

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

To: [X] Office of Planning & Research
1400 Tenth St., Room 121
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From: City of Calimesa, Community Development Dept.
908 Park Avenue
Calimesa, California
92320

[X] County Clerk
County of Riverside
2724 Gateway Drive
Riverside, CA 92501

Project Title: 4th Street Park Extension Project

Project Location - Specific: The Project site is located in the City of Calimesa, Riverside County, California. Specifically, the Project site in the City of Calimesa (City) at APN 411-140-021 (Project).

Project Location - City: Calimesa **County:** Riverside

Description of Project: The Project proposes the expansion of the existing Fourth Street Community Park on a 2.32-acre lot, located at 941 5th Street in the City of Calimesa in the City of Calimesa. The Project is located in the Yucaipa 7.5-minute quadrangle map, Section 16 of Township 2 South, Range 2 West on portions of Assessor Parcel Number (APN) 411-140-021. The Project includes the construction of restrooms and a maintenance shed. The park expansion site will include open landscaped areas with decomposed granite walking trails with distance markers that connect to trails at the existing park. The Project includes sport courts that may be used for basketball and/or tennis/pickleball. Additional parking for the park expansion site is proposed on 5th Street.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of Calimesa

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: City of Calimesa, Community Development Department - Planning Division.

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 sec. no.:**
Class 32, In-fill Development, Section 15332.
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number:
- Other. "Common Sense" Exemption: Section 15061(b)(3)

Reasons why project is exempt: The proposed project consists of Class 32 Categorical Exemption can be filed for the project. Class 32 consists of projects characterized as in-fill development meeting the following conditions: (a) The project is consistent with the applicable general plan designation and all applicable general plan policies as well as with applicable zoning designation and regulations; (b) the proposed development occurs within city limits on a project site of no more than five acres substantially surrounded by urban uses; (c) the project site has no value, as habitat for endangered, rare or threatened species; (d) approval of the project would not result in any significant effects relating to traffic, noise, air quality, or water quality; (e) the site can be adequately served by all required utilities and public services. The Project meets criterion (a) because per Calimesa Municipal Code 18.20.030.F, parks are a permitted use in all residential zones. In addition, the Project would meet criterion (b) by being surrounded by existing development. Furthermore, the proposed Project would not result in any significant environmental effects to endangered, rare or threatened species habitats, nor would the project result in significant environmental effects related to traffic, noise, air quality, or water quality. The Project can be adequately served by all required utilities and public services. As such the proposed Project would meet the Class 32 exemption criteria. It should also be noted that none of the exceptions to the exemptions under CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 apply to the proposed Project. Therefore, the proposed Project would be considered exempt under CEQA Guidelines Section 15332. Class 32.

Lead Agency Contact Person: City of Calimesa, Community Development Department: Kelly Lucia, Planning Director, (909) 795-9801, Ext 229

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

[Website Posting of Notice of Exemption in compliance with Section 8(a) of Executive Order N-54-20, dated April 22, 2020]

Signature: Kelby Lucia Date: 3/28/2024 Title: Planning Director

Signed by Lead Agency Date received for filing: _____

Signed by Applicant