

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
County of San Bernardino
385 N. Arrowhead Avenue
San Bernardino, CA 92415

FROM: City of Rancho Cucamonga
10500 Civic Center Drive
Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91730

Project Title: DRC2024-00235 – Empire Springs Charter School Minor Design Review

Project Address: 8968 Archibald Ave Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91730

Project Location – County: County of San Bernardino

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

A request to replace two temporary classrooms with a one-story, 5,895-square-foot educational building and remodel the existing building for the Empire Springs Charter School (ESCS) within the Center 1 Southwest Cucamonga (CE1-SC) Zone, located at 8968 Archibald Avenue; APN: 0209-171-15.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of Rancho Cucamonga

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Melinda Reyes; David Black

Exempt Status:

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268)
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a))
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c))
- Categorical Exemptions, State code number: Class 1 Section 15301; Class 3 Section 15303; Class 14 Section 15314
- Statutory Exemptions, State code number:

Reasons Why Project is Exempt:

The project qualifies as Class 1, 3, and 14 exemptions under State CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 – Existing Facilities, which covers the operation, permitting, leasing, or minor alteration of existing structures; Section 15303 – New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures, which covers up to four commercial buildings not exceeding 10,000 square feet in floor area on sites zones for such use if not involving the use of significant amounts of hazardous substances where all necessary public services and facilities are available and the surrounding area is not environmentally sensitive; and Section 15314 – Minor Additions to Schools, which covers minor additions to existing schools within existing school grounds where the addition does not increase original student capacity by more than 25 percent or 10 classrooms, whichever is less. The project scope involves the construction of a one-story 5,985-square-foot educational building and interior remodel of the existing buildings. The proposed changes would occur within the boundary of the existing campus, and the student occupancy and number of classrooms are to remain the same.

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