RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 311809

DATE OF FINAL PASSAGE JUN 15 2018

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO STATING FOR THE RECORD THAT THE CITY COUNCIL HAS REVIEWED AND CONSIDERED THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THE ADDENDUM TO THE FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR THE SAN DIEGO CONVENTION CENTER PHASE III EXPANSION AND ADJACENT EXPANSION HOTEL, AND CONCURS WITH THE CONCLUSIONS IN THE ADDENDUM.

WHEREAS, the City of San Diego (City) has explored the potential expansion of the San Diego Convention Center (Convention Center), commonly known as the Phase III Expansion, in order to retain, attract, and accommodate large conventions in the City; and

WHEREAS, the Convention Center is located on land owned by, and within the land use jurisdiction of, the San Diego Unified Port District (District); and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970, Public Resources Code sections 21000 *et seq.* (CEQA), and the related State CEQA Guidelines, California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Chapter 3, sections 15000 *et seq.*, the District, as the lead agency for the San Diego Convention Center Phase III Expansion and Expansion Hotel Project and Port Master Plan Amendment (Project), prepared a Final Environmental Impact Report (SCH No. 2010121004, UPD-83356-EIR-855) dated September 2012, which documents, describes, discloses, and analyzes the environmental impacts of the Project, including all components pertaining to the Phase III Expansion; and

WHEREAS, the City, as the project applicant with respect to the Phase III Expansion, is a responsible agency for the Project under CEQA, as provided in California Public Resources Code section 21069; and

WHEREAS, on or about September 19, 2012, the District duly certified the Final Environmental Impact Report, including revisions thereto, as provided in the Errata to the Final Environmental Impact Report, Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program, and Findings of Fact (collectively, Final EIR), and approved Port Master Plan Amendment No. 6-PSD-MAJ-45-13 for the Project (Port Master Plan Amendment); and

WHEREAS, the Council, acting in its capacity as the governing body of a responsible agency under CEQA, adopted Resolution R-307705, effective October 3, 2012, in which the Council stated for the record that it had reviewed and considered the information contained in the Final EIR, made certain CEQA findings regarding the Project, and concurred with the CEQA statement of overriding considerations for the Project; and

WHEREAS, in October 2013, after the Council's consideration of the Final EIR, the California Coastal Commission (Coastal Commission) imposed certain modifications to the Project as a condition of the Coastal Commission's approval of the Project, including certification of the Port Master Plan Amendment; and

WHEREAS, the Project modifications imposed by the Coastal Commission are intended to reduce potential impacts on coastal resources by, among other things, (i) reducing the size of the Phase III Expansion by approximately 20,700 square feet and realigning the southeast corner of the Phase III Expansion, and (ii) improving public access, public recreation, and public views in the Project area, including enhancements to the rooftop park in the Phase III Expansion; and

WHEREAS, to reflect the Project modifications imposed by the Coastal Commission, the District prepared the Addendum to Final Environmental Impact Report, dated February 2014

(Addendum), a copy of which is included in the docket materials accompanying this Resolution, and approved the Addendum on or about March 4, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the Addendum explains that the Project modifications are minor and will not create any new significant environmental impacts or substantially worsen or increase the severity of environmental impacts already identified in the Final EIR; and

WHEREAS, before the Council takes any further discretionary actions for approval or implementation of Phase III Expansion activities, the Council, acting in its capacity as the governing body of a responsible agency under CEQA, desires to state for the record that it has reviewed and considered the Addendum and concurs with the conclusions in the Addendum; and

WHEREAS, substantially concurrent with the adoption of this Resolution, the Council will consider adopting a separate resolution to approve certain matters related to the City's implementation of the Phase III Expansion, including proposed transaction documents giving the City an option to acquire long-term control of the site needed to construct and operate the Phase III Expansion if certain conditions are met; NOW, THEREFORE,

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

- The Council has reviewed and considered the information contained in the
 Addendum with respect to the Project, including the Phase III Expansion.
- 2. The Council concurs with the conclusions in the Addendum that the Project modifications evaluated in the Addendum are minor and will not create any new significant environmental impacts or substantially worsen or increase the severity of environmental impacts already identified in the Final EIR for the Project.

3.	The City Clerk is directed to file a N	Notice of Determination with the Clerk of the
Board of Supervisors for the County of San Diego regarding the Council's review and		
consideration of the Addendum for the Project.		
APPROVED: MARA W. ELLIOTT, City Attorney		
Kevi	n Reisch or Chief Deputy City Attorney	
KJR:nja 06/06/18 Or. Dept: Mayor Doc. No. 1765977 Comp. R-2018-613		
I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was passed by the Council of the City of San Diego, at this meeting of		
		ELIZABETH S. MALAND City Clerk
		By Junda June Deputy City Clerk
Approved:	6/14/18 (date)	KEVIN L. FAULCONER, Mayor
Vetoed:	(date)	KEVIN L. FAULCONER, Mayor

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