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RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 310596

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A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO ADOPTING AN AMENDMENT TO THE CLIMATE ACTION PLAN TO ADD A CLIMATE ACTION PLAN CONSISTENCY CHECKLIST AND MAKE OTHER CHANGES RELATED TO THE CONSISTENCY CHECKLIST.

WHEREAS, on December 15, 2015, by Resolution No. 310176, the City Council certified Final Environmental Impact Report No. 401663, and by Resolution No. 301175, adopted the Climate Action Plan; and

WHEREAS, implementation of the Climate Action Plan is estimated to result in GHG emissions reductions of at least 15 percent below the baseline by 2020, 40 percent below the baseline by 2030, and 50 percent below the baseline by 2050; and

WHEREAS, notable targets in the Climate Action Plan include 100 percent renewable electricity citywide by 2035; a 15 percent reduction in energy consumption at municipal facilities by 2020 and an additional 25 percent reduction by 2035; a mass transit mode share of 12 percent by 2020 and 25 percent by 2035 in Transit Priority Areas; 15 percent urban tree canopy coverage by 2020 and 35 percent by 2035; diversion of 75 percent of solid waste by 2020 and 90 percent by 2035; and capturing 90 percent of remaining landfill emissions and 98 percent of wastewater treatment gases by 2035; and

WHEREAS, the Climate Action Plan quantifies greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, both existing and projected over a specified period of time, resulting from activities within the City; and

WHEREAS, the Climate Action Plan establishes a level, based on substantial evidence, below which the contribution to GHG emissions from activities covered by the Climate Action Plan would not be cumulatively considerable; and

WHEREAS, the Climate Action Plan identifies and analyzes the GHG emissions resulting from specific actions or categories anticipated within the City; and

WHEREAS, the Climate Action Plan establishes a mechanism to monitor its progress toward achieving the level and to require amendment if the Climate Action Plan does not achieve specified levels; and

WHEREAS, the Climate Action Plan specified that with future implementing actions, it would serve as a Qualified GHG Reduction Plan for purposes of tiering under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as set forth in CEQA Guidelines section 15183.5, and that a refined proposal to allow project-specific environmental documents, if eligible, to tier from and/or incorporate by reference the Climate Action Plan's programmatic review of GHG impacts in their cumulative impacts analyses would be presented to City Council for consideration; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Department has prepared a Climate Action Plan Consistency Checklist (CAP Consistency Checklist), which ensures that future projects that rely on the GHG analysis in the Climate Action Plan are consistent with the assumptions set forth in the Climate Action Plan, and also specifies measures that substantial evidence demonstrates, if implemented on a project-by-project basis, would collectively achieve the specified GHG emissions reductions targets identified in the Climate Action Plan, as set forth in the CAP Consistency Checklist Technical Support Documentation included in Report to the City Council No. 16-067

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WHEREAS, the Climate Action Plan is proposed to be amended to include the CAP

Consistency Checklist as an appendix to the Climate Action Plan, and to make other text changes

related to the CAP Consistency Checklist (Climate Action Plan Amendment); and

WHEREAS, the Climate Action Plan and the Climate Action Plan Amendment were

adopted in a public process following environmental review; and

WHEREAS, on June 23, 2016, the City Council Environment Committee voted 4-0 to

recommend adoption of the Climate Action Plan Amendment; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of San Diego that the Climate Action

Plan Amendment, on file in the Office of the City Clerk as Document No. RR- 310596.

is hereby adopted.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor or his designee is authorized to make

changes to the CAP Consistency Checklist as necessary to update or incorporate new GHG

reduction techniques, to comply with later amendments to the Climate Action Plan, to comply

with local, state, or federal law, or to address information contained in the annual Climate Action

Plan monitoring.

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