



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

**September 26, 2024, at 9:00 a.m.**  
**PLANNING COMMISSION AGENDA**  
**HYBRID MEETING/IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

City Administration Building, 12<sup>th</sup> Floor,  
202 C Street, San Diego, California 92101

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PARTICIPATE IN THE MEETING IS FOUND AT THE END OF THE AGENDA***

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2024 AT 9:00 A.M.**

**ROLL CALL****ANNOUNCEMENTS/NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT****REQUESTS FOR ITEMS TO BE CONTINUED AND/OR WITHDRAWN****REQUEST FOR ITEMS TO BE PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA****APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA****DIRECTOR'S REPORT****COMMISSION COMMENT****AGENDA ITEMS****ITEM 1: \*EXPEDITE - CLAIREMONT VILLAGE - PRJ # 0697307**

**Staff:** Benjamin Hafertepe  
**City Council District:** 2  
**Plan Area:** Clairemont Mesa

Neighborhood Development Permit, Site Development Permit, and Easement Vacation to partially vacate an unnamed easement totaling 1,756 square feet used for incidental purposes, rescind Community Plan Implementation Overlay Zone 90-0830, demolish approximately 3,770 square feet of retail-commercial space for the provision of a fire-access lane, and construct a new five-story 224-unit multi-dwelling unit building totaling

262,624 square feet over two stories of parking totaling 124,449 square feet located at 3001 through 3089 Clairemont Drive. The 12.96-acre site is in the CC-1-3 zone and Community Plan Implementation Overlay Zone (CPIOZ-B) within the Clairemont Mesa Community Plan area.

A Subsequent Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) No. 697307/SCH No. 2019060003 and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP) was prepared for the project in accordance with Sections 15152 and 15168 of the CEQA Guidelines and Public Resources Code Section 21094. The environmental analysis is tiered from the Complete Communities: Housing Solutions and Mobility Choices Program Environmental Impact Report which was prepared pursuant to Section 15168 of the CEQA Guidelines. A MMRP has been prepared for this project for Transportation, Historical, Archaeological, and Tribal Cultural Resources. The MMRP will be implemented for the project, which will reduce any potential impacts identified in the environmental review process.

[Report No. PC-24-035](#)

[Attachment 1-12](#)

[Attachment 13 Part 1](#)

[Attachment 13 Part 2](#)

**PROPOSED ACTION**

Process 5, recommend to the City Council to Approve or Deny the project.

**DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION**

Recommend to the City Council to Approve the project.

**ITEM 2: \* BELLA MAR APARTMENTS – COASTAL COMMISSION MODIFICATIONS TO THE OTAY MESA-NESTOR COMMUNITY PLAN AND LOCAL COASTAL PROGRAM – PRJ # 0631240**

**Staff:** Martin R. Mendez

**City Council District:** 8

**Plan Area:** Otay Mesa-Nestor

Recommendation to City Council to Approve, Deny or Modify the California Coastal Commission’s (CCC) modifications to the Otay Mesa-Nestor Community Plan and Local Coastal Program (LCP) adopted by the City Council on July 25, 2023, and September 12, 2023. This action relates to the City Council’s previous approval of: a General Plan Amendment to re-designate a 14.62-acre site located at 408 Hollister Street from Park, Open Space and Recreation to Residential; Community Plan Amendment to re-designate the land use from Open Space to Medium Density Residential (allowing up to 29 dwelling units per acre); Rezone from Agriculture-Residential (AR-1-2) and Open Space (OF-1-1) to Residential Multiple-Unit (RM-2-5); a Local Coastal Program Amendment to create consistency with the proposed Community Plan Amendment; and a San Diego Municipal Code (SDMC) amendment to Chapter 13, Article 2, Division 4 to revise the Coastal Overlay Zone map to re-designate the site from “Coastal Deferred Certification” to “Bella Mar Site – Area Removed from Coastal Deferred Certification”. The subject site is located within the Coastal Zone and the Otay Mesa-Nestor Community Plan included amendments to the

City's LCP. State law requires the CCC certification of amendments to the LCP before they can take effect in the Coastal Zone.

On July 10, 2024, the CCC approved the above referenced amendment to the City of San Diego LCP and on July 17, 2024, issued a letter conditionally certifying the Otay Mesa-Nestor Community Plan and LCP Amendments with modifications. The City Council must adopt the CCC suggested modifications to the Community Plan for it to take effect. The Planning Commission previously recommended approval to City Council on March 30, 2023.

The Development Services Department has reviewed the Bella Mar Apartments – Coastal Commission Modifications to the Otay Mesa-Nestor Community Plan and Local Coastal Program for consistency with and is covered by the previously analyzed and adopted Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND; PRJ-0631240; SCH No. 2022040642) and the certified Final Program Environmental Impact Report (EIR) and Addenda for the 2008 General Plan (EIR No. 104495/SCH No. 2006091032). Pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21166 and CEQA Guidelines Section 15162 there is no change in circumstance, additional information, or project changes to warrant additional review for this action. [Report No. PC-24-048.](#)

#### **PROPOSED ACTION**

Process 5, recommend to the City Council to adopt Coastal Commission modifications.

