



Date of Notice: August 25, 2025

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION

SPECIAL EVENTS DEPARTMENT

PROJECT NAME: Special Event Permit - American Heart Association 2025 San Diego Heart & Stroke Walk

COMMUNITY PLAN AREA: Balboa Park and Uptown

COUNCIL DISTRICT: 3

LOCATION: Western area of Balboa Park, roadways in Balboa Park and Uptown (see attached map)

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Special Event Permit for a Heart & Stroke Walk that would take place within Balboa Park and adjacent streets on September 20, 2025. The event would consist of an expo area, walk route, vendors, dogs, a stage, sound amplification, generators, canopies, fencing and/or barriers, food, non-alcoholic beverages, tables, chairs, pre-packaged food, portable restrooms, and recycle/trash containers. Noise associated with the event activities and set-up/dismantling would occur from September 19, 2025, at 8 AM to September 20, 2025, at 1 PM. Set-up would occur on September 19, 2025, from 8 AM to 6 PM. The event would occur on September 20, 2025, from 3:30 AM to 10 AM. Dismantling would occur on September 20, 2025, from 10 AM to 1 PM.

Road closures associated with this event would occur on September 20, 2025, from 6 AM to 9:30 AM with no parking starting at 4 AM and would include

El Prado from 6th to Pan American E.;

Pan American E. from El Prado to Presidents Way;

Presidents Way from Pan American E. Road to Park Blvd.;

Balboa Dr. from 6th/Upas to Juniper (from 5 AM to 11 AM on September 20th;

Partial road closures would include:

Southbound Park Boulevard between Presidents and 163 ramp (6 AM to 9:30 AM on Sept. 20th);

Northbound 163 from A St. to Robinson (5 AM to 11 AM)(participants will exit on Quince St.)

Parking closures associated with this event would occur on September 20, 2025, and would include:

Juniper, Balboa Dr. from EL Prado to Juniper (8 AM to 12 PM)

El Prado from 6th to Balboa Dr. (12 AM to 12 PM);

Balboa Dr. from Quince to El Prado (6 AM to 12 PM);

6th from Juniper to El Prado (12 AM to 12 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 August 25, 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 (**September 2, 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@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

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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