



Date of Notice: February 4, 2025

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION

CITY PLANNING DEPARTMENT

PROJECT NAME: Special Use Permit with San Diego Parks Foundation

COMMUNITY PLAN AREA: Citywide

COUNCIL DISTRICT: Citywide

LOCATION: City-owned real property located within and as part of City golf courses; open space areas; recreation centers; pools; and community, neighborhood, or mini-parks.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Approval of a Special Use Permit (SUP) with the San Diego Parks Foundation, a nonprofit 501C(3) corporation (Permittee), to support the City of San Diego (City) Parks and Recreation Department with programming and maintenance needs of pools, recreation centers, golf courses, open space areas, and community, neighborhood, and mini parks (Permit Area) through special events, fundraising activities, maintenance, and overall improvement projects. The Permit Use includes, but is not limited to:

Programming

Permittee and the City will collaborate on all programs, special events, activities, and miscellaneous events for the purpose of enhancing and supporting all City Parks and Recreation Department programs that benefits the residents of the City including, but not limited to:

- Come Play Outside:
 - Level up, Nature Camps, Deep Sea Fishing Trips, Enhanced Aquatic Programs, Parks After Dark, Movies in the Park, and Staff Appreciation Luncheons.
- Park Ambassadors
- Summer Lunch Program
- Enhanced Citywide Sports Programs
- Enhanced Seasonal Events – Spring, Winter, Summer, Fall and Martin Luther King Jr. Event
- Adaptive Golf Tournament
- I Love My Park Day
- Backpack Giveaway events

Beautification, Maintenance and Repair Projects

Permittee will perform beautification, maintenance, and repair projects within the City's parks system as identified and approved by the City and in agreement with the Permittee including, but not limited to:

- Garden and Tree Planting – This would include the planning, design, and installation as agreed

upon by both the Permittee and the City. The Permittee will not provide long term or ongoing maintenance or stewardship of any gardens or trees.

- Trail Maintenance/Repair – This would include the planning, design, and trail maintenance as agreed upon by both the Permittee and the City throughout the City's parks, open space areas, canyon lands, and coastal regions. Any future trail maintenance and/or repair projects would occur on existing trails and under the supervision of City Parks and Recreation Department staff. Additionally, all methods of trail maintenance and/or repair shall comply with all applicable City regulations, plans, and guidelines including, but not limited to, the City's ESL Regulations, Multiple Species Conservation Program (MSCP) Subarea Plan, and Multi-Habitat Planning Area (MHPA) Land Use Adjacency Guidelines, and shall be approved by City staff prior to the start of trail maintenance and/or repair activities.
- Facility and Field Support – This would include beautification, maintenance, and repair of City-approved facility assets that require replacement or repair due to wear and tear. Capital Improvement Projects or major repairs as determined by the City Parks and Recreation Department would not be covered under this SUP.

All projects, events, and programs will be conducted in coordination with City staff. Permittee must obtain all required permits and approvals related to the Permit Use from the City and applicable local, state, and federal authorities, including right-of-entry permits and/or other necessary permits required for the performance of work by the Permittee or third-party contractors. The Permittee is responsible, at Permittee's sole cost and expense, for the repair or replacement of any damage caused by the Permittee or by Permittee's use, maintenance, installations, or improvements of the Permit Area, including items that City staff determine to be damaged. Permittee must comply with the direction of the City with respect to the method of any repairs or replacement arising under this SUP. Permittee must not make or cause any improvements, installations, repairs, changes, or alterations to the Permit Area or to any improvements or installations other than those identified in the SUP, without prior written approval of the City. Under no circumstances will the Permittee place, store, or allow temporary or permanent structures of any kind on the Permit Area, including but not limited to cargo containers, trailers, and storage sheds, without the prior written approval of City and obtaining all permits required by the applicable governmental entities.

As-needed stormwater construction Best Management Practices (BMPs) to prevent non-stormwater discharges from entering the City's stormwater conveyance system will be implemented pursuant San Diego Municipal Code Section 43.0307. As-needed beautification, maintenance and repair projects undertaken by the Permittee within the Permit Area will be conducted in accordance with the City's Land Development Code, Land Development Manual, MSCP MHPA Land Use Adjacency Guidelines, including guidelines related to noise, lighting, and drainage, as applicable; and other standards and guidelines including, but not limited to, the Standard Specifications for Public Works Construction (i.e., "The GREENBOOK") 2021 Edition, the City's Standard Specifications for Public Works Construction (i.e., "The WHITEBOOK") 2021 Edition, and any applicable technical or informational bulletins published by the City's DSD.

ENTITY CONSIDERING PROJECT APPROVAL: City of San Diego

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: This activity is categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 (Existing Facilities), Section 15304 (Minor Alterations to Land), and Section 15323 (Normal Operations of Facilities for Public Gatherings).

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 that determined the project would not have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 (Existing Facilities) which exempts the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use; Section 15304 (Minor Alterations to Land) which exempts minor public or private alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees except for forestry or agricultural purposes; and Section 15323 (Normal Operation of Facilities for Public Gathering) which exempts the normal operations of existing facilities for public gatherings for which the facilities were designed, where there is a past history of the facility being used for the same or similar kind of purpose. The exceptions listed in CEQA Guidelines 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; no historical resources would be affected by the action; and the project was not identified on a list of hazardous waste sites pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the Government Code.

Future projects performed under this SUP which may require discretionary permits will be subject to environmental review at a future date in accordance with the City's Land Development Code and CEQA Guidelines Section 15004, which provides direction to lead agencies on the appropriate timing for environmental review. Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15352(a), approval of this SUP does not constitute approval of any future project(s) for which discretionary permits may be required.

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On February 4, 2025, 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 (**February 11, 2025**). Appeals to the City Clerk must be filed via e-mail or in-person as follows:

1. Appeals filed via Email: The Environmental Determination Appeal Application Form [DS-3031](#) can be obtained at <https://www.sandiego.gov/sites/default/files/legacy/development-services/pdf/industry/forms/ds3031.pdf>. Send the completed appeal form (including grounds for appeal and supporting documentation in pdf format) by email to Hearings1@sandiego.gov 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: <https://www.sandiego.gov/sites/default/files/legacy/development-services/pdf/industry/forms/ds3031.pdf>.

[services/pdf/industry/forms/ds3031.pdf](#). 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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