



Downtown Community Planning Council San Diego

A Call for Candidates - DCPC Seats Available in 2020

The Downtown Community Planning Council (DCPC) will hold its election for new members on **Monday, March 9, 2020**.

The polls will be open from **11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.** and **5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.** Voting will take place at **four locations across Downtown San Diego**:

- **Horton Plaza Park** – 900 Fourth Avenue, San Diego, CA 92101
- **Soleluna Café** (Cortez) – 702 Ash Street, San Diego, CA 92101
- **Caffe Italia** (Little Italy) – 1704 India Street, San Diego, CA 92101
- **Café de l'Opera** (East Village) – 910 J Street, San Diego, CA 92101

The DCPC serves as the official planning group for Downtown San Diego. The group is made up of 27 volunteers each elected for a two year term to represent Downtown homeowners and tenants, commercial property owners and businesses and community organizations. The group provides a means for public participation relating to the growth and development of Downtown and serves as a communications link to the Civic San Diego Board, the Planning Commission and City Council.

DCPC meets monthly to review design proposals, conditional use permits, development and loan agreements and other downtown development policies and programs such as affordable housing, parking, transportation needs, street lighting, homelessness and social issues.

Interested and eligible individuals may register their candidacy via email at elections@dcpcsd.com. The **deadline to file for candidacy is February 14, 2020 at 11:59 p.m.** and candidates are encouraged to attend the **Candidates' Forum on Wednesday, February 19, 2020 at the monthly DCPC meeting**. The forum and meeting will take place at 401 B St. Ste. 400, San Diego, CA 92101 at 5:30 p.m. Council Members are expected to attend regular meetings and subcommittee meetings to maintain membership on the council.

There are **14 seats up for election** this year. All seats are for **two (2) year terms except those with * are midterm/one (1) year term**.

Elected members serve as public officials for a two-year term. Elections are held annually.

	Residential Owner Occupant	Resident	Business Representative	Community Organization Representative	At Large
Columbia		X			
Core			X		
Cortez	X	X	X *(1 year term)		
East Village - South		X			
East Village - North	X				
Horton- Gaslamp		X	X		
Little Italy		X			
Marina	X	X			
Community-Wide				X	X

CATEGORY DEFINITIONS:

Resident

Any person who owns, leases or rents a residential dwelling unit within the neighborhood boundaries and occupies the same as his or her residence

Residential Owner Occupant

Any Resident who owns all or a substantial fee interest in the dwelling unit which he or she occupies

Business Representative

Any lawful activity conducted by an entity with the neighborhood boundaries primarily for the purchase, sale, lease or rental of personal and real property; or for the manufacture, processing or marketing of products, commodities, or any other personal property; or for sale of services to the public

Community Organization

Any nonprofit association of persons and/or entities which has its headquarters or a site office within the Downtown boundaries, or a substantial number of whose constituents are persons and/or entities within the Downtown boundaries, and which association is generally recognized within Downtown as a community organization.

At Large

Anyone who meets any of the above categories without regard of neighborhood other than within the Downtown Community Plan boundaries.

CANDIDATE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

1. Be 18 years of age or older.
2. Meet the qualifications described under Category Definitions for the seat they are running for
3. To be a candidate, one must provide documentation proving eligibility. To view eligibility requirements, download the candidate registration form online at <http://dcpcsd.com/elections/>.
4. Candidates are strongly encouraged to review the voter registration form at <http://dcpcsd.com/elections/>, especially Section 2, to understand who can vote for whom.

VOTER ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

1. Be 18 years of age or older.
2. To vote, one must provide documentation proving eligibility. To view eligibility requirements, download the voter registration form at <http://dcpcsd.com/elections/>.
3. Citizens can vote for all community wide seats PLUS in the specific neighborhood which they qualify.