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CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

# NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

(Article III, Section 3, City CEQA Guidelines)

FORM RP 1-1-91

Submission of this form is optional. This form shall be filed with the County Clerk, 12400 East Imperial Highway, Norwalk, California 90650, pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21152(b). Pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21168(d), the filing of this notice starts a 35-day statute of limitation on Court challenges to the approval of the project. Failure to file this notice with the County Clerk results in the statute of limitation being extended to 180 days.

<b>LEAD CITY AGENCY AND ADDRESS:</b> City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks, 221 N. Figueroa Street, Suite 400, Los Angeles, CA 90012	<b>COUNCIL DISTRICT:</b> 09
<b>PROJECT TITLE:</b> SOUTH PARK RECREATION CENTER - New mural installation	<b>LOG REFERENCE:</b> BR 23-032

**PROJECT LOCATION:** 345 East 51st St, Los Angeles, CA, 90011

**DESCRIPTION OF NATURE, PURPOSE, AND BENEFICIARIES OF PROJECT:**

The proposed Project consists of the installation of a mural on the south west wall of the bath house The youth of South Park Recreation Center's summer camp program participated in art workshops conducted by the muralists to help contribute to the design of the Mural.

Beneficiaries of the project are the patrons of the park.


<b>CONTACT PERSON:</b> ELENA MAGGIONI	<b>AREA CODE</b> 213	<b>TELEPHONE NUMBER:</b> 482-6980	<b>EXT.</b>
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<b>EXEMPT STATUS:</b> (Check One)	<b>CITY CEQA GUIDELINES</b>	<b>STATE CEQA GUIDELINES</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> DECLARED EMERGENCY	Art. II, Sec. 2a(1)	ART. 18, Sec. 15269(a)
<input type="checkbox"/> EMERGENCY PROJECT	Art. II, Sec. 2(a)(2)(3)	ART. 18, Sec. 15269(b)(c)
<input type="checkbox"/> MINISTERIAL PROJECT	Art. II, Sec. 2b	ART. 18, Sec. 15268
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION	Art. II, Sec. 2(c) See Below	ART. 19, Sec. 15300 -15333
<input type="checkbox"/> GENERAL EXEMPTION	Art. II, Sec. 2(d)	ART. 18, Sec. 15262
<input type="checkbox"/> STATUTORY EXEMPTION	Art. II, Sec. 2(i)	ART. 18, Sec. 15282
<b>Class</b> 1	<b>(City CEQA Guidelines)</b> Art. III, Sec(s). 1(a)(1)	<b>(State CEQA Guidelines)</b> Art. 19, Sec(s). 15301(a)
<b>Category</b> 1	Art. III, Sec(s). _____	Art. 19, Sec(s). _____
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<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (See Public Resources Code Sect. 21080(b) and set forth in state & city guidelines provisions)		

**JUSTIFICATION FOR PROJECT EXEMPTION:**

The proposed Project is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(1) of City CEQA Guidelines as well as to Article 19, Section 15301(a) of California CEQA Guidelines None of the limitations set forth in State CEQA Guidelines 15300.2 apply, see attached narrative.

IF FILED BY APPLICANT, ATTACH CERTIFIED DOCUMENT OF EXEMPTION FINDING

<b>SIGNATURE:</b> ELENA MAGGIONI Environmental Supervisor		<b>DATE:</b> 2/2/2023
<b>FEE \$75.00</b>	<b>RECEIPT NO.</b>	<b>REC'D. BY:</b>
		<b>DATE:</b>

## **SOUTH PARK RECREATION CENTER - New mural installation**

### **CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION NARRATIVE**

#### **I. PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

The proposed Project consists of the installation of a mural on the south west wall of the bath house at South Park Recreation Center. The mural was designed specifically for South Park Recreation Center by Ethel Zarinana and Amani Holbert, who both represent the diversity in the City of Los Angeles. The proposed mural is dedicated to the youth of the area, and will display themes of "...peace, protest, play and the iconic palm trees that weave together the different communities of Los Angeles." The proposed mural aims to do this by having the community represented in designs they would like to see in the Mural. The youth of South Park Recreation Center's summer camp program participated in art workshops conducted by the muralists to help contribute to the design of the Mural.

The project is located at 345 East 51st St, Los Angeles, CA, 90011, in the Southeast Los Angeles Community Planning Area (Fig.1).

#### **II. ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW**

##### **Basis for Categorical Exemption**

The proposed Project consists of minor alteration of existing public structures, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that previously existing. It is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(1) of City CEQA Guidelines as well as to Article 19, Section 15301(a) of California CEQA Guidelines

##### **Consideration of Potential Exceptions to Use of a Categorical Exemption**

The State CEQA Guidelines (CCR Sec 15300.2) limit the use of categorical exemptions in the following circumstances:

**1. Location.** Exemption Classes 3, 4, 5, 6, and 11 are qualified by consideration of where the project is to be located – a project that is ordinarily insignificant in its impact on the environment may be significant in a particularly sensitive environment. Therefore, these classes are considered to apply to all instances, except where the project may impact on an environmental resource of hazardous or critical concern where designated, precisely mapped, and officially adopted pursuant to law by federal, state, or local agencies.

The proposed project falls under Class 1, therefore, this exception has no application here.

**2. Cumulative Impact.** This exception applies when, although a particular project may not have a significant impact, the cumulative impact of successive projects of the same type in the same place, over time is significant.

The proposed project consists of the installation of a mural in an existing park. No other known projects would involve cumulatively significant impacts, and no future projects would result from the proposed project. Therefore, this exception has no application here.

**3. Significant Effect.** This exception applies when, although the project may otherwise be exempt, there is a reasonable possibility that the project will have a significant effect due to unusual circumstances.

RAP is not aware of any unusual circumstances associated with this project. Therefore, this exception has no application here.

**4. Scenic Highway.** A categorical exemption shall not be used for a project that may result in damage to scenic resources, including but not limited to, trees, historic buildings, rock outcroppings, or similar resources, within a highway officially designated as a state scenic highway.

The proposed project is not within sight of any state designated scenic highway, nor of any other historic and scenic resource. Therefore, this exception has no application here.

**5. Hazardous Waste Site.** This exception applies when a project is located on a site listed as a hazardous waste site under Government Code Section 65962.5.

As of 2/2/2023, the State Department of Toxic Substances Control (Envirostor at [www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov](http://www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov)) and the State Water Resources Control Board (Geotracker at <https://Geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov>) have not listed any site within the project area or in a 500 feet radius from the area. Therefore, this exception has no application here.

**6. Historical Resources.** This exception applies when a project may cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource.

The proposed project area is not located in proximity of known historical, paleontological or archeological resources. No excavation is required for the installation of a mural and this office does not anticipate the disruption of archaeological or paleontological resources.

Therefore, this exception has no application here.

Figure 1. Project Location



## List of References

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