

# **Rolando Park/Redwood Village Community Council Meeting Minutes**

## **February 10, 2025**

### **Board members present**

Co-Presidents Lynn Edwards and Sonia Lang  
Vice President Michelle Alexander  
Member at Large Joyce Caudillo

### **Community representatives present**

Officer Joshua Cummings – Community Relations Officer, SDPD  
Fatima Maciel – Mayor Todd Gloria’s office  
Roberto Marin – City Councilmember Sean Elo-Rivera’s office  
Sam Gonzalez – 39th Senate District, State Senator Dr. Akilah Weber Pierson

### **Videos**

The video for our February meeting is available on our YouTube channel, RPCC\_RVCC.

<https://youtu.be/xfSn1Mk0e1U>

Meeting called to order at 7:02 pm by Co-President Sonia Lang.

### **Treasurer’s Report**

Sonia reported that thus far in February 2025, 12 members have renewed their memberships with 6 new members for \$228 in membership dues and \$254.75 in donations.

### **Nonagenda Public Comments**

Gerrie expressed interest in forming a fire safe council with neighbors in Rolando Park and Redwood Village, citing past experiences with wildfires and the need for better advocacy with the city. She has been in touch with the Fire Safe Council for Kensington and is seeking help from Roberto to improve her advocacy efforts. Gerrie also mentioned her efforts to mitigate brush on city property below her house.

### **Representatives’ Reports**

- Officer Josh Cummings, Community Relations Officer, SDPD – Officer Cummings reported on the successful cleanup at the Chollas Parkway, but noted a recent vandalism incident at the SDG&E project site. He also discussed the impact of Proposition 36 on the homeless population and the city’s budget deficit, which is expected to affect overtime and hiring.
- Fatima Maciel, Mayor Todd Gloria’s office – Fatima discussed the city's budget priorities and the increase in parking meter rates. (A separate report from Fatima is attached.)
- Roberto Marin, City Councilmember Sean Elo-Rivera’s office – Roberto highlighted the successful cleanup at Chollas Parkway, the city’s budget deficit, and the proposed shelter options. He also mentioned the upcoming repaving of Hughes Drive in March and the possibility of a presentation by Tony Tosca on brush abatement.
- Sam Gonzalez, 39th Senate District, State Senator Dr. Akilah Weber Pierson – Sam had to leave early, but provided a written report (attached).

### **Community Updates**

- Redwood Village – Bettina
  - February 8: First of four Streamview Dr Dumpster Days for 2025: 2 dumpsters filled in 2 hours; thank you volunteers (Lynn, Roberto D9, John, Peter, Joyce, Vickie, Loretta, Bettina) & D9 Council for providing dumpsters and outreach.
  - Hughes St repaving to begin in March – beware of additional traffic delays; continued sewer pipe replacement work on Glade St, also affecting traffic and parking on Boren St, Boren St cul-de-sac, College Ave frontage, and Perique.

- Chollas Pkwy abatement and major clean up last week, with major cleanup taking place this week, red curbing of most of the area coming soon.
- Position available for RV resident/business owner on EACPC.
- City has approved permit for construction of 15-unit apartment building on Boren St cul-de-sac.
- Rolando Park – Lynn discussed the upcoming March election of board officers, the need for more volunteers, the successful Streamview Dumpster Day on February 8, new mural art on University, the upcoming EACPC meeting and a water shutoff on 69<sup>th</sup> St later this week. Lynn’s updates are attached.

**Presentation: Commission on Police Practices Overview**

Yasmeen Obeid, the Community Engagement Coordinator at the Commission on Police Practices, discussed the history and role of the Commission in police oversight in San Diego. Established in 1985, the Commission has evolved over the years, with its latest version, the Commission on Police Practices, being a direct result of Measure B passed by San Diego voters in 2020. The Commission is an independent body from the mayor, police chief, police department, and city attorney, with its own attorneys and investigators. It has three main powers: investigative, review, and auditing. The Commission’s mission is to hold law enforcement accountable to the community, increase community trust in law enforcement, and ensure safety for both the community and law enforcement. Yasmeen also explained the Commission’s role in evaluating complaints against the San Diego Police Department, reviewing policies, practices, trainings, and protocols, and making recommendations for change. The Commission is also working towards the ability to conduct independent investigations into officer-involved shootings and other significant incidents.

