

CEQA Notice of Exemption

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From: County of Santa Clara
70 W. Hedding St.
San Jose, CA 95110

Project Title: Purchase of Regional Medical Center and Related Assets

Project Applicant: County of Santa Clara

Project Location – Specific: The Regional Medical Center campus, which consists of the real property located in the City of San José at 175, 225, and 227 N Jackson Avenue (APNs 481-05-040, 481-05-041, and 481-05-043); a parking lot on Alexian Drive (APN 481-06-036); and condominium units 100, 180, 190 of 200 Jose Figueres Avenue (APNs 481-80-001, 481-80-002, and 481-80-003).

Project Location – City: San José

Project Location – County: Santa Clara

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of the Project: The project involves the County of Santa Clara’s (“County’s”) acquisition of substantially all assets of Regional Medical Center (RMC), including a 258-bed hospital and related facilities, and two ground-leased medical office buildings. The proposed project, includes, but is not limited to, the County Board of Supervisors’ adoption or approval of the following: (1) a resolution delegating authority to the County Executive to execute an Asset Purchase Agreement and all other actions associated with the RMC acquisition; (2) salary ordinances; (3) a reimbursement resolution related to financing the acquisition; (4) an appropriation modification; and (5) a notice of intent to purchase certain medical office buildings (collectively, the “Project”).

The purpose of the Project is to re-establish services at RMC that have been discontinued or negatively impacted. The Project beneficiaries are the residents of Santa Clara County generally and East Santa Clara County more specifically, who will have access to a broader spectrum of healthcare services and resources without having to travel greater distances for trauma care and other critical medical needs.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: County of Santa Clara

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: County of Santa Clara

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: CEQA Guidelines § 15301

Statutory Exemptions. State code number:


Reasons why project is exempt: The Project qualifies for the Class 1 categorical exemption in CEQA Guidelines section 15301, which applies to “the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion

of existing or former use.” Following the acquisition, the County would continue to operate RMC and the other acquired properties as healthcare facilities.

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Signature:



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Title: Assistant County Counsel

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