

(R-2023-255)

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 314443

DATE OF FINAL PASSAGE NOV 28 2022

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
SAN DIEGO SUPPORTING THE EXPLORATION OF A  
PARTNERSHIP WITH THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO TO  
FUND SAN DIEGO RIVER PARK TRAIL IMPROVEMENTS,  
ONGOING RESTORATION, OPERATIONS, AND  
MAINTENANCE.

WHEREAS, since 2002, the City of San Diego (City) and regional stakeholders have envisioned a contiguous trail system called the San Diego River Park Trail along the San Diego River (SDRP Trail) to make the San Diego River an interconnected system of recreational opportunities that preserves open space and improves regional mobility; and

WHEREAS, in March 2021, representatives from the City, the County of San Diego (County), the San Diego River Park Foundation, the San Diego River Conservancy, the Regional Task Force on the Homeless, and the Kumeyaay Diegueño Land Conservancy formed the San Diego River Park Task Force (SDRP Task Force) and identified the development of the SDRP Trail as a priority project to pursue through regional collaboration; and

WHEREAS, through the SDRP Task Force, City, County, and local stakeholders have identified key SDRP Trail projects that will benefit the region as a whole; and

WHEREAS, the City of San Diego River Park Master Plan and the San Diego River Conservancy River Recreational Trail Plan have solidified the concept of the SDRP Trail; and

WHEREAS, once completed, the SDRP Trail is anticipated to span approximately 130 miles; and

WHEREAS, approximately 42 miles of the SDRP Trail lie within the jurisdictional boundaries of the City, with approximately 22 miles completed and open to the public; and

WHEREAS, the City's recently updated Climate Action Plan calls for the implementation of the San Diego River Park Master Plan to increase mobility through enhancement of the SDRP Trail; and

WHEREAS, in November 2021, the County Board of Supervisors voted to procure a consultant to perform a funding feasibility analysis for the SDRP Trail; and

WHEREAS, in September 2022, the County Board of Supervisors reviewed the consultant's findings regarding the funding feasibility analysis and voted to pursue the formation of an Enhanced Infrastructure Financing District (EIFD) to fund SDRP Trail improvements, pursue the formation of a Joint Powers Authority, special district, or benefit assessment district to fund ongoing restoration, operations, and maintenance, and to seek the City's partnership; and

WHEREAS, the County has requested the City's support for exploring the formation of a joint EIFD to fund SDRP Trail improvements; and

WHEREAS, should the City's support be obtained, the County will proceed with procuring a consultant to develop a plan for EIFD formation; and

WHEREAS, the City will review the consultant's findings and return to seek City Council authorization before forming an EIFD; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the City Attorney has drafted this resolution based on the information provided by City staff, with the understanding that this information is complete, true, and accurate; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of San Diego (Council), that the Council supports the exploration of a partnership with the County of San Diego to form an Enhanced Infrastructure Financing District and to form a Joint Powers Authority, special district, or benefit assessment district to be used for San Diego River Park improvements, ongoing restoration, operations, and maintenance.

APPROVED: MARA W. ELLIOT, CITY ATTORNEY

By /s/ Marco A. Verdugo  
Marco A. Verdugo  
Deputy City Attorney

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11/01/2022  
Or.Dept: Council District 7  
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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 NOV 15 2022

ELIZABETH S. MALAND  
City Clerk

By Krystell Medina  
Deputy City Clerk

Approved: 11/21/22  
(date)

Todd Gloria  
TODD GLORIA, Mayor

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

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TODD GLORIA, Mayor

Passed by the Council of The City of San Diego on NOV 15 2022, by the following vote:

Councilmembers	Yeas	Nays	Not Present	Recused
Joe LaCava	<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"/>
Stephen Whitburn	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Monica Montgomery Steppe	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Marni von Wilpert	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Chris Cate	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Raul A. Campillo	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Vivian Moreno	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sean Elo-Rivera	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Date of final passage NOV 28 2022.

**(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:

TODD GLORIA  
Mayor of The City of San Diego, California.

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ELIZABETH S. MALAND  
City Clerk of The City of San Diego, California.

By Kymberly Medina, Deputy

Office of the City Clerk, San Diego, California

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