

MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

Project No. 612853 SCH No. Pending If Applicable

- SUBJECT: Hotel Point Loma CDP SDP NDP: Coastal Development Permit (CDP), Site Development Permit (SDP), and Neighborhood Development Permit (NDP) to demolish an existing two-story 40-room motel, and construct a new three-story 91room 50,190 square-foot hotel with 26,330 square-feet of underground parking. The proposed project site is located at 1325 Scott Street on a 0.62-acre site in the CV-1-2, Community Plan Implementation (B), and Coastal (Appealable) Overlay Zones within the Peninsula Community Plan area, Council District 2. The site is not included on any Government Code listing of hazardous waste sites. (LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Real property in the City of San Diego, County of San Diego, State of California, described as follows: Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 10, 11, and 12, all in block 44 of Roseville in the City of San Diego, County of San Diego, State of California, according to map thereof No. 165, filed in the Office of the County Recorder of San Diego County. Excepting therefrom that portion if any, lying below the mean high tide line of San Diego Bay. Except therefrom all oil, gas, minerals and other hydrocarbon substances, lying below a depth of 500 feet, without the right surface entry.) APPLICANT: Les Biggins, Vista Investments LLC.
- I. PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

See attached Initial Study.

II. ENVIRONMENTAL SETTING:

See attached Initial Study.

III. DETERMINATION:

The City of San Diego conducted an Initial Study which determined that the proposed project could have a significant environmental effect in the following areas(s): **Cultural Resources** (Archaeology), and **Tribal Cultural Resources**. Subsequent revisions in the project proposal create the specific mitigation identified in Section V of this Mitigated Negative Declaration. The project as revised now avoids or mitigates the potentially significant

environmental effects previously identified, and the preparation of an Environmental Impact Report will not be required.

IV. DOCUMENTATION:

The attached Initial Study documents the reasons to support the above Determination.

V. MITIGATION, MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM:

A. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS – PART I Plan Check Phase (prior to permit issuance)

1. Prior to the issuance of a Notice To Proceed (NTP) for a subdivision, or any construction permits, such as Demolition, Grading or Building, or beginning any construction related activity on-site, the Development Services Department (DSD) Director's Environmental Designee (ED) shall review and approve all Construction Documents (CD), (plans, specification, details, etc.) to ensure the MMRP requirements are incorporated into the design.

2. In addition, the ED shall verify that <u>the MMRP Conditions/Notes that apply ONLY to the</u> <u>construction phases of this project are included VERBATIM</u>, under the heading, "ENVIRONMENTAL/MITIGATION REQUIREMENTS."

3. These notes must be shown within the first three (3) sheets of the construction documents in the format specified for engineering construction document templates as shown on the City website:

http://www.sandiego.gov/development-services/industry/standtemp.shtml

4. The **TITLE INDEX SHEET** must also show on which pages the "Environmental/Mitigation Requirements" notes are provided.

5. **SURETY AND COST RECOVERY** – The Development Services Director or City Manager may require appropriate surety instruments or bonds from private Permit Holders to ensure the long term performance or implementation of required mitigation measures or programs. The City is authorized to recover its cost to offset the salary, overhead, and expenses for City personnel and programs to monitor qualifying projects.

B. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS – PART II Post Plan Check (After permit issuance/Prior to start of construction)

1. PRE CONSTRUCTION MEETING IS REQUIRED TEN (10) WORKING DAYS PRIOR TO BEGINNING ANY WORK ON THIS PROJECT. The PERMIT HOLDER/OWNER is responsible to arrange and perform this meeting by contacting the CITY RESIDENT ENGINEER (RE) of the Field Engineering Division and City staff from MITIGATION MONITORING COORDINATION (MMC). Attendees must also include the Permit holder's Representative(s), Job Site Superintendent and the following consultants:

Qualified Archaeologist, Native American Monitor

Note:

Failure of all responsible Permit Holder's representatives and consultants to attend shall require an additional meeting with all parties present.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

a) The PRIMARY POINT OF CONTACT is the **RE** at the **Field Engineering Division – 858-627-**3200

b) For Clarification of ENVIRONMENTAL REQUIREMENTS, it is also required to call **RE and MMC at 858-627-3360**

2. MMRP COMPLIANCE: This Project, Project Tracking System (PTS) #612853 and /or Environmental Document #612853, shall conform to the mitigation requirements contained in the associated Environmental Document and implemented to the satisfaction of the DSD's Environmental Designee (MMC) and the City Engineer (RE). The requirements may not be reduced or changed but may be annotated (i.e. to explain when and how compliance is being met and location of verifying proof, etc.). Additional clarifying information may also be added to other relevant plan sheets and/or specifications as appropriate (i.e., specific locations, times of monitoring, methodology, etc

Note:

Permit Holder's Representatives must alert RE and MMC if there are any discrepancies in the plans or notes, or any changes due to field conditions. All conflicts must be approved by RE and MMC BEFORE the work is performed.

3. OTHER AGENCY REQUIREMENTS: Evidence of compliance with all other agency requirements or permits shall be submitted to the RE and MMC for review and acceptance prior to the beginning of work or within one week of the Permit Holder obtaining documentation of those permits or requirements. Evidence shall include copies of permits, letters of resolution or other documentation issued by the responsible agency.

None Required

4. MONITORING EXHIBITS

All consultants are required to submit, to RE and MMC, a monitoring exhibit on a 11x17 reduction of the appropriate construction plan, such as site plan, grading, landscape, etc., marked to clearly show the specific areas including the **LIMIT OF WORK**, scope of that discipline's work, and notes indicating when in the construction schedule that work will be performed. When necessary for clarification, a detailed methodology of how the work will be performed shall be included.

NOTE:

Surety and Cost Recovery – When deemed necessary by the Development Services Director or City Manager, additional surety instruments or bonds from the private Permit Holder may be required to ensure the long term performance or implementation of required mitigation measures or programs. The City is authorized to recover its cost to offset the salary, overhead, and expenses for City personnel and programs to monitor qualifying projects.

5. OTHER SUBMITTALS AND INSPECTIONS:

The Permit Holder/Owner's representative shall submit all required documentation, verification letters, and requests for all associated inspections to the RE and MMC for approval per the following schedule:

DOCUMENT SUBMITTAL/INSPECTION CHECKLIST					
Issue Area	Document Submittal	Associated			
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General	Consultant Qualification	Prior to Preconstruction			
	Letters	Meeting			
General	Consultant Construction	Prior to or at Preconstruction			
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Archaeological Resources	Monitoring Report(s)	Monitoring Report Approval			
Bond Release	Request for Bond Release	Final MMRP Inspections Prior to			
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B. SPECIFIC MMRP ISSUE AREA CONDITIONS/REQUIREMENTS

TRIBAL CULTURAL RESOURCES AND CULTURAL RESOURCES (ARCHAEOLOGY) MITIGATION

I. Prior to Permit Issuance

- A. Entitlements Plan Check
 - Prior to issuance of any construction permits, including but not limited to, the first Grading Permit, Demolition Plans/Permits and Building Plans/Permits or a Notice to Proceed for Subdivisions, but prior to the first preconstruction meeting, whichever is applicable, the Assistant Deputy Director (ADD) Environmental designee shall verify that the requirements for Archaeological Monitoring and Native American monitoring have been noted on the applicable construction documents through the plan check process.

B. Letters of Qualification have been submitted to ADD

- The applicant shall submit a letter of verification to Mitigation Monitoring Coordination (MMC) identifying the Principal Investigator (PI) for the project and the names of all persons involved in the archaeological monitoring program, as defined in the City of San Diego Historical Resources Guidelines (HRG). If applicable, individuals involved in the archaeological monitoring program must have completed the 40-hour HAZWOPER training with certification documentation.
- 2. MMC will provide a letter to the applicant confirming the qualifications of the PI and all persons involved in the archaeological monitoring of the project meet the qualifications established in the HRG.
- 3. Prior to the start of work, the applicant must obtain written approval from MMC for any personnel changes associated with the monitoring program.

II. Prior to Start of Construction

- A. Verification of Records Search
 - 1. The PI shall provide verification to MMC that a site specific records search (1/4 mile radius) has been completed. Verification includes, but is not limited to a copy of a

confirmation letter from South Coastal Information Center, or, if the search was inhouse, a letter of verification from the PI stating that the search was completed.

- 2. The letter shall introduce any pertinent information concerning expectations and probabilities of discovery during trenching and/or grading activities.
- 3. The PI may submit a detailed letter to MMC requesting a reduction to the ¼ mile radius.
- B. PI Shall Attend Precon Meetings
 - Prior to beginning any work that requires monitoring; the Applicant shall arrange a Precon Meeting that shall include the Pl, Native American consultant/monitor (where Native American resources may be impacted), Construction Manager (CM) and/or Grading Contractor, Resident Engineer (RE), Building Inspector (BI), if appropriate, and MMC. The qualified Archaeologist and Native American Monitor shall attend any grading/excavation related Precon Meetings to make comments and/or suggestions concerning the Archaeological Monitoring program with the Construction Manager and/or Grading Contractor.
 - a. If the PI is unable to attend the Precon Meeting, the Applicant shall schedule a focused Precon Meeting with MMC, the PI, RE, CM or BI, if appropriate, prior to the start of any work that requires monitoring.
 - 2. Identify Areas to be Monitored
 - a. Prior to the start of any work that requires monitoring, the PI shall submit an Archaeological Monitoring Exhibit (AME) (with verification that the AME has been reviewed and approved by the Native American consultant/monitor when Native American resources may be impacted) based on the appropriate construction documents (reduced to 11x17) to MMC identifying the areas to be monitored including the delineation of grading/excavation limits.
 - b. The AME shall be based on the results of a site specific records search as well as information regarding existing known soil conditions (native or formation).
 - 3. When Monitoring Will Occur
 - a. Prior to the start of any work, the PI shall also submit a construction schedule to MMC through the RE indicating when and where monitoring will occur.
 - b. The PI may submit a detailed letter to MMC prior to the start of work or during construction requesting a modification to the monitoring program. This request shall be based on relevant information such as review of final construction documents which indicate site conditions such as depth of excavation and/or site graded to bedrock, etc., which may reduce or increase the potential for resources to be present.

III. During Construction

- A. Monitor(s) Shall be Present During Grading/Excavation/Trenching
 - The Archaeological Monitor shall be present full-time during all soil disturbing and grading/excavation/trenching activities which could result in impacts to archaeological resources as identified on the AME. The Construction Manager is responsible for notifying the RE, PI, and MMC of changes to any construction activities such as in the case of a potential safety concern within the area being monitored. In certain circumstances OSHA safety requirements may necessitate modification of the AME.

