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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Escondido City Council will hold a public hearing, in the City Council Chambers, Escondido City Hall, 201 N. Broadway, Escondido, CA at **5 p.m.** on **Wednesday, November 20, 2024**, to consider the item below:

EXTENSION OF INTERIM URGENCY ORDINANCE PROHIBITING NEW COMMERCIAL BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEMS WITHIN THE CITY OF ESCONDIDO AND REPORT REGARDING MEASURES TAKEN TO ALLECIATE CONDITIONS WHICH LED TO ADOPTION OF URGENCY ORDINANCE:

REQUEST: Adopt Interim Ordinance No. 2024-14 extending Urgency Ordinance No. 2024-12 prohibiting new commercial Battery Energy Storage Systems within the City of Escondido and adopt the Report Regarding Measures Taken to Alleviate Conditions which Led to Adoption of Urgency Ordinance No. 2024-12. The proposal also includes adoption of the environmental determination prepared for the project.

PROPERTY SIZE AND LOCATION: Citywide

ENVIRONMENTAL STATUS: The project is categorically exempt pursuant to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (Public Resources Code §21000, et seq.) Guidelines (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, §15000 et seq.) Section 15060(c)(2) as the activity will not result in a direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment. Alternatively, this Interim Ordinance is exempt from CEQA pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21080(b)(4) and CEQA Guidelines Section 15269(c) because it prevents a clear and imminent danger that requires immediate action to prevent or mitigate the loss of, or damage to, life, health, property, and essential public services.

If you challenge this item in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City Council at, or prior to, the public hearing.

PUBLIC COMMENT: To submit comments in writing, please do so at the following link: <https://escondido-ca.municodemeetings.com/bc-citycouncil/webform/public-comment>. All comments received from the public will be made a part of the record of the meeting.

The City of Escondido remains committed to complying with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Qualified individuals with disabilities who wish to participate in City programs, services, or activities and who need accommodations are invited to present their requests to the City by filing out a Request for Accommodations Form or an Inclusion Support Request Form for Minors, or by calling 760-839-4643, preferably at least 72 hours in advance of the event or activity. Forms can be found on the City's website at: <https://escondido.gov/820/Americans-with-Disabilities-Act>.

The staff report will be available at the Escondido Planning Division, 201 N. Broadway, Escondido, CA 92025; and on the City's website at <https://escondido-ca.municodemeetings.com/> after Thursday, February 9, 2023.

For additional information, please contact Veronica Morones, City Planner, at 760-839-4548, or via email at Veronica.Morones@Escondido.gov, and refer to Case No. PL24-0308.

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Zachary Beck, City Clerk
City of Escondido

Dated: November 7, 2024