Yasmeen also discussed the composition and appointment process of the community members in the Commission on Police Practices. The Commission consists of 25 members, including representatives from different city council districts, low to moderate income areas, and youth. She also explained the role of the Commission in reviewing complaints and making recommendations to the police department. The presentation ended with a discussion on the funding for the Commission and the process for serving on the Commission. There are currently nine openings.

Yasmeen’s presentation is attached.

Lynn gave brief updates on 2025 Priorities and thanked everyone who participated in the annual priority survey. More than 30 responses were received. The March meeting will focus on all of the survey results and responses, but the three top priorities are:

1. Completion of the Rolando Park Gateway
2. Streamview Dr. illegal dumping
3. Traffic calming in Rolando Park

Meeting adjourned at 8:21 pm.

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## February Staff Report

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Maciel, Fatima <FaMaciel@sandiego.gov>

Mon, Feb 10, 2025 at 6:44 PM

To: Redwood Village <RVCC\_SD@outlook.com>, Rolando Park <contactus@rolandopark.org>

Hello,

Please view my report for February below. Let me know if you have any questions or concerns. Thank you!

### Report from Mayor Todd Gloria's Office

#### Parking Meter Rates Increase in the City of San Diego:

- Parking meters will cost \$2.50 effective January 31, 2025.
- There are 5,332 parking metered spaces in the city, located in the neighborhoods of Downtown, Uptown, Mid-City and Pacific Beach
- Meter fees help fund maintenance of transportation infrastructure like streets, sidewalks and streetlights in areas with parking meters.
- It's been at least 20 years since parking meter fees have been increased in the City of San Diego.
- Even with the rate increase, San Diego's parking meter fees remain among the lowest in the state of California. Oakland's parking meters cost up to \$4 an hour, Los Angeles charges up to \$6 an hour, and San Francisco's meters cost up to \$11.
- Rates will not change for waterfront parking meters operated by the Port of San Diego, which are already set at \$2.50 an hour.

#### City of San Diego Identifies Safety Improvements for High Crash Locations:

- In order to improve traffic safety conditions and help protect pedestrians, the City of San Diego's Traffic Engineering team has recommended improvements for seven locations with high injury and fatal crashes in calendar year 2023.
- The High Crash Locations list and recommended safety improvements are part of an annual engineering process and the result of a year-long evaluation completed by the Transportation Department.
- The seven locations identified through the 2023 High Crash Locations analysis include five intersections and two street segments:
  - Art Street at El Cajon Boulevard **(D9)**
  - Kurtz Street at Rosecrans Street **(D2)**
  - Miramar Road at Nobel Drive **(D6)**
  - Briarwood Road at Paradise Valley Road **(D4)**
  - Pacific Highway at Taylor Street **(D2)**
  - El Cajon Boulevard from 63rd Street to Choctaw Drive **(D9)**
  - Market Street from 26th Street to 27th Street **(D8)**
- Traffic engineering teams are now in the process of designing and scheduling work for these safety improvement projects.
- Many of the safety improvements will be installed by City crews through quick build projects, but some must be completed through the City's Capital Improvement Program

and will require additional funding to implement.

### **City of San Diego Encourages Flood Preparedness and Prevention:**

- The City of San Diego is taking proactive steps to ensure the safety of residents living in floodplain areas by distributing educational flyers with vital information on how to prepare for potential flooding.
- The informational brochures, which will be sent to about 10,000 residents who live in or own property in a floodplain, contain essential guidelines on emergency preparedness, evacuation plans, flood insurance and other critical flood-related resources.
- The Stormwater Department is working on two Capital Improvement Projects:
  - The Jamacha Drainage Channel Upgrade, which focuses on improving stormwater infrastructure to enhance flood protection and environmental resilience.
  - The Beta Street Storm Drain Improvements project, which focuses on upgrading aging stormwater infrastructure to enhance drainage capacity and reduce flood risks in the surrounding area.

