



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

Date of Notice: November 20, 2025

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION

ENGINEERING & CAPITAL PROJECTS DEPARTMENT

WBS No. B-00032.02.06

PROJECT NAME: Design Consultant Services for Water Group 525C

COMMUNITY PLAN AREAS: Downtown, Barrio Logan, & Southeastern San Diego

COUNCIL DISTRICTS: 3 & 8

LOCATION: The proposed project would be located within City of San Diego public right-of-way and City easements. Work would occur on Park Boulevard, Harbor Drive, Tony Gwynn Drive, Imperial Avenue, Park Plaza, 11th Avenue, 12th Avenue, National Avenue, 13th Street, South 13th Street, Commercial Street, Newton Avenue, Switzer Street, Water Street, Beardsley Street, Crosby Road, Cesar E Chavez Parkway, Bay Front Street, Belt Street, Sampson Street, Sicard Street, Schley Street, Main Street, South 30th Street, Boston Avenue, Rigel Street, South 35th Street, Acacia Street, Birch Street, Vesta Street, Dalbergia Court, and Division Street.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Mayoral action to allow award of a design consultant services contract for engineering and environmental services for the Water Group 525C project. The proposed project would replace approximately 3,548 linear feet (0.67 miles) of existing water mains and 24 existing curb ramps; install approximately 1,641 linear feet (0.31 miles) of new water mains and 13 new curb ramps; abandon approximately 5,699 linear feet (1.08 miles) of existing water mains; privatize approximately 7,495 linear feet (1.42 miles) of existing water mains; and close six gate valves and associated appurtenances. The project also proposes street resurfacing consisting of asphalt concrete overlay and slurry seal. The contract scope includes project management, engineering design, research, data collection, surveys, environmental hazard support, preparation of construction documents, geotechnical investigation, community outreach, stakeholder coordination, bid and award support, and construction-phase design services. The geotechnical investigation would involve research, soil borings, subsurface utility exploration, testing, reporting, and field reconnaissance.

ENTITY CONSIDERING PROJECT APPROVAL: City of San Diego

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: This activity is statutorily exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA State Guidelines, Section 15262 (Feasibility and Planning Studies).

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 statutory exemption criteria set forth in CEQA State Guidelines, Section 15262 (Feasibility and Planning Studies) for approval of the design consultant services contract, which includes subsurface geotechnical services.

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On November 20, 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 ten (10) days from the date of the posting of this Notice, December 5, 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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