

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 314300

DATE OF FINAL PASSAGE AUG 10 2022

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
SAN DIEGO AMENDING THE LAND DEVELOPMENT
MANUAL, APPENDIX A, CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL
QUALITY ACT SIGNIFICANCE DETERMINATION
THRESHOLDS TO AMEND THE GREENHOUSE GAS
EMISSIONS THRESHOLD.

WHEREAS, the City's Land Development Manual contains California Environmental Quality Act Significance Determination Thresholds (City CEQA Thresholds); and

WHEREAS, on December 15, 2015, by San Diego Resolution R-310176, the City Council certified the Climate Action Plan Final Environmental Impact Report No. 416603/SCH No. 2015021053, and by San Diego Resolution R-310175, adopted the Climate Action Plan; and

WHEREAS, on July 12, 2016, by San Diego Resolution R-310596, the City Council adopted an amendment to the Climate Action Plan to add a Climate Action Plan Consistency Checklist (CAP Consistency Checklist) to ensure that future development projects that rely on the greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions analysis in the Climate Action Plan are consistent with the assumptions of the Climate Action Plan; and

WHEREAS, on July 12, 2016, by San Diego Resolution R-310597, the City Council adopted an amendment to the Land Development Manual to include a GHG Emissions Threshold in the City CEQA Thresholds; and

WHEREAS, the United Nations Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change reports that more aggressive actions are needed to slow the effects of the ever present and worsening climate crisis; and

WHEREAS, the City is committed to the goal of achieving net zero GHG emissions by 2035 to respond with urgency to the climate crisis; and

WHEREAS, the City has developed the Climate Action Plan Update Package (CAP Update) to update the City's Climate Action Plan adopted in 2015; and

WHEREAS, City staff estimate that the CAP Update will result in GHG emissions reductions of 63.3 percent below the baseline by 2030 and net zero emissions by 2035; and

WHEREAS, the CAP Update quantifies GHG emissions, both existing and projected over a specified period of time, resulting from activities within the City; and

WHEREAS, based on substantial evidence, City staff has created a CAP Update that establishes a level below which the contribution to GHG emissions from activities covered by the Climate Action Plan would not be cumulatively considerable; and

WHEREAS, the CAP Update identifies and analyzes the GHG emissions resulting from specific actions or categories anticipated within the City; and

WHEREAS, City staff have included in the CAP Update specific measures and performance standards based on substantial evidence they have reviewed that demonstrates the City will collectively achieve the specified GHG emissions level if implemented on a project-by-project basis; and

WHEREAS, the CAP Update establishes a mechanism to monitor the City's progress toward achieving the specified GHG emissions level and to require an amendment to the Climate Action Plan if the CAP Update does not achieve specified levels; and

WHEREAS, the CAP Update will be adopted in a public process following environmental review; and

WHEREAS, the CAP Update serves as a Qualified GHG Reduction Plan for purposes of tiering under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as set forth in CEQA Guidelines section 15183.5; and

WHEREAS, San Diego Ordinance No. 0-21528, amending the San Diego Municipal Code, including the Land Development Code, to add Climate Action Plan Consistency Regulations (CAP Consistency Regulations) as part of the implementation measures for the CAP Update, was considered by the Council of the City of San Diego together with this Resolution; and

WHEREAS, the CAP Consistency Regulations ensure that future projects relying on the GHG analysis in the CAP Update are consistent with the assumptions set forth in the CAP Update, and specify measures that City staff have determined, based on substantial evidence will, if implemented on a project-by-project basis, collectively achieve the specified GHG emissions reductions targets identified in the CAP Update, as represented by City staff in the CAP Consistency Regulations Technical Support Documentation included in the Staff Report – Climate Action Plan Update Package Municipal Code, Land Development Manual, and Local Coastal Program (CAP Consistency Regulations); and

WHEREAS, the CAP Consistency Regulations will replace the CAP Consistency Checklist adopted in 2016 as the list of measures that can be implemented on a project-by-project basis to ensure that new development is consistent with the CAP Update; and

