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DATE:

June 11, 1997

TO:

COMMISSIONERS AND INTERESTED PARTIES

FROM:

PETER DOUGLAS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

SUBJECT:

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S DETERMINATION that the City of San Diego's actions, certifying Local Coastal Program Amendment No. 1-95 are legally adequate (for Commission review at its meeting of

July 8-11, 1997)

BACKGROUND

At its November 15, 1996 meeting, the California Coastal Commission certified, with suggested modifications, a portion of the City of San Diego Local Coastal Program Amendment 1-95, amending the City's certified Land Use Plan. On February 6, 1997, revised findings were adopted, which included minor editorial corrections to two of the suggested modifications. The amendment incorporated a new land use plan, the Mission Bay Park Master Plan, into the City's certified LCP. The Master Plan addressed various ongoing and anticipated uses/functions of Mission Bay Park, identified appropriate areas for said uses and functions to occur and established standards for future development of currently undeveloped park areas and redevelopment of existing leaseholds. At the time of the hearing, the Commission adopted suggested modifications addressing many aspects of the overall plan, the most controversial being those concerning redevelopment of the Bahia Hotel leasehold.

By their action adopting Resolutions No. R-286199 and No. R-288657, the City Council acknowledged and accepted all of the Commission's suggested modifications. As provided for in Section 13544 of the California Code of Regulations, the Executive Director must determine if the action of the City of San Diego is legally sufficient to finalize Commission review of the LCP amendment. The City's actions have been reviewed and determined to be adequate by the Executive Director. Section 13544 of the California Code of Regulations then requires this determination be reported to the Commission for its concurrence.

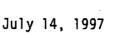
RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Commission CONCUR with the Executive Director's determination as set forth in the attached letter (to be sent after Commission endorsement).

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Honorable Susan Golding, Mayor City of San Diego 202 "C" Street San Diego, CA 92101

Re: Certification of the City of San Diego's LCP Amendment 1-95 for Mission Bay Park

Dear Mayor Golding,

The California Coastal Commission has reviewed the City's Resolution Nos. R-286199 and R-288657, together with the Commission's actions on November 15, 1996 and February 6, 1997, certifying the Mission Bay Park portion of Amendment 1-95 to the City's Local Coastal Program. The amendment incorporated a new land use plan, the Mission Bay Park Master Plan, into the City's certified LCP. The Master Plan addressed various ongoing and anticipated uses/functions of Mission Bay Park, identified appropriate areas for said uses and functions to occur, and established standards for future development of currently undeveloped park areas and redevelopment of existing leaseholds.

In accordance with Section 13544 of the California Code of Regulations, I have made the determination that the City's actions are legally adequate; and the Commission has concurred at its meeting of July 8-11, 1997. By its action on May 13, 1997, the City has formally acknowledged and accepted the Commission's certification of the amendment, including all suggested modifications, which pertained to many aspects of the overall plan.

In conclusion, I would like to extend our appreciation to you and all other elected or appointed officials, staff and concerned citizens for working in a cooperative fashion on this matter. We remain available to assist you and your staff in any way possible as you continue to implement the City's Local Coastal Program.

Sincerely,

Peter Douglas **Executive Director**