

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

To: Office of Planning and Research
1400 Tenth Street, Room 121
Sacramento, CA 95814

From: San Bernardino City Unified School District

956 West 9th Street

San Bernardino, CA 92411

County Clerk
County of San Bernardino

222 West Hospitality Lane, 1st Floor

San Bernardino, CA 92415

Emergency Demolition of Building at 701 North E Street

Project Title

701 North E Street

Project Location - Specific

San Bernardino

Project Location - City

San Bernardino

Project Location - County

The District has acquired the property at 701 North E Street. San Bernardino County and the District approved an emergency resolution to award a contract for the abatement and demolition of the structure onsite, which has triggered the preparation of this Notice of Exemption. The District plans to demolish the building as soon as possible. The building's dilapidated condition constitutes an immediate risk to health and safety; thereby immediate demolition of the building would be beneficial for the public. The building has been subject to multiple enforcement efforts by the City of San Bernardino without success. The building has been illegally occupied by individuals who are homeless, and the building shows signs of significant physical deterioration and evidence of previous fires. Any future use of the site would be subject to additional environmental review.

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project

San Bernardino City Unified School District

Name of Public Agency Approving Project

Thomas Pace, Director - Facilities Planning and Development

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project

CEQA: California Environmental Quality Act

Exempt Status: (check one below)

- 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:

The proposed project will involve the demolition of the building on the project site to eliminate an immediate risk to public health and safety. Given the current condition of the building, including evidence of previous fires, drug overdoses, and violent crime, the building constitutes a public health hazard, which justifies its immediate demolition under CEQA Section 15269, Emergency Projects.

See Attachment to Notice of Exemption for further explanation on the evaluation of the proposed project, as it relates to Section 15629 of the CEQA Guidelines, which is available at the San Bernardino City Unified School District, 956 West 9th Street, San Bernardino, CA 92411.

Reasons why project is exempt

Thomas Pace, Director, Facilities Planning and Development (909) 388-6100

Contact Person:

Area Code/Telephone/Extension:

If filed by applicant:

1. Attach certified document of exemption findings
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project Yes No

Date
Received for
Filing:

9-11-23

Signature:



Title:

Director of Facilities Planning & Development