- The Native American consultant/monitor shall determine the extent of their presence during soil disturbing and grading/excavation/trenching activities based on the AME and provide that information to the PI and MMC. If prehistoric resources are encountered during the Native American consultant/monitor's absence, work shall stop and the Discovery Notification Process detailed in Section III.B-C and IV.A-D shall commence.
- 3. The PI may submit a detailed letter to MMC during construction requesting a modification to the monitoring program when a field condition such as modern disturbance post-dating the previous grading/trenching activities, presence of fossil formations, or when native soils are encountered that may reduce or increase the potential for resources to be present.
- 4. The archaeological and Native American consultant/monitor shall document field activity via the Consultant Site Visit Record (CSVR). The CSVR's shall be faxed by the CM to the RE the first day of monitoring, the last day of monitoring, monthly (Notification of Monitoring Completion), and in the case of ANY discoveries. The RE shall forward copies to MMC.
- B. Discovery Notification Process
 - In the event of a discovery, the Archaeological Monitor shall direct the contractor to temporarily divert all soil disturbing activities, including but not limited to digging, trenching, excavating or grading activities in the area of discovery and in the area reasonably suspected to overlay adjacent resources and immediately notify the RE or Bl, as appropriate.
 - 2. The Monitor shall immediately notify the PI (unless Monitor is the PI) of the discovery.
 - 3. The PI shall immediately notify MMC by phone of the discovery, and shall also submit written documentation to MMC within 24 hours by fax or email with photos of the resource in context, if possible.
 - 4. No soil shall be exported off-site until a determination can be made regarding the significance of the resource specifically if Native American resources are encountered.
- C. Determination of Significance
 - 1. The PI and Native American consultant/monitor, where Native American resources are discovered shall evaluate the significance of the resource. If Human Remains are involved, follow protocol in Section IV below.
 - a. The PI shall immediately notify MMC by phone to discuss significance determination and shall also submit a letter to MMC indicating whether additional mitigation is required.
 - b. If the resource is significant, the PI shall submit an Archaeological Data Recovery Program (ADRP) which has been reviewed by the Native American consultant/monitor, and obtain written approval from MMC. Impacts to significant resources must be mitigated before ground disturbing activities in the area of discovery will be allowed to resume. Note: If a unique archaeological site is also an historical resource as defined in CEQA, then the limits on the amount(s) that a project applicant may be required to pay to cover mitigation costs as indicated in CEQA Section 21083.2 shall not apply.

c. If the resource is not significant, the PI shall submit a letter to MMC indicating that artifacts will be collected, curated, and documented in the Final Monitoring Report. The letter shall also indicate that that no further work is required.

IV. Discovery of Human Remains

If human remains are discovered, work shall halt in that area and no soil shall be exported off-site until a determination can be made regarding the provenance of the human remains; and the following procedures as set forth in CEQA Section 15064.5(e), the California Public Resources Code (Sec. 5097.98) and State Health and Safety Code (Sec. 7050.5) shall be undertaken:

- A. Notification
 - 1. Archaeological Monitor shall notify the RE or BI as appropriate, MMC, and the PI, if the Monitor is not qualified as a PI. MMC will notify the appropriate Senior Planner in the Environmental Analysis Section (EAS) of the Development Services Department to assist with the discovery notification process.
 - 2. The PI shall notify the Medical Examiner after consultation with the RE, either in person or via telephone.
- B. Isolate discovery site
 - 1. Work shall be directed away from the location of the discovery and any nearby area reasonably suspected to overlay adjacent human remains until a determination can be made by the Medical Examiner in consultation with the PI concerning the provenance of the remains.
 - 2. The Medical Examiner, in consultation with the PI, will determine the need for a field examination to determine the provenance.
 - 3. If a field examination is not warranted, the Medical Examiner will determine with input from the PI, if the remains are or are most likely to be of Native American origin.
- C. If Human Remains **ARE** determined to be Native American
 - 1. The Medical Examiner will notify the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) within 24 hours. By law, **ONLY** the Medical Examiner can make this call.
 - 2. NAHC will immediately identify the person or persons determined to be the Most Likely Descendent (MLD) and provide contact information.
 - 3. The MLD will contact the PI within 24 hours or sooner after the Medical Examiner has completed coordination, to begin the consultation process in accordance with CEQA Section 15064.5(e), the California Public Resources and Health & Safety Codes.
 - 4. The MLD will have 48 hours to make recommendations to the property owner or representative, for the treatment or disposition with proper dignity, of the human remains and associated grave goods.
 - 5. Disposition of Native American Human Remains will be determined between the MLD and the PI, and, if:
 - a. The NAHC is unable to identify the MLD, OR the MLD failed to make a recommendation within 48 hours after being notified by the Commission; OR;
 - b. The landowner or authorized representative rejects the recommendation of the MLD and mediation in accordance with PRC 5097.94 (k) by the NAHC fails to provide measures acceptable to the landowner, THEN,
 - c. In order to protect these sites, the Landowner shall do one or more of the following:
 - (1) Record the site with the NAHC;

- (2) Record an open space or conservation easement on the site;
- (3) Record a document with the County.
- d. Upon the discovery of multiple Native American human remains during a ground disturbing land development activity, the landowner may agree that additional conferral with descendants is necessary to consider culturally appropriate treatment of multiple Native American human remains. Culturally appropriate treatment of such a discovery may be ascertained from review of the site utilizing cultural and archaeological standards. Where the parties are unable to agree on the appropriate treatment measures the human remains and items associated and buried with Native American human remains shall be reinterred with appropriate dignity, pursuant to Section 5.c., above.
- D. If Human Remains are **NOT** Native American
 - 1. The PI shall contact the Medical Examiner and notify them of the historic era context of the burial.
 - 2. The Medical Examiner will determine the appropriate course of action with the PI and City staff (PRC 5097.98).
 - 3. If the remains are of historic origin, they shall be appropriately removed and conveyed to the San Diego Museum of Man for analysis. The decision for internment of the human remains shall be made in consultation with MMC, EAS, the applicant/landowner, any known descendant group, and the San Diego Museum of Man.

V. Night and/or Weekend Work

- A. If night and/or weekend work is included in the contract
 - 1. When night and/or weekend work is included in the contract package, the extent and timing shall be presented and discussed at the precon meeting.
 - 2. The following procedures shall be followed.
 - a. No Discoveries

In the event that no discoveries were encountered during night and/or weekend work, the PI shall record the information on the CSVR and submit to MMC via fax by 8AM of the next business day.

b. Discoveries

All discoveries shall be processed and documented using the existing procedures detailed in Sections III - During Construction, and IV – Discovery of Human Remains. Discovery of human remains shall always be treated as a significant discovery.

- c. Potentially Significant Discoveries If the PI determines that a potentially significant discovery has been made, the procedures detailed under Section III - During Construction and IV-Discovery of Human Remains shall be followed.
- d. The PI shall immediately contact MMC, or by 8AM of the next business day to report and discuss the findings as indicated in Section III-B, unless other specific arrangements have been made.
- B. If night and/or weekend work becomes necessary during the course of construction
 - 1. The Construction Manager shall notify the RE, or BI, as appropriate, a minimum of 24 hours before the work is to begin.
 - 2. The RE, or BI, as appropriate, shall notify MMC immediately.
- C. All other procedures described above shall apply, as appropriate.

VI. Post Construction

- A. Preparation and Submittal of Draft Monitoring Report
 - 1. The PI shall submit two copies of the Draft Monitoring Report (even if negative), prepared in accordance with the Historical Resources Guidelines (Appendix C/D) which describes the results, analysis, and conclusions of all phases of the Archaeological Monitoring Program (with appropriate graphics) to MMC for review and approval within 90 days following the completion of monitoring. It should be noted that if the PI is unable to submit the Draft Monitoring Report within the allotted 90-day timeframe resulting from delays with analysis, special study results or other complex issues, a schedule shall be submitted to MMC establishing agreed due dates and the provision for submittal of monthly status reports until this measure can be met.
 - a. For significant archaeological resources encountered during monitoring, the Archaeological Data Recovery Program shall be included in the Draft Monitoring Report.
 - b. Recording Sites with State of California Department of Parks and Recreation The PI shall be responsible for recording (on the appropriate State of California Department of Park and Recreation forms-DPR 523 A/B) any significant or potentially significant resources encountered during the Archaeological Monitoring Program in accordance with the City's Historical Resources Guidelines, and submittal of such forms to the South Coastal Information Center with the Final Monitoring Report.
 - 2. MMC shall return the Draft Monitoring Report to the PI for revision or, for preparation of the Final Report.
 - 3. The PI shall submit revised Draft Monitoring Report to MMC for approval.
 - 4. MMC shall provide written verification to the PI of the approved report.
 - 5. MMC shall notify the RE or BI, as appropriate, of receipt of all Draft Monitoring Report submittals and approvals.
- B. Handling of Artifacts
 - 1. The PI shall be responsible for ensuring that all cultural remains collected are cleaned and catalogued
 - 2. The PI shall be responsible for ensuring that all artifacts are analyzed to identify function and chronology as they relate to the history of the area; that faunal material is identified as to species; and that specialty studies are completed, as appropriate.
 - 3. The cost for curation is the responsibility of the property owner.
- C. Curation of artifacts: Accession Agreement and Acceptance Verification
 - 1. The PI shall be responsible for ensuring that all artifacts associated with the survey, testing and/or data recovery for this project are permanently curated with an appropriate institution. This shall be completed in consultation with MMC and the Native American representative, as applicable.
 - 2. The PI shall include the Acceptance Verification from the curation institution in the Final Monitoring Report submitted to the RE or BI and MMC.
 - 3. When applicable to the situation, the PI shall include written verification from the Native American consultant/monitor indicating that Native American resources were treated in accordance with state law and/or applicable agreements. If the resources were reinterred, verification shall be provided to show what protective measures

were taken to ensure no further disturbance occurs in accordance with Section IV – Discovery of Human Remains, Subsection 5.

- D. Final Monitoring Report(s)
 - 1. The PI shall submit one copy of the approved Final Monitoring Report to the RE or BI as appropriate, and one copy to MMC (even if negative), within 90 days after notification from MMC that the draft report has been approved.
 - 2. The RE shall, in no case, issue the Notice of Completion and/or release of the Performance Bond for grading until receiving a copy of the approved Final Monitoring Report from MMC which includes the Acceptance Verification from the curation institution.

VI. PUBLIC REVIEW DISTRIBUTION:

Draft copies or notice of this Mitigated Negative Declaration were distributed to:

State of California California Coastal Commission State Clearinghouse City of San Diego Councilmember Jennifer Campbell, District 2 **City Attorney** Corrine Neuffer Planning Department Alyssa Muto Oscar Galvez, Plan Facilities Financing Tony Kempton, Plan Long Range Gary Nguyen, PUD Water and Sewer **Development Services Department** Courtney Holowach, EAS Jeff Szymanski, EAS Karen Bucey, Project Manager George Cornell, Fire-Plan Review Lisa Wood, Environmental Services Department Hoss Florezabihi, LDR-Engineering Patrick Thomas, LDR-Geology Vanessa Kohakura, LDR-Landscaping Sarah Hatinen, LDR-Planning Ismail Elhamad, LDR-Transportation **Central Library** Point Loma Hervey Branch Library Other San Diego Visitor Convention and Visitors Bureau Sierra Club Local 30 Carmen Lucas

South Coastal Information Center

San Diego Archaeological Center

San Diego Natural History Museum Save Our Heritage Organization **Ron Christman Clint Linton** Frank Brown - Inter-Tribal Cultural Resources Council Campo Band of Mission Indians San Diego County Archaeological Society, Inc. Native American Heritage Commission Kumeyaay Cultural Heritage Preservation Kumeyaay Repatriation Committee Native American Distribution The Peninsula Beacon Peninsula Community Planning Board Peninsula Chamber of Commerce Richard J. Lareau Mary Blagg

VII. **RESULTS OF PUBLIC REVIEW:**

- () No comments were received during the public input period.
- Comments were received but did not address the accuracy or completeness of the (\mathbf{X}) draft environmental document. No response is necessary and the letters are incorporated herein.
- () Comments addressing the accuracy or completeness of the draft environmental document were received during the public input period. The letters and responses are incorporated herein.

