

# Notice of Exemption

# Appendix E

**To:** Office of Planning and Research  
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**From:** (Public Agency): City of Palm Springs  
3200 E. Tahquitz Canyon Way  
Palm Springs, CA 92262  
 (Address)

Project Title: Low Barrier Navigation Center on McCarthy Road

Project Applicant: City of Palm Springs

Project Location - Specific:  
 3589 McCarthy Road, APN: 669-420-019

Project Location - City: Palm Springs Project Location - County: Riverside

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:  
 The City proposes acquisition & operation of the Project Location for use as a low barrier navigation center, as defined in CA Gov. Code Sec. 65660(a), including low barrier, service-enriched shelter focused on moving people into permanent housing, providing temporary living facilities, and connecting homeless to services.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of Palm Springs

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: City of Palm Springs

**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: \_\_\_\_\_
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: Gov. Code Sec. 65560(b)

Reasons why project is exempt:  
 AB 101 (2019) makes "low barrier navigation centers" a use by right in "areas zoned for mixed use and non-residential zones permitting multifamily uses." The subject site is designated MU (Mixed Use/Multi-Use) by the City's General Plan, which allows for residential development, thereby making a low barrier navigation center a "use by right." Consequently, CEQA does not apply to this project per CEQA Guidelines, Section 15268(a).

Lead Agency  
 Contact Person: David Newell Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 760-323-8245

**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: 1/28/22 Title: Assistant Director

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.

Date Received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_