### **City of San Diego Welcomes 2025 Genesis Invitational Golf Tournament to Torrey Pines:**

- The City of San Diego announced that the world-famous Torrey Pines Municipal Golf Course will step forward to host the PGA TOUR's 2025 Genesis Invitational golf tournament typically held at The Riviera Country Club in Los Angeles.
- The PGA TOUR identified Torrey Pines as an ideal alternative venue to host The Genesis Invitational due to the course's time-tested ability to host major golf tournaments, its reputation as a challenging golf course for the world's best players and its proximity to The Riviera Country Club, located in Pacific Palisades.
- The Genesis Invitational will take place on the South Course at Torrey Pines from Thursday, Feb. 13 to Sunday, Feb. 16 with a field of 72 of the best players on the PGA TOUR.
- The event is hosted by TGR Live with the support of the Century Club of San Diego, and a portion of the proceeds will be used to aid the residents of Los Angeles.

Best,

**Fatima Maciel** (*she/her*)  
Community Representative  
Office of Mayor Todd Gloria  
City of San Diego  
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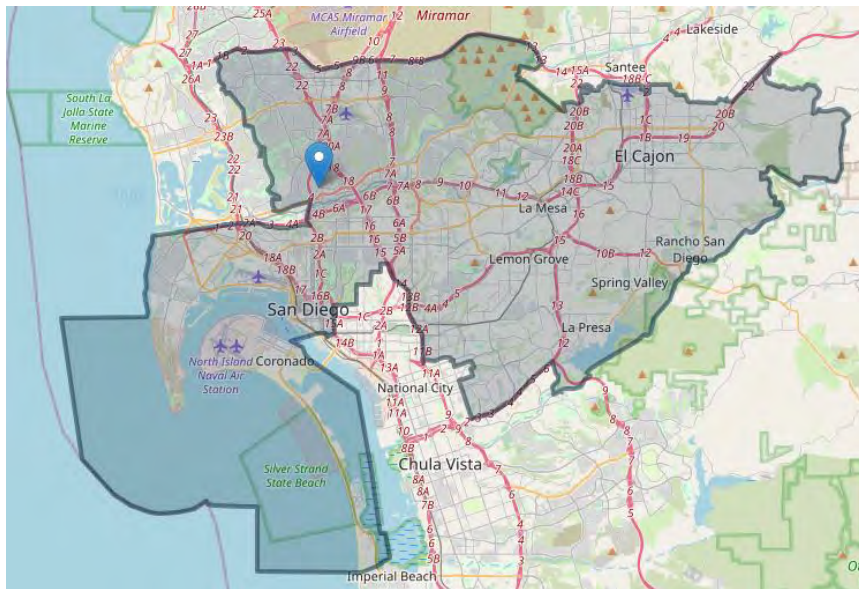
*\*Please note, the use of Mayor Gloria's name/image is not permitted on any promotional materials\**

## Personal Introduction:

My name is Sam Gonzalez, District Rep. for State Senator Akilah Weber Pierson, M.D. I am assigned to cover and report to the Senator on San Diego Districts 3 & 9. I have been working with Sen. Weber Pierson for about 2 years now. I live in City Heights (D9) with my family and am currently getting my Master's degree in political science at SDSU. If you have any questions about me or want to share more about yourself and your involvement with the community, feel free to email me at [sam.gonzalez@sen.ca.gov](mailto:sam.gonzalez@sen.ca.gov)

## District Introduction:

Senate district 39 encompasses a lot of San Diego County. Here is a map for reference: <https://sd39.senate.ca.gov/sites/sd39.senate.ca.gov/files/map/sd39.html>



## Staying Updated:

If you would like to stay up to date on our office events, please sign up on our website to receive updates and follow our social media pages on Facebook, Instagram, and Bluesky. You may search Senator Akilah Weber Pierson to find the pages or visit our website at: [Senator Dr. Akilah Weber Pierson | Proudly Representing California Senate District 39](#)

