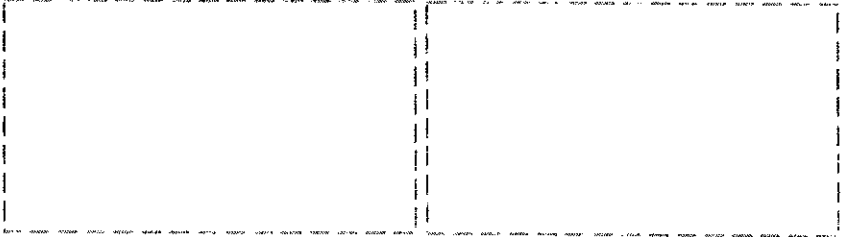


### CEQA Notice of Exemption

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Exemption Number: CE-23-131

Project Title (Application Number): 51st Street Greenbelt Project

Project Location – Specific: 51st Street Greenbelt (addressed as 160 West 51st Street)

Project Location – City/County: **City of Long Beach, Los Angeles County, California**

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Site improvements at the existing 51st Street Greenbelt to transform approximately 1 acre of undeveloped land into park space. The site occupies an undeveloped parcel and a portion of fenced public right-of-way. The park area will include pedestrian trails, a cycle track, fitness stations, play equipment/structures, landscaping with new trees and ground cover, seating and benches, bioswales, and Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) parking.

Public Agency Approving Project: **City of Long Beach, California**

Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: City of Long Beach Department of Public Works c/o Tina Cheng

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, 15303, 15304
- Statutory Exemption. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

Reasons why project is exempt:

The project includes the rehabilitation of an existing fenced area into a 1-acre linear park. The existing site occupies City-owned land and a portion of the public right-of-way (DeForest Ave). The existing trees in the project area would remain in place and recreational amenities would be introduced into the remainder of the site. The site would continue as a public open space similar to existing conditions (Section 15301). All new park improvements and components would be consistent with uses allowed within open space uses (Section 15303). Accessory (appurtenant) structures to be installed include fitness stations, play equipment/structures, seating and benches, and Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) parking. The project includes minor alterations in the condition of land and vegetation for the installation of new pedestrian trails, a cycle track, landscaping with new trees and ground cover, bioswales, and paving. The project would include the net increase in new trees.

**Lead Agency**

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