6/20/17 ITEM 60A (0-2017-140)

ORDINANCE NUMBER O- 20836 (NEW SERIES)

DATE OF FINAL PASSAGE JUN 21 2017

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO SETTING ASIDE A CERTAIN PORTION OF DEDICATED PARKLAND LOCATED IN THE MISSION VALLEY PRESERVE AND SEFTON FIELD, FOR THE OPENING AND MAINTENANCE OF A HIGHWAY PURSUANT TO CHARTER SECTION 55 FOR THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA'S INTERSTATE 8 SAFETY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT.

WHEREAS, the City of San Diego is the owner of the Mission Valley Preserve, which was dedicated for park and recreation purposes on June 19, 2000 (Preserve), pursuant to Ordinance No. O-18817 and San Diego Charter Section 55; and

WHEREAS, the City of San Diego is the owner of Sefton Field, which was dedicated for park and recreation purposes on July 21, 2009 (Field), pursuant to Ordinance No. O-19880 and San Diego Charter Section 55; and

WHEREAS, the Preserve and the Field are hereinafter referred to collectively as the "Dedicated Parkland"; and

WHEREAS, the California Department of Transportation is constructing the I-8 Safety Improvement Project (Project), which includes the addition of one lane, enhanced striping and signage along westbound Interstate 8 (I-8), between Hotel Circle and the junction with Interstate 5, within the City of San Diego, California; and

WHEREAS, the Charter provides that, whenever the City Manager recommends it, and the City Council finds that the public interest demands it, the City Council may, without a vote of the people, authorize the opening and maintenance of streets and highways over, through and across City fee-owned land which has heretofore been formally dedicated in perpetuity by ordinance or statute for park, recreation and cemetery purposes; and

WHEREAS, Article XV of the Charter transfers to the elected Mayor all administrative powers, duties and responsibilities previously held by the City Manager; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor now recommends that the public interest demands the opening and maintenance of a highway, over, through and across that certain portion of the Dedicated Parkland, in order to complete the Project to provide safety improvements that will enhance traffic operations and help improve traffic conflicts; and

WHEREAS, that certain portion of the Dedicated Parkland affected by this ordinance is more particularly described in the documents entitled "Easement Deed Highway" and "Easement Deed," including legal descriptions, copies of which are on file in the Office of the City Clerk as Document Numbers RR
311184-1 and RR311184-2; and

WHEREAS, if the City Council finds that the public interest demands the opening and maintenance of a highway, over, through and across that certain portion of the Dedicated Parkland, in order to complete the Project, the Mayor will seek authorization to convey the requested easements to the State of California through a separate action; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Council of the City of San Diego, as follows:

Section 1. That the Council hereby finds that the public interest demands the opening and maintenance of a highway, over, through and across that certain portion of the Dedicated Parkland, in order to complete the westbound expansion of Interstate 8 by the California Department of Transportation's I-8 Safety Improvement Project; that certain portion of the Dedicated Parkland is more particularly described in the documents entitled "Easement Deed Highway" and "Easement Deed," including legal descriptions, copies of which are on file in the Office of the City Clerk as Document Numbers RR- 311184-1 and RR- 311184-2

Section 2. That a full reading of this ordinance is dispensed with prior to passage, a written copy having been made available to the Council and the public prior to the day of its passage.

Section 3. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force on the thirtieth day from and after its final passage.

APPROVED: MARA W. ELLIOTT, City Attorney

By Hilda R. Mendoza **Deputy City Attorney** 

HRM:als 05/22/2017

Or.Dept: READ Doc. No.: 1506811

I hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was passed by the Council of the City of San Diego, at this meeting of JUN 2 0 2017

ELIZABETH S. MALAND

City Clerk

Vetoed: (date)

KEVIN L. FAULCONER, Mayor