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**TO:** Honorable Mayor and City Council      **FROM:** Councilmember Rose Herrera

**SUBJECT:** COMMUNITY CENTER  
REUSE PROGRAM

**DATE:** November 26, 2014

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**APPROVE**

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

Direct staff to explore options for establishing Satellite Community Centers in Council Districts where there is a high need and a lack of Satellite Centers.

**BACKGROUND:**

As the staff report for the first-phase evaluation of the Community Center Reuse Program has indicated, Satellite Community Centers are community-center facilities that are larger than the City's Neighborhood Community Centers. Currently there are no Satellite Centers in District 8, or in District 6. While the three Neighborhood Centers in my District are providing helpful services to the community, the multi-room Satellite Center facilities are much-needed in certain areas of my District that could use the community rooms and other features for public meetings, community events, and more.

I would like for staff to explore whether there are any opportunities to either establish new Satellite Community Centers in areas in need of such facilities, or whether the existing Neighborhood Centers can be expanded upon to be converted to Satellite Centers. It has been more than six years since the Community Center Reuse Policy was approved, and the last time that staff has evaluated which communities are the highest-need was May 2010. Staff is in the process of applying the criteria from that process to all 54 Community Center sites, and I think this would be a great time to re-evaluate this and perform a gap analysis to determine if any adjustments should be made to the availability of facilities and to community programming priorities to ensure that the highest-need communities are receiving the services they need from our Community Centers.