

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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Applicant(s): Maria Cervantes
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Project Title: Zone Change No., PZC 23-004 – Cervantes

Project Location - Specific: 20743 Ensign Dr, on the south side of Ensign Drive, and approximately 175 feet west of Wheatland Drive, within the Richgrove Urban Development Boundary (APN: 340-041-006)

Project Location- Section, Township, Range: Section 36, Township 24S, Range 26E

Project Location - City: Richgrove Project Location - County: Tulare

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: Zone Change No. PZC 23-004 is to change the zoning of a 0.25-acre parcel from R-2 (Two-Family Residential) to R-2-MU (Two-Family Residential with Mixed Use Overlay) Zone. The Applicant is proposing to construct two (2) four-plex style buildings. The beneficiaries of the project will be the community of Richgrove.

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));
 Common Sense Rule: CEQA guidelines 15061(b)(3)
 Categorical Exemption: CEQA Guidelines Class 3 Section 15303 New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures
 Statutory Exemptions: CEQA Guidelines Section

Reasons why project is exempt: This action is consistent with Section 15303 Class 3, New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures, as the Applicant is proposing to construct two (2) four-plex style buildings. Therefore, the application of CEQA Section 15303 is applicable and appropriate for this project.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Tulare County Resource Management Agency

Project Planner/Representative: Russell Kashiwa, Project Planner Telephone: (559) 624-7110

Signature: Gary A. Mills Date: 1/23/2024 Title: Chief Environmental Planner

Signature: Reed Schenke, P.E. Date: 1/23/24 Title: Environmental Assessment Officer RMA Director

Signed by Lead Agency