



Date of Notice: June 4, 2025

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION

SPECIAL EVENTS DEPARTMENT

PROJECT NAME: Special Event Permit - Spirit of the Fourth Festival

COMMUNITY PLAN AREA: Ranch Bernardo

COUNCIL DISTRICT: 5

LOCATION: Community roadways, Acena Dr., Lomica Dr, Rancho Bernardo Rd., Bernardo Center Dr., Webb Park

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Special Event Permit for that portion within or adjacent to the City's right-of-way that would govern only the parade of an annual 4th of July event that includes a parade, community fair, car show, food booths, food trucks, onsite food preparation, vendor booths, Veterans Memorial Ceremony, games, a stage, entertainment, and the temporary use of, canopies, generator, fencing and/or barriers, trash/recycling containers, portable restrooms, tables, and chairs that would occur on July 4, 2025. The Community Fair would take place in Webb Park located behind 16766 Bernardo Center Drive. The Motor Show would take place in the parking lot behind 16776 Bernardo Center Drive. The fireworks would take place at Rancho Bernardo High School, 13010 Paseo Lucido. The parade would take place on city streets starting at the intersection of Lomica Drive and Acena Drive. See route map details below. Noise associated with the event activities and set-up/dismantling would occur from 3 PM on July 3, 2025, until 10 PM on July 4, 2025. On July 3, 2025, set-up would occur from 3 PM until 6 PM. On July 4, 2025, event would occur from 6:30 AM until 9:30 PM, and dismantling would occur from 9:30 PM until 10 PM. There would be a stage with entertainment and amplified sound from 9 AM until 4:30 PM on July 4, 2025.

Roadway and street parking closures associated with the parade would occur on July 4, 2025, from 2:30 PM until 4:30 PM and would include:

NB Acena Drive between Lomica Drive and Rancho Bernardo Road;

NB Bernardo Center Drive between Rancho Bernardo Road and Lomica Drive;

EB Rancho Bernardo Road between Bernardo Center Drive and Acena Drive;

Lomica Drive (west) between Bernardo Center Drive and Acena Drive.

There would be no vehicle traffic entering or exiting the shopping center on July 4, 2025, from 2:30 PM until 5:30 PM.

ENTITY CONSIDERING PROJECT APPROVAL: City of San Diego

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: Categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 (Existing Facilities); Section 15304 (Minor Alterations to Land); Section 15311 (Accessory Structures).

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(s): Section 15301 (Existing Facilities) which allows for the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing or minor alterations of existing public or private structures or facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use; Section 15304 (Minor Alterations to Land) which allows for minor, temporary use of land that has negligible or no permanent effects on the environment; Section 15311 (Accessory Structures) which allows for construction, or placement of minor structures accessory to existing commercial, industrial, or institutional facilities, including, but not limited to, temporary use items in publicly owned facilities or other facilities designated for public use; 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; and the project was not identified on a list of hazardous waste sites pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the Government Code.

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On June 4, 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 Contact listed above.

Applications to appeal CEQA determination to the City Council must be filed with the Office of the Clerk within 5 business days from the date of the posting of this Notice (**June 11, 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 via 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@san Diego.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, 1st Floor Lobby, San Diego, CA 92101. This information will be made available in alternative formats upon request.

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Spirit of the Fourth Parade Route Map and Turn-by-Turn Description July 4, 2025

See route map below.

Route is unchanged from previous years.

The parade starts at the intersection of Lomica Drive and Acena Drive and proceeds counterclockwise. It goes NNE on Acena Drive for 0.5 miles to Rancho Bernardo Road. It turns left and proceeds W for 0.22 miles on the S side of the street to Bernardo Center Drive. It turns left again and goes SSW for 0.42 miles on the E side of the street to Lomica Drive where it again turns left. The parade disperses over 0.13 miles on Lomica Drive.

The westbound lanes of Rancho Bernardo Road and the southbound lanes of Bernardo Center Drive remain open during the parade.

Road closures will begin at 2:30 pm. The parade starts at 3:30 pm and will be over by 4:30 pm.

Spirit of the Fourth Parade

July 4th, 2023

