A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO
RATIFYING AND AUTHORIZING THE WAIVER OF FEES FOR BUILDING PERMITS
AND PLAN CHECK SERVICES AS DIRECTED ON MAY 5, 2020.

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors desires to eliminate barriers that may inhibit
businesses impacted by the Coronavirus global emergency from swiftly reopening once the
public health order is lifted; and

WHEREAS, on April 24, 2020, a memo titled “County of San Diego Requirements That
May Inhibit Businesses Impacted by the Coronavirus Global Emergency from Swiftly
Reopening Once the Public Health Order is Lifted” (Memo) was prepared which outlined
possible options to offer relief to businesses that are impacted by the public health emergency
through changes to County processes, deferral or waiver of fees, and implementation of new
programs; and

WHEREAS, the Memo provided the option for 1) waiving fees for building permits as
well as centerline review costs for restaurants or related small businesses for tenant
improvements and 2) waiving fees for food facility plan checks for the initial submission of
plans for the remodeling of food facilities or building new food facilities for six months; and

WHEREAS, on May 5, 2020 (16) the Board of Supervisors directed the Chief
Administrative Officer and Air Pollution Control Officer to take the necessary steps to
implement a selection of options as itemized in the April 24, 2020 memo titled, “County of San
Diego Requirements That May Inhibit Businesses Impacted by the Coronavirus Global
Emergency from Swiftly Reopening Once the Public Health Order is Lifted,” which included the
option for waiving fees for building permits and plan checks; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to San Diego County Code of Administrative Ordinances section
360.1, the Board of Supervisors may waive by resolution any fee adopted by ordinance and
contained in the San Diego County Code of Administrative Ordinances or the San Diego County
Code of Regulatory Ordinances; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors finds that waiving for six months 1) building
permit fees as well as centerline review costs for restaurants or related small businesses for
tenant improvements, and 2) food facility plan check fees for the initial submission of plans for
the remodeling of food facilities or building new food facilities, would provide support for
restaurants and related businesses that desire to renovate, or remove barriers to entry for new
businesses.
NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO HEREBY FINDS AND RESolves AS FOLLOWS:

1. Waiving fees charged by the Planning & Development Services and Department of Environmental Health for building permits and food facility plan check services for a period of six months, as detailed in the Memo, will provide a public benefit and provide support for restaurants and related businesses that desire to renovate and remove barriers to entry for new businesses.

2. The Director, Planning & Development Services, is hereby authorized to waive fees for a period of six months for building permits and centerline review costs for the remodeling of food facilities or building new food facilities or restaurants, or for related small businesses for tenant improvements, as detailed in the Memo.

3. The Assistant Director, Department of Environmental Health, is hereby authorized to waive fees charged for the initial submission of plan check services for the remodeling of food facilities or building new food facilities for a period of six months, as detailed in the Memo.

4. This Resolution is approved and made retroactive to apply to fee waivers approved beginning May 5, 2020.

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY
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