



October 7, 2021

Los Angeles County Registrar – Recorder / County Clerk
Business Filings and Registration
P.O. Box 1208
Norwalk, CA 90650-1208

Re: Notice of Exemption for Roxbury Drive Protected Bike Lane Pilot Project

Dear Office of the Los Angeles County Registrar – Recorder / County Clerk:

Please find enclosed the signed Notice of Exemption for the Roxbury Drive Protected Bike Lane Pilot Project with Approval Memo, an additional copy of the notice to be conformed, and payment (check) for the Notice of Exemption County posting fee.

Please send receipt of payment for the Notice of Exemption fee and conformed copy to the below address:

Jessie Holzer
Public Works Department
City of Beverly Hills
345 Foothill Rd.
Beverly Hills, CA 90210

Should you have any questions, please contact me at 310-285-1171 or jholzer@beverlyhills.org

Sincerely,

Jessie Holzer
Transportation Planner
City of Beverly Hills



**LOS ANGELES COUNTY CLERK
CEQA FILING COVER SHEET**

THIS SPACE FOR CLERK'S USE ONLY

Complete and attach this form to each CEQA Notice filed with the County Clerk

TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

Project Title

Roxbury Drive Protected Bike Lane Pilot Project

Check Document being Filed:

- Environmental Impact Report (EIR)
- Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) or Negative Declaration (ND)
- Notice of Exemption (NOE)
- Other (Please fill in type):



CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO: Daren Grilley, City Engineer
FROM: Jessie Holzer, Transportation Planner
CC: File
DATE: September 14, 2021
SUBJECT: Approval of Roxbury Drive Protected Bike Lane Pilot Project; CEQA Exemption Determination

BACKGROUND

On April 20, 2021, the City Council adopted the Complete Streets Plan and Complete Streets Action Plan. The Complete Streets Plan proposes a holistic bikeway network that prioritizes low-stress facilities that connect to key destinations in Beverly Hills, including schools, parks, and the future Metro D (Purple) Line stations. Roxbury Drive is identified as a high priority project in the first year of the Action Plan.

With the available street width, Roxbury Drive south of Olympic Boulevard can accommodate a Class IV parking-protected bike lane in the southbound direction (adjacent to Roxbury Park) and a Class II standard bike lane in the northbound direction. This configuration provides the opportunity to install a high-quality bicycle facility connecting to existing bike lanes in Los Angeles with no reduction of parking spaces or impacts to vehicle travel lanes.

A Protected Bike Lane Demonstration Project event was held on Sunday, July 25, 2021 as the first step for this proposed bikeway project and to introduce the concept of a protected bike lane to the Beverly Hills community. Using temporary markings, signs and planters, this demonstration showed what a protected bike lane could look like and offered the chance for cyclists to test the proposed bike lane configuration and provide feedback on the design. At their September 14, 2021 meeting, the City Council approved installation of a pilot project.

CEQA ANALYSIS

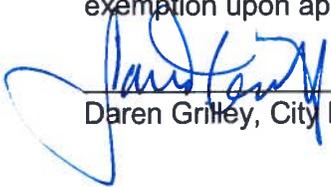
Staff has reviewed this project pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and preliminarily concluded that the project is categorically exempt from CEQA per section 15301 Existing Facilities; (c) Existing highways and streets, sidewalks, gutters, bicycle and pedestrian trails, and similar 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) because it installs bicycle lanes on an existing street without changes to vehicle travel lanes. Thus, staff recommends that, as part of the formal approval of the project and authorizing

implementation of the project, the project be deemed exempt from CEQA for the reasons set forth above.

Attached to this memorandum is a draft Notice of Exemption which, if filed after approval of the Project, would commence a shortened 35-day CEQA challenge period versus a 180-day period if the notice is not filed.

EXEMPTION DETERMINATION

Based on the analysis provided herein, I hereby find that the Roxbury Drive Protected Bike Lane Pilot Project is exempt from CEQA pursuant to Section 15301 and direct staff to file a notice of exemption upon approval of the Project.



Daren Griley, City Engineer

10/7/21

Date

Enclosure – Notice of Exemption

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

County Clerk

County of: Los Angeles

12400 Imperial Highway

Norwalk, CA 90650

From: (Public Agency): City of Beverly Hills - Public Works Department
345 Foothill Rd

Beverly Hills, CA 90210

(Address)

Project Title: Roxbury Drive Protected Bike Lane Pilot Project

Project Applicant: City of Beverly Hills

Project Location - Specific:

Roxbury Drive from Olympic Boulevard to southern City limits

Project Location - City: Beverly Hills Project Location - County: Los Angeles

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Southbound Class IV protected bike lanes and northbound Class II bike lanes to create a regional connection to bike lanes in Los Angeles and increase access to Roxbury Park. This project implements the City's adopted Complete Streets Plan.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of Beverly Hills

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: City of Beverly Hills

Exempt Status: (check one):

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: Class 15301 Existing Facilities, (c) Existing highways and streets, sidewalks, gutters, bicycle and pedestri
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

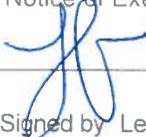
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Lead Agency

Contact Person: Jessie Holzer Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 310-285-1171

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: 10/7/21 Title: Transportation Planner

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

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