

FILE NUMBER: 2025-123

DATE: Tuesday, April 15, 2025

SUBJECT: Update from Regional Partners

DESCRIPTION: Receive a presentation from San Diego Regional Economic Development Corporation, San Diego Regional Chamber of Commerce, and Downtown San Diego Partnership

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The San Diego Regional Economic Development Corporation, the San Diego Regional Chamber of Commerce, and the Downtown San Diego Partnership will each provide an update on their respective organizations' current efforts as related to regional economic development.

RECOMMENDATION:

This is an informational update, and no action will be taken.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact.

COMPASS STRATEGIC GOALS:

This agenda item supports the following Strategic Goal(s).

- A Port with a comprehensive vision for Port land and water uses integrated to regional plans.

DISCUSSION:

The San Diego Regional Economic Development Corporation, the San Diego Regional Chamber of Commerce, and the Downtown San Diego Partnership will each provide an update on their respective organizations' current efforts as related to regional economic development.

The San Diego Regional Economic Development Corporation will provide a broad overview of regional economic development.

The San Diego Regional Chamber of Commerce will focus on small business and binational affairs.

The Downtown San Diego Partnership will share insights on downtown San Diego, touching on tourism, the built environment, placemaking, and a quick overview of Clean & Safe and services for the unhoused.

General Counsel's Comments:

The Office of the General Counsel has reviewed this staff report as presented to it, and approves it as to form and legality.

Environmental Review:

This informational presentation does not constitute a project under the definition set forth in California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15378 because no discretionary action by the District is requested and there is not a potential to result in a direct or indirect physical change in the environment. Therefore, the proposed Board action is not subject to CEQA and no further action under CEQA is required.

In addition, this presentation complies with Section 35 of the Port Act which allows the Board to do all acts necessary and convenient for the exercise of its powers. The Port Act was enacted by the California Legislature and is consistent with the Public Trust Doctrine. Consequently, any Board direction related to this presentation is consistent with the Public Trust Doctrine.

Finally, this presentation does not allow for development, as defined in Section 3010 of the California Coastal Act, or new development, pursuant to Section 1.a. of the District's Coastal Development Permit (CDP) Regulations. Therefore, issuance of a CDP or an exclusion is not required.

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Program:

This agenda sheet has no direct impact on District workforce or contract reporting at this time.

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