

Date of Notice: March 27, 2024

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION CITY PLANNING DEPARTMENT

PROJECT NAME/NUMBER: Installation of Artwork on Park Boulevard Bridge over I-5

COMMUNITY PLAN AREA: Downtown and Balboa Park

COUNCIL DISTRICT: Council District 3

LOCATION: Park Boulevard Bridge over Interstate (I-) 5, Bridge No. 57 0411 Post Mile RO 15.82 in the City of San Diego, a property owned by the State of California.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The project involves the approval of an Agreement between the City of San Diego (City) and Urban Interventions (Exhibitor) for the installation of a temporary artwork exhibit as part of a community-initiated program called Bay to Park Paseo. The Exhibitor will temporarily install artwork on the Park Boulevard Bridge over I-5, which is owned by the State of California Department of Transportation (Caltrans). The artwork will consist of a series of vinyl photo murals depicting examples of trees and flora in adjacent Balboa Park. The murals are 7'9" sq vinyl material and will be installed on the west side of the bridge in alternating fields of the existing galvanized bridge fence panels. The images will cover approximately 163 linear feet of the approximately 318 linear feet of fence along the west side of the bridge for a period of time (approximately three to five years) at the discretion of the City and Caltrans. The Exhibitor will be responsible for the artwork during the term of the exhibit, including but not limited to site preparation, assembly, installation, maintenance, repair, restoration, conservation, deinstallation and removal of the artwork, and will assume the City's responsibilities and obligations described in the Transportation Art Maintenance Agreement between the City and Caltrans as they apply to the site.

The Exhibitor and the Exhibitor's sub-consultants will comply with City design guidelines, regulations, California Building Code Title 24, Americans with Disability Act (ADA) standards, San Diego Standard Drawings for Public Works Construction the Standard Specifications for Public Works Construction (Greenbook), the City of San Diego "Whitebook" supplement to the Greenbook, City of San Diego regulations and other local agencies regulations during the installation and deinstallation of the artwork. The Exhibitor will install adequate safety fencing, barriers, and appropriate signage around the entire site during all digging and surface disruption, and all open trenches will be properly covered at all times.

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).

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 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. 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.

CITY CONTACT: Christine E. Jones, Chief of Civic Art Strategies

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On March 27, 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 City Clerk within five (5) business days from the date of the posting of this Notice (**April 4, 2024**). 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 <u>https://www.sandiego.gov/sites/default/files/legacy/development-</u><u>services/pdf/industry/forms/ds3031.pdf</u>. Send the completed appeal form (including grounds for appeal and supporting documentation in pdf format) by email to <u>Hearings1@sandiego.gov</u> by 5:00 p.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: <u>https://www.sandiego.gov/sites/default/files/legacy/development-</u> <u>services/pdf/industry/forms/ds3031.pdf</u>. 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 5:00 pm 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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