RESOLUTION NUMBER R-312022

DATE OF FINAL PASSAGE OCT 23 2018

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO DENYING THE APPEAL AND APPROVING AN ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION THAT A MARIJUANA PRODUCTION FACILITY PROJECT LOCATED AT 1555 LAUREL BAY LANE IS EXEMPT FROM CALIFORNIA QUALITY ACT (CEQA) PURSUANT TO GUIDELINES SECTION 15301 – PROJECT NO. 585579.

WHEREAS, on December 13, 2017, His & Herbs, Inc. submitted an application for Conditional Use Permit (CUP) to allow a Marijuana Production Facility (MPF) within eight commercial condominiums encompassing an entire 19,240 square-foot building located at 1555, 1561, 1567, 1573, 1579, 1585 Laurel Bay Lane, 8705 Mesa Point Terrace, and 8706 Sherwood Terrace on an 8.44-acre site (Project); and

WHEREAS, on August 20, 2018, the Environmental Analysis Section of Development Services Department (DSD) determined the subject project to be categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA State Guidelines Section 15301 (Existing Facilities) and determined that the exceptions to the exemption do not apply; and

WHEREAS, a Notice to Right to Appeal was prepared and posted pursuant to San Diego Municipal Code Section 112.0310; and

WHEREAS, on September 4, 2018, an environmental determination appeal was filed by Ashley Schwarzman; and

WHEREAS, on October 5, 2018, the City staff prepared a memorandum responding to the issues raised in the appeal for the City Council's consideration; and

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WHEREAS, the Project site is currently occupied an electrical/solar manufacturing

company and a small portion provides storage for an automobile canvas cargo manufacturing

company; and

WHEREAS, the Project involves the conversion of an existing structure from one

industrial use to another industrial use with only minor modifications to the interior; and

WHEREAS, the appeal was heard by the City Council on October 23, 2018; and

WHEREAS, under San Diego Charter section 280(a)(2), this resolution is not subject to

veto by the Mayor because this matter requires the City Council to act as a quasi-judicial body

and where a public hearing was required by law implicating due process rights of individuals

affected by the decision and where the City Council was required by law to consider evidence at

the hearing and to make legal findings based on the evidence presented; NOW, THEREFORE,

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

determination appeal of the Project is denied, based upon the substantial evidence provided in

the record to support the exemption and the determination that no substantial evidence has been

provided to support a fair argument that one of the exceptions to the categorical exemption

applies.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Environmental Exemption No. 585579 for the

Project is approved and the Project is exempt from CEQA, pursuant to CEQA Guidelines

Section 15301.

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