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RESOLUTION NUMBER R-308814

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A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO DETERMINING THAT THE APPROVAL OF AN AGREEMENT WITH THE UNITED STATES GOLF ASSOCIATION FOR LEASE OF THE TORREY PINES GOLF COURSE TO HOST THE 2021 UNITED STATES OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP IS CATEGORICALLY EXEMPT FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT PURSUANT TO CEQA GUIDELINES SECTIONS 15301, 15304 AND 15323.

WHEREAS, the United States Open Championship (the "Championship") is an annual event sponsored by the United States Golf Association ("USGA") and hosted each year at a golf club selected by the USGA; and

WHEREAS, the 2008 Championship was held on the South Course of the City's Torrey Pines Golf Course ("the Championship Course"); and

WHEREAS, the City and the USGA have negotiated a proposed Agreement for the 2021 United States Open Championship, that includes an exclusive lease of the Torrey Pines Golf Course (except for the City's administrative offices and maintenance yard), for approximately two weeks in June of 2021, for the conduct of the Championship, and an additional six days of use of the during the three years before the Championship, and for a non-exclusive lease beginning upon execution of the Agreement through seventy-five days after the Championship (about September 3, 2021), for the purpose of planning and preparing for the Championship and for conducting clean-up and any necessary repairs after the Championship (Project); and

WHEREAS, the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (Public Resources Code section 21000 et seq.), section 21084, states that the CEQA Guidelines thereto (California Code

of Regulations, Title 14, Chapter 3, Section 15000 et seq.) shall list those classes of projects
 which have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment and which shall
 be exempt from CEQA; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to that authority, CEQA Guidelines sections 15300-15333 list the categorical exemptions promulgated by the California Office of Planning and Research and adopted by the Secretary of the California Natural Resources Agency for those classes of Projects which have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment; and

WHEREAS, the Development Services Department has established that the Project is categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15301, 15304, 15323 as it is the leasing of existing facilities with no expansion of use, minor alteration of the land which does not involve removal of healthy, mature or scenic trees, and public gatherings for which the facility was designed and there is past history of the facility being used for the same purpose, and that no exception to categorical exemption, as set forth in CEQA Guidelines section 15300.2, applies to the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of San Diego has considered the potential environmental effects of the Project; and

WHEREAS, on March 17, 2014, the City Council held a duly noticed public meeting and considered the written record for the Project as well as public comment; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of San Diego determines that the Project is categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines sections 15301, 15304 and 15323 as it is the leasing of existing facilities with no expansion of use, minor alteration of the land which does not involve removal of healthy, mature or scenic trees, and public gatherings for

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 which the facility was designed and there is past history of the facility being used for the same purpose.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of San Diego has determined that an exception to exemption as set forth in CEQA Guidelines section 15300.2 does not apply.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk is directed to file a Notice of Exemption regarding the Project with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors for the County of San Diego.

APPROVED: JAN I. GOLDSMITH, City Attorney

By

Carrie L. Gleeson
Deputy City Attorney

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Approved: 3/25/2014 (date)	KEVIN L. FAULCONER, Mayor		
Vetoed:(date)	KEVIN L. FAULCONER, Mayor		

• I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was passed by the Council of the City of San Diego, at this meeting of <u>MAR 17 2014</u>.

Passed by the Council of The City of San Diego on		MAR 1 7 2014 , by		the following vote:	
Councilmembers	Yeas	Nays	Not Present	Recused	
Sherri Lightner	Z				
District 2 (Vacant)					
Todd Gloria	Z				
Myrtle Cole	Z				
Mark Kersey					
Lorie Zapf					
Scott Sherman	Z,				
David Alvarez	Z,				
Marti Emerald	Ø				
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AUTHENTICATED BY:		KEVIN L. FAULCONER Mayor of The City of San Diego, California.			
			ELIZABETH	S. MALAND	
(Seal)		City Clerk of The City of San Diego, California.			
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