

# Important City Numbers

## Non-Police Emergency

San Diego Police Department  
619.531.2000

## Street Light Repair

Transportation Department  
619.527.8000

## Missed Trash Pick-up

Environmental Services—858.694.7000

## Pot Holes

Streets Division—619.537.7500

## Abandoned Vehicles

Abandon Vehicle Abatement  
858.495.7856

## Abandoned Trash or Debris

Environmental Services Code Compliance—858.694.7000

## Graffiti Removal

Graffiti Control Hotline—619.525.8522

## Dead Animal Pick-Up

Cal-Trans (freeways and off ramps)  
619.688.6670

Environmental Services (Streets, Alley,  
Sidewalks)—858.694.7000

## Abandoned Shopping Carts

Environmental Services—858.694.7000

## Any Issue Not Listed

Office of Councilmember David Alvarez—  
619.236.6688



**Councilmember David Alvarez**

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**Issue Five**

## Improving Our Community

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The San Diego Unified School District (SDUSD) owned the property on the corner of Commercial and 22<sup>nd</sup> (COMM22) for years. Although this corner is ideal for real estate development, the high cost required to clean contaminated soil on-site prevented many potential investors from considering the property for redevelopment. As a result, the site remained vacant and was an eyesore in Logan Heights.

For the past ten years, the \$9.5 million estimated cost to develop this property has been stalled in the planning stage. After taking office in December, I made it a top priority to bring all parties involved in this development together. As a result of these meetings, this exciting and vital project will be finally moving forward.

This project will include four stages and will be a collaborative effort between Maximizing Access to Advance our Communities (MAAC), City Centre Develop-

ment Corporation (CCDC), Southeastern Development Corporation (SEDC), and the San Diego Housing Commission. The project will include, 120 affordable housing units, 70 low income senior apartments, 38 live/work lofts, 17 row houses, retail space, and space designated for a child care center.

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I believe this will bring jobs, economic activity, and access to public transportation with a trolley station and a bus stop within walking distance of the facility. The sidewalks, alleyways, lanes and streets all focus on the connectivity of courtyards, pocket parks, and landscaped open spaces for over 300 families.

This development will also result in the existing contaminated soil being cleaned, providing an environmentally safe neighborhood for all residents. I expect this development to be the crown jewel of the Greater Logan Heights area. I look forward to the start of construction of this important project within our community.

# Chelsea Fire Club Football



Through dedication, hard work and perseverance, a group of young women have brought joy and pride to their community, by completing their season in the Presidio Soccer League undefeated. Yet this seemingly invincible team did not form overnight. Their success is due to the efforts of Coach Ramiro Rojas and the hard work invested by each young woman on the team. With little experience as a team, these young women remained committed to winning.

They stated, *“winning is possible, it’s just a matter of how bad we want it,”* as a reminder to themselves and their community that nothing is outside of their grasp. Where once the community underestimated their young women as athletes, they now hold them in the highest regard.

Such discipline earned the girls not only the title, but I acknowledged their victory by rewarding their achievement with tickets to the Mexico vs. Venezuela game at Qualcomm Stadium. These girls are a reminder that the term athlete is gender neutral.

## Most Interesting Constituent in District 8



The Logan Heights community is blessed to have Mr. Ben Cueva, a true humanitarian and community volunteer.

After graduation from high school and working a couple of years, he joined the Navy and served with distinction along side former presidential candidate, Massachusetts Sen. John Kerry in Vietnam.

Today, Mr. Cueva serves as a guide, ambassador and docent at the swift boat museum in Coronado. He offers his help to neighbors and strangers as gardener, plumber, carpenter, painter and mechanic.

He and his wife Zenaida volunteer at Our Lady of Guadalupe Church where they are in charge of purchasing the food for the kitchen every week and cook once a month for the parishioners. His proudest achievement is raising three daughters, who all became teachers and work in the community. Mr. Cueva is a proud grandparent of five grandchildren.

