

Date of Notice: April 14, 2025

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION

ENGINEERING & CAPITAL PROJECTS DEPARTMENT

WBS No. B-18006.02.06

PROJECT NAME: Sherman Heights Community Center Playground

COMMUNITY PLAN AREA: Southeastern San Diego (Sherman Heights Neighborhood)

COUNCIL DISTRICT: 8

LOCATION: The project is located at 2258 Island Avenue, San Diego, California, 92102.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The project will replace an existing vehicular gate with a new lighter gate featuring a V-track and install a new accessible gate to provide pedestrian access to the parking area. The project will also install security pickets along the existing fence, replace concrete paving to level out the gate, and install other appurtenances.

ENTITY CONSIDERING PROJECT APPROVAL: City of San Diego

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: This activity is categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA State Guidelines, Section 15301 (Existing Facilities); 15302 (Replacement or Reconstruction); Section 15303 (New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures).

ENTITY MAKING ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: City of San Diego Engineering & Capital Projects Department

STATEMENT SUPPORTING REASON FOR ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The City of San Diego conducted an environmental review which determined that the project meets the categorical exemption criteria set forth in CEQA State Guidelines, Section 15301 (Existing Facilities), which allows for the minor alteration of existing public structures, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination, such as improvements to an existing parking area and fencing; 15302 (Replacement or Reconstruction), which allows for the replacement of existing facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced, such as replacement of the existing vehicular gate and concrete paving; Section 15303 (New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures), which allows for the construction and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures, such as installation of a pedestrian access gate and security pickets; and where the exceptions listed in Section 15300.2 would not apply.

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On April 14, 2025, the City of San Diego made the above-referenced environmental determination pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). This determination is appealable to the City Council. If you have any questions about this determination, contact the City Project Manager listed above.

Applications to appeal CEQA determinations made by staff to the City Council must be filed in the Office of the City Clerk within five (5) business days from the date of the posting of this Notice [April 21, 2025]. Appeal procedures are described in Information Bulletin 505 (https://www.sandiego.gov/sites/default/files/dsdib505.pdf). Appeals to the City Clerk must be filed by email or in person as follows:

- 1) Appeals filed via E-mail: 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 application form (including grounds for appeal and supporting documentation in pdf format) by email to hearings1@sandiego.gov by 5:00 p.m. on the last day of the appeal period; your email appeal will be acknowledged within 24 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 within five (5) business days of the date the appeal is filed.
- 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. Deposit the fully completed appeal application (including grounds for appeal and supporting documentation) to the City Administration Building Public Information Counter (Open 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday excluding City-approved holidays), 1st Floor Lobby, located at 202 C Street, San Diego, CA 92101, by 5:00 p.m. 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. Please include the project name on the memo line of the check/money order. This Drop-Off Box is checked daily, and payments are processed the following business day.

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

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