



Date of Notice: May 16, 2025

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION

CITY PLANNING DEPARTMENT

PROJECT NAME/NUMBER: El Cajon Blvd Maintenance Assessment District (MAD)
COMMUNITY PLAN AREA: Mid-City: Kensington-Talmadge and Mid-City: City Heights
COUNCIL DISTRICT: 9
LOCATION: El Cajon Blvd MAD specific contract site areas along El Cajon Blvd and select side streets, between Iowa Street and 54th Street.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Agreement between the City of San Diego (City) and the successful proposer (Contractor) for Request for Proposal #1009292-25-G to perform complete landscape maintenance and improvements of all contract areas identified in the Scope of Work within the El Cajon Blvd Maintenance Assessment District (MAD). The El Cajon Blvd MAD contract areas include landscaped street medians, hardscaped street medians, landscaped rights-of-ways (ROW), State Route 15 Bridge Deck, sidewalks, gutters, and curbs. Improvements include, but are not limited to the following: irrigation, pruning, shaping, and training of trees, shrubs, turf, and groundcover plants; fertilization; mulch application; litter control; trash receptacle liner replacement; weed control; control of all plant diseases and pests; sweeping; graffiti removal; graffiti coating application for monuments; as-needed power washing; and all other as-needed maintenance required to maintain the contract areas in a safe, attractive, and useable condition and to maintain the plant material in good condition with horticulturally acceptable growth and color. Upon written approval from the City, the Contractor may also perform additional as-needed miscellaneous projects within the MAD, including, but not limited to: planting and replanting areas; installing and repairing irrigation systems; replacing irrigation controllers and irrigation cabinets; locating and repairing damaged electrical service lines; bee nest removal; clean-up of illegal dumps; providing a Registered Consulting Arborist (RCA) for various tree needs for revenue cost recovery (e.g., vehicle accidents, etc.) and testifying as an expert in a Court of Law.

The El Cajon Blvd MAD contract areas include landscaped street medians, hardscaped street medians, landscaped rights-of-ways (ROW), State Route 15 Bridge Deck, sidewalks, gutters, and curbs. There are no designated historical trees included in the maintenance area. No nighttime work is proposed as part of this agreement. Contractor shall be responsible for the repair or in-kind replacement for any damage or alteration to existing facilities, including irrigation systems, that result from Contractor's performance of this Agreement.

ENTITY CONSIDERING PROJECT APPROVAL: City of San Diego

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: Categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 (Existing Facilities) and Section 15304 (Minor Alterations to Land).

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 consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures or facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use; Section 15304 (Minor Alterations to Land) which consists of 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 where 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; as to the exception for hazardous materials, there are locations listed on GeoTracker and EnviroStor within 1,000 feet of the project area. While these locations are listed, there are no 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 May 16, 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 business days from the date of the posting of this Notice (**May 23, 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>. 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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