## District Eight >>>

### Taking Back Our Streets

Since taking office seven months ago, I have been actively soliciting feedback and listening to the concerns of the residents of District 8. Unfortunately, budget cuts have left the city unable to actively and effectively address the graffiti, trash, and overgrown vegetation plaguing our communities. Therefore, I am pleased to announce a new partnership between the Alpha Project and my City Council office to beautify and alleviate graffiti, trash, and overgrown vegetation in neighborhoods all across District 8.



The Alpha Project brings over twenty years of experience in providing vital services to communities across San Diego, while empowering individuals, families, and communities by providing work, recovery and support services to people who are motivated to change their lives and achieve self-sufficiency. In the coming month, you will start seeing the Alpha Project (wearing orange t-shirts) and my office throughout District 8 cleaning up and taking back our streets.

Thank you to everyone who joined myself and Alpha Project for the Take Back Our Streets Partnership Kick-off. If you have any suggestions for areas that Alpha Project can address, contact my office at (619) 236-6688.



**3900-4000  
Rene Drive**



Resident Juan Gonzalez notified me of deteriorated concrete around a manhole on Renee Drive. Mr. Gonzalez complained that the manhole had been in this terrible state for several years. A few years ago, his son was hurt by concrete that bounced from the manhole cover when a car had passed over it. The safety of the neighborhood residents was in jeopardy. I acted quickly to fix the problem.

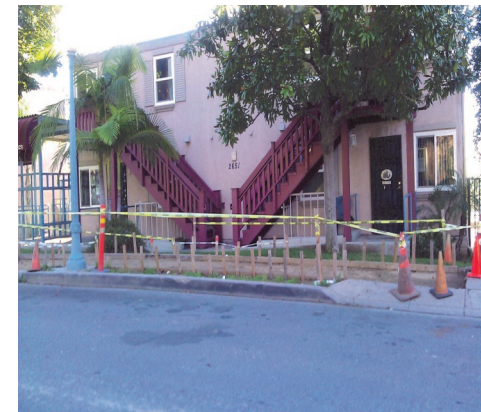
The City of San Diego’s Wastewater Collection Division, made temporary repairs to the area. A permanent repair will be made soon.

Please check your neighborhood for any issues and safety concerns that you might have and contact my office. Together we can help fix the problems that arise in our community.

## Grant Hill >>>



**2600-2700  
J Street**



A constituent on J Street, in the community of Grant Hill, called my office in early February expressing concerns about an unfinished stretch of sidewalk in front of her apartment complex. Eight months prior to her call, a city contractor had come to repair the sidewalk. At some point, the contractor placed caution tape on an unfinished section of the sidewalk and was never seen again. This created a potential hazard for children and adults that could have resulted in a serious injury to an unsuspecting victim.

Within a month, my office identified the contractor who started the work and requested they return to finish the sidewalk. Two weeks later the sidewalk was completed.



9/24/11  
**César E. Chavez Parkway  
Big Cleanup, Recycling and  
Beautification Event**  
7am-12pm

**Friends of the Poor Walk**  
Mt. Carmel  
9am-11am

**Logan Heights Community  
Clean up and Recycling Event**  
Corner Cesar Chavez and  
Kearney Ave  
8am-1pm

**Family Health Centers of San  
Diego 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Health Fair**  
Chicano Park  
9am-1pm

9/30/11 9:30am-2:30pm  
**21st. Annual SCEDC  
Economic Summit**  
Convention Center  
111 W Harbor Drive

10/1/11 8am-1pm  
**Memorial Clean-Up**  
Laura Rodriguez Elementary School  
825 South 31st Street

10/22/11 8am-5pm  
**Rebuilding Together San Diego  
And Cricket Wireless Beautification  
and Free Document Shredding Event**  
2000 Block of Julian Ave.

10/26/11 8:30am-3pm  
**Stockton Beautification Project**  
King Chavez Academy  
415 31st St.

10/29/11 9am-1pm  
**Stockton Neighborhood Clean –up**  
King Chavez Academy  
415 31st St.

