

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 309096

DATE OF FINAL PASSAGE JUL 17 2014

A RESOLUTION BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO AUTHORIZING THE ADDITION OF THE DECOMMISSIONED CANADIAN DESTROYER HMCS ANNAPOLIS TO THE SAN DIEGO UNDERWATER RECREATION AREA.

WHEREAS, on December 7, 1999, the San Diego City Council approved the creation of the San Diego Underwater Recreational Area (SDURA) to provide an opportunity to place objects on the ocean floor; and

WHEREAS, these objects are intended to create places for divers to explore and for sea life to inhabit and proliferate; and

WHEREAS, the SDURA was also created to provide economic stimulus to the City's tourist industry by creating a tourist destination point and to attract divers from around the world; and

WHEREAS, the California Ships to Reefs (CSTR) organization had submitted an application to the Developmental Services Department (DSD) for project review and approval to sink the former HMCS Annapolis within the boundaries of the SDURA; and

WHEREAS, the original actions taken by the City included the creation of the SDURA and Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) certification which allowed the sinking of the HMCS Yukon and assumed that other vessels would be added to the SDURA over time; and

WHEREAS, future specific projects are expected to be evaluated on a case-by-case basis relative to the parameters outlined within the PEIR with consideration of the potential new project specific factors that may develop; and

WHEREAS, section 1.4 of the PEIR provides direction for the use of the document for future SDURA projects by including checklist of ten specific questions used to assist environmental staff in conducting the consistency review of future specific projects; and

WHEREAS, the CSTR project applicant has responded to all ten PEIR questions which DSD environmental staff used to perform the consistency review with the previously certified PEIR prepared by the City for the SDURA and HMCS Yukon sinking in September of 1999; and

WHEREAS, documentation of consistency of future specific projects with the process described above and CEQA compliance would serve to support other agency permitting as described in section 1.3 of the PEIR; and

WHEREAS, sinking the HMCS Annapolis has been determined to be consistent with the PEIR noted above and would provide additional recreational opportunities for the local and tourist diving communities as intended with the adoption of the SDURA and associated ordinances; and

WHEREAS, the HMCS Annapolis is a 366-foot Canadian Destroyer that served in the Royal Canadian Navy and is virtually identical to the HMCS Yukon; and

WHEREAS, the HMCS Yukon was sunk in July 2000 and is located within the SDURA off of Mission and Pacific Beaches; and

WHEREAS, the CSTR plans on acquiring the HMCS Annapolis with the intention of sinking it under the current SDURA permit and the existing ordinance sometime in spring of 2015; and

WHEREAS, the HMCS Annapolis is currently in Canada, near Gambier Island, British Columbia, under a controlled receivership; and

WHEREAS, the HMCS Annapolis will be inspected by both Environment Canada and the United States Coast Guard, acting on behalf of the United States Environmental Protection Agency, prior to leaving Canada; and

WHEREAS, prior to towing the ship to California, the HMCS Annapolis will be placed into dry dock for hull cleaning and removal of any existing paint; and

WHEREAS, once the ship is sunk, it will be inspected by divers to ensure all material used to sink the HMCS Annapolis are detonated or removed, and the ship will be inspected for diver safety; and

WHEREAS, markers and mooring buoys will be attached to the wreck after it is sunk; and

WHEREAS, the CSTR anticipates towing the HMCS Annapolis to California in the spring of 2015; and

WHEREAS, the San Diego Lifeguards, San Diego Police, United States Coast Guard, and the CSTR are working in concert to ensure that the best ship sinking safety protocol are followed; and


WHEREAS, the Fire-Rescue Department and the Police Department will provide public safety services during the sinking of the HMCS Annapolis; and

WHEREAS, the City estimates an expense of \$2,400.72 for safety personnel associated with the sinking of the ship, and this cost will come from the each participating departments' respective budgets; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of San Diego that the Mayor or his designee is authorized to take all necessary and appropriate steps to allow the sinking of the decommissioned Canadian Destroyer, the HMCS Annapolis, in the San Diego Underwater

Recreation Area upon certification to the City that this project has received all applicable environmental and project approvals required.

APPROVED: JAN I. GOLDSMITH, City Attorney

By 
Noah J. Brazier
Deputy City Attorney

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was passed by the Council of the City of San Diego, at this meeting of JUL 01 2014.

ELIZABETH S. MALAND
City Clerk

By 
Deputy City Clerk

Approved: 7/16/14
(date)


KEVIN FAULCONER, Mayor

Vetoed: _____
(date)

KEVIN FAULCONER, Mayor

Passed by the Council of The City of San Diego on JUL 01 2014, by the following vote:

Councilmembers	Yeas	Nays	Not Present	Recused
Sherri Lightner	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ed Harris	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Todd Gloria	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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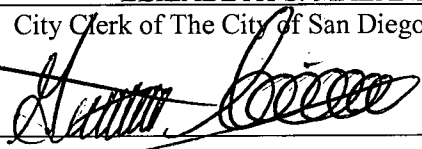
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AUTHENTICATED BY:

KEVIN L. FAULCONER
Mayor of The City of San Diego, California.

ELIZABETH S. MALAND
City Clerk of The City of San Diego, California.

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By  _____, Deputy

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