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### **Project Title**

PA21-0152 A request to approve a Coastal Dvelopment Permit, Variance, and Use Permit in conjuction with the demolition of an existing single-family residence and associated site grading.

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# NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO:

COUNTY CLERK COUNTY OF ORANGE FROM: COUNTY OF ORANGE
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<u>Project Title:</u> PA21-0152 - A request to approve a Coastal Development Permit, Variance, and Use Permit in conjunction with the demolition of an existing single-family residence and the construction of a new single-family residence and associated site grading.

<u>Description</u>, <u>Nature</u>, <u>Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:</u> A request for a Coastal Development Permit, Variance, and Use Permit in conjunction with the demolition of an existing single-family residence and the construction of a new single-family residence and associated site grading in the Emerald Bay Local Coastal Plan area.

The Coastal Development Permit is required to authorize the demolition of an existing single-family residence and the construction of a new single-family residence and associated site grading.

The Variance is required to authorize the reduction of the front setback from the required 7.6 feet to 5.4 feet and rear setback from the required 18.5 feet to 14.5 feet.

The Use Permit is required for the proposed 7.4-foot wall that will exceed the Zoning Code maximum of 3.5 feet within the front setback area, a 10.5-foot wall that will exceed the Zoning Code maximum of 8.0 feet within the side setback, and for a reduction of the driveway length from the required 18 feet to 10.5 feet.

<u>Location</u>: The project is located in the community of Emerald Bay at 311 Emerald Bay, Laguna Beach, CA within the Fifth Supervisorial District. (APN 053- 072-24).

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: County of Orange Zoning Administrator

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Laguna House, LLC (Richard and Karen Varner), Property Owner

Address of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: 311 Emerald Bay, Laguna Beach, CA 92651

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Exempt Status: (Check One)	· ·
Ministerial (Sec. 15268)	
Declared Emergency (Sec. 15269 (a)	Date of Decision April 21, 2022
Emergency Project (Sec. 15269(a)&(b)	
General Rule (Sec. 15061(b)(3)	
Statutory Exemption: State Code number	
	number(s): Class 1 Sec 15301 and Class 3, Sec. 15303

Reasons why project is exempt: The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) allows categorical exemptions for projects that have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment. (CEQA Guidelines §15300-15332), Following is a brief analysis of why the project is consistent with Class 1 and Class 3 categorical exemptions.

#### Class 1 Categorical Exemption

The Class 1 (Section 15301) exemption provides for the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of the use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination. Examples include:

- (I) Demolition and removal of individual small structures listed in this subdivision;
  - (1) One single-family residence...

The project includes the demolition of an approximately 1,300-square-foot single-family residence and garage, to be replaced with a 2,852-square-foot single-family residence and attached 488-square-foot garage in substantially the same location as the existing structure. In addition, the project involves a negligible expansion of the use beyond the existing use (increase in square footage).

Accessory structures are also listed in the Class 1 exemption, and demolition of "Accessory (appurtenant) structures including garages, carports, patios, swimming pools and fences" are exempt. The project will include demolition of an existing garage, fences/walls, and other hardscape improvements, all of which are addressed in the Class 1 exemption.

### Class 2 Categorical Exemption

The Class 2 (Section 15302) exemption consists of replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced.

As noted in the Class 1 Exemption discussion above, the existing residence will be demolished, and a new residence will be constructed with substantially the same footprint as shown on the attached site plan (Architectural Drawing Sheet SP1). While Class 2 does not specifically list a single-family residence, it is noted that the exemption is not limited to the examples provided. The reconstruction of the residence is consistent with the Class 2 Exemption because the new residence will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced.

### Class 3 Categorical Exemption

The Class 3 (Section 15303) exemption consists of construction and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures. Examples of the exemption include:

- (a) One single-family residence, or a second dwelling unit in a residential zone. . .
- (e) Accessory (appurtenant) structures including garages, carports, patios, swimming pools, and fences.

The proposed project is eligible for a Class 3 exemption because construction of a single-family residence and the related improvements including the garage, spa, patio, and walls/fences are specifically included in the list of examples.

The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) allows categorical exemptions for projects that have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment. (CEQA Guidelines §15300-15332. Each component of the project, including the demolition of the existing residence and accessory structures, and the reconstruction of the residence and accessory structures, meets criteria outlined in the Class 1, Class 2, and Class 3 exemptions. The project will not result in a cumulative impact or a significant environmental effect and will not damage scenic or historic resources and the appropriate environmental document for this project is a Notice of Exemption. Standard conditions of approval applied by the County for all construction projects of this nature will address any short-term construction related concerns.

Project Contact Person: CEQA Contact Person:

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