

## THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

## TODD GLORIA MAYOR

April 6, 2023

RDML Brad Rosen Commander, Navy Region Southwest 750 Pacific Highway San Diego, CA 92132

## Dear RDML Rosen:

We treasure our region's partnership with the United States Navy and are thrilled to see Navy Region Southwest's new, state of the art headquarters at the Broadway Complex open and supporting your mission. As we continue to reimagine the Embarcadero area to drive tourism and improve existing infrastructure, I would respectfully urge working with the Port of San Diego to find an amicable agreement about the existing property located at 1220 Pacific Highway.

The 1220 Pacific Highway facility is located across from the Port's Cruise Ship Terminal and Maritime Museum along Harbor Drive and mere steps from the famed USS Midway Museum and Seaport Village. A lease exchange would improve the character of this critical tourism area and benefit neighboring businesses by removing aging, blighted infrastructure along the North Embarcadero.

The current site is severely run-down. Its use diminished significantly with the construction of the new Navy Headquarters and the Navy's transition to remote office work. In fact, the infrequent use, and the significant maintenance needs of the 1220 facility have led to nuisance issues for nearby properties. Given the need to invest into the repairs to bring that facility up to a place where it fits within the surrounding area, I urge a creative resolution that will work for all parties involved.

Looking forward, new public access features, recreational amenities, and a roadway through the site are included in the Port's draft Port Master Plan Update.

Your leadership can help us realize these opportunities for our Downtown through a new agreement that provides a path forward. We ask, as our partner in the region's continued success, to enable that to happen.

Sincerely,

TODD GLORIA

Mayor

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