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**Date:** October 15, 2020

**To:** COMMISSIONERS AND INTERESTED PERSONS

**From:** STAFF

**Subject:** Request to Waive Time Limit for City of San Diego LCP Amendment No. LCP-6-SAN-20-0053-1 (Morena Corridor Specific Plan) for the Commission Meeting of November 4-6, 2020

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On August 18, 2020, the City of San Diego Local Coastal Program (LCP) Amendment No. LCP-6-SAN-20-0053-1 was filed in the San Diego District office. The amendment involves new land use designations and mobility infrastructure improvements to capitalize on the trolley line extension in the City's community planning areas along the inland side of Interstate 5 across from Mission Bay Park. However, the specific plan area is not within the coastal zone. Nonetheless, there are related changes to the City's Land Development Code (LDC), which serves in large part as the City's LCP Implementation Plan that are required. Therefore, given that the LDC is a certified component of the City's LCP and revisions are being made to it, the proposed amendment will affect the certified LCP implementation plan and requires Commission review.

Pursuant to Section 30513 of the Coastal Act, the Commission must act on implementation plan amendments within 60 working days of filing. Based on the above-cited time limits, the proposed LCP amendment must be scheduled for review by the Commission at the November 4-6, 2020 meeting. However, Section 30517 of the Coastal Act and Section 13535(c) of the California Code of Regulations state that the Commission may extend for good cause any applicable time limits for a period not to exceed one year.

Commission staff is requesting the time extension due to insufficient staff time to adequately review the amendment and prepare a recommendation. In addition to this item, there are four other LCP amendment requests from the City pending review, as well as over ten other City development project applications undergoing review in the district office. As part of staff's monthly coordination meetings, the City is working to create a prioritization list for its many submittals. Given this workload volume, staffing limits and operational constraints related to the current public health crisis, the requested time will allow for Commission review and resolution of issues and scheduling conflicts that may arise. Staff recommends the Commission extend the 60-day time limit for one year.

## **PROCEDURE**

### **MOTION:**

I move that the Commission extend the 60-day time limit to act on the City of San Diego LCP Amendment No. LCP-6-SAN-20-0053-1 for one year.

### **STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends a YES vote. An affirmative vote of the majority of the Commissioners present is needed to pass the motion.