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### **First Mayor's Town Hall Meeting Focuses on District 3 Neighborhoods**

Oakland, CA—In keeping with her pledge to be an accessible Mayor, Oakland Mayor Jean Quan and Council Member Nancy Nadel will host a Town Hall Meeting designed to reach out to residents in the neighborhoods where they live.

The District 3 Town Hall Meeting will be held Saturday, February 5 from 11 am-1:30 pm at West Oakland Middle School, 14<sup>th</sup> and Market Streets.

“Our goal is to take City Hall on the road and give residents an opportunity to speak directly to me, the Council Member and city staff about their concerns. We will be there, first and foremost, to listen,” said Mayor Quan.

The event is co-sponsored by the Acorn Community and the Block by Block Organizing Network (BBON), a grassroots organization that grew out of the 1000 volunteers from the Mayor's campaign (<http://oneoakland.org>)

District 3 residents and BBON volunteers will canvass the surrounding neighborhood this weekend to encourage attendance in addition to promotion throughout the entire Council District. During the meeting, residents will meet in small break-out groups to discuss issues that have been identified through calls to the District 3 Council Office and at local neighborhood meetings. The small groups will allow every participant a voice. The top priorities from this and the other Town Hall meetings throughout the city will provide the Mayor with input on her priorities for the City.

Residents will also receive information about how to access City services and who to call.

The Mayor has pledged to hold five Town Hall meetings during her first 100 days, and to hold at least one Town Hall meeting in all seven Council Districts every year.

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