THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO
Development Services Department

September 3, 2026

Jane Potter, Chair
La Jolla Shores Planned District Advisory Board

Subject: Presentation of La Jolla Shores Planned District Advisory Board Recommendations in Hearing Officer Reports

Dear Ms. Potter:

Thank you for your August 20, 2026 letter regarding the presentation of recommendations from the La Jolla Shores Planned District Advisory Board (LJSPDAB) in Hearing Officer Reports.

The Development Services Department recognizes the Board's unique role under the San Diego Municipal Code in providing input on discretionary projects within the La Jolla Shores Planned District. Staff appreciates your request that future Hearing Officer Reports accurately identify the LJSPDAB and provide appropriate context regarding the basis for the Board's recommendations, particularly when the Board unanimously recommends denial of a project.

Department staff will review the concerns raised in your letter and evaluate how the Board's recommendations and supporting rationale are presented in future Hearing Officer Reports and presentations. Our goal is to ensure that decision-makers receive clear and accurate information regarding the Board's review and recommendation while maintaining consistency with the City's established staff report format and hearing procedures.

Thank you for bringing this matter to our attention and for the Board's continued participation in the development review process.

Sincerely,

Lara Gates

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