



Date of Notice: November 2, 2022

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION

SPECIAL EVENTS DEPARTMENT

PROJECT NAME/NUMBER: Special Event Permit - Balboa Park December Nights

COMMUNITY PLAN AREA: Balboa Park

COUNCIL DISTRICT: 3

LOCATION: Balboa Park

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Special Event Permit for a specialty lighting and holiday event that would occur within Balboa Park on December 2 & 3, 2022. The event would include lights, stages, entertainment, music, dance performances, carolers, bell ringers, choirs, bands, food preparation, food vendors, canopies, generators, sound amplification, fencing and/or barriers, portable restrooms, canopies, tables, chairs, and entertainment. Noise associated with the event activities and set-up/dismantling would occur from November 25, 2022 at 12 AM through December 5, 2022 at 12 AM. Set up would occur over eight days: November 25, 2022 through December 1, 2022 from 12 AM to 12 AM the following day and on December 2, 2022 from 12 AM to 3 PM. The event would occur over two days: December 2, 2022 from 3 PM to 11 PM and on December 3, 2022 from 11 AM to 11 PM. Dismantling would occur over three days; December 3, 2022 from 11 PM to 12 AM and December 4 & 5, 2022 from 12 AM to 12 AM each day. For the December Nights event, the Special Event Permit covers four of the stages occurring throughout the park - the Organ Pavilion, the Bon Temps Social Club Dance Stage, the Cascades Stage, and the Recital Hall Lawn Stage.

Road closures associated with the event would occur from 6 AM on December 2, 2022 until 12:01 AM on December 4, 2022, and would include

El Prado between 6th Avenue and Pan American Road East,
Pan America Way East between El Prado and Presidents Way,
Pan America Road West between Pan American Road East and Presidents Way,
Presidents Way between Pan American Road East and Park Boulevard, and
Village Place between Park Boulevard and El Prado.

Parking would be closed within the following parking lots:

Alcazar Lot- November 29, 2022 at 8 AM to December 4, 2022 at 2 PM

Carousel South Lot- December 2, 2022 at 6 AM to December 4, 2022 at 12 AM

Federal Lot- December 2, 2022 from 6 AM to December 4, 2022 at 12 AM
Organ Pavilion Lot- December 2, 2022 from 6 AM to December 4, 2022 at 12 AM
Palisades North- December 2, 2022 from 6 AM to December 4, 2022 at 12 AM

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 November 2, 2022 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 (**November 9, 2022**). During the Statewide "Safer-at-Home" directive to reduce the spread of COVID-19, beginning March 19, 2021, appeals to the City Clerk must be filed by email or US Mail as follows:

1. Appeals filed via E-mail: Send the appeal by email to Hearings1@sandiego.gov; your email appeal will be acknowledged within 24 hours. The [appeal application can be obtained here](#). 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 postmarked within 5 business days of the date the appeal is filed.
2. Appeals filed In-Person: The appeal application can be obtained in the Lobby of the City Administration Building located at 202 'C' Street, San Diego, CA 92101. The completed appeal

package must include the required appeal fee in the form of a check payable to the City Treasurer to: **City Clerk/Appeal, MS 2A, 202 C Street, San Diego, CA 92101.**

If you have any questions regarding the procedures to file the appeal, please contact Linda J Marabian at LJMarabian@sandiego.gov. The revised Public Notice can be found here:

https://www.sandiego.gov/sites/default/files/office_of_the_city_clerk_public_notice_rev09252020_v2.pdf

This information will be made available in alternative formats available in alternative formats upon request.

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