



Date of Notice: October 29, 2020

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION

PLANNING DEPARTMENT

PROJECT NAME: City Heights Town Council-Ridgeview Community Garden Use and Occupancy Permit

COMMUNITY PLAN AREA: City Heights

COUNCIL DISTRICT: District 9

LOCATION: Northeast corner of Ridgeview Drive and Fairmount Ave at APN 541-070-0100, San Diego 92105

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: A three year Use and Occupancy Permit between City of San Diego (City) and City Heights Town Council, Inc. dba Ridgeview Community Garden (Permittee) to allow Permittee to continue to use the City-owned real property located at the northeast corner of Ridgeview Drive and Fairmount Ave at APN 541-070-0100 consisting of approximately 5,000 square feet (Permit Area) as a community garden for crop cultivation and growing food collectively or by individuals.

ENTITY CONSIDERING PROJECT APPROVAL: City of San Diego

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: This activity is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 (Existing Facilities) and Section 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 State 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; and Section 15323 (Normal Operations of Facilities for Public Gatherings) which consists of the normal operations of existing facilities for public gathering 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; no historical resources would be affected by the action; and the project was not identified on a list of hazardous waste sites pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the Government Code.

CITY CONTACT: Jayne Vanderhagen, Supervising Property Agent

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On October 29, 2020, the City of San Diego made the above-referenced environmental determination pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (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 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 (**November 13, 2020**). During the Statewide "Safer-at-Home" directive to reduce the spread of COVID-19, beginning March 19, 2020, appeals to the City Clerk must be filed by email or US Mail as follows:

1. Appeals filed via Email: Send the appeal by email to Hearings1@sandiego.gov; 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, M.S. 413, San Diego, CA 92123**. The appeal filing fee must be postmarked within 5 business days of the date the appeal is filed.
2. Appeals filed via US Mail: Send the appeal by US Mail to **City Clerk/Appeal, M.S. 2A, 202 C Street, San Diego, CA 92101**. Appeals filed by US Mail must have a United States Postal Service (USPS) postmark by the appeal deadline to be considered valid. 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, M.S. 413, San Diego, CA 92123**. The appeal filing fee must be postmarked within 5 business days of the date the appeal is filed.

If you have any questions regarding the procedures to file the appeal, please contact **Tara Ash-Reynolds** at tashreynolds@sandiego.gov.

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

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