Copies of the draft Mitigated Negative Declaration, the Mitigation, Monitoring and Reporting Program and any Initial Study material are available in the office of the Development Services Department for review, or for purchase at the cost of reproduction.

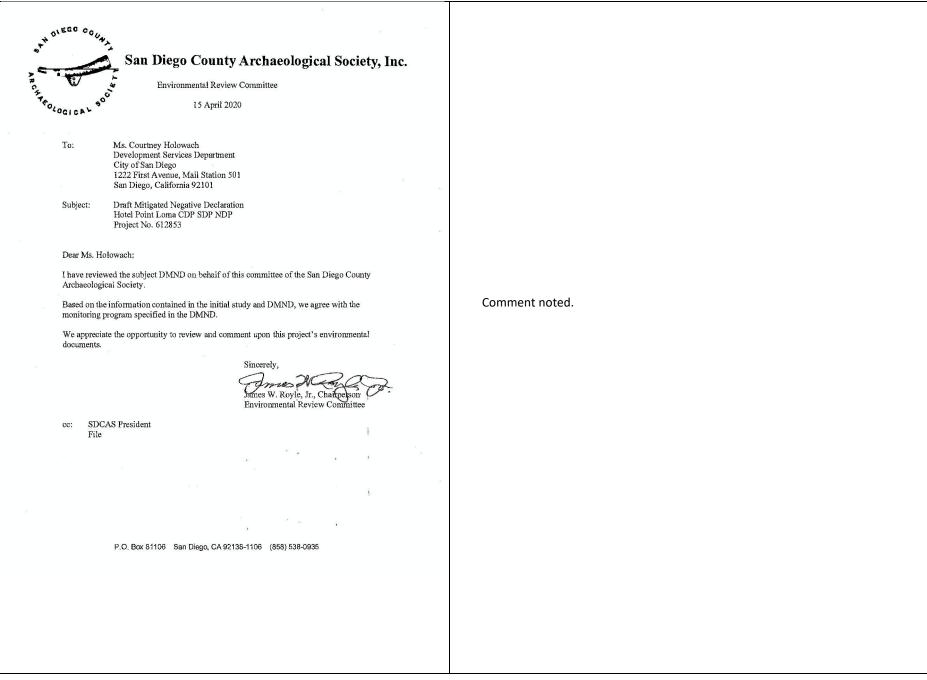
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Analyst: Courtney Holowach

Attachments: Location Map Site Plan **Project Renderings**

4720 Date of Draft Report



INITIAL STUDY CHECKLIST

- 1. Project title/Project number: Hotel Point Loma CDP SDP NDP / 612853
- 2. Lead agency name and address: City of San Diego, 1222 First Avenue, MS-501, San Diego, California 92101
- 3. Contact person and phone number: Courtney Holowach / (619) 446-5187
- 4. Project location: 1325 Scott Street, San Diego, CA 92106
- 5. Project Applicant/Sponsor's name and address: Les Biggins, Vista Investments, LLC, 2225 Campus Dr., El Segundo, CA 90245
- 6. General/Community Plan designation: Peninsula Community Plan\ CPIOZ Area B, Roseville Commercial
- 7. Zoning: CV-1-2
- 8. Description of project (Describe the whole action involved, including but not limited to, later phases of the project, and any secondary, support, or off-site features necessary for its implementation.):

The proposed project would demolish an existing two-story, 40 room motel on a 0.624-acre site and construct a 91 room hotel (22 classic king rooms, 29 deconstructed king rooms, 30 double queen rooms, and 10 king suites) and a lobby/lounge. Additionally, the hotel would include a hotel bar serving food, a pool and pool deck, and room. The project would provide 91 parking spaces, including eight zero emission/carpool spaces, five electric vehicle spaces, two motorcycle spaces, and one loading zone. The project would also provide five short term bike parking spaces and five long term bike parking spaces. Parking would be in a 26,330-square-foot underground lot with access taken from Emerson Street. Grading for the project would be 13,250 cubic yards to a depth of 12 feet. All existing sewer services on Scott Street are to be abandoned at the property line. All existing water services on Scott Street are to be terminated at the main. The project proposes to extend existing water and sewer from Dickenson Street to Emerson Street. Planned exterior materials include vertical wood-like fins, white break metal accents, brushed metal aluminum storefront, wood siding, smooth stucco, board formed concrete accent walls and white painted metal rails. Proposed landscape includes Jacaranda, Chalk Finger Aloe, Dwarf Philodendron, and Trailing Jade.

9. Surrounding land uses and setting:

The proposed project is located within: Base Zone CV-1-2, First Public Roadway, Coastal Overlay Zone (Appealable), Coastal Height Limitation Overlay Zone, Community Plan Implementation Overlay Zone (CPIOZ- Area B, Roseville Commercial Area), Parking Impact Overlay Zone (Beach & Coastal), Transit Priority Area, FAA Part 77 Noticing Area (Lindbergh & North Island), Airport Influence Area (Review Area 2), and the Peninsula Community Plan. The surrounding land uses are a variety of commercial entities, including restaurants, hotels, and a bank. Residential apartments are located directly across from the project on the Dickenson Street side. The Pacific Ocean is located approximately 338 feet to the west of the project site.

10. Other public agencies whose approval is required (e.g., permits, financing approval, or participation agreement):

California Coastal Commission

11. Have California Native American tribes traditionally and culturally affiliated with the project area requested consultation pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21080.3.1? If so, has consultation begun?

Yes, two Native American Tribes traditionally and culturally affiliated with the project area requested consultation pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21080.3.1. The City of San Diego sent notification to these two Native American Tribes on August 15, 2018. Both the lipay Nation of Santa Ysabel and the Jamul Indian Village responded within the 30-day period requesting consultation and additional information. Consultation took place and was concluded on September 12, 2018 with the lipay Nation of Santa Ysabel. Consultation took place and was concluded on September 12, 2018 with the Jamul Indian Village. Please see Section XVII of the Initial Study for more information regarding the consultation.

Note: Conducting consultation early in the CEQA process allows tribal governments, lead agencies, and project proponents to discuss the level of environmental review, identify and address potential adverse impacts to tribal cultural resources, and reduce the potential for delay and conflict in the environmental review process. (See Public Resources Code section 21083.3.2.) Information may also be available from the California Native American Heritage Commission's Sacred Lands File per Public Resources Code section 5097.96 and the California Historical Resources Information System administered by the California Office of Historic Preservation. Please also note that Public Resources Code section 21082.3(c) contains provisions specific to confidentiality.

ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS POTENTIALLY AFFECTED:

The environmental factors checked below would be potentially affected by this project, involving at least one impact that is a "Potentially Significant Impact" as indicated by the checklist on the following pages.

	Aesthetics		Greenhouse Gas Emissions		Population/Housing
	Agriculture and Forestry Resources	□ Materia	Hazards & Hazardous lls		Public Services
	Air Quality		Hydrology/Water Quality		Recreation
	Biological Resources		Land Use/Planning	Transp	ortation/Traffic
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	Geology/Soils		Noise		Utilities/Service System
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DETERMINATION: (To be completed by Lead Agency)

On the basis of this initial evaluation:

- The proposed project COULD NOT have a significant effect on the environment, and a NEGATIVE DECLARATION will be prepared.
- Although the proposed project could have a significant effect on the environment, there will not be a significant effect in this case because revisions in the project have been made by or agreed to by the project proponent. A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION will be prepared.
- The proposed project MAY have a significant effect on the environment, and an ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT is required.
- The proposed project MAY have a "potentially significant impact" or "potentially significant unless mitigated" impact on the environment, but at least one effect (a) has been adequately analyzed in an earlier document pursuant to applicable legal standards, and (b) has been addressed by mitigation measures based on the earlier analysis as described on attached sheets. An ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT is required.
- Although the proposed project could have a significant effect on the environment, because all potentially significant effects (a) have been analyzed adequately in an earlier EIR or (MITIGATED) NEGATIVE DECLARATION pursuant to applicable standards, and (b) have been avoided or mitigated pursuant to that earlier EIR or (MITIGATED) NEGATIVE DECLARATION, including revisions or mitigation measures that are imposed upon the proposed project, nothing further is required.

EVALUATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS:

- 1) A brief explanation is required for all answers except "No Impact" answers that are adequately supported by the information sources a lead agency cites in the parentheses following each question. A "No Impact" answer is adequately supported if the referenced information sources show that the impact simply does not apply to projects like the one involved (e.g., the project falls outside a fault rupture zone). A "No Impact answer should be explained where it is based on project specific factors as well as general standards (e.g., the project will not expose sensitive receptors to pollutants, based on a project-specific screening analysis.)
- 2) All answers must take account of the whole action involved, including off-site as well as on-site, cumulative as well as project-level, indirect as well as direct, and construction as well as operational impacts.
- Once the lead agency has determined that a particular physical impact may occur, then the checklist answers must indicate whether the impact is potentially significant, less than significant with mitigation, or less than significant.
 "Potentially Significant Impact" is appropriate if there is substantial evidence that an effect may be significant. If there are one or more "Potentially Significant Impact" entries when the determination is made, an EIR is required.
- 4) "Negative Declaration: Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporated" applies where the incorporation of mitigation measures has reduced an effect from "Potentially Significant Impact" to a "Less Than Significant Impact." The lead agency must describe the mitigation measures, and briefly explain how they reduce the effect to a less than significant level (mitigation measures from "Earlier Analyses", as described in (5) below, may be cross-referenced).
- 5) Earlier analyses may be used where, pursuant to the tiering, program EIR, or other CEQA process, an effect has been adequately analyzed in an earlier EIR or (mitigated) negative declaration. *Section* 15063(c)(3)(D). In this case, a brief discussion should identify the following:
 - a. Earlier Analysis Used. Identify and state where they are available for review.
 - b. Impacts Adequately Addressed. Identify which effects from the above checklist were within the scope of and adequately analyzed in an earlier document pursuant to applicable legal standards, and state whether such effects were addressed by mitigation measures based on the earlier analysis.
 - c. Mitigation Measures. For effects that are "Less Than Significant With Mitigation Measures Incorporated", describe the mitigation measures that were incorporated or refined from the earlier document and the extent to which they address site-specific conditions for the project.
- 6) Lead agencies are encouraged to incorporate into the checklist references to information sources for potential impacts (e.g., general plans, zoning ordinances). Reference to a previously prepared or outside document should, where appropriate, include a reference to the page or pages where the statement is substantiated.
- 7) Supporting Information Sources: A source list should be attached, and other sources used or individuals contacted should be cited in the discussion.
- 8) This is only a suggested form, and lead agencies are free to use different formats; however, lead agencies should normally address the questions from this checklist that are relevant to a project's environmental effects in whatever format is selected.
- 9) The explanation of each issue should identify:
 - a. The significance criteria or threshold, if any, used to evaluate each question; and
 - b. The mitigation measure identified, if any, to reduce the impact to less than significant.

