

**NOTICE OF EXEMPTION**

<p>TO: Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation State Clearinghouse 1400 Tenth Street Sacramento, CA 95814</p>	<p>FROM: City of Hawaiian Gardens 21815 Pioneer Boulevard Hawaiian Gardens, CA 90716 (562) 420-2641</p>
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Project Title:	The 6th Cycle, 2021-2029 Housing Element Update and Related Entitlement Actions (the "Project")
Project Location:	Citywide in the City of Hawaiian Gardens, including analysis of the following six housing sites in the City of Hawaiian Gardens: (1) 22601 Norwalk Boulevard; (2) 12529 Carson Street; (3) 12507 Carson Street; (4) 21101 Norwalk Boulevard; (5) 21418 Norwalk Boulevard; and (6) 12441 Farlow Street.
Project Location – City:	City of Hawaiian Gardens
Project Location – County:	County of Los Angeles
Description of the Project:	On December 11, 2024, the City Council of the City of Hawaiian Gardens (1) adopted Resolution No. 035-2024 adopting the City’s 6th Cycle Housing Element Update consistent with the statutory requirements of the California Housing Element Law; (2) adopted Resolution No. 037-2024 adopting the Initial Study for the 6th Cycle Housing Element Update and Related Entitlement Actions pursuant to Government Code section 65972; (3) conducted the first reading of Ordinance No. 2024-620 amending Hawaiian Gardens Zoning Code Chapters 18.20, 18.30, 18.40, 18.50, 18.55, 18.60, 18.70, 18.90, 18.100, and adding Chapter 18.110 to the Zoning Code and adopting an amended Hawaiian Gardens Municipal Code Zoning Map; and (4) adopted Resolution No. 036-2024 adopting the amended General Plan Land Use Element and Map. On January 8, 2025, the City Council of the City of Hawaiian Gardens further conducted a second reading of, and adopted, Ordinance No. 2024-620.

Lead Agency and Agency approving the Project:	City of Hawaiian Gardens
Applicant:	City of Hawaiian Gardens
Exempt status:	Statutorily exempt from CEQA under Government Code section 65759
Reason why project was exempt:	<p>Government Code section 65759(a) provides that the California Environmental Quality Act does not apply to any action necessary to bring its general plan or relevant mandatory elements of the plan into compliance with any court order or judgment. That section further provides that the local agency shall, however, prepare an initial study to determine the environmental effects of the proposed action necessary to comply with the court order.</p> <p>Here, CEQA does not apply to the Project pursuant to Government Code section 65759 because the City of Hawaiian Gardens prepared an initial study pursuant to Section 65759 following the issuance of a writ of mandate in the matter of Californians for Homeownership, Inc. v. City of Hawaiian Gardens directing the City to complete rezoning required under Government Code sections 65583(c)(1)(A) and 65583.2(c) to implement the City's Housing Element. The initial study determined that the Project would not have a significant effect on the environment, and that no additional environmental review was necessary under CEQA.</p>
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