

ATTACHMENT C: NOTICE OF EXEMPTION (NOE)

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From: City of Goleta
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Subject: Filing of Notice of Exemption

Project Title: 749 and 759 Ward Drive Lot Line Adjustment (LLA) / CEQA Exemption;
Parcels 1 and 2 of Parcel Map No. 32,058

Project Applicant: Ed Mark (749 Ward Drive) and Steve Metzler (759 Ward Drive)

Project Location (Addresses and APNs):

Parcel 1: 749 Ward Drive, Goleta, CA, 93111, County of Santa Barbara; APN: (071-170-088)

Parcel 2: 759 Ward Drive, Goleta, CA, 93111, County of Santa Barbara; APN: (071-170-089)

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The purpose of the LLA is to adjust the boundaries between two existing Business Park lots. The LLA would transfer 1,797 square feet of land to 749 Ward Drive from 759 Ward Drive. The property at 749 Ward Drive (APN 071-170-088) would increase by 1.9% and 759 Ward Drive (APN 071-170-089) would decrease by 3.3%.

The beneficiaries of the Project are the property owners.

Name of Public Agency Approving the Project: City of Goleta

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out the Project: Heidi Jones (Meraki Land Use Consulting, LLC.) on behalf of Ed Mark (749 Ward Drive) and Steve Metzler (759 Ward Drive).

Exempt Status: *(check one)*

- Ministerial (Sec. 15268)
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 15269 (a))
- Emergency Project (Sec. 15269 (b) (c))
- X** Categorical Exemption: CEQA Guidelines §15305 (Minor Alterations in Land Use Limitations) for Lot Line Adjustment
- Other Statutory Exemption: (Insert Type(s) and Section Number(s))

Reason(s) why the project is exempt:

The proposed LLA exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines §15305 (Minor Alterations in Land Use Limitations). The property shifts approximately 1,797 square feet of area from one lot to an adjacent lot. The Project qualifies for use of Class 5 exemption as the project sites do not have an

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average slope of greater than 20 percent. Further, the project does not result in any changes in land use or density, as no new structural development is proposed, and does not result in the creation of any new parcel.

Moreover, none of the exceptions to the categorical exemptions set forth in State CEQA Guidelines section 15300.2 apply to the project. The exception set forth in State CEQA Guidelines section 15300.2(a), Location Class 11 are qualified by consideration of where the project is to be located. The proposed project is not located in or will have an impact on an environmental resource of critical concern that is designated, precisely mapped, or officially adopted pursuant to law by federal, state, or local agencies given its location and the nature of the site. Section 15300.2(b)'s exception, relating to cumulative impacts, does not apply as there are no other successive projects of the same type in the same place that could result in significant cumulative impacts. Section 15300.2(c)'s exception does not apply because there are no "unusual circumstances" that apply to the project; minor LLAs are not unusual. Section 15300.2(d)'s exception does not apply because the project is not located near any scenic highways. Section 15300.2(e)'s exception does not apply because the project site does not contain hazardous waste and is not on any list compiled pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the Government Code. Finally, Section 15300.2(f)'s exception does not apply because the project has no potential to cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource. Additionally, the project site does not contain any identified significant cultural resources and the project does not include any grading.

Consistent with the requirements of the Class 5 exemption and pursuant to CEQA Guidelines §15300.2, Exceptions to the Exemption, the entirety of the project falls within the Class 5 Exemption set forth in State CEQA Guidelines Section 15305.

City of Goleta Contact Person and Telephone Number:

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<i>Brian Hiefield</i>	Associate Planner	3/4/24
Signature	Title	Date

If filed by the 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

Date received for filing at OPR: _____

Note: Authority cited: Section 21083 and 211110, Public Resources Code
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152.1, Public Resources Code