



Date of Notice: July 16, 2026

# NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL

## ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION

### CITY PLANNING DEPARTMENT

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**PROJECT NAME/NUMBER:** Right of Entry Permit between the City of San Diego and Groundwork San Diego – Chollas Creek for Webster Green Alley Phase I  
**COMMUNITY PLAN AREA:** Mid-City: Eastern  
**COUNCIL DISTRICT:** 4  
**LOCATION:** Alley on Marilou Road, Between Brookline St/49th St San Diego, CA

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Right of Entry (ROE) Permit between the City of San Diego and Groundwork San Diego – Chollas Creek for Webster Green Alley Phase I which proposes to transform a 1,300 square foot neglected portion of the named alley “Marilou Road” into a functional stormwater management and filtration site to improve surface water quality in the Chollas Creek Watershed and create a community gathering area. This portion of the Marilou alley will be improved from the currently minimally maintained City alley with weeds and debris to useable community green space. The private property area is not included in the Right-of-Entry permit. The space will be accessed from either alley end – Brookline Street and 49th St.

Key components include removing invasive species, trash, and debris. Overgrown vegetation will be trimmed to allow for pedestrian access to the area. An informal community gathering area will be developed utilizing small sitting boulders, tree rounds, logs, and newly planted native trees. Utility friendly native and drought tolerant trees will be planted and low-profile native plants will be nurtured in various areas of the space to provide a visual interest, and encourage pollinators and birds to inhabit the area. The exposed soil will be covered with 3” of mulch for weed and moisture control. Small cobble rocks may be decorated by community members and used to create a Welcome Border around native plant areas.

**ENTITY CONSIDERING PROJECT APPROVAL:** City of San Diego

**ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION:** This activity is 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, facilities, mechanical

equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use; and 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. 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 as to the exception for hazardous materials, there are locations listed on GeoTracker within 1,000 feet of the project area. While these locations are listed, the proposed projects would not involve ground disturbance which would expose potential hazardous materials, and as such would not preclude the use of a CEQA exemption pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the Government Code.

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On July 16, 2026, 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 (5) business days from the date of the posting of this Notice (**July 23, 2026**). 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](mailto: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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