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I. AESTHETICS – Would the project:							
 a) Have a substantial adverse effect on a scenic vista? 				\boxtimes			

The proposed project would not have a substantial adverse effect on a scenic vista. There is no designated view corridor within the project site. Nor is the project adjacent to a designated view corridor. The Point Loma Community Plan (PLCP) does identify Nimitz Boulevard as a scenic vista. However, the project site it not adjacent to Nimitz Boulevard. Rather, Nimitz Boulevard is located approximately 0.5 miles to the northeast of the project site. The project site is currently developed with an existing motel and is surrounded by existing development. The Pacific Ocean is located directly to the west of the project site. While the new hotel would be a three-story structure as opposed to the existing two-story structure, it would be constructed to comply with all height and bulk regulations. Furthermore, since the project is the replacement of existing development it would not cause any new obstruction or adverse effect on this scenic vista. In addition existing development is a mix of two and three story buildings. Therefore, the view of the Pacific Ocean would not be adversely affected. The existing view corridors in the PLCP would not be affected by construction of the project. Furthermore, the proposed project would be consistent with all applicable zoning regulations and land use plans, including the PLCP. Therefore, the project would not have a substantial effect on a scenic vista and no impacts would occur.

 b) Substantially damage scenic resources, including but not limited to, trees, rock outcroppings, and historic buildings within a state scenic highway?

There are no designated scenic resources including but not limited to trees, rock outcroppings or historic buildings within a state scenic highway located within the project's boundaries. No impact would result due to implementation of the project.

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C)	Substantially degrade the existing visual		
	character or quality of the site and its		\boxtimes
	surroundings?		

According to the City's CEQA Significance Thresholds (Thresholds) projects that severely contrast with the surrounding neighborhood character may result in a significant impact. To meet this threshold one or more of the following conditions must apply: the project would have to exceed the allowable height or bulk regulations and the height or bulk of the existing patterns of development in the vicinity of the project by a substantial margin; have an architectural style or use building materials in stark contrast to adjacent development where the adjacent development follows a single or common architectural theme (e.g., Gaslamp Quarter, Old Town); result in the physical loss, isolation or degradation of a community identification symbol or landmark (e.g., a stand of trees, coastal bluff, historical landmark) which is identified in the General Plan, applicable community plan or local coastal program; be located in a highly visible area (e.g., on a canyon edge, hilltop or adjacent to an interstate highway) and would strongly contrast with the surrounding development or natural topography through excessive height, bulk signage or architectural projections; and/or the project would have a cumulative effect by opening up a new area for development or changing the overall character of the area. None the above conditions apply to the project.

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The project would demolish the existing two-story structure and construct a new three-story structure. While the new hotel would be a three-story structure as opposed to the existing two-story structure, it would be constructed to comply with all height and bulk regulations and is consistent with General Design guidelines as outlined in the PLCP. Surrounding development in the neighborhood do not have a unifying architectural theme such as the historic architecture of Old Town. Existing development is a mixture of commercial development and there is no predominance of architectural style. Therefore, the proposed hotel would not be substantially different than existing development in the area. The project would not result in the physical loss, isolation or degradation of a community identification symbol or landmark which is identified in the General Plan, applicable community plan or local coastal program. The demolition of an existing motel and construction of a replacement hotel would not open up a new area for development or change the overall character of the area.

Since none of the above conditions apply, the project would not substantially degrade the existing visual character or the quality of the site and its surroundings. No impact would result due to implementation of the project.

d)	Create a new source of substantial light			
	or glare that would adversely affect day		\boxtimes	
	or nighttime views in the area?			

The most prominent light sources from the proposed project would be interior lighting for the hotel rooms and common areas, and exterior and landscaping lighting. All new lighting would be compatible with existing lighting in the project vicinity. The project would be subject to the City's Outdoor Lighting Regulations per SDMC Section 142.0740, which are intended to minimize negative impacts from light pollution, including light trespass, glare, and urban sky glow, in order to preserve enjoyment of the night sky and minimize conflict caused by unnecessary illumination. Light fixtures would be required to be directed away from adjacent properties and shielded, as necessary. Outdoor lighting would be located and arranged in a manner consistent with City requirements, to promote public safety, and also minimize unnecessary light and glare effects to the surrounding community.

No large surface areas of reflective building materials or finishes are proposed that could create glare effects on surrounding properties. Additional light or glare from the proposed project would be consistent with the other development in the area and therefore would not substantially affect day or nighttime views. Impacts would be less than significant.

II. AGRICULTURAL AND FOREST RESOURCES: In determining whether impacts to agricultural resources are significant environmental effects, lead agencies may refer to the California Agricultural Land Evaluation and Site Assessment Model (1997) prepared by the California Department of Conservation as an optional model to use in assessing impacts on agriculture and farmland. In determining whether impacts to forest resources, including timberland, are significant environmental effects, lead agencies may refer to information compiled by the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection regarding the state's inventory of forest land, including the Forest and Range Assessment Project and the Forest Legacy Assessment project; and forest carbon measurement methodology provided in Forest Protocols adopted by the California Air Resources Board. – Would the project::

a)	Converts Prime Farmland, Unique		
	Farmland, or Farmland of Statewide		

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Importance (Farmland), as shown on the maps prepared pursuant to the Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program of the California Resources Agency, to non-agricultural use?				

The project site is not classified as farmland by the California Department of Conservation's Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program (FMMP). No Prime Farmland, Unique Farmland, or Farmland of Statewide Importance occurs on site of within the area immediately surrounding the project site. Therefore, the project would not result in impacts related to the conversion of farmland to a non-agricultural use. No impact would occur.

b)	Conflict with existing zoning for		
	agricultural use, or a Williamson Act		\boxtimes
	Contract?		

Refer to response II (a) above. The proposed project site is not zoned for agricultural use. There are no Williamson Act Contract lands on or within the vicinity of the project. The project would not affect properties zoned for agricultural use or conflict with a Williamson Act Contract. No impact would occur.

c) Conflict with existing zoning for, or cause rezoning of, forest land (as defined in Public Resources Code section 1220(g)), timberland (as defined by Public Resources Code section 4526), or timberland zoned Timberland Production (as defined by Government Code section 51104(g))?

The project would not conflict with existing zoning for, or cause rezoning of, forest land, timberland, or timberland zoned Timberland Production. The project site is zoned for commercial use; no designated forest land or timberland occurs within the boundaries of the project. No impact would occur.

d)	Result in the loss of forest land or		
	conversion of forest land to non-forest		\boxtimes
	use?		

Refer to response II (c) above. The project would not convert forest land to non-forest use. No impact would occur.

e)	Involve other changes in the existing environment, which, due to their location or nature, could result in conversion of Farmland to non- agricultural use or conversion of forest		
	land to non-forest use?		

Refer to responses II (a) and II (c) above. No existing farmland or forest land are located in the proximity of the project site. No changes to any such lands would result from project implementation. No impact would occur.

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III. AIR QUALITY – Where available, the significance criteria established by the applicable air quality management or air pollution control district may be relied on to make the following determinations – Would the project:

a)	Conflict with or obstruct		
	implementation of the applicable air		\boxtimes
	quality plan?		

The San Diego Air Pollution Control District (SDAPCD) and San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG) are responsible for developing and implementing the clean air plan for attainment and maintenance of the ambient air quality standards in the San Diego Air Basin (SDAB). The County Regional Air Quality Strategy (RAQS) was initially adopted in 1991, and is updated on a triennial basis (most recently in 2016). The RAQS outlines the SDAPCD's plans and control measures designed to attain the state air quality standards for ozone (03). The RAQS relies on information from the California Air Resources Board (CARB) and SANDAG, including mobile and area source emissions, as well as information regarding projected growth in San Diego County and the cities in the county, to project future emissions and then determine the strategies necessary for the reduction of emissions through regulatory controls. CARB mobile source emission projections and SANDAG growth projections are based on population, vehicle trends, and land use plans developed by San Diego County and the cities in the county as part of the development of their general plans.

As such, projects that propose development that is consistent with the growth anticipated by local plans would be consistent with the RAQS. However, if a project proposes development that is greater than that anticipated in the local plan and SANDAG's growth projections, the project might be in conflict with the RAQS and may contribute to a potentially significant cumulative impact on air quality.

The project would replace and existing motel with a new 91-guestroom hotel adjacent to a developed area of similar commercial uses. The project is consistent with the General Plan, community plan, and the underlying zoning for visitor commercial development. Therefore, the project would be consistent at a sub-regional level with the underlying growth forecasts in the RAQS, and would not obstruct implementation of the RAQS. As such, no impacts would occur.

b)	Violate any air quality standard or			
	contribute substantially to an existing		\boxtimes	
	or projected air quality violation?			

Short-term Emissions (Construction)

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Project construction activities would potentially generate combustion emissions from on-site heavy duty construction vehicles and motor vehicles transporting the construction crew and necessary construction materials. Exhaust emissions generated by construction activities would generally result from the use of typical construction equipment that may include excavation equipment, forklift, skip loader, and/or dump truck. Variables that factor into the total construction emissions potentially generated include the level of activity, length of construction period, number of pieces and types of equipment in use, site characteristics, weather conditions, number of construction personnel, and the amount of materials to be transported on or off site. It is anticipated that construction equipment would be used on site for four to eight hours a day; however, construction would be short-term and impacts to neighboring uses would be minimal and temporary.

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Fugitive dust emissions are generally associated with land clearing and grading operations. Due to the nature and location of the project, construction activities are expected to create minimal fugitive dust, as a result of the disturbance associated with grading. Construction operations are subject to the requirements established in Regulation 4, Rules 52, 54, and 55 of the SDAPCD rules and regulations. The project would include standard measures as required by the City grading permit to minimize fugitive dust and air pollutant emissions during the temporary construction period. Therefore, impacts associated with fugitive dust are considered less than significant, and would not violate an air quality standard or contribute substantially to an existing or projected air quality violation. Impacts related to short-term emissions would be less than significant.

Long-term Emissions (Operational)

Long-term air pollutant emission impacts are those associated with stationary sources and mobile sources related to any change caused by a project. The project would produce minimal stationary source emissions. Once construction of the project is complete, long-term air emissions would potentially result from such sources as heating, ventilation, and cooling (HVAC) systems and other motorized equipment typically associated with hotel uses. Operational emissions generated by the project would mainly be attributed to project-generated traffic. The 91-guestroom hotel is calculated to generate 950 average weekday trips (ADT) based on the driveway vehicle trip rate of 10 trips/guest room from the City's Trip Generation Manual (City 2003). The project would result in a small net increase of trips over the existing 40 room motel, which is calculated to generate approximately 360 ADT based on a rate of 9 trips/guest room. The additional 590 ADT would not result in a substantial increase in pollutant emissions from vehicular trips or result in a significant impact on ambient air quality. The project is compatible with the surrounding development and is permitted by the community plan and zone designation. Project emissions over the long term are not anticipated to violate an air quality standard or contribute substantially to an existing or projected air quality violation.

Overall, the project is not expected to generate substantial short- or long-term emissions that would violate any air quality standard or contribute to an existing or projected air quality violation; therefore, impacts would be less than significant.



As described above in response III (b), construction operations may temporarily increase the emissions of dust and other pollutants; however, construction emissions would be temporary and short-term in duration. Implementation of BMPs would reduce potential impacts related to construction activities to less than significant. Operational air pollutant emissions resulting from such sources as HVAC systems, motorized equipment, and project traffic would not be generated in quantities that would result in exceedances of regulatory thresholds for criteria pollutants. Projects

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that propose development consistent with the growth anticipated by applicable general plans were considered in, and therefore are consistent with, the RAQS. The proposed project is consistent with the applicable land use plans (General Plan and Peninsula Community Plan), and therefore, buildout of the project site has been accounted for in region-wide air quality plans. The project would not result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of criteria pollutants for which the project region is non-attainment under applicable federal or state ambient air quality standards. Impacts would be less than significant.

d)	Create objectionable odors affecting a		
	substantial number of people?		

