

Date of Notice: December 15, 2022

# NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION

## **PLANNING DEPARTMENT**

PROJECT NAME: 2023 Farmers Insurance Open at Torrey Pines Golf Course

**COMMUNITY PLAN AREA:** University and Mission Bay Park

**COUNCIL DISTRICT:** District 1 and 2

- **LOCATION:** Torrey Pines Golf Course, 11480 N Torrey Pines Rd, La Jolla, CA 92037; See Exhibit A and B for more details.
  - Blacks Beach Parking Lot, Sir Francis Drake Rd, La Jolla, CA 92037; See Exhibit C for more details.
  - Sun Runner Parking Lot, 5199 Fiesta Island Rd, San Diego, CA 92109; See Exhibit D for more details.
  - SeaWorld Parking Lots, 500 Sea World Dr., San Diego, CA 92109; See Exhibit E for more details.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** An agreement between the City of San Diego and the Century Club of San Diego, a nonprofit, to allow the Century Club of San Diego to host the 2023 Annual Professional Golfers Association Tour golf tournament known as the Farmers Insurance Open. The event will utilize the Torrey Pines Golf Course North and South Course from January 17-January 30, 2023, along with Blacks Beach Parking Lot, Sun Runner Parking Lot, and SeaWorld parking lots for event parking and shuttling. The event will include the placement of temporary structures, such as tents, for the duration of the event.

ENTITY CONSIDERING PROJECT APPROVAL: City of San Diego

**ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION** Categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Sections 15301 (Existing Facilities), 15311 (Accessory Structures), and 15323 (Normal Operations of Facilities for Public Gatherings).

**ENTITY MAKING ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION:** City of San Diego Mayor-Appointed Designee.

#### STATEMENT SUPPORTING REASON FOR ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION:

The City of San Diego conducted an environmental review that determined the project would not have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 (Existing Facilities) which consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use; Section 15311 (Accessory Structures) which consists of the construction, or placement of minor structures accessory to (appurtenant to) existing commercial, industrial, or institutional facilities, including the placement of seasonal or temporary use items; and Section 15323 (Normal Operations of Facilities for Public Gatherings) which consists of the normal operations of existing facilities for public gatherings for which the facilities were designed, where there is a past history of the facility being used for the same or similar kind of purpose. For the purposes of this section, "past history" shall mean that the same or similar kind of activity has been occurring for at least three years and that there is a reasonable expectation that the future occurrence of the activity would not represent a change in the operation of the facility. The exceptions listed in CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 would not apply in that no cumulative impacts were identified; no significant effects on the environment were identified; the project is not adjacent to a scenic highway; and the project was not identified on a list of hazardous waste sites pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the Government Code.

As to the exception for historical resources, Blacks Beach Parking Lot (Sir Francis Drake Rd, La Jolla, CA 92037; See Exhibit C) is located within the boundary of Torrey Pines Gliderport, a registered National Historic Landmark. However, documentation from the National Register of Historic Places discloses that Torrey Pines Gliderport has been used as parking for the annual tournament at the Torrey Pines Golf Course in the past and is currently used by the City for public parking. As a result, no historical resources would be affected pursuant to section 21084.1 of the CEQA Guidelines by the actions proposed in this project.

**CITY CONTACT:** John Howard, Assistant Deputy Director, Parks and Recreation **MAILING ADDRESS:** 11480 N Torrey Pines Rd, La Jolla, CA 92037 **PHONE NUMBER/E-MAIL:** (858) 552-1785 / JBHoward@sandiego.gov

On December 15, 2022, the City of San Diego made the above-referenced environmental determination pursuant to CEQA. This determination is appealable to the City Council. If you have any questions about this determination, contact the City Contact listed above.

Applications to appeal the CEQA determination to the City Council must be filed with the Office of the Clerk within 10 business days from the date of the posting of this Notice (**December 30, 2022**). Per the revised Public Notice issued by the Office of the City Clerk on September 28, 2021, appeals to the City Clerk must be filed via e-mail or in-person as follows:

- <u>Appeals filed via Email</u>: Send the appeal by email to <u>Hearings1@sandiego.gov</u>; your email appeal will be acknowledged within 24 hours. You must separately mail the required appeal fee by check payable to the City Treasurer to: City of San Diego Planning Department, Attn: Tara Ash-Reynolds, 9485 Aero Drive, MS 413, San Diego, CA 92123. The appeal filing fee must be postmarked within 5 business days of the date the appeal is filed.
- <u>Appeals filed In-Person</u>: The appeal application can be obtained in the Lobby of the City Administration Building located at 202 'C' Street, San Diego, CA 92101. The completed appeal package must include the required appeal fee in the form of a check payable to the City Treasurer to: City of San Diego Planning Department, Attn: Tara Ash-Reynolds, 9485 Aero Drive, MS 413, San Diego, CA 92123.

If you have any questions regarding the procedures to file the appeal, please contact **Tara Ash-Reynolds** at **TAshReynolds@sandiego.gov.** The revised Public Notice can be found here: <u>https://www.sandiego.gov/sites/default/files/office\_of\_the\_city\_clerk\_public\_notice\_rev09252020\_v2.pdf</u>.

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

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Exhibit A: Torrey Pines Property Lines

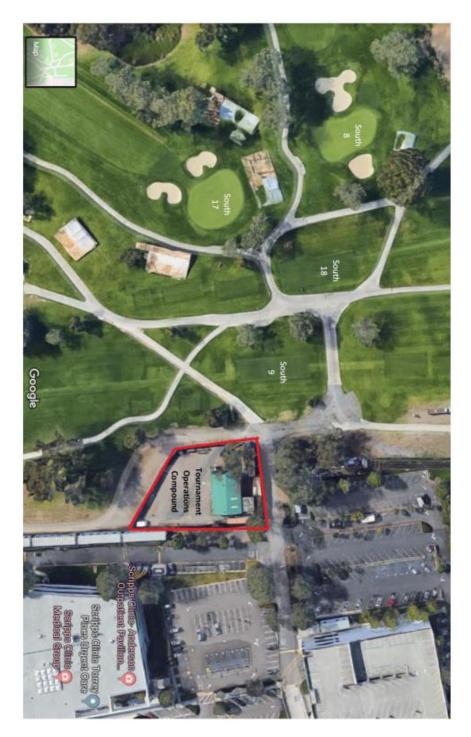


Exhibit B: Tournament Operations Compound

# Exhibit C: Blacks Beach Parking Lot



## Exhibit D: Sun Runner Parking Lot



### Exhibit E: SeaWorld Lot

