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From: City of Kerman
Community Development
850 S. Madera Ave.
Kerman, CA 93630

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Project Title: Clean California Downtown Revitalization, ENV 2024-06

Project Location: Madera Ave. (SR145) between California Ave. and Whitesbridge Rd. (SR180)

Project Location – City: Kerman

County: Fresno

Description - Nature, Purpose, & Beneficiaries of Project: The City of Kerman is proposing the revitalization of the City's "Main Street" – Madera Avenue (State Route 145). Corridor enhancements between California Avenue and Whitesbridge Road (State Route 180) will include new greening elements, beautification, and culturally relevant art. Project features include 1) center median xeriscaping (turf removal and replanting with 1,000 drought-tolerant shrubs); 2) new wrought iron style benches and trash receptacles strategically placed downtown; 3) wayfinding signage to encourage multi-modal transportation; 4) planting fifty new drought-tolerant street trees to provide shade, air quality benefits, and structure; 5) new banners to provide downtown place-making and a cohesive downtown theme; 6) two downtown murals to be designed with community input and painted by local artists.

Name Of Public Agency Approving Project: City of Kerman

Name And Address Of Applicant Carrying Out Project: City of Kerman – Community Development Department, 850 S. Madera Avenue, Kerman CA 93630

Name And Address Of Agent Carrying Out Project: Jesus R. Orozco, 850 S. Madera Avenue, Kerman CA. 93630

EXEMPT STATUS: (Check one)

- Ministerial - Section 15268
- Emergency Project - Section 15071
- Categorical Exemption – Section & Type: Section 15301 (Class 1 Existing Facilities); 15302 (Class 2 Replacement or Reconstruction); 15311 (Class 11 Accessory Structures)
- Statutory Exemptions- State code number:

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Reason For Project Exemption: The project falls within the Class 1 & 2 Categorical Exemption set forth in CEQA Guidelines Section 15301, 15302, & 15311.

The project consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, or minor alterations of existing public and private structures, facilities, equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former uses as described below.

15301 (c) Existing highways and sidewalks with alterations to street trees and other landscaping areas.; and

15301 (h) Maintenance of existing landscaping, native growth and water supply reservoirs....

The project entails retrofitting the center median along Madera Avenue from C Street to Whitesbridge Road, and replacing landscaping through the xeriscaping process (turf removal and replanting with 1,000 drought-tolerant shrubs).

Additionally, the project consists of the replacement of existing facilities where new facilities will be located on the same site as the facility replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the facilities being replaced as described below.

15302 (c) Replacement or reconstruction of existing utility systems and/or facilities involving negligible or no expansion of capacity.

All existing benches and trash receptacles that are currently present on S. Madera Ave. will be replaced with new benches and trash receptacles that will serve the same purpose.


Furthermore, the project consists of installing minor structures including two on-premises modular murals and multiple off-premise wayfinding signage. Exceptions listed under 15300.02 do not apply to this project.

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Lead Agency Contact Person

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If Filed By Applicant:

- 1) Attached certified document of exemption finding.
- 2) Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? Yes No

Signature:  Date: 05 /02 / 2024 Title: Assistant Planner

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant