RESOLUTION NUMBER R-315961

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A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO DETERMINING THAT THE MOVEMENT OF SMART STREETLIGHT AND AUTOMATED LICENSE PLATE RECOGNITION TECHNOLOGY IS CATEGORICALLY EXEMPT FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) PURSUANT TO CEQA GUIDELINES SECTIONS 15301 AND 15302(C).

RECITALS

The Council of the City of San Diego (Council) adopts this Resolution based on the following:
A. The Council is considering authorizing the movement of Smart Streetlight and
Automated License Plate Recognition (ALPR) technology consistent with the Transparent and
Responsible Use of Surveillance Technology (TRUST) Ordinance (Project).

B. California Public Resources Code section 21065 defines a project as an activity which may cause either a direct physical change in the environment, or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment.

C. The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (Public Resources Code section 21000 et seq.), section 21084, states that the CEQA Guidelines thereto (California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Chapter 3, section 15000et seq.), prepared by the California Office of Planning and Research (COPR) pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21083, shall list those classes of projects which have been determined to not have a significant effect on the environment and that shall be exempt from CEQA.

D. Pursuant to that authority, CEQA Guidelines sections 15300 through 15333 list categorial exemptions prepared by the COPR and adopted by the Secretary of the California

Natural Resources Agency for those classes of projects which have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment.

E. The City of San Diego Planning Department (Planning Department) determined that the proposed Project is categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15301 (Existing Facilities), as the movement of Smart Streetlights and ALPR technology provides for minor alteration of existing facilities (existing streetlights) involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use.

F. The Planning Department determined that the proposed Project is also categorically exempt from CEQA Guidelines section 15302(c) (Replacement or Reconstruction), as the movement of Smart Streetlights and ALPR technology provides for the replacement or reconstruction of existing utility systems and/or facilities (existing streetlights) involving negligible or no expansion of capacity.

G. The Council considered the potential environmental effects of the Project.

H. On <u>DEC 1 7 2029</u>, the Council held a duly notice public meeting, and considered the written record and related public comment and evidence concerning the Project.

I. The Council, exercising its independent judgment, has determined that the Project will not result in a significant effect on the environment and is exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15301 because it involves the operation, repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing public facilities involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use.

J. The Council, exercising its independent judgment, has determined that the Project will not result in a significant effect on the environment and is exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15302(c) because it involves the replacement or reconstruction of existing utility systems and/or facilities involving negligible or no expansion of capacity.

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K. The Council, exercising its independent judgment, determined that no exception set forth in CEQA Guidelines section 15300.2 applies to the Project.

L. 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.

ACTION ITEMS

Be it resolved by the Council of the City of San Diego:

1. The Project is categorically exempt from the provisions of CEQA under CEQA Guidelines sections 15301 and 15302(c).

2. No exception to the application of a categorical exemption set forth in CEQA Guidelines section 15300.2 applies to the Project.

3. The City Clerk or designee is directed to file a Notice of Exemption in accordance with CEQA with the San Diego County Clerk's Office and the State Clearinghouse in the Office of Planning and Research regarding the Project.

APPROVED: HEATHER FERBERT, City Attorney

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Michelle A. Garland Senior Chief Deputy City Attorney

MAG:hm December 3, 2024 Or.Dept: PSE CC No. N/A Doc. No. 3892208 2 I certify that the foregoing Resolution was passed by the Council of the City of San Diego, at this meeting of $\underline{DEC 172024}$.

DIANA J.S. FUENTES City Clerk Clerk Deputy. С

Approved: ____ 12 date)

IA, Mayor

Vetoed:

(date)

TODD GLORIA, Mayor

Date of final passage ______ DEC 1 9 2024

(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:

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

DIANA J.S. FUENTES City Clerk of The City of San Diego, California.

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