## Summary of Upcoming Events:

- 1. Woman of the Year & Women of Distinction – Due February 12, 2025***
- 2. Senior Advisory Council – Due February 28, 2025***
- 3. Young Legislators Program – Due March 1, 2025***

## Upcoming Events:

***Woman of the Year & Women of Distinction:*** Every year, we celebrate March as Women's History Month to serve as an important time for us to reflect on and appreciate the women who have left a significant impact on our lives and our communities. This year, the Legislative Women's Caucus will celebrate Women's History Month with a special floor ceremony. The Senate floor ceremony will take place on Monday, March 10, during which we will honor each district's Woman of the Year. I invite you to nominate a woman who lives in the 39th Senate District to be considered for the WOMAN OF THE YEAR!

Additionally, I am accepting nominations for WOMEN OF DISTINCTION who live in the 39<sup>th</sup> Senate District, and who deserve to be recognized for their positive contributions toward our community. If you know such a woman, please take the time to submit a nomination in the following categories as well:

Arts: Women involved in the field of arts as artists, performing artists, visual artists, and design artists. This area also includes women in management/administration levels who work with galleries, museums, cultural programs, journalism, etc.

Education: Women involved in developing and/or implementing educational programs at any level.

Health Sciences: Women dedicated to the enhancement of human health. Health sciences encompass disease prevention, health education/promotion and the provision of health care. Women who are first responders are also eligible for nomination in this category.

Small Business: Women who own a small business located in the 39th Senate District

Please submit your nominations by Wednesday, February 12, 2025 through my website. [Click here and select "March: Women's History Month" from the drop down menu.](#)

If you are experience any issues submitting your nominations, please call my office for assistance at (619) 688-6700.

***Senior Advisory Council:*** The Senior Advisory Council has been organized to help seniors, in the 39<sup>th</sup> Senate District gain an effective voice in state government and grow as leaders in their communities.

The Senior Advisory Council will:

- Provide a forum where seniors can express their perspectives, and develop concrete proposals, on issues that affect them.
- Provide opportunities for seniors to learn more about their state government and how it relates to their communities and to other levels of government.

- Organize public events on topics of particular interest to seniors, where the concerns and accomplishments of seniors will be highlighted.
- The senior advisory council will be an equal opportunity advocate to promote and strengthen the quality of life of senior citizens.

The Senior Advisory Council is only authorized to operate under the direction of Senator Dr. Akilah Weber Pierson. The council can only advocate and address various issues and legislation pending approval from the Senator. Members understand that they are volunteering to serve on an unofficial advisory council to Senator Weber Pierson and have no official status or responsibilities with regard to the office of Senator Weber Pierson, the California State Senate, or the State of California.

How to Apply:

If you would like to be a voice for Senior Citizens in San Diego County, please fill out the following application.

*Criteria:*

Advisory members must be at least 60 years of age and live or work in the 39<sup>th</sup> Senate District.

*Meeting Information:*

Meetings will be held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Fridays of the month from 10:30am – 12pm at the Malcolm X Library from March 2025 to November 2025. *Advisory Council members must attend at least 50% of meetings.*

Applications are due by February 28, 2025.

You may submit online by visiting my website here: <https://sd39.senate.ca.gov/senior-advisory-council>.

Thank you!

Senator Akilah Weber Pierson, M.D.  
39th Senate District

***Young Legislators Program:*** The Young Legislators Program (YLP) is an educational program sponsored by the Office of Senator Akilah Weber Pierson, M.D. of the 39th Senate District. The goal of the program is to equip our youth with the skills and knowledge to consider a career in government or public service, and an opportunity to learn about the state legislative process, current events, leadership development, financial literacy, and more.

The Young Legislators will meet for six monthly sessions from April through September, on the 4th Wednesdays (except July) from 5pm-7pm at the La Mesa Spring Valley School District Administration Building.

