

ATTACHMENT C – CEQA FINDINGS

FINDINGS PURSUANT TO CEQA GUIDELINES SECTION 15273(c)

The Board of Supervisors finds as follows:

1. The proposed action involves the amendment of Sections 362, 362.1, 362.2, 362.3, and 362.3.6 of the Administrative Code to establish, adjust, or modify fees and deposits to be charged by County staff in connection with Land Use and Environment Group (LUEG) review and approval of private development and land use proposals.
2. These fees and deposits are based on LUEG calculations and are intended to meet anticipated operational expenses, including wage rates and fringe benefits costs for County employees assisting with the review and approval of applications submitted to the County. Worksheets explaining the basis for each fee and deposit have been made available for public review in accordance with Government Code section 66016.
3. Consistent with Board of Supervisors Policy B-29 to recover the full cost for services provided to agencies and individuals outside the County of San Diego, these fees and deposits are necessary to recover actual costs associated with performance of specific services relating to the review and processing of applications for County permits and approvals.
4. For the above reasons and those stated in the May 3, 2023, Board letter and accompanying documents related to the adoption of an ordinance to amend Sections 362, 362.1, 362.2, and 362.3 of the Administrative Code, the proposed action is exempt from review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15273(a) of the CEQA Guidelines.