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Subject: RE: Appeal of PC denial info

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Thank you, Martin -

San Diego Clean Fuels LLC would like to appeal last night's decision on Resolution 2025-14 as we do not believe that the findings for denial are accurate.

Findings for Denial of the Conditional Use Permit

#1 asserts that the facility is not essential or desirable because there are cleaner methods of delivery of the clean fuels. We do not believe that the cleaner methods mentioned are practically available at the current time.

#2 indicates that the project would be detrimental to the public in the vicinity due to the anticipation that the 'last mile' delivery trucks will be petroleum diesel fueled and contribute to negative air quality in the area. Given that the truck operators are hauling renewable diesel, it would make sense that these truck operators would use the fuel that they haul. Furthermore, USD Clean Fuels was willing to accept a condition that these vehicles would be required to use renewable diesel within a reasonable period of time after the facility is operational; making this finding void. It should also be noted that the EIR found air quality impacts based on petroleum diesel truck emissions as is required for air quality modeling, to be less than significant.

Finding for Denial of the Coastal Development Permit

#1 says that the project is in conflict with the Community Emissions Reduction Plan because it increases the number of diesel trucks within the Portside Community. Again, the finding's concern is based on the trucks using petroleum diesel rather than renewable diesel. Furthermore, these short haul delivery truck trips replace long haul carriers, improving the air quality in the entire area. If the short haul trucks are conditioned to use renewable diesel fuel instead of petroleum diesel, the air quality is improved still further.

Attached is the payment authorization for the appeal.

We appreciate the work you and David have done on this project and look forward to the opportunity to present to the City Council.

Sincerely,

Note our new address!



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