

# NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO:  Mail Stop: A-33  
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Attn: Karina Ortiz  
1600 Pacific Highway  
San Diego, CA 92101

FROM: Mail Stop: 0-368  
County of San Diego  
General Services  
Attn: Marcus Lubich  
5560 Overland Avenue, Suite 410  
San Diego, CA 92123

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**SUBJECT: FILING OF NOTICE OF EXEMPTION IN COMPLIANCE WITH PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE SECTION 21108 OR 21152**

Project Name: Approval of Lease Agreement for Treasure Tax Collector – 2275 Rio Bonito Way

Project Location: 2275 Rio Bonito Way, Suite 180, San Diego, CA 92108 (APN: 438-051-15)

Project Applicant: County of San Diego, General Services  
5560 Overland Avenue, Suite 410, San Diego, CA 92123

Project Description: Project consists of lease for 2,769 square feet of office space in Suite 180 on the first floor of an existing building for Treasure Tax Collector's payment processing unit. The lease also includes ten non-exclusive parking spaces in the existing parking lot. Minor tenant improvements are also planned for the interior to convert space for payment processing unit. The lease term is five years with a five-year option to extend.

Agency Approving Project: County of San Diego

Date Form Completed: September 10, 2024

County Contact Person: Bianca Lee-Cristaldi

Telephone: (619) 569-7508

This is to advise that the County of San Diego Board of Supervisor has approved the above-described project on October 8, 2024 (#) and found the project to be exempt from the CEQA under the following criteria:

Exempt status and applicable section of the CEQA ("C") and/or State CEQA Guidelines ("G"): (check only one)

Declared Emergency [C 21080(b)(3); G 15269(a)]

Emergency Project [C 21080(b)(4); G 15269(b)(c)]

Statutory Exemption. C Section(s):

Categorical Exemption. G Sections: 15301 – Existing Facilities

G 15182 – Residential Projects Pursuant to a Specific Plan

Activity is exempt from the CEQA because it is not a project as defined in Section 15378.

G 15061(b)(3) - It can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment and the activity is not subject to the CEQA.

Statement of reasons why project is exempt:

The lease between the County of San Diego and SDCO Rio San Diego Plaza II, Inc. is categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to Section 15301, as it involves leasing existing office space and minor interior alterations to an existing facility that would have no permanent effects on the environment and does not involve the expansion or change of the existing office use. Further, no exceptions listed in CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 apply to the project. Additionally, the project will not impact environmental resources of hazardous or critical concern that are designated, precisely mapped and officially adopted by government agencies; does not contribute to cumulative environmental impact; will not have a significant impact on the environment due to unusual circumstances; does not damage scenic resources within a designated state scenic highway; and is not on the list of Hazardous Waste and Substance Sites pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the Government Code.

The following is to be filled in only upon formal project approval by the appropriate County of San Diego decision-making body.

Signature: Marcus Lubich Telephone: 858-414-4593

Name (Print): Marcus Lubich Title: Environmental Project Manager

This Notice of Exemption has been signed and filed by the County of San Diego.

This notice must be filed with the Recorder/County Clerk as soon as possible after project approval by the decision-making body. The Recorder/County Clerk must post this notice within 24 hours of receipt and for a period of not less than 30 days. At the termination of the posting period, the Recorder/County Clerk must return this notice to the Department address listed above along with evidence of the posting period. The originating Department must then retain the returned notice for a period of not less than twelve months. Reference: CEQA Guidelines Section 15062.