Short-term (Construction)

Odors would be generated from vehicles and/or equipment exhaust emissions during construction of the project. Odors produced during construction would be attributable to concentrations of the project. Odors produced during construction would be attributable to concentrations or unburned hydrocarbons from tailpipes of construction equipment and architectural coatings. Such odors are temporary and generally occur at magnitudes that would not affect a substantial number of people. Therefore, impacts related to construction-generated odors would be less than significant.

IV. BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES – Would the project:

a)	Have substantial adverse effects, either directly or through habitat modifications, on any species identified as a candidate, sensitive, or special status species in local or regional plans, policies, or regulations, or by the California Department of Fish and		
	Game or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service?		

The proposed project site is entirely developed. The site does not contain or support Environmentally Sensitive Lands (ESL) as defined by the Biology Guidelines of the City's Land Development Manual. The site does not contain native or sensitive plant species, wildlife species, or vegetation communities; wetlands that would be expected to support special status wildlife species; or lands classified as Tier I, Tier II, Tier IIIA, or Tier IIIB Habitats. No impact would occur.

b)	Have a substantial adverse effect on any riparian habitat or other community identified in local or regional plans, policies, and regulations or by the California Department of Fish and Game or U.S. Fish and Wildlife		\boxtimes
	Service?		

Please see response IV(a) above. The project would not have a substantial adverse effect on any riparian habitat or other community identified in local or regional plans, policies, and regulations or by the California Department of Fish and Game or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. No impacts would occur.

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 c) Have a substantial adverse effect on federally protected wetlands as defined by section 404 of the Clean Water Act (including but not limited to marsh, vernal pool, coastal, etc.) through direct removal, filling, hydrological 				\boxtimes

Please see response IV(a) above. The project would not have a substantial adverse effect on federally protected wetlands as defined by Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (including but not limited to marsh, vernal pool, coastal, etc.) through direct removal, filling, hydrological interruption, or other means. No impacts would occur.

d)	Interfere substantially with the movement of any native resident or		
	migratory fish or wildlife species or with established native resident or		\boxtimes
	migratory wildlife corridors, or impede the use of native wildlife nursery sites?		

Please see response IV(a) above. The project would not interfere substantially with the movement of any native resident or migratory fish or wildlife species or with established native resident or migratory wildlife corridors or impede the use of native wildlife nursery sites. No impacts would occur.

e)	Conflict with any local policies or ordinances protecting biological resources, such as a tree preservation policy or ordinance?			
Refer to	o response IV (a) above. No impacts v	vould occur.		
f)	Conflict with the provisions of an adopted Habitat Conservation Plan, Natural Community Conservation Plan, or other approved local, regional, or			\boxtimes

Please see response IV(a) above. The project would not conflict with the provisions of an adopted Habitat Conservation Plan, Natural Community Conservation Plan, or other approved local, regional, or state habitat conservation plan. No impacts would occur.

V. CULTURAL RESOURCES – Would the project:

state habitat conservation plan?

interruption, or other means?

a)	Cause a substantial adverse change in		
	the significance of an historical	\boxtimes	
	resource as defined in §15064.5?		

The purpose and intent of the Historical Resources Regulations of the Land Development Code (Chapter 14, Division 3, and Article 2) is to protect, preserve and, where damaged, restore the historical resources of San Diego. The regulations apply to all proposed development within the City of San Diego when historical resources are present on the premises. Before approving discretionary projects, CEQA requires the Lead Agency to identify and examine the significant adverse environmental effects which may result from that project. A project that may cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource may have a significant effect on the environment (sections 15064.5(b) and 21084.1). A

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substantial adverse change is defined as demolition, destruction, relocation, or alteration activities, which would impair historical significance (sections 15064.5(b)(1)). Any historical resource listed in, or eligible to be listed in the California Register of Historical Resources, including archaeological resources, is considered to be historically or culturally significant.

Archaeological Resources

The project site is located in an area known to contain sensitive archaeological resources and is located on the City's Historical Sensitivity map. Therefore a record search of the California Historic Resources Information System (CHRIS) digital database was reviewed by qualified archaeological City staff to determine presence or absence of potential resources within the project site. The CHRIS search did not identify any archaeological resources within or adjacent to the site.

While the CHRIS search was negative, based on the amount of grading proposed, there is a potential for the project to impact buried archaeological resources and mitigation measures related to Cultural Resources (Archaeology) are required. All potential impacts related to the presence of archeological resources at the site would be reduced and addressed through the purview of a qualified Archaeologist and Native American monitor. Monitoring by this individual would occur at all stages of ground-disturbing activities at the site. Furthermore, a Mitigation, Monitoring, and Reporting Program (MMRP), as detailed within Section V of the Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND), would be implemented to address this issue specifically. With implementation of the cultural resources monitoring program, potential impacts on historical resources would be reduced to less than significant.

Built Environment

The City reviews projects requiring the demolition of structures 45 years or older for historic significance in compliance with CEQA. Historic property (built environment) surveys are required for properties which are 45 years of age or older and which have integrity of setting, location, design, materials, workmanship, feeling and association. The existing building was motel building was built in 1960. In accordance with CEQA and San Diego Municipal Code Section 143.0212 the proposed project site underwent historic review by Plan Historic staff (PTS 410660) in November 2016.

Based on this review Plan Historic staff determined that the property does not meet local designation criteria as an individually significant resource under any adopted HRB Criteria. This determination is good for five years from this date unless new information is provided that speaks to the building's eligibility for designation. Therefore, no historical research report was required at this time and the project as proposed has no potential to impact any unique or non-unique historical resources. No impacts to the built environment would occur.

b)	Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of an archaeological resource pursuant to §15064.5?		
Refer to	o response V (a) above.		
c)	Directly or indirectly destroy a unique paleontological resource or site or unique geologic feature?		

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The proposed project site is underlain by the Baypoint Formation. The Baypoint Formation is assigned a high potential for fossil resources. The City's Significance Determination Threshold for a high sensitivity rating is grading greater than 1,000 cubic yards exported and cut of 10 feet or more in depth. According to the submitted development plans (Sheet C-2) the proposed project would export 9,500 cubic yards and cut to a depth of 10 feet. Therefore, EAS determined that there would be a potentially significant impact to paleontological resources.

On Thursday, February 7, 2019, the California Coastal Commission certified the 11th Update to the Land Development Code which included Oridance-20919. This ordinance is an Ordinance Amending Chapter 14, Article 2, Division 1 of the San Diego Municipal Code by Amending Section 142.0101, Amending Section 142.0130 by Amending the Editors Note, and adding new Section 142.0151, Relating to Paleontological Resources and Grading Proposed as Part of the 11th Update to the Land Development Code. Therefore, impacts to Paleontological Resources will remain below a level of significance through regulatory compliance with 0-20919. The requirement for monitoring will be included as conditions of the permit as opposed to mitigation in the environmental document.

The following will become conditions of the permit for Paleontological Resources:

- 1. Prior to issuance of any construction permits, including but not limited to, the first Grading Permit, Demolition Plans/Permits and Building Plans/Permits or a Notice to Proceed for Subdivisions, but prior to the first preconstruction meeting, whichever is applicable, the Assistant Deputy Director (ADD) Environmental designee shall verify that the requirements for Paleontological Monitoring have been noted on the appropriate construction documents in "verbatim" as referenced in the City of San Diego Land Development Manual for Paleontological Resources.
- 2. Monitoring Coordination (MMC)/Environmental Designee (ED) identifying the Principal Investigator (PI), Monitors, and all persons for the project and the names of all persons involved in the paleontological monitoring program, as identified in City of San Diego Land Development Manual for Paleontological Resources.
- MMC/ED will provide a letter to the applicant confirming the qualifications of the PI, Monitors, and all persons involved in the paleontological monitoring of the project. Professional Qualifications shall meet the following standards:
 - a) The Principal Investigator (PI) should have a Ph.D. or M.S. in a field related to paleontology, such as geology or biology with an emphasis in paleobiology. Four cumulative years of full-time professional field, research, and museum experience in working with the geological formations of Southern California is required. Two of the four years must be in a supervisory capacity (crew chief or above).
 - b) Paleontological Monitors should have a B.S. in a field related to paleontology, such as geology or biology with an emphasis in paleobiology. Two cumulative years of full-time professional field, research, and museum experience in working with the geological formations of Southern California is required.

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- 4. Prior to the start of work, the applicant shall obtain approval from MMC for any personnel changes associated with the monitoring program.
- d) Disturb any human remains, including those interred outside of dedicated cemeteries?

Section IV of the MMRP contains provisions for the discovery of human remains. If human remains are discovered, work shall halt in that area and no soil shall be exported off-site until a determination can be made regarding the provenance of the human remains; and the following procedures as set forth in CEQA Section 15064.5(e), the California Public Resources Code (Sec. 5097.98) and State Health and Safety Code (Sec. 7050.5) shall be undertaken. Based upon the required mitigation measure impacts would be less than significant.

VI. GEOLOGY AND SOILS - Would the project:

- a) Expose people or structures to potential substantial adverse effects, including the risk of loss, injury, or death involving:
 - i) Rupture of a known earthquake fault, as delineated on the most recent Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zoning Map issued by the State Geologist for the area or
 based on other substantial evidence of a known fault? Refer to Division of Mines and Geology Special Publication 42.

The project is not located within an Alquist-Priolo Fault Zone. In addition, the project submitted a Geotechnical Report (Geotechnical Engineering Exploration and Analysis, Proposed New Hotel Development, 1325 Scott Street, San Diego, California; prepared by Giles Engineering Associates, Inc., dated August 9, 2017 (their project no. 2G-1706007)) that has been reviewed by City Geology staff. Per staff review, the geotechnical consultant has adequately addressed the soil and geologic conditions potentially affecting the proposed project. Furthermore, the project would be required to comply with seismic requirement of the California Building Code, utilize proper engineering design and utilization of standard construction practices, to be verified at the building permit stage, in order to ensure that potential impacts based on regional geologic hazards would remain less than significant and mitigation is not required.

ii)	Strong seismic ground shaking?			\boxtimes	
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Refer to response V (a). The site could be affected by seismic activity as a result of earthquakes on major active faults located throughout the Southern California area. The project would utilize proper engineering design and utilization of standard construction practices, to be verified at the building permit stage, in order to ensure that potential impacts from regional geologic hazards would remain less than significant and mitigation is not required.

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iii)	Seismic-related ground failure, including liquefaction?			\boxtimes	

Refer to response V (a). Liquefaction occurs when loose, unconsolidated, water-laden soils are subject to shaking, causing the soils to lose cohesion. Implementation of the project would not result in an increase in the potential for seismic-related ground failure, including liquefaction. Impacts would be less than significant.

iv) Landslides?

Refer to response V (a). The topography of the project site is relatively flat, with no significant slopes within the project site or vicinity. The project site is not mapped within a landslide zone and no landslides have been identified within the sire or in the immediate vicinity. No impact would occur.



