

BUDGET ADVOCATE REPORT JULY 2018

To All Region 12 Neighborhood Councils;

Budget Day was June 23rd. There's a link to the speeches front and center on the NCBALA.com website.

New Budget Advocates were elected in Regions where people stepped down – Sierra Goethe of Harbor Gateway North is joining Dr. Princess Sykes and Melanie Labrecque as the Budget Advocates for Region 12. Region 12 includes Central San Pedro, Coastal San Pedro, Harbor City, Harbor Gateway North, Harbor Gateway South, Northwest San Pedro, and Wilmington.

The Budget Advocates are meeting later this week to address their focus for the coming year, including for the White Paper. Their concerns are not only how much money is spent but also where, and specifically how that affects the services the City provides - or what people would like the City to provide. They are interested in what people here and in every area of the City think: What are your concerns about the services the City will be providing or should be but aren't providing?

Please reach out to your Budget Rep with suggestions and questions to be passed along to the Budget Advocates.

At Budget Day there was a list generated of Services that are lacking in Region 12 and are listed on second sheet. We would appreciate your Neighborhood Councils input to add anything else to this.

Thank You,

Region 12 Budget Advocates

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Services That Need Attention List:

Traffic
Resource transparency/availability
Traffic safety
Infrastructure
Driver's Education in schools – poor drivers more and more
Homelessness-Communications
Parks-Security – Cameras, More Park Rangers
Public Safety
Sanitation
Employment
Accountability
HHH Funds - Transparency
Parking
Speeding enforcement
Gangs
Graffiti
Youth programs
Dog defecation – Poop stations
Code enforcement
Police Resources
Partnerships with Council members
Zoning planning notification
Ordinance Violation Investigation
Recreation and Park: Cleanliness and safety
Taxes in Port – Out of state taxes for businesses not being collected
Neighborhood prosecutor more money to prosecute
Street maintenance – Tree Trimming
More trashcans in parks
Donation Bin Management – Overflowing and need to be managed and locked.
Animal Services Expanded