



## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

<b>TO:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Office of Planning and Research State Clearinghouse (via CEQA Submit)  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Orange County Clerk-Recorder P.O. Box 238 Santa Ana, CA 92702	<b>FROM:</b> City of Lake Forest Development Services Department 100 Civic Center Drive Lake Forest, CA 92630
<b>Project Title:</b>	Changed Plan 12-23-5676 (Applied Medical Battery Enclosure)
<b>Project Applicant:</b>	Sara Emami – TD Architects 17880 Sky Park Circle, Suite 230 Irvine, CA 92614
<b>Project Location – Specific:</b>	20162 Windrow Dr., Lake Forest, CA
<b>Project Location – City:</b> Lake Forest	<b>Project Location – County:</b> Orange County
<b>Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:</b>	
Amend CP 07-19-5296 to increase the height of an existing equipment enclosure from 10'-0"-tall to 27'-10", and add new <i>CellCube</i> batteries and pavement inside the enclosure, at 20162 Windrow Drive. The enclosure consists of horizontal louvered-vinyl panels, with 2 sets of access gates. All equipment will be fully-screened.	
<b>Person/Agency Carrying Out Project:</b>	Jeff Bechtold/Applied Medical 22872 Avenida Empresa Rancho Santa Margarita, CA 92688
<b>Public Agency Approving Project:</b>	City of Lake Forest <b>Approval Date:</b> Jan. 10, 2024
<b>Exempt Status:</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a))	
<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c))	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Categorical Exemption: (Sec. & Class)	CEQA Guidelines Section 15301; Class 1
<input type="checkbox"/> Statutory Exemption (Code Number):	
<input type="checkbox"/> Other. Explanation:	
<b>Reason why project is exempt:</b> The proposed project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article 19, <i>Categorical Exemptions</i> , Sec. 15301, Class 1: <i>Existing Facilities</i> of the CEQA Guidelines. This exemption applies to projects consisting of the minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination.	
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**Signature (Lead Agency Representative)      Date**