

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION (NOE)

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Subject: Filing of Notice of Exemption

Project Title: Initiation of General Plan Amendments to All Elements to Attain a Certified Local Coastal Program (Case No. 21-0004-GPA)

Project Applicant: City of Goleta

Project Location (Address and APN): Citywide

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

The California Coastal Act (California Public Resources Code Sections 30000 et seq.) requires local governments in the California Coastal Zone to create and implement Local Coastal Programs (LCPs). An LCP consists of a land use plan (Coastal Land Use Plan or "CLUP") and implementing zoning regulations (Implementation Plan or "IP"). The City's General Plan will serve as the City's CLUP (hence the formal title of the document as the "City of Goleta General Plan/Coastal Land Use Plan") and regulations in Title 17 of the Goleta Municipal Code will serve as the City's IP.

The California Coastal Commission must review the LCP and certify that the LCP is consistent with the Coastal Act. In order to receive certification, the City expects to amend policies throughout the General Plan. The project includes the initiation of amendments to all elements of the General Plan to attain a certified Local Coastal Program from the California Coastal Commission.

Name of Public Agency Approving the Project: City of Goleta

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out the Project: City of Goleta

Exempt Status: *(check one)*

- Ministerial (§15268)
- Declared Emergency (§15269 (a))
- Emergency Project (§15269 (b) (c))
- Categorical Exemption: (Insert Type(s) and Section Number(s))
- Statutory Exemption: CEQA Guidelines, §15060(c)(3); §15378(a); §15378(b)(5); §15061(b)(3)

Reason(s) why the project is exempt:

The initiation is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (California Public Resources Code Sections 21000 et seq.) pursuant to Section 15060(c)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines (Title 14, Chapter 3 of the California Code of Regulations) because the activity is not

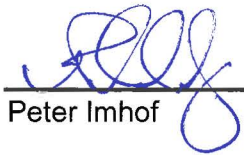
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a project as defined in Section 15378(a) but is an organizational or administrative activity by government that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment pursuant to Section 15378(b)(5).

The initiation is also exempt from CEQA pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines because the activity is covered by the general rule which exempts activities that can be seen with certainty to have no possibility for causing a significant effect on the environment.

Thus, no further environmental review is required.

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