

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 316823

DATE OF FINAL PASSAGE JUN 18 2026

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO DETERMINING THAT APPROVING THE REPORT SUBMITTED IN CONNECTION WITH THE DOWNTOWN PROPERTY AND BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2027 AND RELATED FUNDING ACTIONS IS CATEGORICALLY EXEMPT FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT PURSUANT TO CEQA GUIDELINES SECTION 15301.

RECITALS

The Council of the City of San Diego (Council) adopts this Resolution based on the following:

A. 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 15000 et seq.) shall list those classes of projects which have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment and which shall be exempt from CEQA.

B. Pursuant to that authority, CEQA Guidelines sections 15300 through 15333 list the categorical exemptions promulgated by the California Office of Planning and Research 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.

C. The Council adopted San Diego Resolution R-315996, effective January 29, 2025 (Resolution of Formation), renewing the Downtown Property and Business Improvement District (Downtown PBID) for a term of ten years in accordance with the Property and Business Improvement District Law of 1994, California Streets and Highways Code sections 36600 through 36671 (PBID Law).

D. The Downtown PBID is governed by the Management District Plan, which includes an engineer's report, a management plan, and the assessments described therein, and which describes expenditures in the following categories: Cleaning and Maintenance, Safety and Hospitality, Program Management, Business Attraction and Retention, Beautification and Placemaking, and Administrative Services.

E. Under PBID Law, a written report (Annual Report) must be prepared annually and presented to Council for approval to authorize the collection and expenditure of funds in accordance with the Management District Plan for the upcoming fiscal year.

F. The City desires to approve the Annual Report and associated collection of assessments and expenditures in accordance with the Management District Plan (collectively, Project).

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

H. The Council held a duly noticed public meeting and considered the written record for the Project as well as public comment.

I. The Council, using its independent judgment, has determined that the Project is categorically exempt from the provisions of CEQA under CEQA guidelines section 15301 on the basis that the Project: (a) consists of the operations, repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing public facilities or topographical features involving negligible or no expansion of existing uses; (b) would have no cumulative impacts or significant effects on the environment; (c) is not adjacent to a scenic highway; (d) would not affect any historical resources; and (e) was not identified on a list of hazardous waste sites under California Government Code section 65962.5.

J. The Office of the City Attorney has prepared this Resolution based on the information provided by City staff (including information provided by consultants and third

parties and verified by City staff) with the understanding that this information is complete 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 section 15301 (Existing Facilities).
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 Clerk of the Board of Supervisors for the County of San Diego and the State Clearinghouse in the Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation regarding the Project.

APPROVED: HEATHER FERBERT, City Attorney

By Daphne Z. Skogen
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Deputy City Attorney

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June 1, 2026
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I certify that the Council of the City of San Diego adopted this Resolution at a meeting held on
JUN 15 2026

DIANA J.S. FUENTES
City Clerk

By *Cennie Patterson*
Deputy City Clerk

Approved: 6/18/26
(date)

Todd Gloria
TODD GLORIA, Mayor

Vetoed: _____
(date)

TODD GLORIA, Mayor

Passed by the Council of The City of San Diego on JUN 15 2026, 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"/>
Henry L. Foster III	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Marni von Wilpert	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Kent Lee	<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input 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 JUN 18 2026

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

By Connie Patterson Deputy

Office of the City Clerk, San Diego, California

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