

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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Project Title: Authorizing the Submission of Application for California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) SB2 Grant

Project Location - Specific: Citywide

Project Applicant: City of Glendale, Community Development Department

Project Location - City: Glendale **Project Location - County:** Los Angeles

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Authorization to submit Senate Bill 2 (SB 2) grant application to California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD). On March 28, 2019, HCD announced the availability of approximately \$123 million to all local governments under the SB 2 Planning Grants Program (PGP). SB 2 was part of a 15 bill housing package aimed at addressing the state's housing shortage and high housing costs. The City of Glendale, Community Development Department received Council authorization to submit a request for a grant under the PGP in the amount of \$625,000. If awarded, the grant will be used toward preparing the Tropic zoning and design standards, updating the commercial zoning standards to streamline mixed-use and residential development in commercial corridors and centers, drafting objective design standards for all mixed use projects, and evaluating the two recently acquired sites for the maximum affordable housing development potential.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of Glendale

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: City of Glendale, Community Development Department

Exempt Status: (check one)

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268); 15060(c)(3)
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: 15378(b)(4)
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: 15262


Reasons why project is exempt:

Requesting an SB2 grant from HCD is exempt from further environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations ("CEQA Guidelines") because it is not a project under CEQA Guidelines Sections 15060(c)(3) and 15378(b)(4) because it constitutes a governmental fiscal activity that does not involve any commitment to any specific project which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment. Furthermore, this action is statutorily exempt from further environmental review under CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15262 because it involves only feasibility or planning studies for possible future actions which the City has not yet approved, adopted, or funded.

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If filed by applicant:

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? Yes No

Signature:  Date: 10/31/19 Title: Deputy Dir. Comm. Dev.

Signed by Lead Agency

Date received for filing at OPR:

Signed by Applicant