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PUBLIC NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY FOR A DRAFT PROGRAM ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (Draft PEIR)

PLANNING DEPARTMENT

PUBLIC NOTICE: The City of San Diego's Planning Department has prepared a Draft PEIR for the following project and is inviting your comments regarding the adequacy of the document. The Draft PEIR and associated technical appendices have been placed on the City of San Diego's California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) website under the heading "Draft CEQA Documents" and can be accessed at the following link:

https://www.sandiego.gov/ceqa/draft

Your comments must be received by May 1, 2020 to be included in the final document considered by the decision-making authorities. Please send your written comments to the following address: Rebecca Malone, Environmental Planner, Planning Department, 9485 Aero Drive, MS 413, San Diego, CA 92123 or e-mail your comments to PlanningCEQA@sandiego.gov with the Project Name in the subject line. Please note that only written comments, received either via US Mail, hand-delivered, or via email, will be considered official comments in the Final PEIR.

PROJECT NAME: Kearny Mesa Community Plan Update

PROJECT No.: 607857/SCH No. 2018111024

COMMUNITY PLAN AREA: Kearny Mesa **COUNCIL DISTRICT:** Districts 6 and 7

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The proposed Kearny Mesa Community Plan and associated discretionary actions (collectively referred to as the "project") entails a comprehensive update to the Kearny Mesa Community Plan, which is intended to guide future development of the Kearny Mesa Community Plan area (Community Plan area). It articulates an overall vision, designates land uses, and provides a comprehensive set of policies for new development within the Kearny Mesa Community Plan area. The proposed project incorporates relevant policies from the City of San Diego General Plan (General Plan), and provides a long-range, comprehensive policy framework and vision for growth and development in Kearny Mesa. The proposed project provides community-specific policies that further implement the General Plan with respect to the distribution and arrangement of land uses and the local street and transit network; urban design guidelines; recommendations to preserve natural open space and historic and cultural resources; and provision of public services to the Community Plan area. The proposed project maintains employment areas and identifies village areas. The proposed project also enhances community connections with a comprehensive network of complete streets and urban pathways.

In addition to adoption of the Community Plan, the project includes: amendments to the General Plan to incorporate the Community Plan land uses; amendments to the Land Development Code; and a comprehensive rezone. The actions together with the proposed Community Plan Update form the project for this PEIR. Discretionary actions by other agencies include a recommendation from the San Diego County Regional Airport Authority.

The following link includes additional information on the Kearny Mesa Community Plan Update: https://www.sandiego.gov/planning/community/cpu/kearnymesa

PROJECT LOCATION: The Kearny Mesa Community Plan area (Community Plan area) is located in the central portion of the City of San Diego. The Community Plan area encompasses approximately 4,423 acres and is bounded by State Route (SR) 52 on the north, Interstate (I-) 805 on the west, and I-15 on the east. The Community Plan area is bounded by properties south of Aero Drive and those extending to Friars Road along the western edge of I-15 on the south. Marine Corps Air Station (MCAS) Miramar is located to the north of the Community Plan area, the community of Tierrasanta is to the east, the communities of Serra Mesa and Mission Valley are to the south, the community of Clairemont Mesa is located to the west, and a small portion of the community of Linda Vista is adjacent to the southwest.

The Community Plan area is predominantly urbanized and largely developed with industrial, commercial, and office uses due its role as a major employment center. Other uses include residential, institutional, educational, recreation, open space, Montgomery–Gibbs Executive Airport, transportation facilities/utilities, and vacant land. Development is concentrated on the relatively flat mesa top that characterizes most of the landform within the Community Plan area. Two major canyons traverse the community, including Murphy Canyon that parallels I–15 along the eastern Community Plan area boundary and a tributary canyon of the San Clemente Canyon that extends into the northwest portion of the Community Plan area between the I–805 and SR 52.

APPLICANT: City of San Diego Planning Department

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RECOMMENDED FINDING: The Draft PEIR concludes that the proposed project would result in significant environmental impacts in the following areas: Air Quality (Conflicts with Air Quality Plans; Air Quality Standards; and Sensitive Receptors); Historical, Archaeological, and Tribal Cultural Resources (Historic Buildings, Structures, Objects, or Sites; Prehistoric and Historic Archaeological Resources, Sacred Sites, and Human Remains; and Tribal Cultural Resources); Noise (Ambient Noise; Noise – Land Use Compatibility; Airport Noise; Construction Noise; and Vibration); Public Services and Facilities (Public Facilities; Deterioration of Existing Neighborhood Parks and Recreational Facilities; Construction or Expansion of Recreational Facilities); Public Utilities (Utilities); Transportation (Vehicle Miles Traveled); and Visual Effects and Neighborhood Character (Neighborhood Character). All other impacts analyzed in this PEIR were found to be less than significant.

AVAILABILITY IN ALTERNATIVE FORMAT: To request this Notice in alternative format, please call the Planning Department at (619) 235–5200 OR (800) 735–2929 (TEXT TELEPHONE).

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: For environmental review information, contact Rebecca Malone at (619) 446–5371. For project information, contact the Project Manager, Lisa Lind, at (619) 236–6531.

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