



Date of Notice: July 23, 2026

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION

SPECIAL EVENTS DEPARTMENT

PROJECT NAME: Special Event Permit - America's Finest City Half Marathon & 5K

COMMUNITY PLAN AREAS: Peninsula, Downtown, Balboa Park

COUNCIL DISTRICTS: 2,3

LOCATION: Cabrillo Monument, city roadways, and Balboa Park (see attached maps & route description)

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Special Event Permit for a half marathon and 5K race event and festival that would occur on August 16, 2026. The Half Marathon starts at the Cabrillo National Monument in Point Loma and finishes in Pan American's Plaza. The 5K starts and finishes in Balboa Park. The post event festival would be located on the grass lawn at Park Boulevard and Presidents Way. The race route is along various streets in the city and is indicated in the attached route description. The finish area at Pan America Plaza would be fenced on two sides with the chute ending at the festival area of the lawn at Presidents Way and Park Boulevard, and would include the temporary use of a stage, sound amplification, generators, fencing and/or barriers, vendors, food trucks, onsite food preparation, a light tower, a fenced-in beer garden, portable restrooms, canopies, trash/recycling containers, tables, and chairs. Alcohol service would occur within Balboa Park from 5:45 AM until 11 AM.

Sound amplification would occur within Balboa Park from 5:45 AM until 11 AM on August 16, 2026. Noise associated with the event activities and setup/dismantling would occur from 8 AM to 3 PM on August 15, 2026, and from 3:30 AM until 2 PM on August 16, 2026. Set up would occur on August 15, 2026, from 8 AM to 3 PM. On August 16, 2026, the event would occur from 3:30 AM to 11 AM, and dismantling would occur from 11 AM to 2 PM.

Road and street parking closures would be associated with the event. See attachments for details. Bike lane closures on Talbot Street from Gage Drive to Scott Street, North Harbor Drive from Scott Street to Harbor Island Drive, and 6th Avenue northbound from A Street to Laurel Street would be in effect for the same times as the road closures listed in the attachment.

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 July 23, 2026, 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 **(July 30, 2026)**.

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 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.

POSTED ON THE CITY'S CEQA WEBSITE

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AMERICA'S FINEST CITY HALF MARATHON RACE DAY - "NO PARK" MATRIX
RACE DAY - 72 HOUR NO PARK SIGNS ; ALL TIMES ARE FOR SUNDAY, AUGUST 16, RACE DAY

STREET CLOSED	FROM:	TO:	SIDE OF ROAD	BEGIN
SILVERGATE	ROSECROFT LN	DUPONT	BOTH SIDES	2:00
ROSECROFT LN	CATALINA	SILVERGATE	BOTH SIDES	2:00
DUPONT	SILVERGATE	GAGE	BOTH SIDES	2:00
GAGE	DUPONT	TALBOT	BOTH SIDES	2:00
TALBOT	GAGE	SCOTT	BOTH SIDES	2:00
SCOTT	TALBOT	N. HARBOR DR	EAST CURB LINE	2:00
N. HARBOR DR	SCOTT	NIMITZ BLVD	SOUTH CURB LINE	2:00
NECK OF HARBOR ISLAND DRIVE	HARBOR ISLAND DRIVE	N HARBOR ISLAND	BOTH SIDES	2:00
ASH	N. HARBOR DR	PACIFIC HIGHWAY	SOUTH CURB LINE	2:00
PACIFIC HIGHWAY	BROADWAY	ASH	EAST CURB LINE	2:00
BROADWAY	PACIFIC HWY	TROLLEY TRACKS	NORTH CURB LINE	2:00
INDIA	A ST	BROADWAY	BOTH SIDES	2:00
A ST	INDIA	6TH AVE	BOTH SIDES	2:00
6TH	A ST	ELM	BOTH SIDES	2:00
6TH	ELM ST	LAUREL	EAST CURB LINE	2:00
LAUREL	6TH AVE	BALBOA DR	BOTH SIDES	2:00
PARK BLVD	PEPPER GROVE	I-5 ON RAMP	WEST CURB LINE	2:00
PARK BLVD	ZOO PLACE	VILLAGE PLACE	WEST CURB LINE	2:00
PLAZA DE PANAMA			ENTIRE PARKING LOT	3:00
PAN AMERICAN PLAZA			ENTIRE PARKING LOT	3:00
ALCAZAR GARDEN PARKING LOT			1 SIGN - LOT CLOSED	5:00