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# RESOLUTION NUMBER R-273615 ADOPTED ON MAY 301989

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO THAT THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN NEGATIVE DECLARATION NO. 89-0162 HAS BEEN COMPLETED IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT OF 1970 AND STATE CEQA GUIDELINES AND THAT SAID DECLARATION HAS BEEN CONSIDERED BY COUNCIL.

WHEREAS, The Federal Highway Administration and California
Department of Transportation (Caltrans) have certified a Final
Environmental Impact Statement and a Supplemental Environmental
Impact/Section 4(f) Statement for the State Route 15 Project in
Mid-City; and

WHEREAS, on May 14, 1985, the Council of The City of San
Diego reviewed and considered the information contained in the
Final Environmental Impact Statement and the Supplemental
Environment Impact/Section 4(f) Statement prior to approving a
Freeway Agreement and a Memorandum of Agreement with Caltrans for
the State Route 15 Project in Mid-City; and

WHEREAS, Caltrans and the City of San Diego propose changes in the State Route 15 project design as described in the Supplemental Environmental Impact/Section 4(f) Statement; and

WHEREAS, the City of San Diego Environmental Quality Division (EQD) has prepared an Initial Study to evaluate the proposed project design changes; and

WHEREAS, EQD has concluded in Mitigated Negative Declaration No. 89-0162, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated

herein as set forth in full, that proposed project mitigation measures would reduce potentially significant project environmental impacts to insignificant levels; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of The City of San Diego hereby certifies that the information contained in Negative Declaration No. 89-0162 has been completed in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970 and State CEQA Guidelines and that said Declaration has been considered by the City Council.

APPROVED: JOHN W. WITT, City Attorney

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City of San Diego Planning Department



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EQD No. 89-0162

SUBJECT:

Mid-City State Route 15 Cover Concept. COUNCIL APPROVAL of a conceptual design for freeway cover and interchange facilities for the previously approved State Route 15 project. The project includes two blocks of cover; widened and enhanced overpasses; and cul-de-sacs on the 40th Street and Central Avenue frontage roads. Located along the State Route 15 alignment between 40th Street and Central Avenue from Adams Avenue to Landis Street, in the Mid-City Community. Applicant: Property Department.

- I. PROJECT DESCRIPTION: See attached Initial Study.
- II. ENVIRONMENTAL SETTING: See attached Initial Study.

#### III. DETERMINATION:

The City of San Diego conducted an Initial Study which determined that the proposed project could have a significant environmental effect. Subsequent revisions in the project proposal create the specific mitigation identified in Section V of this Negative Declaration. The project as revised now avoids or mitigates the potentially significant environmental effects previously identified, and the preparation of an Environmental Impact Report will not be required.

The proposed project involves conceptual design modifications to the originally proposed project. The proposed second block of cover is expected to experience similar potential air quality impacts as the first block of cover and hence the same mitigation program involving a sensor and monitoring device will be included as mitigation. Acquisition of properties along Central Avenue and 40th Street for the cul-de-sacs would be mitigated by the acquisition procedures proposed by the City.

#### IV. DOCUMENTATION:

The attached Initial Study documents the reasons to support the above Determination.

#### V. MITIGATING MEASURES:

### Air Quality

Potential air quality impacts could result under certain meteorological conditions for spot locations on the two cover decks.

The final design of the cover blocks will include an automatic sensing and monitoring system on the two cover sections to detect possible CO standard exceedances. Sensors would be located in the center, and near each of the freeway ends, of the two sections. The system would include audio and/or visual warning devices along with permanent signs directing restricted use of the cover areas when the warning devices are activated.

The design of the two cover sections, including the above noted monitoring system, will be submitted to the Environmental Quality Division in order to report the inclusion of this mitigation measure.

# Socioeconomics (Housing)

The five proposed cul-de-sacs along Central Avenue and 40th Street would require partial or complete acquisitions of approximately 12 properties to be identified during detailed design.

The Property Department will assess the fair market value of the property and provide each property owner a lump sum payment based on a mutually agreed-to purchase price. If the property owner rejects the City's fair market value determination a City Council hearing will be held to determine the necessity of acquiring the property. If the Council determines that acquisition of the property is a public necessity, a resolution to condemn the property under the City's power of eminent domain would be adopted. If the property owner still rejects the City's offer, the owner could seek relief through the courts. The City also will agree to full acquisition of entire lots if owners of lots proposed for partial acquisition so request. The property Department will notify the Environmental Quality Division, in writing, upon completion of these measures.

#### VI. PUBLIC REVIEW DISTRIBUTION:

Draft copies or notice of this Negative Declaration were distributed to:

Federal Highways Administration
CALTRANS
Air Pollution Control District
Metropolitan Transit Development Board
San Diego Transit
El Cajon Boulevard Business Association
City heights Community Development Corporation
Kensington/Talmadge Community Association
Gary Weber
Normal Heights Community Development Corporation
State Clearinghouse

City of San Diego
Councilmember McColl
Engineering and Development Department
Park and Recreation Department
Planning Department
Property Department

## VII. RESULTS OF PUBLIC REVIEW:

- ( ) No comments were received during the public input period.
- ( ) Comments were received but did not address the Negative Declaration finding or the accuracy/completeness of the Initial Study. No response is necessary. The letters are attached.
- (X) Comments addressing the findings of the draft Negative Declaration and/or accuracy or completeness of the Initial Study were received during the public input period. The letters and responses follow.

Copies of the draft Negative Declaration and any Initial Study material are available in the office of the Environmental Quality Division for review, or for purchase at the cost of reproduction.

David A. Potter, Deputy Director

City Planning Department

February 1, 1989
Date of Draft Report

March 21, 1989

Date of Final Report

Analyst: Huffman

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Passed and adopted by the Council of T	he City of San Diego on		MAY 301989	
by the following vote:	,			
Council Members  Abbe Wolfsheimer  Ron Roberts  Gloria McColl  H. Wes Pratt  Ed Struiksma  J. Bruce Henderson  Judy McCarty  Bob Filner  Mayor Maureen O'Connor	Yeas  Yeas	Nays	Not Present	Ineligible
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