



CITY OF MENIFEE

Community Development Department

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research (OPR)
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 County of Riverside County Clerk

FROM: City of Menifee
Community Development Department
29844 Haun Road
Menifee, CA 92586

Project Title/Case No.: Krikorian Entertainment Complex Demolition and Site Clearance Project
(Building Permit No. PMT 24-01964 and Grading Permit No. GP 12-015)

Project Location: The site is located on the southwest corner of Newport Road and Town Center Drive within the City of Menifee, County of Riverside, State of California (APNs 360-860-026 through -028).

Project Proposal: The Project site currently includes three partially completed commercial structures: one retail framed shell building, one burned retail building with only remaining foundation/posts, and one partially constructed movie theater building. The Project will include site clearance, debris removal, demolition and removal of structures, accessory structures, foundation, concrete work, pavement, footings, and all vegetation. Sub-surface utilities will be removed. Water and sewer lines will be capped. The Project will also include all required traffic control, safety, best management practices and storm water prevention runoff. The Project site will be scarified, and general site grading will occur to fill any voids left by demolition/removals and match existing site drainage. When completed, the site will be smooth, even, with erosion controls measures in place. No work shall be performed within the public street right of way.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of Menifee

Project Sponsor: City of Menifee

Exempt Status: (Check one)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Categorical Exemption (15301) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a)) | <input type="checkbox"/> Statutory Exemption () |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269 (b)(c)) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: <u>15061(b)(3)</u> |

Reasons why project is exempt:

The proposed Project has been determined to be Categorically Exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") and CEQA Guidelines, Section 15301, Existing Facilities. Class 1 consists of 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. Class 1 includes the following examples of projects that would be exempt under section (l)(3): The demolition and removal of ... a store, motel, office, restaurant, or similar small commercial structure if designed for an occupant load of 30 persons or less. In urbanized areas, the exemption also applies to the demolition of up to three such commercial buildings on sites zoned for such use. The Project is for the demolition of three (3) partially constructed commercial structures on an existing urban site. No additional structures will be built with the Project and there will be no expansion of existing use. The Project is exempt per Section 15301.

The proposed Project is also exempt under the general rule that CEQA applies only to Projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. Where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment,

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the activity is not subject to CEQA (Section 15061(b)(3)). There is no possibility that the activity in question would have a significant effect on the environment because the proposed Project is occurring in an area that is heavily disturbed and is not environmentally sensitive.

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