WHEREAS, the City has determined that amendments to the current GHG Emissions Threshold of the City's CEQA Thresholds is required to reflect that the CAP Consistency Regulations will replace the CAP Checklist adopted in 2016; and

WHEREAS, under the amended GHG Emissions Threshold, whether a project will generate significant GHG emissions and conflict with the CAP Update will be determined through land use consistency and project compliance with the CAP Consistency Regulations, or

in accordance with Planning Department guidance for other plan-and policy-level projects and public infrastructure projects; and

WHEREAS, on AUG 02 2022, by San Diego Resolution No. R-314297, the City Council adopted the City of San Diego's 2022 Climate Action Plan; and

WHEREAS, on AUG 02 2022, by San Diego Resolution No. R-314298, the City Council certified the Addendum to Final Program Environmental Impact Report No. 416603/SCH No. 2015021053 related to this amendment to the Land Development Manual;

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of San Diego that the Land Development Manual GHG Threshold Amendment, on file in the Office of the City Clerk as Document No.

RR- 314300, is hereby adopted, effective upon final passage of San Diego Ordinance No. 21528 related to Climate Action Plan Consistency Regulations.

APPROVED: MARA W. ELLIOTT, City Attorney

By /s/ Lindsey H. Sebastian
Lindsey H. Sebastian
Deputy City Attorney

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Or. Dept: Planning Department
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I certify that the foregoing Resolution was passed by the Council of the City of San Diego, at this meeting of AUG 02 2022.

ELIZABETH S. MALAND
City Clerk

By _____
Deputy City Clerk

Approved: _____
(date)

TODD GLORIA, Mayor

Vetoed: _____
(date)

TODD GLORIA, Mayor

(See attached memo and signature page.)

Office of
The City Attorney
City of San Diego

MEMORANDUM

DATE: September 16, 2022
TO: Office of the City Clerk
FROM: Lindsey H. Sebastian, Deputy City Attorney
SUBJECT: Item No. 331 – Subitem B – Climate Action Plan Update Package,
Correction on Resolution No. R-2023-31 for City Council Meeting of
August 2, 2022

We are submitting a corrected copy of Resolution No. R-2023-31 for Item No. 331 – Subitem B for the City Council meeting on August 2, 2022 to reflect a revision to the following reference:

WHEREAS, the CAP Consistency Regulations ensure that future projects relying on the GHG analysis in the CAP Update are consistent with the assumptions set forth in the CAP Update, and specify measures that City staff have determined, based on substantial evidence will, if implemented on a project-by-project basis, collectively achieve the specified GHG emissions reductions targets identified in the CAP Update, as represented by City staff in the CAP Consistency Regulations Technical Support Documentation included in the ~~Report to the City Council No. _____~~ Staff Report – Climate Action Plan Update Package Municipal Code, Land Development Manual, and Local Coastal Program (CAP Consistency Regulations);

LHS:nja
Doc. No.: 3090253
cc: Rebecca Malone, Planning Department

I certify that the foregoing Resolution was passed by the Council of the City of San Diego, at this meeting of AUG 02 2022

ELIZABETH S. MALAND
City Clerk

By *Connie Patterson*
Deputy City Clerk

Approved: 8/10/22
(date)

Todd Gloria
TODD GLORIA, Mayor

Vetoed: _____
(date)

TODD GLORIA, Mayor

Passed by the Council of The City of San Diego on AUG 02 2022, by the following vote:

Councilmembers	Yeas	Nays	Not Present	Recused
Joe LaCava	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Jennifer Campbell	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stephen Whitburn	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Monica Montgomery Steppe	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Marni von Wilpert	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Chris Cate	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Raul A. Campillo	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Vivian Moreno	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sean Elo-Rivera	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Date of final passage AUG 10 2022.

(Please note: When a resolution is approved by the Mayor, the date of final passage is the date the approved resolution was returned to the Office of the City Clerk.)

AUTHENTICATED BY:

TODD GLORIA
Mayor of The City of San Diego, California.

(Seal)

ELIZABETH S. MALAND
City Clerk of The City of San Diego, California.

By Connie Patterson Deputy

Office of the City Clerk, San Diego, California

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