had time to respond to the 2020 Census, it's not too late. Households that have not yet respond to their census invitation should have received a paper questionnaire in the mail in April. That means, while we Californians are at home social distancing, we can now respond to the census by mail, online or by phone.

- To complete the census online, go to my2020census.gov
- To respond by phone, call 844-330-2020
- For non-English, go to <https://2020census.gov/en/contact-us>

For more information from the CA Secretary of State's office, visit sos.ca.gov/administration/allcalifornians-count-census-2020/.

University City Community Association 2020 UCCA Membership Application*

2020 Members will receive a 2020 membership card and a special thank-you gift for joining.

___ \$20 Individual | ___ \$40 Supporter | ___ \$60 Angel | ___ \$100 Gold | ___ Additional donation enclosed \$ _____

Please print Name(s) _____

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Would you like to volunteer? We welcome your time, talent, comments and suggestions. Please let us know.

Individual and/or Business members' names will be listed in the newsletter. Please indicate if you do NOT want your name to be listed. ___ Do NOT list my name. Please make your check payable to UCCA; mail to UCCA, 3298 Governor Drive, #22574, San Diego, CA 92122. Payment is also accepted through PayPal on our website www.universitycitynews.org.

*Your UCCA membership dues (and additional donation) make a big difference in our community. These funds help support our many worthwhile organizations, (i.e. public schools' fundraising, Standley Park, EdUCate, Neighborhood Watch, ImproveUC/UCCF, Buy Local) as well as many special projects and activities such as median beautification, painted utility boxes and street banners, 4th of July Celebration, Summer Concerts, December Christmas Tree and Menorah Lighting, and of course, our monthly newsletter delivered to your home and/or business. (*UCCA membership dues are not tax deductible.)*

*This membership is valid for the 2020 calendar year. Thank you for joining UCCA. If you have any questions, please contact our Membership Chairperson Hallie Burch at UCCAmembership@gmail.com.



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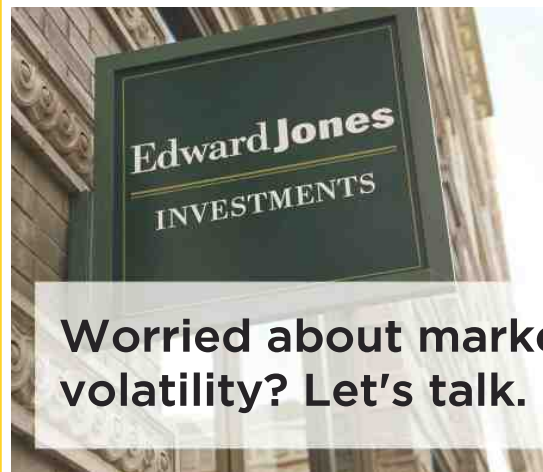
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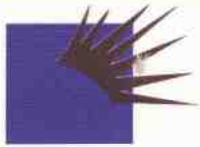
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Mr. Bob's Garden

Diane Schachat wants to say "thank you Mr Bob! Thank you to our wonderful neighborhood artist, Mr. Bob Bishop, who makes us happy every time we pass his house and see his colorful cartoon characters. My granddaughter is obsessed with Daniel Tiger, so she brought him a picture, and, next thing, there was a Daniel Tiger waiting for her in the garden!" Bob Bishop's garden is on Pavlov Ave. Bob also happens to be in charge of the Surf Ministry at Torrey Pines Church.



Stay at Home School Earth Day Project

Jasper, a 3rd grader at Curie Elementary, made Darlick from the Dr. Who TV show, as part of his Earth Day class project.

UCCA wishes everyone a Happy Mother's Day and a respectful Memorial Day holiday weekend... fly your flags!

