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Horton Plaza Park Project Moves Forward
State Agrees the Former Redevelopment Project Can Be Built

SAN DIEGO, CA (January 30, 2013) – Council President Todd Gloria and Civic San Diego today announced that the Horton Plaza Park project will move forward, thanks to a revised decision by the State of California Department of Finance. The Park is one of many proposed projects that were threatened by the end of redevelopment in 2011. The Park is one of several projects that Civic San Diego and the City of San Diego have resubmitted to the State for reconsideration following initial objections to their funding.

“This reversal of a prior decision is very good news. Horton Plaza Park will be a great benefit to our Downtown neighborhood and an asset in which all San Diegans can take pride,” said Council President Todd Gloria, who now represents the area. **“This project is the hallmark of what good redevelopment and a unique public-private partnership can accomplish, and my hope is strengthened that other impactful projects will gain similarly positive reviews from the State.”**

Horton Plaza Park will be a 1.3 acre urban park is scheduled to be complete by spring 2014. Located at Fourth Avenue and Broadway, the park was set aside in 1870, redesigned in 1910, and last restored in 1985 at the time Horton Plaza shopping center opened.

”As Downtown’s residential population and workforce rapidly grow, the need for high quality public open space is becoming ever more critical,” said Jeff Graham, President of Civic San Diego. **“This world-class urban plaza is destined to be a cherish regional attraction for all of San Diego’s residents to enjoy.”**

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