

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

FROM: City of Fresno Planning and Development Department
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Fresno, California 93721

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Project Title: Environmental Assessment No. P22-04092

Project Location: 1472 North Van Ness Avenue; Located on the east side of North Van Ness Avenue between East Home and East Floradora Avenues. (APN: 451-122-21)

Project Location – city: City of Fresno **Project Location- county:** County of Fresno

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project: Conditional Use Permit Application No. P22-04092 requests authorization to expand their existing State of California Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) Type 40 alcohol license (Beer Only) to include a ±914 square-foot outdoor patio at the rear of the establishment (Spokeasy Public House).

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of Fresno

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Michael Adame of Spokeasy Public House
1472 North Van Ness Avenue
Fresno CA, 93728

Exempt Status: (check one)

- Ministerial - PRC § 21080(b)(1); CEQA Guidelines §15268
- Declared Emergency - PRC § 21080(b)(3); CEQA Guidelines §15269(a)
- Emergency Project - PRC § 21080(b)(4); CEQA Guidelines §15269(b) and (c)
- Categorical Exemption – CEQA Guidelines §15301/Class 1 (Existing Facilities)**
- Statutory Exemption – PRC § _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

This project is exempt under Section 15301/Class 1 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines as follows:

Section 15301/Class 1 consists of 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 existing or former use. The key consideration is whether the project involves negligible or no expansion of use.

The existing Type 40 alcohol license was previously approved under Conditional Use Permit Application No. C-07-345. The proposed expansion for the outdoor patio area involved negligible expansion.

None of the exceptions to Categorical Exemptions set forth in the CEQA Guidelines, Section 15300.2 apply to the project. Furthermore, the proposed project site is a developed property in an urbanized area and is not expected to have a significant effect on the environment. Accordingly, a categorical exemption, as noted above, has been prepared for the project and the area is not environmentally sensitive.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Erik Young, Planner III
City of Fresno Planning and Development Department

Full telephone no.: (559) 621-8009

If filed/signed by applicant:

Attach certified document of exemption finding (check if attached)

Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? Yes No

Signature: *Ralph Kachadourian* **Date:** April 24, 2023

Printed Name and Title: Ralph Kachadourian, Supervising Planner
City of Fresno Planning and Development Department

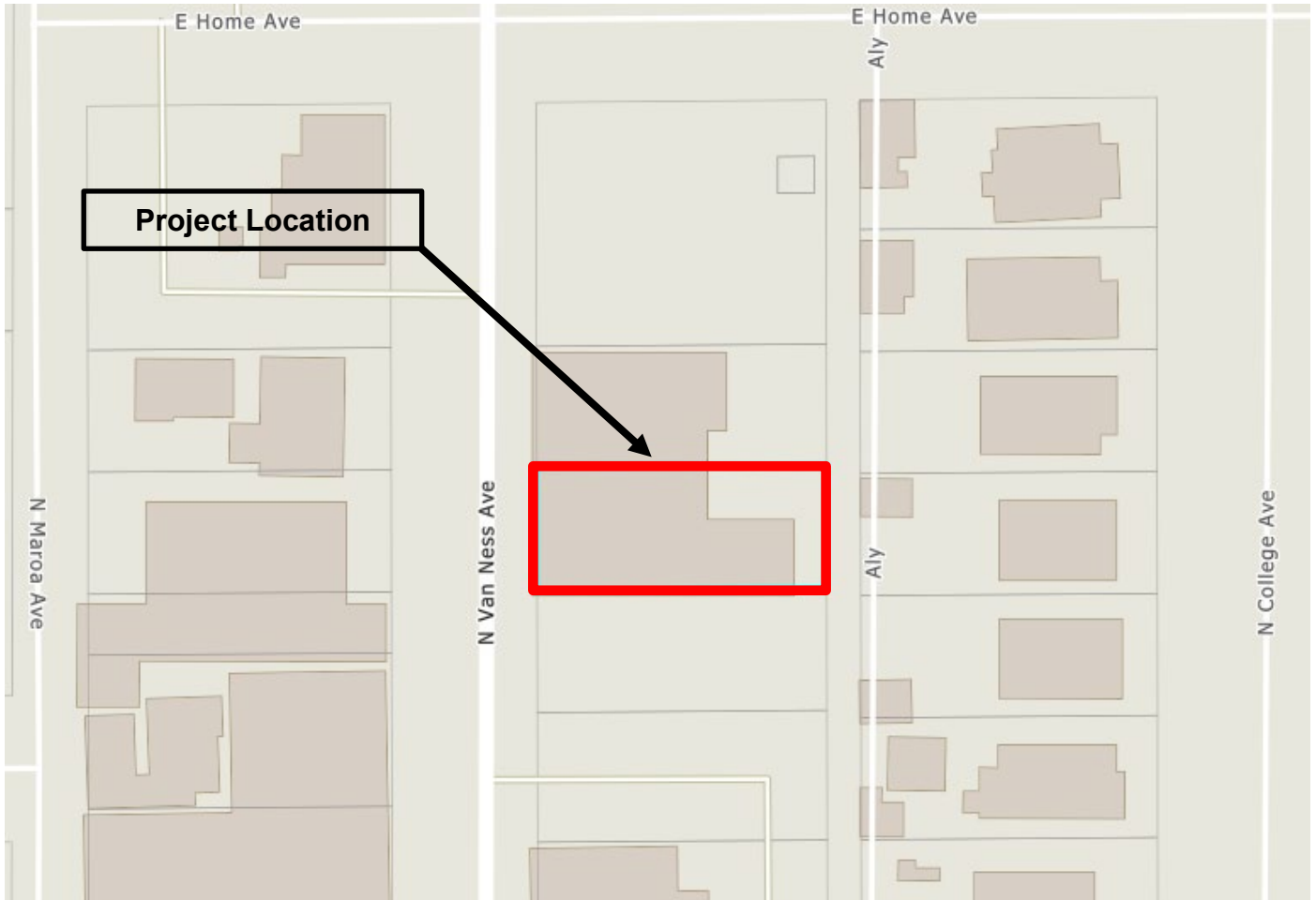
Signed by Lead Agency

Signed by applicant

Attachments: Vicinity Map

VICINITY MAP/SITE LOCATION

1472 North Van Ness Avenue



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Subject Property 



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