

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- **296701**

ADOPTED ON JUN 18 2002

WHEREAS, during the past months several issues surrounding the San Diego Chargers and their long term utilization of Qualcomm Stadium have arisen; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate at this time to address such issues; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor has proposed establishing the Mayor's Task Force on Chargers Issues pursuant to City Charter section 43 (b); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Council Policy 000-16, the Mayor's Task Force on Chargers Issues will adhere to the requirements of the California Brown Act; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of San Diego, that there is hereby established pursuant to City Charter section 43 (b) the Mayor's Task Force on Chargers Issues [Task Force] on the terms and conditions, and with the mission statement, set forth in the Mayor's June 7, 2002, memorandum enclosed as Attachment 1 hereto with the following additions:

1. The Task Force shall report back to the City Council no later than February 15, 2003, but may report back at an earlier time if it has completed its assignments.
2. For the convenience of the appointed members and members of the public, and to allow for greater public participation, the Task Force shall hold meetings in the evenings.
3. The Task Force shall include in its analysis the following: a) the feasibility of County of San Diego or other regional financial participation; b) the financial

impact of the Chargers on the City; including positive or negative financial impacts; c) how much the City has paid on the attendance guarantee set forth in the Chargers' lease; d) how much the Chargers have paid to the City in rent; e) a comparison of items (c) and (d) including an accounting for maintenance and operating costs; and f) what has been the impact of items (c), (d) and (e) on the City's budget.

4. The Task Force shall make its best efforts to video tape its meetings, and make its notices available on the internet.
5. The Task Force may, at the Mayor's option, include members who are not residents of the City of San Diego.

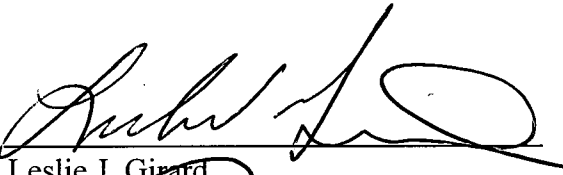
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Manager and City Attorney are hereby directed to assign the necessary resources, including consultants, to assist in the efforts of the Mayor's Task Force on Chargers Issues, within the limits of the City Manager's contractual authority.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Attorney is requested to analyze the following issues and report back to the City Council, in open or closed session as appropriate, within 30 days:

1. Have the Chargers violated any terms of the existing lease?
2. How is the lease re-opener triggered, including how such fact is demonstrated and what documentation is required?

3. Can the Chargers unilaterally raise ticket prices, reducing demand for tickets and thus impacting the City's obligation on the attendance guarantee?

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OFFICE OF MAYOR DICK MURPHY

City of San Diego

MEMORANDUM

To: Honorable Members of the City Council
From: Mayor Dick Murphy *Dick*
Subject: Citizens' Task Force on Chargers Issues
Date: June 7, 2002

During the past months, several issues surrounding the San Diego Chargers and their long-term utilization of Qualcomm Stadium have arisen. To address these issues, I will be asking the members of the City Council to approve the establishment of a **Citizens' Task Force on Chargers Issues**.

As I have said before, I believe San Diegans would be disappointed if the Chargers were to leave San Diego. On the other hand, I do not think the public wants to use public funds to build a new stadium. The challenge is to find a way to keep the Chargers in San Diego in a fiscally responsible way the public will support.

On June 18, 2002, I will ask the City Council to approve the implementation of a task force to complete the assignments outlined in the following mission statement:

1. Determine whether the San Diego Chargers and the National Football League are important assets to the life and economy of San Diego.
2. Determine all things that could be done to keep the Chargers in San Diego in a fiscally responsible way that the public will support.
3. Recommend what the City should do, if anything, to keep the Chargers in San Diego in a fiscally responsible way that the public will support.
4. Make any other recommendations that the Task Force deems appropriate.

The **Citizens' Task Force on Chargers Issues** will be comprised of 15 members. In order for each Councilmember to have a representative on this task force, he/she will be asked to nominate no more or no less than three people to my Deputy Chief of Staff, Paola Avila, by Friday, June 28, 2002. I will select one individual from the list of each Councilmember who nominates three individuals in a timely manner. All appointments will be subject to confirmation by the Mayor and City Council. I will appoint the balance of the Task Force, including the chair.

The Task Force will have public meetings, subject to the Brown Act, with numerous opportunities for citizen input. In fact, I would encourage both the San Diego Chargers and the public to make proposals and presentations to the Task Force.

The Task Force will be asked to report back to the City Council by October 15, 2002. While I expect that the Mayor and City Council will consider any and all recommendations made by the Task Force, we will not be bound by them.

Moreover, I feel the following points need to be made on this matter:

1. I support the public's right to vote on this issue. This means that I will ask the City Council to place on the ballot any proposal recommended by the Task Force and adopted by the Council that requires the commitment of significant City resources.
2. The creation of this Task Force should not be interpreted as a waiver of the City's rights under the City's existing contract.