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Project Title

Southbound San Vicente Boulevard Bike Lane

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- Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) or Negative Declaration (ND)
- Notice of Exemption (NOE)
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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: Southbound San Vicente Boulevard Bike Lane

Project Applicant: City of Beverly Hills

Project Location - Specific:

Southbound San Vicente Boulevard from northern to southern City limits

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

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

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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 pedestrian
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: Section 21080.20

Reasons why project is exempt:

This project is exempt because it installs bicycle lanes on an existing street without changes to vehicle travel lanes, and does not cause the demolition of affordable housing.

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: 2-8-22 Title: Transportation Planner

▪ Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code. Date Received for filing at OPR: _____
 Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.



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CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
MEMORANDUM

TO: Daren Grilley, City Engineer
FROM: Jessie Holzer, Transportation Planner
CC: File
DATE: February 8, 2022
SUBJECT: Approval of Southbound San Vicente Bike Lane Project; CEQA Exemption Determination

BACKGROUND

On April 20, 2021, the City Council adopted the Complete Streets Plan, which 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. Southbound San Vicente Boulevard is identified as a proposed bikeway in the Complete Streets Plan. Existing northbound bike lanes are provided on San Vicente Boulevard within the City of Los Angeles. With the available street width, southbound San Vicente Boulevard can accommodate a Class II bike lane without impacts to the number of vehicle travel lanes or on-street parking. At their February 8, 2022 meeting, the City Council approved installation of the 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 a bicycle lane on an existing street without changes to vehicle travel lanes.

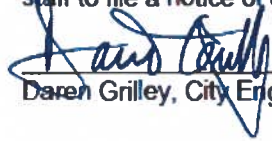
Additionally, staff has concluded that the project is exempt from CEQA by statute per Section 21080.20. This section identifies projects located in urbanized areas and along public rights-of-way such as pedestrian and bicycle facilities as exempt from CEQA, as long as the project does not involve an increase in automobile capacity and does not cause the demolition of affordable housing. This project neither increases automobile capacity nor causes the demolition of affordable housing.

Therefore, 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 (NOE). Filing and posting of an NOE starts a 35-day statute of limitations period on legal challenges to the decision that the project is exempt. If an NOE is not filed, a 180-day statute of limitations applies.

EXEMPTION DETERMINATION

Based on the analysis provided herein, I hereby find that the Southbound San Vicente Boulevard Bike Lane Project is exempt from CEQA pursuant to Sections 15301 and 21080.20, and direct staff to file a notice of exemption upon approval of the Project.



Daren Grilley, City Engineer

2/8/2022

Date

Enclosure – Notice of Exemption