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NOTICE OF CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION

Sonoma County Permit and Resource Management Department

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Sonoma County proposes to carry out the following project. Pursuant to Section 23A of the Sonoma County Code, it has been determined that this project is categorically exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA):

Project Title: Low Barrier Navigation Center;
File No. ADR22-0013

Public Agency: Sonoma County

Project Applicant: Annie Falandes, Homeless
Action Sonoma

Applicant Address: 20018 St. Germain Lane

Project Location: 18820 Highway 12, Sonoma

Date of Approval: July 6, 2022

To:

County Clerk- Recorder Office Office of Planning and
County of Sonoma Research

585 Fiscal Drive, Room 103
Santa Rosa, CA 95403

P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
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DESCRIPTION OF NATURE, PURPOSE AND BENEFICIARIES OF THE PROJECT:

The proposed project is a temporary Low Barrier Navigation Center (LBNC) in compliance with California Government Code Sections 65660 and 65662, consisting of 20 metal-framed, single-room shelter units for persons experiencing homelessness, two office units for LBNC casework and security, two restroom and shower trailers connected to sewer and water, a dining tent, and a garbage and recycling area. A fenced dog area and small garden area will be located at the rear (west) of the parcel. Onsite staffing will be provided 24-hours a day by two onsite managers, three caseworkers and one 24-hour security personnel. Client services, including casework, will be provided onsite in the office units. The uses listed above will occur on an existing 0.62 acre parcel. The LBNC is planned as an interim temporary use for the site in advance of the construction of a permanent facility, which is anticipated to provide permanent supportive housing and services. The permanent facility is not included in this permit and will require a separate entitlement process.

EXEMPT STATUS:

Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268)

REASON WHY THIS PROJECT IS EXEMPT:

The proposed project is statutorily exempt as a ministerial use from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15268. Government Code § 65660 provides for Low Barrier Navigation Centers (LBNC) and specifies that an LBNC is a use by right, which has the same definition used in Government Code § Section 65583.2(i) that states local government review may not require a conditional use permit or other discretionary local government review or approval that would constitute a "project" for purposes of Division 13 (commencing with Section 21000) of the Public Resources Code.

This Notice of Exemption is filed pursuant to the provisions of Section 15062 of the State CEQA Guidelines.

Lead Agency Contact Person:

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Katrina Braehmer, Project Planner
Permit Sonoma
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Deva Marie Proto, County Clerk
BY: A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Julianna Garfia".
Julianna Garfia, Deputy Clerk

