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**COUNCIL PRESIDENT SCOTT PETERS
FIRST DISTRICT**

MEMORANDUM

DATE: October 30, 2007
TO: Councilmembers
FROM: Council President Scott Peters 
SUBJECT: Selection of the Council President for 2008

Under the Mayor-Council form of government, the City Council must, before the end of each year, select one of its members to serve as its Council President. That selection should occur early enough for the Council to ratify the new Council President's proposals regarding the composition of the 2008 standing committees before the end of the 2007 legislative year. Therefore, I plan to docket the Council President selection on November 13, 2007.

Charter Section 270(d) provides that the Council shall have the right to determine its own rules including a process for selection of a presiding officer.

On October 31, 2005, the City Council adopted Municipal Code Section 22.0101.5 - Permanent Rules of City Council for use during the five-year period that the Mayor-Council form of government is in effect. Under those rules, the Council, by majority vote, selects one of its members as *President for a one-year term beginning in January of each year (Rule 4.2)*. The Council President then selects committee chairs and vice chairs (Rule 5.2(e)) and the Committee membership (Rule 6.2.1), with confirmation by the Council for the City's standing committees.

It has been a pleasure to serve as the Council President during the first two years under our new form of government. I appreciate the help and diligence of my Council colleagues as we have moved through the understandable challenges of making such a fundamental change in the way we do business.

cc: Honorable Mayor Jerry Sanders
Honorable City Attorney Mike Aguirre
Independent Budget Analyst Andrea Tevlin

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REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION
CITY OF SAN DIEGO

1. CERTIFICATE NUMBER
(FOR AUDITOR'S USE ONLY)

TO: CITY ATTORNEY

2. FROM (ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT):
Office of the Council President

3. DATE:
October 30, 2007

4. SUBJECT:
Selection of a Council President for 2008

5. PRIMARY CONTACT (NAME, PHONE, & MAIL STA.)
Christina Cameron (66611/M.S. 10A)

6. SECONDARY CONTACT (NAME, PHONE, & MAIL STA.)
Betsy Kinsley (66611/M.S. 10A)

7. CHECK BOX IF REPORT TO COUNCIL IS ATTACHED

8. COMPLETE FOR ACCOUNTING PURPOSES

FUND					9. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION / ESTIMATED COST:
DEPT.					
ORGANIZATION					
OBJECT ACCOUNT					
JOB ORDER					
C.I.P. NUMBER					
AMOUNT					

10. ROUTING AND APPROVALS

ROUTE (#)	APPROVING AUTHORITY	APPROVAL SIGNATURE	DATE SIGNED	ROUTE (#)	APPROVING AUTHORITY	APPROVAL SIGNATURE	DATE SIGNED
1	ORIG. DEPT			8	DEPUTY CHIEF		
2				9	COO		
3				10	CITY ATTORNEY		10/30/07
4	CFO			11	ORIG. DEPT		
5				DOCKET COORD: _____ COUNCIL LIAISON _____			
6				✓	COUNCIL PRESIDENT <input type="checkbox"/> SPOB <input type="checkbox"/> CONSENT <input type="checkbox"/> ADOPTION <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
7					REFER TO: _____ COUNCIL DATE: 11/13/07		

11. PREPARATION OF: RESOLUTIONS ORDINANCE(S) AGREEMENT(S) DEED(S)

Selection of a Council President for the 2008 Annual Year.

11A. COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS:

Select a Council President for the 2008 Annual Year

12. SPECIAL CONDITIONS (REFER TO A.R. 3.20 FOR INFORMATION ON COMPLETING THIS SECTION.)

COUNCIL DISTRICT(S): ALL

COMMUNITY AREA(S): ALL

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT: THIS ACTION IS NOT A "PROJECT" FOR PURPOSES OF CEQA

HOUSING IMPACT: N/A

OTHER ISSUES: SEE ATTACHED DOCKET SUPPORTING INFORMATION: MEMO FROM 2007 COUNCIL PRESIDENT SCOTT PETERS

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RESOLUTION NUMBER R-_____

DATE OF FINAL PASSAGE _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO SELECTING A COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOR 2008.

WHEREAS, San Diego Charter section 270(d) provides that the City Council shall have the right to determine its own rules and order of business, including a process for the selection of a presiding officer to chair Council meetings and manage the docket process; and

WHEREAS, Rule 4.2 of the Permanent Rules of the City Council, San Diego Municipal Code section 22.0101.5, provides that the Council shall, no later than the first meeting of the Council in January of each year, select a President from one of its members by majority vote, to serve for a term of one year and until a successor is selected and qualified; and

WHEREAS, the one year term of Council President Scott Peters will expire on December 31, 2007, and it is now necessary for the City Council to select one of its members to serve as Council President-elect in order to assist the City Council in ratifying the new Council President's proposals regarding the composition of the 2008 standing committees before the end of the 2007 legislative year; and

WHEREAS, under Charter section 280(a)(1) this resolution is not subject to veto by the Mayor because this matter is exclusively within the purview of the City Council and not affecting the administrative service of the City under the control of the Mayor; NOW,

THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of San Diego, that after full discussion and deliberation by the City Council, Councilmember _____ is hereby selected

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as the Council President-elect to begin a one year term commencing on January 1, 2008, as
Council President.

APPROVED: MICHAEL J. AGUIRRE, City Attorney

By 
Catherine M. Bradley
Chief Deputy City Attorney

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10/30/07
Or.Dept:Council-Peters
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