

Date of Notice: June 28, 2024

## NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION

## **CITY PLANNING DEPARTMENT**

**PROJECT NAME/NUMBER:** Sidewalk Slicing Services

COMMUNITY PLAN AREA: Citywide COUNCIL DISTRICT: Citywide LOCATION: Citywide

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The City of San Diego has approximately 4,550 miles of sidewalks. These sidewalks were installed at various times throughout the City's history. Over time, multiple locations throughout the City's sidewalk network have been degraded by various factors, including but not limited to: heat expansion, tree roots, adjacent construction, normal wear and tear, etc. In many cases, this degradation has resulted in cracked and/or raised sidewalk panels across the City's sidewalk network. The City will utilize a qualified contractor to identify and mitigate these sidewalk damages by slicing the concrete in accordance with industry standards. Slicing will not occur if a survey marker or historical stamp is identified and the work could damage the survey markers or historical stamps.

**ENTITY CONSIDERING PROJECT APPROVAL:** City of San Diego

**ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION:** This activity is categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 (c) (Existing Facilities).

**ENTITY MAKING ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION:** City of San Diego Mayor-Appointed Designee.

## STATEMENT SUPPORTING REASON FOR ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION:

The City of San Diego conducted an environmental review and determined the project is exempt from CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15301(c) (Existing Facilities), which allows for the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alterations of existing public or private structures or facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use including existing highways and streets, sidewalks, gutters, bicycle and pedestrian trails, and similar facilities; and where the exceptions to the exemptions listed in CEQA Section 15300.2 would not apply in that no cumulative impacts were identified; no significant effects on the environment were identified; the project is not adjacent to a scenic highway; and no historical resources would be affected by the action.

As to the exception for hazardous materials, there are locations listed on GeoTracker and EnviroStor within 1,000 feet of the public right-of-way. While these locations are listed, there are no open environmental cases of known hazardous material contamination that would be disturbed which would otherwise preclude use of a CEQA exemption pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the Government Code.

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On June 28, 2024, the City of San Diego made the above-referenced environmental determination pursuant to CEQA. This determination is appealable to the City Council. If you have any questions about this determination, contact the City Contact listed above.

Applications to appeal the CEQA determination to the City Council must be filed with the Office of the Clerk within five (5) business days from the date of the posting of this Notice (July 8, 2024). Appeals to the City Clerk must be filed via e-mail or in-person as follows:

- 1. <u>Appeals filed via Email</u>: The Environmental Determination Appeal Application Form <u>DS-3031</u>can be obtained at <a href="https://www.sandiego.gov/sites/default/files/legacy/development-services/pdf/industry/forms/ds3031.pdf">https://www.sandiego.gov/sites/default/files/legacy/development-services/pdf/industry/forms/ds3031.pdf</a>. Send the completed appeal form (including grounds for appeal and supporting documentation in pdf format) by email to <a href="https://email.goog.gov">hearings1@sandiego.gov</a> by 5:00p.m. on the last day of the appeal period; your email appeal will be acknowledged within 24 business hours. You must separately mail the appeal fee by check payable to the City Treasurer to: City Clerk/Appeal, MS 2A, 202 C Street, San Diego, CA 92101. The appeal filing fee must be United States Postal Service (USPS) postmarked) before or on the final date of the appeal.
- 2. Appeals filed In-Person: The Environmental Determination Appeal Application Form DS-3031 can be obtained at: <a href="https://www.sandiego.gov/sites/default/files/legacy/development-services/pdf/industry/forms/ds3031.pdf">https://www.sandiego.gov/sites/default/files/legacy/development-services/pdf/industry/forms/ds3031.pdf</a>. Bring the fully completed appeal application DS-3031 (including grounds for appeal and supporting documentation) to the City Administration Building— Public Information Counter (Open 8:00am to 5:00pm Monday through Friday excluding City approved holidays), 1st Floor Lobby, located at 202 C Street, San Diego, CA 92101, by 5:00pm on the last day of the appeal period. The completed appeal form shall include the required appeal fee, with a check payable to: City Treasurer.

The appeal application can also be obtained from the City Clerk, 202 'C' Street, Second Floor, San Diego, CA 92101.

This information will be made available in alternative formats upon request.

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