#### **DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION**

Recommend to the City Council to adopt Coastal Commission modifications.

### **ITEM 3: \*UNIVERSITY OF SAN DIEGO MASTER PLAN AMENDMENT – PRJ # 1099954**

**Staff:** Xavier Del Valle

**City Council District:** 7

**Plan Area:** Linda Vista

Conditional Use Permit and Site Development Permit (to amend Conditional Use Permit No. 1605027 and Site Development Permit No. 1831047), and Planned Development Permit for Projects 11, 15, 22, 23, 27 and 30 of the University of San Diego (USD) Master Plan to increase student housing opportunities on campus, public easement vacations (water and storm drain), adding 5701 Josephine Street (APN No. 436-390-01) within the USD Master Plan area, and amending the design guidelines to reflect the revisions. The USD campus occupies approximately 180 acres and is located at 5998 Alcala Park in the OP-2-1, OR-1-1, RS-1-7, RM-1-1, RM-3-7, CC-4-2, CC-4-5 and CC-5-4 Zones, Airport Influence Area for San Diego International Airport and Montgomery Field, Community Plan Implementation Overlay Zone (CPIOZ) Type A and the Parking Impact Overlay Zone (Campus Impact Area) within the Linda Vista Community Plan area. This project is within the scope of the USD Master Plan Update Subsequent Environmental Impact Report (SEIR; SCH No. 1993121032) certified by the City Council on September 11, 2017, (Resolution No. 311298). This Program Environmental Impact Report adequately describes the activity for the purposes of the California Environmental Quality Act.

[Report No. PC-24-049](#)

[Attachment 1-10](#)

[Attachment 11](#)

[Attachment 12](#)

**PROPOSED ACTION**

Process 5, recommend to the City Council to Approve or Deny the Project.

**DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION**

Recommend to the City Council to Approve the Project.

**ITEM 4: ENCANTO NEIGHBORHOODS COMMUNITY PLAN AMENDMENT INITIATION - HOLY CROSS CEMETERY – PRJ # 1100145**

**Staff:** Selena Sanchez Bailon

**City Council District:** 4

**Plan Area:** Encanto Neighborhoods

To initiate an amendment to the Encanto Neighborhoods Community Plan to add a policy in the land use element to allow for cemetery uses on land designated for residential adjacent to the existing cemetery with a Conditional Use Permit. This could allow for the future expansion of the Holy Cross Cemetery.

This activity is not a “project” under the definition set forth in CEQA Guidelines Section 15378. Should initiation of the community plan amendment be approved, environmental review would take place at the appropriate time in accordance with CEQA Section 15004 when sufficient information is available to enable meaningful environmental review.

[Report No. PC-24-051](#)

**PROPOSED ACTION**

Process 4, Approve or Deny the Initiation.

**DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION**

Approve the Initiation.

**ITEM 5: OTAY MESA COMMUNITY PLAN AMENDMENT INITIATION - CORPORATE CENTER – PRJ # 1118928**

**Staff:** Sean McGee

**City Council District:** 8

**Plan Area:** Otay Mesa Community Planning Area

To initiate an amendment to the Otay Mesa Community Pan to redesignate a 3.28-acre property from Light Industrial to Residential-Medium (15-29 du/ac) to allow for the development of a residential project located at 1538, 1568, 1588 Corporate Center Drive (APN: 645-180-1200,645-180-1300 & 645-180-1400).

This activity is not considered a “project” by the definition set forth in CEQA Guidelines Section 15378. Should the initiation of the Community Plan Amendment be approved, review would take place at the appropriate time in accordance with CEQA Section 15004 when there is sufficient information to enable meaningful environmental review.

[Report No. PC-24-052](#)

**PROPOSED ACTION**

Process 4, Approve or Deny the Initiation.

**DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION**

Approve the Initiation.

**ADJOURNMENT**

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**Items Marked with Asterisks:**

Those items with an asterisk (\*) will include consideration and adoption/approval of the appropriate environmental document. For additional information, please see California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Notices and Documents at <https://www.sandiego.gov/ceqa>.

**Consent Agenda:**

The Commission may vote to approve one or more items identified as part of a Consent Agenda. If an item is approved in that manner, the action approved is as stated in the Staff's recommendation, which is normally set forth in the agenda and the Report to the Planning Commission, which Staff may modify prior to the vote by informing the Commission verbally or in writing.

The Consent Agenda may be voted on quickly; if you wish to be heard, please submit your [webform](#) 2 hours prior to the start of the meeting. Comments received by 7:00 a.m., the day of the meeting, will be distributed to the Planning Commission and posted online with the meeting materials. All webform comments are limited to 200 words but may include attachments. Comments received after the deadlines described above but before the item is called will be submitted into the written record for the relevant item.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS/NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT**

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