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REPORT NO: 06-106

ATTENTION: Council President and City Council  
Docket of August 8, 2006

## REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL

SUBJECT: Qualcomm Stadium - Proposed Glass Bottle Ordinance

REFERENCE:

REQUESTED ACTION: Adopt new ordinance that prohibits the possession of glass bottles in the Qualcomm Stadium parking lot.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Qualcomm Stadium staff, stadium tenants, vendors and the SDPD are concerned about health and safety issues because of the proliferation of glass bottles in the parking lot during tailgate parties. It is our recommendation that an ordinance be adopted that prohibits glass bottles in the parking lot.

SUMMARY: Over the years the Qualcomm Stadium parking lot before major events has changed from a pleasant, family friendly environment to one enormous party that is difficult to control. The intent of this ordinance is to mitigate the danger of glass bottles being thrown during altercations and general rowdy behavior. It is also a continued nuisance for patrons and staff to deal with slashed and damaged tires. Finally, it is a health and safety issue for people walking through broken glass and for staff members cleaning up after an event.

FISCAL CONSIDERATIONS: This new ordinance will minimize the amount of broken glass in the parking lot, which will assist in clean up efforts and reduce the City's exposure to potential lawsuits arising from trips and falls.

Additionally, the Urban Corps, who manages the Stadium's recycling efforts, has also written a letter of support for the ordinance. They have expressed concern for the safety of their employees due to broken glass and they also feel that eliminating glass bottles will increase the amount of recyclables that they will be able to salvage.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL and/or COMMITTEE ACTION: None

COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION AND PUBLIC OUTREACH EFFORTS: This proposal was discussed at two Qualcomm Stadium Advisory Board meetings, which are open to the public. No public dissent against the proposal was made. The Qualcomm Stadium Advisory Board voted 7-1 in favor of the proposal.

KEY STAKEHOLDERS AND PROJECTED IMPACTS: The stadium's primary tenants, the Chargers, San Diego State University and the Holiday Bowl, have all sent letters of support for the ordinance.

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Originating Department

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Deputy Chief/Chief Operating Officer

Attachments: [Attachment 1 - Proposed Ordinance](#)  
[Attachment 2 - Letters of Support from the Chargers, San Diego State University, the Holiday Bowl, Ace Parking and the Urban Corps](#)