

CEQA DETERMINATION OF EXEMPTION

Subject: This California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Determination of Exemption is in compliance with Carlsbad Municipal Code Section 19.04.060. An appeal to this determination must be filed in writing with the required fee within ten (10) calendar days of the City Planner's decision consistent with Carlsbad Municipal Code Section 21.54.140.

City Planner Decision Date: October 19, 2023

Project Number and Title: Carlsbad Boulevard Restriping Project (CDP2023-0036)

Project Location: Public right of way along Carlsbad Boulevard, starting at Solamar Drive to Island Way/District 3

Project Location - City: Carlsbad **Project Location - County:** San Diego

Description of Project: A request to approve an after-the-fact Coastal Development Permit to relocate existing roadway space with restriping for bicyclist and pedestrian improvements along Carlsbad Boulevard between Solamar Drive and Island Way.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of Carlsbad

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: City of Carlsbad, Public Works

Name of Applicant: Miriam Jim, Senior Engineer

Applicant's Address: 1635 Faraday Avenue, Carlsbad, CA 92008

Applicant's Telephone Number: 7442-339-5796

Name of Applicant/Identity of person undertaking the Project (if different from the applicant above):
N/A

Exempt Status: (Check One)

- Ministerial (Section 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- Declared Emergency (Section 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Section 21080(b)(4); 15269 (b)(c));
- Categorical Exemption - State type and section number: Section 15301(c) Existing Facilities (Class 1)
- Statutory Exemptions - State code number:
- Common Sense Exemption (Section 15061(b)(3))

Reasons why Project is exempt: The California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA"), and its implementing regulations ("CEQA Guidelines") adopted by the Secretary of the California Natural Resources Agency list classes of projects that have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment and as a result are exempt from further environmental review under CEQA. City staff completed a review of the project and potential environmental impacts associated with the project pursuant to CEQA and concluded that the project qualified for an exemption pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15301(c) (Existing Facilities). The CEQA Guidelines include a list of classes of projects which have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment and which shall, therefore, be exempt from the provisions of CEQA. CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 is a Class 1 exemption for existing facilities and includes (c) Existing highways and streets, sidewalks, gutters, bicycle and pedestrian trails, and similar facilities (this includes road grading for the purpose of public safety), and other alterations such as the addition of bicycle facilities, including but not limited to bicycle parking, bicycle-share facilities, and bicycle lanes, transit improvements such as bus lanes, pedestrian crossings, street trees, and other similar alterations that do

not create additional automobile lanes). The improvements to these streets involve negligible expansion of the current uses beyond the existing and do not result in additional automobile lanes.

The improvements to the city's existing mobility network under this action will improve public safety. Actions are anticipated to involve negligible expansion of the current facilities and infrastructure beyond the existing and will not result in additional automobile lanes. The actions are not expected to increase vehicular use of the roadway and will not change the overall facility use of the mobility network. No exception to the exemption as set forth in CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 applies. Additionally, none of the limitations on using an exemption in Carlsbad Municipal Code 19.04.070 (B) applies.

For the reasons stated above, the action is categorically exempt from CEQA under CEQA Guidelines Section 15304(c).

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Date