



NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

- PROJECT TITLE:** Palo Alto Homekey project
- PROJECT LOCATION:** 1237 San Antonio Road (LATP site)
- PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Authorization for City and LifeMoves to apply for California Project Homekey funding to construct an 88 unit emergency shelter project on a portion of the LATP site.
- NAME OF PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT:** City of Palo Alto
- NAME OF PERSON OR GROUP CARRYING OUT PROJECT:** LifeMoves
- EXEMPT STATUS** (check one)
- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268)
 - Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a))
 - Emergency Project (Sec. 15269(c))
 - Categorical Exemption:
 - Statutory Exemptions.

**REASONS WHY
PROJECT IS EXEMPT:**

On September 27, 2021, the Palo Alto City Council declared an emergency shelter crisis. Pursuant to and in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the State of California Guidelines for Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA Guidelines), the City is the "lead agency" for the preparation and consideration of environmental documents for the Proposed Project. The Project is not subject to CEQA pursuant to Section 15269(c) of the CEQA Guidelines because the authorization to seek grant funding for develop of Emergency Shelters is necessary to provide immediate housing solutions during the declared Shelter Crisis, and the time to conduct environmental review would create a risk to public health, safety or welfare. In the event the application for grant funding is approved, construction of the emergency shelter may also be considered not a project, as it will not require any discretionary approvals, as provided in California Health and Safety Code Section 50675.1.3.

PROJECT PLANNER:

Jodie Gerhardt, AICP

IF FILED BY APPLICANT:

- 1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
- 2. Declare if a Notice of Exemption has been filed by the public agency approving the project

Yes
 N/A

<p>DocuSigned by: <i>Jodie Gerhardt</i> 94A2CB00C4C1464...</p>	<p><i>Manager of Current Planning</i></p>	<p><i>10/14/21</i></p>
<p><i>Signature (Public Agency)</i></p>	<p><i>Title</i></p>	<p><i>Date</i></p>