Refer to response V (a). The project includes a landscape plan that has been reviewed and approved by City staff that precludes erosion of topsoil. In addition, standard construction BMPs necessary to comply with SDMC Grading Regulations (Chapter 14, Article 2, Division 1) would be in place to ensure that the project would not result in a substantial amount of topsoil erosion. Impacts would be less than significant.

c)	Be located on a geologic unit or soil that is unstable, or that would become		
	unstable as a result of the project, and potentially result in on- or off-site		\boxtimes
	landslide, lateral spreading, subsidence,		
	liquefaction or collapse?		

Refer to response V (a). Proper engineering design and utilization of standard construction practices would be verified at the construction permitting stage and would ensure that impacts in this category would not occur.

 Be located on expansive soil, as defined in Table 18-1-B of the Uniform Building Code (1994), creating substantial risks to life or property? 				\boxtimes
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The proposed project is located on marina loamy coarse sand. This soil is not defined as expansive. No impacts would occur. Furthermore, proper engineering design and utilization of standard construction practices would be verified at the construction permitting stage and would ensure that impacts in this category would not occur.

e)	Have soils incapable of adequately		
	supporting the use of septic tanks or		
	alternative waste water disposal		\boxtimes
	systems where sewers are not available		
	for the disposal of waste water?		

The proposed project does not propose the use of septic tanks or alternative water disposal systems. No impacts would occur.

VII. GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS – Would the project:

a) Generate greenhouse gas emissions, either directly or indirectly, that may have a significant impact on the environment?

On July 12, 2016, the City of San Diego adopted the Climate Action Plan (CAP) Consistency Checklist, which requires all projects subject to discretionary review to demonstrate consistency with the Climate Action Plan.

The CAP is a plan for the reduction of GHG emissions in accordance with CEQA Guidelines Section 15183.5. Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Sections 15604 (h) (3), 15130 (d), and 15183 (b), a project's incremental contribution to a cumulative GHG emissions effect may be determined not to be cumulatively considerable if it complies with the requirements of the CAP.

Projects that are consistent with the CAP as determined through the use of this Checklist may rely on the CAP for the cumulative impacts of GHG emissions.

The submitted Climate Action Plan (CAP) Consistency Checklist was reviewed by EAS staff and found to be acceptable. The CAP Consistency Checklist includes a three-step process to determine project if the project would result in a GHG impact. Step 1 consists of an evaluation to determine the project's consistency with existing General Plan, Community Plan, and zoning designations for the site. Step 2 consists of an evaluation of the project's design features compliance with the CAP strategies. Step 3 is only applicable if a project is not consistent with the land use and/or zone, but is also in a transit priority area to allow for more intensive development than assumed in the CAP.

Under Step 1 of the CAP Consistency Checklist, the project is consistent with the existing General Plan and Point Loma Community Plan land use designations and zoning for the site. Therefore, the project is consistent with the growth projections and land use assumptions used in the CAP. Furthermore, completion of Step 2 of the CAP Consistency Checklist demonstrates that the project would be consistent with applicable strategies and actions for reducing GHG emissions. This includes project features consistent with the energy and water efficient buildings strategy, as well as bicycling, walking, transit, and land use strategy. These project features would be assured as a condition of project approval. Thus, the project is consistent with the CAP. Step 3 of the CAP Consistency Checklist would not be applicable, as the project is not proposing a land use amendment or a rezone.

Based on the project's consistency with the City's CAP Consistency Checklist, the project's contribution of GHGs to cumulative statewide emissions would be less than cumulatively considerable. Therefore, the project's direct and cumulative GHG emissions would have a less than significant impact on the environment.

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 b) Conflict with an applicable plan, policy, or regulation adopted for the purpose of reducing the emissions of greenhouse gases? 			\boxtimes	

The project would not conflict with an applicable plan, policy, or regulation adopted for the purposes of reducing the emissions of GHGs. The project is consistent with the existing General Plan and Community Plan land use and zoning designations. Further based upon review and evaluation of the completed CAP Consistency Checklist for the project, the project is consistent with the applicable strategies and actions of the CAP. Therefore, the project would be consistent with the assumptions for relevant CAP strategies toward achieving the identified GHG reduction targets. Impacts would be less than significant.

VIII. HAZARDS AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS - Would the project:

a) Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through routine transport, use, or disposal of hazardous materials?

The project site was not listed in any of the databases for hazardous materials including being listed in the State Water Resources Control Board GeoTracker system, which includes leaking underground fuel tank sites inclusive of spills, leaks, investigations, and cleanups Program or the Department of Toxic Substances Control EnviroStor Data Management System, which includes CORTESE sites.

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Construction activities for the project would involve the use of potentially hazardous materials including vehicle fuels, oils, transmission fluids, paint, adhesives, surface coatings and other finishing materials, cleaning solvents, and pesticides for landscaping purposes. However, the use of these hazardous materials would be temporary, and all potentially hazardous materials would be stored, used, and disposed of in accordance with manufacturers' specifications, applicable federal, state, and local health and safety regulations. As such, impacts associated with the transport, use, or disposal of hazardous materials would be less than significant during construction.

b)	Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through reasonably foreseeable upset and accident conditions involving the release of hazardous materials into the environment?		
Refer to	response VIII (a) above.		
c)	Emit hazardous emissions or handle hazardous or acutely hazardous materials, substances, or waste within one-quarter mile of an existing or proposed school?		\boxtimes

The proposed project location is not within one-quarter mile of an existing or proposed school. Therefore, project would not emit hazardous emissions or handle hazardous or acutely hazardous

materials, substances, or waste within one-quarter mile of an existing or proposed school. No impact would result.

Compiled pursuant to Government Code section 65962.5 and, as a result, would it create a significant hazard to the public or the environment?	d)	ate a significant hazard to				
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A hazardous waste site records search was completed in September 2018 using Geotracker https://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/. The records search showed that no hazardous waste sites exist onsite or in the surrounding area. No impacts would result.

e)	For a project located within an airport		
	land use plan or, where such a plan has		
	not been adopted, within two mile of a		
	public airport or public use airport,		\boxtimes
	would the project result in a safety		
	hazard for people residing or working		
	in the project area?		

San Diego International Airport is located approximately 1.2 miles northeast of the project site. The project is not located in a Safety Zone of the adopted 2014 Airport Land Use Compatibility Plan (ALUCP); therefore, the use and density are consistent with the ALUCP. The project would not result in a safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area. No impacts would occur.

f)	For a project within the vicinity of a		
	private airstrip, would the project result in a safety hazard for people residing		\bowtie
	or working in the project area?		

The proposed project is not located within the vicinity of a private airstrip. No impacts would result.

g)	Impair implementation of or physically		
	interfere with an adopted emergency		
	response plan or emergency		
	evacuation plan?		

The project is the replacement of an existing motel with a new hotel. It would not impair implementation of or physically interfere with an adopted emergency response plan or emergency evacuation plan. No impacts would result.

h)	Expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving wildland fires, including		
	where wildlands are adjacent to		
	urbanized areas or where residences		
	are intermixed with wildlands?		

The project site it not located adjacent to wildlands or where residences are intermixed with wildlands. It would not expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury or death

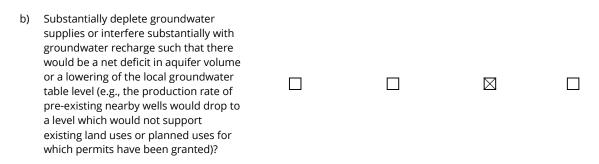
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involving wildland fires, including where wildlands are adjacent to urbanized areas or where residences are intermixed with wildlands. No impact would result.

IX. HYDROLOGY AND WATER QUALITY - Would the project:

a)	Violate any water quality standards or waste discharge requirements?			\boxtimes	
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The project would comply with all storm water quality standards during and after construction, and appropriate Best Management Practices (BMP's) will be utilized and provided for on-site. Implementation of theses BMP's would preclude any violations of existing standards and discharge regulations. This will be addressed through the project's Conditions of Approval; therefore, impacts would be less than significant, and no mitigation measures are required.



The project does not require the construction of wells. The construction of the project may generate an incremental use of water but it would not substantially deplete groundwater supplies or interfere substantially with groundwater recharge such that there would be a net deficit in aquifer volume or a lowering of the local groundwater table level. Impacts would be less than significant.

pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river, in a manner, which would result in substantial erosion or siltation on- or off-site?	
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The project would not substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or the area. Streams or rivers do not occur on or adjacent to the site. Although grading is proposed, the project would implement on-site BMPs, therefore ensuring that substantial erosion or siltation on- or offsite would not occur. Impacts would be less than significant, and no mitigation measures are required.

d) Substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river, or substantially
increase the rate or amount of surface runoff in a manner, which would result in flooding on- or off-site?

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The project would implement low impact development principles ensuring that a substantial increase in the rate or amount of surface runoff resulting in flooding on or off-site, or a substantial alteration to the existing drainage pattern would not occur. Streams or rivers do not occur on or adjacent to the project site. Impacts would be less than significant, and no mitigation measures are required.

e)	Create or contribute runoff water, which would exceed the capacity of existing or planned stormwater drainage systems or provide substantial additional sources of		
	polluted runoff?		

The project would not introduce any new conditions that would create or contribute runoff water, which would exceed the capacity of existing or planned stormwater drainage systems or provide substantial additional sources of polluted runoff. Impacts would be less than significant.

f)	Otherwise substantially degrade water		\bigtriangledown	
	quality?			

The project would comply with all City storm water quality standards during and after construction. Appropriate BMP's would be implemented to ensure that water quality is not degraded. Impacts would be less than significant, and no mitigation measures are required.

g) Place housing within a 100-year flood hazard area as mapped on a federal Flood Hazard Boundary or Flood Insurance Rate Map or other flood hazard delineation map?

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The project would not place housing within a 100-year flood hazard as mapped on a federal Flood Hazard Boundary or Flood Insurance Rate Map or other flood hazard delineation map. No impacts would result.

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h)	Place within a 100-year flood hazard area, structures that would impede or redirect flood flows?				\boxtimes
See Res	ponse (IX) (g). No impacts would resul	t.			
X. LAND	USE AND PLANNING – Would the project:				
a)	Physically divide an established community?				
The pro	ject would not physically divide an esta	ablished commu	nity. No impact	would occur.	
b)	Conflict with any applicable land use plan, policy, or regulation of an agency with jurisdiction over the project				\boxtimes

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plan, specific plan, local coastal program, or zoning ordinance) adopted for the purpose of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect?				

The project would not conflict with any applicable land use plan, policy, or regulation of an agency with jurisdiction over the project (including but not limited to the general plan, specific plan, local coastal program, or zoning ordinance) adopted for the purpose of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect. No impact would occur.

c)	Conflict with any applicable habitat			
	conservation plan or natural		\boxtimes	
	community conservation plan?			

See Response X (a) through (b). Impacts would be less than significant.

XI. MINERAL RESOURCES - Would the project:

a)	Result in the loss of availability of a known mineral resource that would be of value to the region and the residents		\boxtimes
	of the state?		

The project would not result in the loss of availability of a known mineral resource that would be of value to the region and the residents of the state.

b)	Result in the loss of availability of a		
	locally important mineral resource		
	recovery site delineated on a local		\boxtimes
	general plan, specific plan or other land		
	use plan?		

The project would not result in the loss of availability of a known mineral resource that would be of value to the region and the residents of the state.

XII. NOISE – Would the project result in:

a)	Generation of, noise levels in excess of			
	standards established in the local		\boxtimes	
	general plan or noise ordinance, or			
	applicable standards of other agencies?			

