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RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 313280

DATE OF FINAL PASSAGE NOV 17 2020

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO AMENDING LAND DEVELOPMENT MANUAL, APPENDIX A, CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT SIGNIFICANCE DETERMINATION THRESHOLD TO AMEND THE TRANSPORTATION THRESHOLD; ADDING NEW APPENDIX R, TRANSPORTATION STUDY MANUAL; AND ADDING NEW APPENDIX T, MOBILITY CHOICES REGULATIONS: IMPLEMENTATION GUIDELINES, ALL RELATED TO THE CITY'S COMPLETE COMMUNITIES: MOBILITY CHOICES PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, the City's Land Development Manual contains California Environmental Quality Act Significance Determination Thresholds (City CEQA Thresholds); and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill SB 743 (SB 743) requires the City to update the City CEQA Thresholds to change the threshold for analyzing transportation impacts from a level of service (LOS) analysis to a vehicle miles traveled (VMT) analysis by July 1, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the current City CEQA Thresholds do not have a significance determination related to VMT; and

WHEREAS, the proposed updates to the City CEQA Thresholds considers the environmental impacts of transportation due to VMT and meet the SB 743's legislative requirements; and

WHEREAS, the City has developed a new threshold for analyzing transportation impacts under CEQA consistent with SB 743; and

WHEREAS, the new Transportation Threshold, Section O, asks whether a project would: (1) conflict with an adopted program, plan, ordinance or policy addressing the transportation system; (2) result in VMT exceeding thresholds identified in the City of San Diego

Transportation Study Manual (TSM); (3) substantially increase hazards due to a design feature or incompatible uses, and (4) result in inadequate emergency access; and

WHEREAS, the Complete Communities: Mobility Choices Regulation Framework dated January 29, 2020, identifies the new thresholds as the appropriate threshold for the City; and

WHEREAS, the current manual that describes the required transportation analysis for land development, roadway projects, and specific plans in the City of San Diego, the Traffic Impact Study Manual (TISM) was last updated in 1998; and

WHEREAS, the TISM is proposed to be replaced with a new Transportation Study Manual (TSM) to address all transportation modes and follow State guidance under SB 743; and

WHEREAS, adding Appendix R: Transportation Study Manual to the Land Development Manual provides guidance on how to prepare a traffic study for new projects within the City and is intended to ensure consistency among City staff and consultants, predictability in study preparation, consistency among reviewers, and conformance with all applicable City and State regulations, including CEQA and SB 743; and

WHEREAS, the TSM was developed in coordination with other local and regional transportation agencies and was posted for public review; and

WHEREAS, on December 15, 2015, by San Diego Resolution No. 310176, the City Council Certified Final Environmental Impact Report No. 401663, and by San Diego Resolution No. 301175, adopted the Climate Action Plan (CAP); and

WHEREAS, the CAP quantifies greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, existing and projected over a specific period of time, resulting from activities within the City, and

WHEREAS, the CAP identifies and analyzes the GHG emission resulting from specific actions of categories, including bicycling, walking, transit and land use, anticipated within the City and specifies GHG emissions reductions targets; and

WHEREAS, the transportation sector, accounted for 55 percent of all GHG emissions within the City in 2018, representing a large portion of the City's emissions; and

WHEREAS, the CAP outlines City goals for 2035 to increase public transit commuter mode share and bicycle commuter mode share in transit priority areas (TPAs) and to reduce the average vehicle commute distance through implementation of the General Plan's City of Villages Strategy; and

WHEREAS, strategic land use planning to locate development/land uses in VMT efficient locations is highly effective in contributing to VMT reductions; and

WHEREAS, the Complete Communities: Housing Solutions and Mobility Choices package focuses new development and the mobility network around transit hubs and existing development to support GHG emissions reductions; and

WHEREAS, the Mobility Choices program supports implementation of an enhanced active transportation network in VMT efficient areas and the implementation of VMT reduction measures to encourage and support use of the active transportation network; and

WHEREAS, the City has identified several VMT reduction measures to be included in the Mobility Choices program and required by new development in VMT efficient areas (Mobility Zones 1, 2, and 3) to offset new VMT impacts; and

WHEREAS, adding Appendix T: Mobility Choices Regulations: Implementation Guidelines to the Land Development Manual (LDM) will provide clear guidelines needed for

new development to comply with the Mobility Choices Regulations, adopted by San Diego Ordinance No. O- 21274 ; and

WHEREAS, on NOV 09 2020 , by San Diego Resolution No. <sup>R</sup>313279, the City Council certified Final Programmatic Environmental Impact Report No. 2019060003 related to these amendments to the Land Development Manual; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of San Diego that the amendments and additions to the Land Development Manual Amendment, on file in the Office of the City Clerk as Document No. RR- 313280 , are hereby adopted, effective upon final passage of O- 21274 related to Mobility Choices Regulations.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor or his designee is authorized to make administrative changes, or any changes necessary to update or incorporate new vehicle miles reduction measures, to account for the availability of new mobility-related data, to comply with future amendments to the Climate Action Plan, to address information contained in the annual Climate Action Plan monitoring, or to comply with local, state, or federal law, to the Land Development Manual, or any other implementing guidelines, data or maps.

APPROVED: MARA W. ELLIOTT, City Attorney

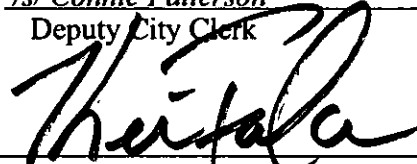
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Deputy City Attorney

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I certify that the foregoing Resolution was passed by the Council of the City of San Diego, at this meeting of 11/09/2020.

ELIZABETH S. MALAND  
City Clerk

By /s/ Connie Patterson  
Deputy City Clerk



KEVIN L. FAULCONER, Mayor

Approved: 11/16/20  
(date)

Vetoed: \_\_\_\_\_  
(date)

KEVIN L. FAULCONER, Mayor

Passed by the Council of The City of San Diego on NOV 09 2020, by the following vote:

Councilmembers	Yeas	Nays	Not Present	Recused
Barbara Bry	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Jennifer Campbell	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Mark Kersey	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Date of final passage NOV 17 2020.

**(Please note: When a resolution is approved by the Mayor, the date of final passage is the date the approved resolution was returned to the Office of the City Clerk.)**

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 Connie Patterson, Deputy

Office of the City Clerk, San Diego, California

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