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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

From: Development Services Department
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APPLICANT: City of San Juan Capistrano
ADDRESS: 32400 Paseo Adelanto, San Juan Capistrano, CA, 92675
LEAD AGENCY: City of San Juan Capistrano, 32400 Paseo Adelanto, SJC, CA, 92675
PROJECT MGR: Nardy Khan, City Engineer
PHONE NUMBER: (949) 443-6353
PROJECT TITLE: Arguello Way Beautification Project (CIP 23102)
PROJECT LOCATION: Camino Capistrano at Old Mission Road
DESCRIPTION OF NATURE, PURPOSE, AND BENEFICIARIES OF PROJECT:

Construction of widened sidewalk on Camino Capistrano, installation of new pavers, lighting and landscaping on Arguello Way and ADA compliant ramps. (the "Project").

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION:

In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the recommended actions are exempt from CEQA per Section 15061(b)(3), which is the commonsense exemption that the 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, the activity is not subject to CEQA.

Therefore, the City Council has determined that further environmental evaluation is not required because:

- [] The project is not subject to CEQA because it "*does not involve the exercise of discretionary power,*" or "*will not result in a direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment,*" or, "*is not a project as defined in Section 15378 of the CEQA guidelines.*" (Sections 15060(c)(1), (2) & (3)); or,
- [X] "*The activity is covered by the common sense exemption 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, the activity is not subject to CEQA*" (Section 15061(b)(3)); or,
- [] The project is statutorily exempt, Section 15268, Ministerial Project (Sections 15260-15277); or,
- [] In the alternative, the project is categorically exempt per State CEQA Guidelines, Section 15301 (Existing Facilities).

10. Was a public hearing held by the Lead Agency to consider the exemption?
Yes No

Joel Rojas, Environmental Administrator

March 25, 2025

Date