The project would not result in the generation of, noise levels in excess of standards established in the local general plan or noise ordinance, or applicable standards of other agencies. Any short-term noise impacts related to construction activities would be required to comply with the construction hours specified in the City's Municipal Code (Section 59.5.0404, Construction Noise), which are intended to reduce potential adverse effects resulting from construction noise.

	Generation of, excessive ground borne vibration or ground borne noise levels?			\boxtimes	
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See response XII (a) above. Potential short-term effects from construction noise would be reduced through compliance with City restrictions. No significant long-term impacts would occur, and no mitigation measures are required.

c)	A substantial permanent increase in			
	ambient noise levels in the project		\square	
	vicinity above levels existing without			
	the project?			

See response XII (a) above. Potential short-term effects from construction noise would be reduced through compliance with City restrictions. No significant long-term impacts would occur, and no mitigation measures are required.

d)	A substantial temporary or periodic			
	increase in ambient noise levels in the		\boxtimes	
	project vicinity above existing without			
	the project?			

See response XII (a) above. Potential short-term effects from construction noise would be reduced through compliance with City restrictions. No significant long-term impacts would occur, and no mitigation measures are required.

e)	For a project located within an airport land use plan, or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or public use airport would the project expose people residing or working in the area to		\boxtimes
	residing or working in the area to excessive noise levels?		

San Diego International Airport is located approximately 1.2 miles northeast of the project site. However, the project is not located in an area subject to ALUCP noise policies. The project would therefore not expose people residing or working in the area to excessive noise levels. No impacts would result from the project.

f)	For a project within the vicinity of a private airstrip, would the project expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive point.		\boxtimes
	the project area to excessive noise levels?		

The proposed project is not located within the vicinity of a private airstrip. The proposed project would not expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive noise levels. No impacts would result from the project.

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XIII. POPULATION AND HOUSING - Would the project	:			
 a) Induce substantial population growth in an area, either directly (for example, by proposing new homes and businesses) or indirectly (for example, through extension of roads or other infrastructure)? 				

The proposed project is replacing an existing motel with a new hotel. It would not induce substantial population growth in an area, either directly (for example, by proposing new homes and businesses) or indirectly (for example, through extension of roads or other infrastructure. No impact would occur.

 b) Displace substantial numbers of existing housing, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?

The proposed project is replacing an existing motel with a new hotel. It would not displace substantial numbers of existing housing, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere.

The project does not propose any housing. It would not displace substantial numbers of people, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere.

XIV. PUBLIC SERVICES

a) Would the project result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provisions of new or physically altered governmental facilities, need for new or physically altered governmental facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable service rations, response times or other performance objectives for any of the public services:

i)	Fire protection		\boxtimes

The proposed project would not require the construction of new fire protection facilities.

ii) Police protection				\boxtimes
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The proposed project would not require the construction of new police protection facilities.

iii) Schools			\boxtimes
The proposed project would not rec	uire the construction	of new schools.	
iv) Parks			\boxtimes

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The proposed project would not require the construction of new parks.					
	v) Other public facilities				\boxtimes
The proposed project would not require the construction of any other new public facilities.					
XV. REC	REATION				
a)	Would the project increase the use of existing neighborhood and regional parks or other recreational facilities such that substantial physical deterioration of the facility would occur or be accelerated?				\boxtimes
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b)	Does the project include recreational facilities or require the construction or expansion of recreational facilities, which might have an adverse physical effect on the environment?				
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XVI. TRA	NSPORTATION/TRAFFIC – Would the project	ct?			
a)	Conflict with an applicable plan, ordinance or policy establishing measures of effectiveness for the performance of the circulation system, taking into account all modes of transportation including mass transit				\boxtimes

The project would not conflict with an applicable plan, ordinance or policy establishing measures of effectiveness for the performance of the circulation system, taking into account of all modes transportation including mass transit and non-motorized travel and relevant components of the circulation system, including but not limited to intersections, streets, highways and freeways, pedestrian and bicycle paths, and mass transit.

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The project submitted a Transportation Impact Analysis (TIA) (Fehr & Peers, March 2019) that concluded implementation of the proposed project is not expected to result in significant traffic impacts Existing Plus Project or Opening Year (2021) Plus Project scenarios. At built out the project is estimated to generate a total 590 net new daily vehicle trips, 28 net new peak hour trips (22 inbound/6outbound) during the AM peak hour, and 44 peak hour trips (33 inbound/11 outbound) in the PM peak hour. Qualified City Transportation staff has reviewed the TIA and supports that no mitigation is required. No impacts would result.

not limited to level of service standards and travel demand measures, or other standards established by the county congestion management agency for designated roads or highways?		\boxtimes
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See response XVI (a). The project would not conflict with an applicable congestion management program, including, but not limited to level of service standards and travel demand measures, or other standards established by the county congestion management agency for designated roads or highways. No impacts would result.

c)	Result in a change in air traffic patterns,		
	including either an increase in traffic		
	levels or a change in location that		
	results in substantial safety risks?		

The project would not result in a change in air traffic patterns including either an increase in traffic levels or a change in location that results in substantial safety risks. No impacts would result.

d)	Substantially increase hazards due to a design feature (e.g., sharp curves or dangerous intersections) or incompatible uses (e.g., farm		
	equipment)?		

The project is the replacement of an existing motel with a new hotel. It would not substantially increase hazards due to a design feature (e.g., sharp curves or dangerous intersections) or incompatible uses (e.g., farm equipment). No impacts would result.

e) access?	Result in inadequate emergency			\boxtimes
The pro	ject would not result in inadequate e	emergency ac	cess.	
f)	Conflict with adopted policies, plans, or programs regarding public transit, bicycle, or pedestrian facilities, or otherwise decrease the performance or safety of such facilities?			

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See response XVI (a). The project is the replacement of an existing motel with a new hotel. The replacement hotel would not conflict with adopted policies, plans, or programs regarding public transit, bicycle, or pedestrian facilities, or otherwise decrease the performance or safety of such facilities. No impacts would result.

XVII. TRIBAL CULTURAL RESOURCES – Would the project cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a tribal cultural resource, defined in Public Resources Code section 21074 as either a site, feature, place, cultural landscape that is geographically defined in terms of the size and scope of the landscape, sacred place, or object with cultural value to a California Native American tribe, and that is:

a)	Listed or eligible for listing in the		
	California Register of Historical		
	Resources, or in a local register of		\boxtimes
	historical resources as defined in Public		
	Resources Code section 5020.1(k), or		

The project is the replacement of an existing motel with a new hotel. The existing motel is not listed or eligible for listing in the California Register of Historical Resources, or in a local register of historical resources as defined in Public Resources Code section 5020.1(k).

b) A resource determined by the lead agency, in its discretion and supported by substantial evidence, to be significant pursuant to criteria set forth in subdivision (c) of Public Resources Code section 5024.1. In applying the
Criteria set forth in subdivision (c) of Public Resource Code section 5024.1, the lead agency shall consider the significance of the resource to a California Native American tribe.

Assembly Bill 52 (AB 52) requires as part of CEQA, evaluation of tribal cultural resources, notification of tribes, and opportunity for tribes to request a consultation regarding impacts to tribal cultural resources when a project is determined to require a Negative Declaration, Mitigated Negative Declaration or Environmental Impact Report under CEQA. In compliance with AB-52, the City notified all tribes that have previously requested such notification for projects within the City of San Diego. On September 11, 2018 the City of San Diego received a letter of interest from lipay Nation of Santa Ysabel and the Jamul Indian Village requesting to engage with the City for the purposes of AB 52. In order to implement AB 52 consultation, the City of San Diego Development Services Department (DSD), the Jamul Indian Village, and the lipay Nation of Santa Ysabel engaged in consultation for the project. Through this consultation process, it was determined no additional mitigation measures were needed to address this issue area in addition to what had already been recommended for the project which will be incorporated into the Mitigation, Monitoring, and Reporting Program (MMRP).

XVIII. UTILITIES AND SERVICE SYSTEMS - Would the project:

a)	Exceed wastewater treatment		
	requirements of the applicable		\boxtimes
	Regional Water Quality Control Board?		

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Implementation of the project would not interrupt existing sewer service to the project site or other surrounding uses. No increase in demand for wastewater disposal or treatment would be created by the project, as compared to current conditions. The project is not anticipated to generate significant amounts of waste water. Wastewater treatment facilities used by the project would be operated in accordance with the applicable wastewater treatment requirements of the Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB). Additionally, the project site is in an urbanized and developed area. Adequate services are already available to serve the project and no mitigation measures are required. No impact would result due to implementation of the project.

 b) Require or result in the construction of new water or wastewater treatment facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects?

This project would not result in an increase in the intensity of the use and would not be required to construct a new water or wastewater treatment facility. No impact would result due to implementation of the project.

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 c) Require or result in the construction of new storm water drainage facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the
 construction of which could cause significant environmental effects?

The project would not exceed the capacity of the existing storm water drainage systems and therefore, would not require construction of new or expansion of existing storm water drainage facilities of which could cause significant environmental effects. The project was reviewed by qualified City staff who determined that the existing facilities are adequately sized to accommodate the proposed development. No impact would result due to implementation of the project.

d)	Have sufficient water supplies available		
	to serve the project from existing entitlements and resources, or are new		\boxtimes
	or expanded entitlements needed?		

The project does not meet the CEQA significance threshold that would require the preparation of a water supply assessment. The existing project site currently receives water service from the City, and adequate services are available to serve the proposed hotel project without required new or expanded entitlements. No impact would result due to implementation of the project.

e)	Result in a determination by the wastewater treatment provider which		
	serves or may serve the project that it has adequate capacity to serve the project's projected demand in addition to the provider's existing commitments?		

Issue	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact

Construction of the project would not adversely affect existing wastewater treatment services. Adequate services are available to serve the project site without required new or expanded entitlements. Impacts would be less than significant, and no mitigation measures are required.

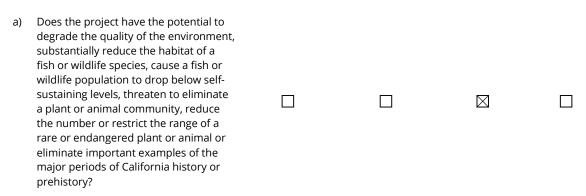
f)	Be served by a landfill with sufficient			
	permitted capacity to accommodate the project's solid waste disposal needs?		\boxtimes	

The project would exceed the City's Threshold of construction, demolition, and or renovation of 40,000 square feet of building space thereby requiring a Waste Management Plan to be completed. The Waste Management Plan was prepared and was approved by City of San Diego Environmental Services Staff. All construction waste from the project site would be transported to an appropriate facility, which would have adequate capacity to accept the limited amount of waste that would be generated by the project. Long-term operation of the proposed residential unity is anticipated to generate typical amounts of solid waste associated with residential use. Furthermore, the project would be required to comply with the City's Municipal Code for diversion of both construction waste during the demolition phase and solid waste during the long-term, operational phase. Impacts would be less than significant.

g)	Comply with federal, state, and local		
0.	statutes and regulation related to solid		\boxtimes
	waste?		

The project would comply with all Federal, State, and local statutes and regulations related to solid waste. The project would not result in the generation of large amounts of solid waste, nor would it generate or require the transportation of hazardous waste materials. All demolition activities would comply with City of San Diego requirements for diversion of both construction waste during the demolition phase and solid waste during the long-term, operation phase. No impact would result due to implementation of the proposed project.

