



Date of Notice: June 14, 2021

# NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL

## ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION

### PLANNING DEPARTMENT

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**PROJECT NAME:** Sidewalk Slicing Services

**COMMUNITY PLAN AREA:** Citywide

**COUNCIL DISTRICT:** Citywide

**LOCATION:** Citywide

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The City of San Diego has almost 5,000 miles of sidewalks. These sidewalks were installed at various times throughout the City's history. Over time, multiple locations throughout the City's sidewalk network have been degraded by various factors, including but not limited to: heat expansion, tree roots, adjacent construction, normal wear and tear, etc. In many cases, this degradation has resulted in cracked and/or raised sidewalk panels across the City's sidewalk network. The City will utilize a qualified contractor to identify and mitigate these sidewalk damages by slicing the concrete in accordance with industry standards. Slicing will not occur if a survey marker or historical stamp is identified and the work could damage the survey markers or historical stamps.

**ENTITY CONSIDERING PROJECT APPROVAL:** City of San Diego

**ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION:** This activity is categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 (c) (Existing Facilities).

**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 and determined the project is exempt from CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15301(c) (Existing Facilities), which allows for the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alterations of existing public or private structures or facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use including existing highways and streets, sidewalks, gutters, bicycle and pedestrian trails, and similar facilities; and where the exceptions to the exemptions listed in CEQA 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 no historical resources would be affected by the action.

As to the exception for hazardous materials, there are locations listed on GeoTracker and EnviroStor within 1,000 feet of the public right-of-way. While these locations are listed, there are no open environmental cases of known hazardous material contamination that would be disturbed which would otherwise preclude use of a CEQA exemption pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the Government Code.

**CITY CONTACT:** Craig M. Hoenes, P.E.

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On June 14, 2021, 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 (**June 28, 2021**). 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](mailto: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](mailto:tashreynolds@sandiego.gov).

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

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