

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
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County Clerk

County of: Humboldt

825 5th Street - 5th Floor

Eureka, CA 95501

From: (Public Agency): City of Eureka

531 K Street

Eureka, CA 95501

(Address)

Project Title: Eureka Regional Transit and Housing Center (EaRTH Center)

Project Applicant: City of Eureka

Project Location - Specific:

On the south side of 3rd ST between G and H ST (APNs 001-136-001, 001-136-002)

Project Location - City: Eureka

Project Location - County: Humboldt

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Construction of a mixed-use, 3-to-5-story building on City-owned property in Downtown currently developed as public parking lots. The ground floor will primarily be dedicated to an intermodal transit center for the Humboldt Transit Authority with a number of individual leasable commercial tenant spaces, while the upper floors will include up to 99 apartment-style housing units, all or the majority of which will be deed-restricted affordable. The two underlying parcels will be merged, followed by a condominium subdivision to separate ownership of the housing from the transit center. H Street will be reduced by one lane between 3rd and 4th Streets to provide the space necessary for bus parking, passenger loading/unloading and sidewalk pedestrian traffic.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of Eureka

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: City of Eureka, The DANCO Group, and Humboldt Transit Authority

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: §15332 (Class 32) Infill

Statutory Exemptions. State code number: §21083.3 (CEQA Guidelines §15183)

Reasons why project is exempt:

The project qualifies for an exemption under CEQA Guidelines §15183: the project is consistent with the City's 2040 General Plan for which an environmental impact report was certified in 2018 (State Clearinghouse #2016102025) and Eureka City Council held a duly noticed public hearing on the exemption determination on June 4, 2024. The project is infill development and also qualifies for exemption under CEQA Guidelines §15332. See attached pages for further explanation.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Cristin Kenyon

Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (707) 441-4160

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

Signature: Cristin Kenyon Date: 6/5/24 Title: Development Services Director

▪ Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____