### **Selection Criteria:**

- Open to high school sophomores and juniors who live or attend school in the 39th Senate District.
- Must submit official high school transcript.
- Must complete application form including short essays.
- Must be able to commit to the scheduled sessions.

### **Program Dates:**

- **Session #1**: April 23, 2025
- **Session #2**: May 28, 2025
- **Session #3**: June 25, 2025
- **Session #4**: July 30, 2025
- **Session #5**: August 27, 2025
- **Session #6**: September 24, 2025

You must submit your application by **March 1, 2025** to be considered. Upon admission to the program, students must submit a participating agreement. We expect our Young Legislators to demonstrate characteristics for collaborative learning and integrity including adaptability, initiative, respect, and maturity. The attire for each session is business casual unless otherwise noted.

### ***Contact Me:***

As always, our office continues to provide assistance with all state agencies. Feel free to contact me if there is a state-related question or concern that you would like our office to look into. If there is a local event you'd like for our office to attend, incident, or community concern, please do not hesitate to contact me at [Sam.Gonzalez@sen.ca.gov](mailto:Sam.Gonzalez@sen.ca.gov)



# Community Upcoming Events and Updates

# March 10<sup>th</sup> Election

- President
- Vice President
- + Vacant board positions

# Volunteers

- We always need volunteers for every event and cleanup and not having enough volunteers hampers our ability to do more for our communities.
- Cleanups usually last an hour or less; dumpster days take only 2-3 hours and board positions require just a few hours a month.
- Volunteer sign-up sheet at the table by the entrance; will have a online volunteer form later this week.

# Vacant Board Positions

- General meetings are 90 minutes or less; board meetings are via Zoom and usually last 30 minutes. Time requirements average 3-4 hours per month for eight months (we do not meet in December, June, July, and August).
- Two-year terms
- Can be shared by two persons willing to co-share the responsibilities and time commitment of one position; one vote on the Board.
- **Secretary** – Keeps records of all Council and Board meetings and maintains historical records.
- **Treasurer** – Collects dues, maintains the membership list, handles banking, and disburses funds as authorized by the Board. The treasurer maintains financial records, provides financial reports to the Board and the members, and is responsible for completing reports and paperwork required of the RPCC.
- **Member-at-Large** – Voting member who takes a lead position on a task or project related to the overall interests of the RPCC.
- Email: [contactus@rolandopark.org](mailto:contactus@rolandopark.org)

# February 8 Streamview Dumpster Day

- Two dumpsters filled
- 1,800 pounds of metal recycled, 5 truckloads
- Next dumpster day: **May 10**



# New Art on University Ave



# Eastern Area Communities Planning Committee (EACPC)

- Next meeting tomorrow night, February 11, 7 pm at Teen Challenge or online via Zoom
- Election at March meeting
  - Rolando Park open seat
  - Redwood Village open seat
- Final date to declare candidacy is February 25th

More info at <http://easternareacommunitiesplanning.com>

# Water Shutoff

- 4100 & 4200 69<sup>th</sup> St (between Celia Vista and University Ave)
- Planned water shutoff from Thursday, February 13 at 9 pm to Friday, February 14, 6 am
- Affected residents should already have been notified (5 days ahead of the shutoff by the contractor)



# **The Commission on Police Practices**

**Presented By:**

*Yasmeen Obeid*  
*Community Engagement Coordinator*



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# History of Police Oversight in San Diego

**Mid 1980s**

**Citizens  
Advisory  
Board**

**1987**

**Civilian  
Advisory  
Panel on  
Police  
Practices**

**1988**

**Proposition  
G  
Citizens  
Review  
Board**

**2016**

**Measure  
G  
Community  
Review  
Board**

**2020**

**Measure  
B  
Commission  
on Police  
Practices**

**Now**

**Commission  
on Police  
Practices**

# What is the CPP?

The Commission on Police Practices (CPP) is an investigatory body of the City, independent of the Mayor, Police Chief, and Police Department that has investigatory, review and auditing powers.



Note: Office of the Commission on Police Practices (OCPP)



# Mission

To hold law enforcement accountable to the community and to increase community trust in law enforcement, resulting in increased safety for both the community and law enforcement.



# Purpose

- Provide independent community oversight of the San Diego Police Department (SDPD).
- Evaluate complaints against the SDPD sworn personnel.
- Evaluate and review SDPD policies, practices, training, and protocols, and make recommendations for changes.
- Investigate officer-involved shootings, in-custody deaths, deaths resulting from interaction with a police officer, and other significant incidents involving SDPD.

# Composition

The Commission on Police Practices (CPP) is composed of 25 community volunteers:

- Nine district-specific representatives
- Nine at-large representatives
- Five low-to-moderate income area representatives
- Two youth representatives, ages 18-24



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# Qualifications

- Must qualify for the position you're applying for
- Must live in the City of San Diego
- Must not be a current City of San Diego employee
- Must not be a current or former law enforcement employee in the county of San Diego
- Must not be an immediate family or household member of a current or former law enforcement employee in the county of San Diego
- Must pass the six exceptions in the criminal background check



# Criminal Background Exceptions

1. Malfeasance
2. Felony conviction and on parole, post-release community supervision, or mandated supervision
3. Found in violation of:
  - a. Misuse of a public position for personal interests
  - b. Misuse of City records
  - c. Confidentiality or City employee privacy
4. Convicted of a violent crime against a government employee or official
5. Registered sex offender
6. Incarcerated





# Meetings & Commitment

The Commission on Police Practices (CPP) holds regularly scheduled meetings on the first & third Wednesdays of the month from 4:30–7:30 pm.

*Other responsibilities:*

- Committees
- Case review
- Trainings

Hours ~ 10–30 hours per month



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# Join the Commission

To be considered for appointment on the Commission on Police Practices, you must do the following:

1. Get **nominated**
2. Complete the **Commission Application**
3. **Accept** your nomination in writing

*Note: City Council makes the final appointments to the Commission*

For any questions, email [applytocpp@sandiego.gov](mailto:applytocpp@sandiego.gov).



# Upcoming Meeting

## Regular Business Meeting

- Date: February 19, 2025 | 4:30 – 7:30 PM
- Location: Southeastern Live Well Center  
5101 Market St, San Diego, CA 92114
- Agenda is available 72 hours prior to the meeting at [bit.ly/\\_CPP2-19-25](https://bit.ly/_CPP2-19-25)
  - *Topic: Pursuit Policy recommendations; Chief Wahl in attendance.*

*Members of the public may join in person or virtually!*

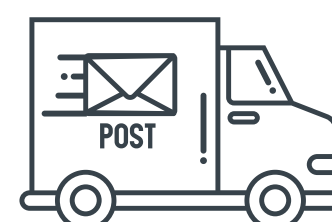
# File a Complaint

- **WHO SHOULD FILE?**

- *We encourage anyone who has experienced or observed police misconduct to file a complaint.*

- **WHAT TO INCLUDE?**

- *Name and contact information are encouraged, but not necessary.*
- *Location, time, and date.*
- *Detailed incident description.*
- *Witnesses and officers.*
- *Supporting documents, footage, etc.*



*Even if you don't have all the information, we still highly recommend you file a complaint. The basics are enough.*

# File a Complaint

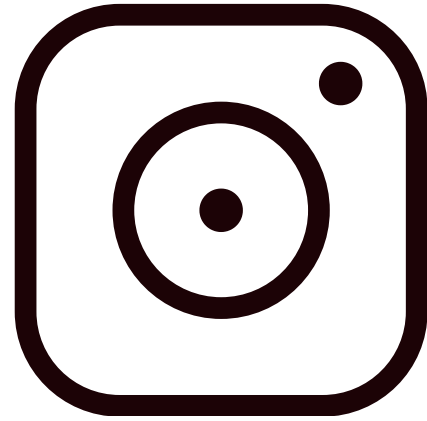


**Phone:** 619-533-5304

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**Address:** 525 B Street #1725, San Diego, CA 92101

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# **Thank you!**

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