XIX. MANDATORY FINDINGS OF SIGNIFICANCE -



The site has been fully developed within an urban setting, and does not contain or support any Environmentally Sensitive Lands as defined by the Biology Guidelines of the City's Land Development Manual, native or sensitive vegetation communities, wetlands that would be expected to support special-status wildlife species, or lands that are classified as Tier I Habitats, Tier II

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Habitats, Tier IIIA Habitats, or Tier IIIB Habitats. Implementation of the project would not have a substantial adverse effect on candidate, sensitive, or special-status species as identified in local or regional plans, policies, or regulations, and the project would not have a substantial adverse effect on any riparian habitat or other sensitive natural community identified in the Point Loma Community Plan, the City of San Diego General Plan, or by the California Department of Fish and Game or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Impacts would be less than significant.

b) Does the project have impacts that are individually limited but cumulatively considerable ("cumulatively considerable" means that the incremental effects of a project are considerable when viewed in connection with the effects of past projects, the effects of other current projects, and the effects of probable future projects)?

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Cumulative impacts can result from individually minor but collectively significant actions taking place over time. For the purpose of this Initial Study, the project may have cumulative considerable impacts to Cultural Resources (Archaeology) and Tribal Cultural Resources. As such, mitigation measures included in this document would reduce these potential impacts to a less than significant. Other future projects within the surrounding neighborhood or community would be required to comply with applicable local, State, and Federal regulations to reduce potential impacts to less than significant, or to the extent possible. As such, the project is not anticipated to contribute to potentially significant cumulative environmental impacts.

c)	Does the project have environmental		
	effects that will cause substantial adverse effects on human beings,		\boxtimes
	either directly or indirectly?		

The demolition of an existing motel and the reconstruction of a new hotel is consistent with the setting and with the use anticipated by the City. Based on the analysis presented above, implementation of the aforementioned mitigation measures would reduce environmental impacts such that no substantial adverse effects on humans would occur.

INITIAL STUDY CHECKLIST REFERENCES

I. Aesthetics / Neighborhood Character

- City of San Diego General Plan
- Community Plans: Point Loma Community Plan

II. Agricultural Resources & Forest Resources

- City of San Diego General Plan
- U.S. Department of Agriculture, Soil Survey San Diego Area, California, Part I and II, 1973
- California Agricultural Land Evaluation and Site Assessment Model (1997)
- Site Specific Report:

III. Air Quality

- California Clean Air Act Guidelines (Indirect Source Control Programs) 1990
- Regional Air Quality Strategies (RAQS) APCD
- Site Specific Report:

IV. Biology

- City of San Diego, Multiple Species Conservation Program (MSCP), Subarea Plan, 1997
- City of San Diego, MSCP, "Vegetation Communities with Sensitive Species and Vernal Pools" Maps, 1996
- City of San Diego, MSCP, "Multiple Habitat Planning Area" maps, 1997
- Community Plan Resource Element
- California Department of Fish and Game, California Natural Diversity Database, "State and Federally-listed Endangered, Threatened, and Rare Plants of California," January 2001
- California Department of Fish and Game, California Natural Diversity Database, "State and Federally-listed Endangered and Threatened Animals of California, "January 2001
- City of San Diego Land Development Code Biology Guidelines
- Site Specific Report:
- V. Cultural Resources (includes Historical Resources and Built Environment)
- City of San Diego Historical Resources Guidelines
- City of San Diego Archaeology Library
- Historical Resources Board List
- Community Historical Survey:
- Site Specific Report:

VI. Geology/Soils

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- City of San Diego Seismic Safety Study
 - U.S. Department of Agriculture Soil Survey San Diego Area, California, Part I and II, December 1973 and Part III, 1975

Site Specific Report: Geotechnical Engineering Exploration and Analysis, Proposed New Hotel Development, 1325 Scott Street, San Diego, California; prepared by Giles Engineering Associates, Inc., dated August 9, 2017 (their project no. 2G-1706007)

VII. Greenhouse Gas Emissions

Site Specific Report:

VIII. Hazards and Hazardous Materials

- San Diego County Hazardous Materials Environmental Assessment Listing
- San Diego County Hazardous Materials Management Division
- FAA Determination
- State Assessment and Mitigation, Unauthorized Release Listing, Public Use Authorized
- Airport Land Use Compatibility Plan
- Site Specific Report:

IX. Hydrology/Drainage

- Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM)
- Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), National Flood Insurance Program-Flood Boundary and Floodway Map
- Clean Water Act Section 303(b) list, http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/tmdl/303d_lists.html
- Site Specific Report:

X. Land Use and Planning

- City of San Diego General Plan
- Community Plan
- Airport Land Use Compatibility Plan
- City of San Diego Zoning Maps
- FAA Determination:
- Other Plans:

XI. Mineral Resources

- California Department of Conservation Division of Mines and Geology, Mineral Land Classification
- Division of Mines and Geology, Special Report 153 Significant Resources Maps
- City of San Diego General Plan: Conservation Element
- Site Specific Report:

XII. Noise

- City of San Diego General Plan
- Community Plan
- San Diego International Airport Lindbergh Field CNEL Maps
- Brown Field Airport Master Plan CNEL Maps
- Montgomery Field CNEL Maps
- San Diego Association of Governments San Diego Regional Average Weekday Traffic Volumes
- San Diego Metropolitan Area Average Weekday Traffic Volume Maps, SANDAG
- Site Specific Report:

XIII. Paleontological Resources

- City of San Diego Paleontological Guidelines
- Deméré, Thomas A., and Stephen L. Walsh, "Paleontological Resources City of San Diego,"
 Department of Paleontology San Diego Natural History Museum, 1996
- Kennedy, Michael P., and Gary L. Peterson, "Geology of the San Diego Metropolitan Area, California. Del Mar, La Jolla, Point Loma, La Mesa, Poway, and SW 1/4 Escondido 7 1/2 Minute Quadrangles," *California Division of Mines and Geology Bulletin* 200, Sacramento, 1975
- Kennedy, Michael P., and Siang S. Tan, "Geology of National City, Imperial Beach and Otay Mesa Quadrangles, Southern San Diego Metropolitan Area, California," Map Sheet 29, 1977
 Site Specific Report:

XIV. Population / Housing

- City of San Diego General Plan
- Community Plan
- Series 11/Series 12 Population Forecasts, SANDAG
- Other:

XV. Public Services

- City of San Diego General Plan
- Community Plan

XVI. Recreational Resources

- City of San Diego General Plan
- Community Plan
- Department of Park and Recreation
- City of San Diego San Diego Regional Bicycling Map
- Additional Resources:

XVII. Transportation / Circulation

- City of San Diego General Plan
- Community Plan:
- San Diego Metropolitan Area Average Weekday Traffic Volume Maps, SANDAG
- San Diego Region Weekday Traffic Volumes, SANDAG
 - Site Specific Report: Transportation Impact Analysis (TIA) (Fehr & Peers, March 2019)

XVIII. Utilities

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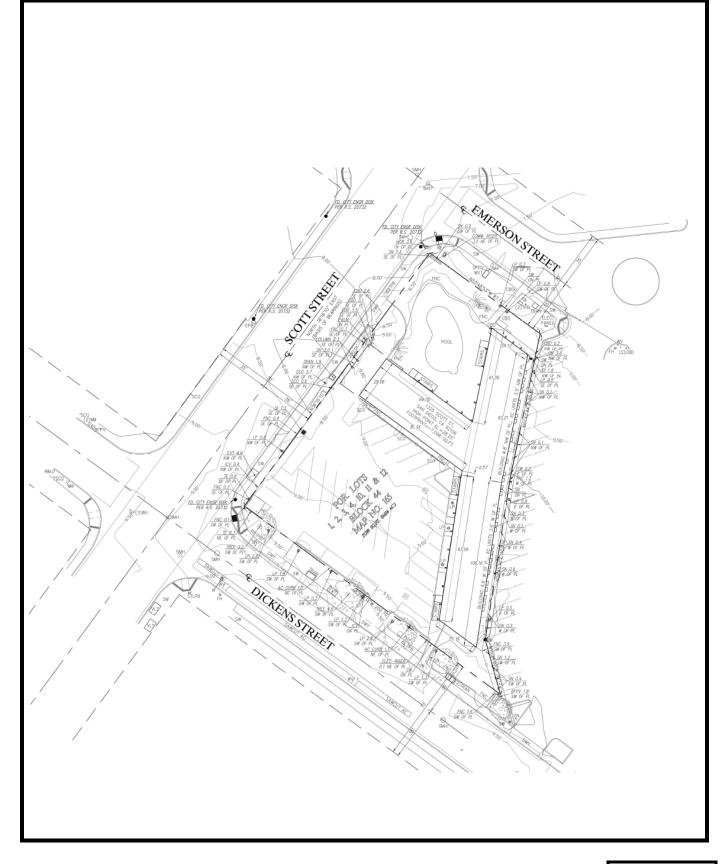
XIX. Water Conservation

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XX. Water Quality

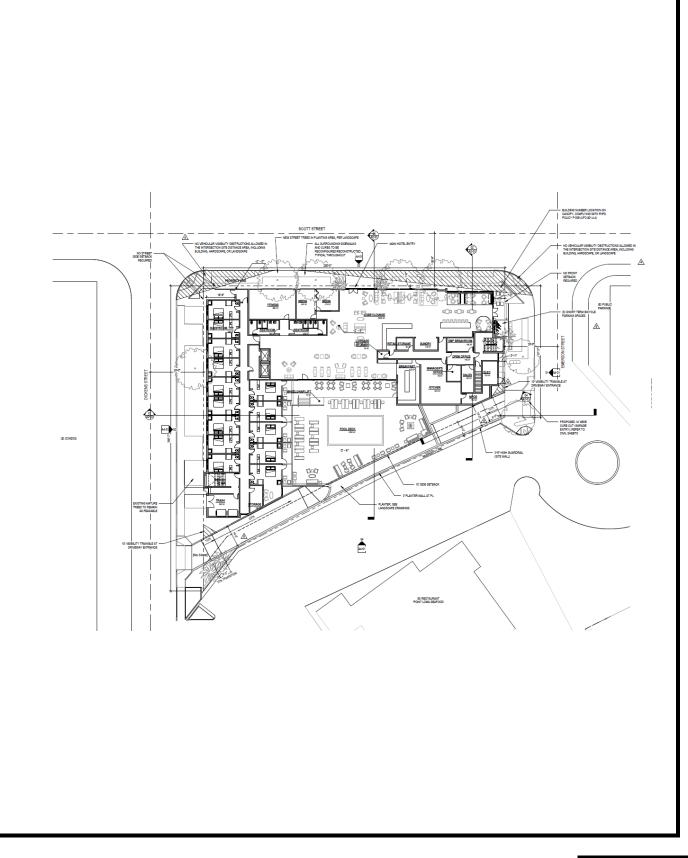
- Clean Water Act Section 303(b) list, http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/tmdl/303d_lists.html
- Site Specific Report:

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CORNER OF EMERSON & SCOTT



'CAFE' PEDESTRIAN ENTRANCE FROM EMERSON



VEHICULAR ENTRY INTO THE GARAGE



MAIN HOTEL LOBBY PEDESTRIAN ENTRANCE ON SCOTT



BIRDSEYE VIEW FROM POINT LOMA SEAFOODS



POOL DECK CONCEPTUAL RENDERING



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FIGURE **No. 3**