

**NOTICE OF EXEMPTION**

City of Visalia  
315 E. Acequia Ave.  
Visalia, CA 93291  
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To: County Clerk  
County of Tulare  
County Civic Center  
Visalia, CA 93291-4593

Majestic Inn Homekey Project - Rehabilitation to Permanent Supportive Housing

**PROJECT TITLE**

4545 W. Noble Avenue, Visalia, CA 93277 (APN: 087-330-040 and 087-330-022)

**PROJECT LOCATION**

Visalia

Tulare

**PROJECT LOCATION - CITY**

**COUNTY**

The Majestic Inn Homekey Project is a proposed rehabilitation of an existing 42-unit motel, originally built in 1962, converting to permanent supportive housing targeting chronically homeless between 0-30% of AMI. Renovations include accessibility upgrades including parking, ramp and entry door improvements, and interior alterations. The proposed Project will not increase the square footage of the existing motel and will have an ultimate build-out of 42 multi-family residential units.

**DESCRIPTION - Nature, Purpose, & Beneficiaries of Project**

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**NAME OF LEAD AGENCY APPROVING PROJECT**

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**NAME AND ADDRESS OF APPLICANT CARRYING OUT PROJECT**

N/A

**NAME AND ADDRESS OF AGENT CARRYING OUT PROJECT**

**EXEMPT STATUS:** (Check one)

- Ministerial - Section 15183
- Emergency Project - Section 15071
- Categorical Exemption - State type and Section number: **Class 1, Section 15301 of Guidelines**
- Statutory Exemptions- State code number:

This action is consistent with Section 15301 Class 1, Existing Facilities, operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features. Consistent with this statute, the action of converting an existing motel to 42 residential units of permanent supportive housing is not a "new" facility or project under the definition of CEQA. Therefore, the application of CEQA Section 15301 is applicable and appropriate for this project.

**REASON FOR PROJECT EXEMPTION**

Brandon Smith, Principal Planner

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**AREA CODE/PHONE**

April 25, 2023

**DATE**



**Brandon Smith, AICP  
ENVIRONMENTAL COORDINATOR**