

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: San Mateo

From: (Public Agency): City Council of the City of Burlingame
501 Primrose Road
Burlingame, CA 94010

(Address)

Project Title: Solar Panel Installation Project within the City

Project Applicant: City of Burlingame

Project Location - Specific:

Library - 480 Primrose Road

Project Location - City: Burlingame Project Location - County: San Mateo

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Project consists of the installation of solar across 4 sites, including one site not included in this application. Planned PV systems include a 119.8 kW roof mounted system at the City's Crop Yard, a 86.7 kW carport at Highland Parking Garage, and a 282.5 kW system at the Library and Parking Garage. The 4th solar site is located at the WasteWater Treatment Plant; however, this site is not included in this application and thus, all system sizing information will ignore this site's contribution. The three systems combined have an estimated annual production of 756MWh. The City of Burlingame is the direct beneficiary of this project.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of Burlingame

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Syed Murtuza, Public Works Director

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: 15301
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____


Reasons why project is exempt:

The City Council finds that much of the Solar Panel Installation Project is exempt under Guidelines of Title 14 California Code of Regulations sections 15301 because the project consists of alterations to the existing public structure and/or facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use.

Lead Agency
Contact Person: Syed Murtuza Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 650-558-7230

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: 11/29/2023 Title: Public Works Director

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____

ATTACHMENT 3

RESOLUTION NO. 083-2023

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BURLINGAME
APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO APPLY FOR AND
EXECUTE AN ENERGY EFFICIENCY LOAN FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENERGY
COMMISSION FOR FUNDING THE SOLAR PANELS INSTALLATION PROJECT
WITHIN THE CITY; CEQA DETERMINATION: EXEMPT PURSUANT TO STATE
CEQA GUIDELINES SECTIONS 15301, 15378**

WHEREAS, the City of Burlingame (City) desires to seek a California Energy Commission loan to provide solar power to the City's Wastewater Treatment Plant, Highland Parking Garage, Donnelly Parking Garage (Main Library), and the Public Works Corporation Yard; and

WHEREAS, the California Energy Commission provides loans to schools, hospitals, local governments, special districts, and public care institutions to finance energy efficiency improvements; and

WHEREAS, the City Council is required to authorize this resolution before applying for a loan with the California Energy Commission.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BURLINGAME RESOLVES AND ORDERS the following:

1. Authorizes the City to apply for an energy efficiency loan from the California Energy Commission to implement energy efficiency measures.
2. Understands that the project follows the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the City finds that much of the project is exempt under Guidelines of Title 14 California Code of Regulations sections 15301 because the project consists of alterations to the existing public structures and/or facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use. For the wastewater treatment plant, the City may need to perform additional studies to comply with CEQA requirements and the City is committed to perform these studies and meet CEQA requirements. In the alternative, this resolution is exempt pursuant to section 15378 because it is not a "project."
3. If recommended for funding by the California Energy Commission, the City Council authorizes the City to accept a loan amount up to \$3,000,000.
4. The amount of the loan will be paid in full, plus interest, under the terms and conditions of the Loan Agreement and Promissory Note of the California Energy Commission.
5. The City Manager or the City Manager's designee is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the City all necessary documents to implement and carry out the purpose of this resolution and to take all actions necessary to fulfill the purpose of this Resolution.



Michael Brownrigg, Mayor

I, Meaghan Hassel Shearer, City Clerk of the City of Burlingame, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was introduced at a regular meeting of the City Council held on the 20th day of June, 2023, and was adopted thereafter by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: BEACH, BROWNRIGG, COLSON, ORTIZ, STEVENSON

NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: NONE

ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: NONE



Meaghan Hassel-Shearer, City Clerk