

Date of Notice: October 8, 2021

## NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION

**PLANNING DEPARTMENT** 

PROJECT NAME/NUMBER: Special Event Permit - Father Joe's Thanksgiving Day 5K

**COMMUNITY PLAN AREA:** Balboa Park and Hillcrest **COUNCIL DISTRICT:** 3 **LOCATION:** Portions of Balboa Park, surrounding roadways

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Special Event Permit for a run/walk and celebration that would include the temporary use of a run route, a fenced-in beer garden, a stage, entertainment, sound amplification, tables, chairs, and canopies that would occur in Balboa Park and surrounding roadways on November 25, 2021. Alcohol would be served at the event from 8 AM to 11 PM. Noise associated with the event activities and set-up/ dismantling would occur from 7 AM on November 24, 2021, until 1 PM November 25, 2021. On November 24, 2021, set-up would occur from 7 AM until 5 PM. On November 25, 2021, the event would occur from 5 AM until 11 AM and dismantling would occur from 11 AM until 1 PM. The expected number of attendees is 5000.

The run route would begin on south of Laurel St. on Balboa Dr. (runners) and the walk route would begin east of Balboa Dr. on Cabrillo Bridge (walkers) then head west to Balboa Dr., turn north on Balboa Dr., turn north on 6<sup>th</sup> Ave., turn east on Robinson Ave., turn south on Vermont St., turn east on Pennsylvania Ave., turn south on Richmond St., turn east on Upas St., turn south on Park Blvd. (#2 lane only), turn east on the frontage road of the San Diego Zoo, continue south on the frontage road to the San Diego Zoo, turn south on Park Blvd. (#2 lane only), turn west on Village Place, turn east on El Prado and finish just before the reflection pond.

The following road closures and closure times would occur on November 25, 2021:

Quince St off ramp from 163 northbound	7:15 – 8:30 a.m.
Robertson St. off ramp from 163 northbound	7:15 – 9:30 a.m.
Robinson St. off ramp from 163 northbound	7:15 – 9:30 a.m.
Pan American Rd	6:30 – 10:30 a.m.
Cabrillo Bridge	6:00 – 10:30 a.m.
Balboa Dr. from Laurel to Upas St.	7:15 – 8:30 a.m.
6 <sup>th</sup> St. from Upas St. to Robinson St.	7:30 – 9:00 a.m.
Robinson St from 6 <sup>th</sup> St. to Vermont	7:30 – 9:00 a.m.
Vermont from Robinson to Pennsylvania	7:30 – 9:30 a.m.
Pennsylvania from Vermont to Richmond st	7:30 – 9:30 a.m.
Richmond S/B from Pennsylvania to Upas	7:30 – 9:30 a.m.
Upas E/B from Richmond to Park Blvd	7:30 – 9:30 a.m.
Park Blvd S/B from Upas to Zoo Dr	7:30 – 9:30 a.m.

Zoo Dr W/B From Park to the Zoo	7:30 – 9:30 a.m.
Zoo Pl E/B From the Zoo to Park	7:30 – 9:30 a.m.
Park Blvd S/B from Zoo pl to Village Pl	7:30 – 9:30 a.m.
Village Pl. from Park Blvd. to El Prado	7:30 – 10:30 a.m.

## ENTITY CONSIDERING PROJECT APPROVAL: City of San Diego Mayor-Appointed Designee

**ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION:** CEQA exemptions §Section 15301 (Existing Facilities); §Section 15304(e) (Minor Alterations to Land); §Section 15311 (Accessory Structures); §Section 15323 (Normal Operations of Facilities for Public Gatherings).

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 and determined the project meets the categorical exemption criteria set forth in the CEQA State Guidelines: §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(e) (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; §Section 15323 (Normal Operations of Facilities for Public Gatherings) which allows for the normal operations of existing facilities for public gatherings for which the facilities were designed, where there is a past history of the facility being used for the same or similar kind of purpose has been occurring for at least three years and that there is a reasonable expectation that the future occurrence of the project would not represent a change in the operation of the facility.

In addition, the exceptions set forth in the CEQA State Guidelines §15300.2 do not apply to this project wherein: a) the project would not impact an environmental resource of hazardous or critical concern where designated, precisely mapped, and officially adopted pursuant to law by federal, state, or local agencies; b) no cumulative impacts of successive projects of the same type in the same place were identified; c) there is no reasonable possibility that the project would have a significant effect on the environment due to unusual circumstances; d) the project would not result in damage to scenic resources, including but not limited to, trees, historic buildings, rock outcroppings, or similar resources, within a highway officially designated as a state scenic highway; e) the project is not located on a site which is included on any list compiled pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the Government Code; and f) the project would not cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource.

## **CITY CONTACT:**

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On October 8, 2021 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 Development Project Manager listed above.

Applications to appeal CEQA determination made by staff (including the City Manager) to the City Council must be filed in the office of the City Clerk within 10 business days from the date of the posting of this Notice (**March 12, 2020**). The appeal application can 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.

**POSTING PERIOD COMPLETED** 

DATE: <u>10/8/21</u>

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