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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

To: Santa Clara County Clerk-Recorder
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From: Sunnyvale School District
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Sunnyvale, CA 94086

State Clearinghouse
1400 Tenth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

Project Title: Lakewood Elementary School Master Plan

Project Location: Lakewood Elementary School, 750 Lakechime Drive

Project Location – City: Sunnyvale, CA 94089

Project Location – County: Santa Clara County

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Sunnyvale School District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Sunnyvale School District

Lead Agency Contact Person: Brandt Burns

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Description of Project: The Sunnyvale School District (SSD) proposes to implement the first phase of the Lakewood Elementary School Master Plan (Master Plan). The first phase of the Master Plan includes replacement of one portable, two-classroom building with one permanent, modular construction, two-classroom building and improvements to the TK/Kindergarten playground adjacent to the proposed classroom building. Playground improvements include installing new surface-mounted play components, reconfiguring the existing hardscape area to accommodate the new play components, and applying a slurry seal and restriping the existing asphalt-paved play area. The first phase would also replace the playground perimeter fencing with in-kind chain-link fencing and modify the lawn and irrigation as necessary for the new playground layout.

Other improvements identified the Master Plan and anticipated to be completed in future phases include the addition of a new shade structure in the primary outdoor play area, a new electronic marquee at the main entry to the campus on Lakechime Drive, new outdoor learning/garden areas near the kindergarten buildings, new plaza areas in the primary outdoor play area, and interior reconfiguration of the administrative, learning resource center, kindergarten, and special education buildings. Implementation of the Master Plan would result in no net change in the number of classrooms on-campus.

Exempt Status: One or more of the following Categorical Exemptions are applicable to the proposed project:

Class 1 - Section 15301. Existing Facilities: Operation, repair, maintenance, or minor alterations to a public facility involving no or negligible expansion of existing or former use.

Class 2 - Section 15302. Replacement or Reconstruction: Replacement or reconstruction of structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site for substantially the same purpose.

Class 4 - Section 15304. Minor Alterations to Land: Minor public or private alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation that do not involve the removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees.

Class 11 - Section 15311. Accessory Structures: Construction or replacement of minor structures accessory to existing commercial, industrial, or institutional facilities including on-premises signs.

Class 14 – Section 15314. Minor Additions to Schools: Minor additions to schools within school grounds where the addition does not increase student capacity by more than 25 percent or ten classrooms.

Reasons Why Project is Exempt: The proposed Lakewood Elementary School Master Plan would not introduce a new use onto the campus or result in an enrollment increase. Per section 15300.2 of the CEQA Guidelines, it has been determined the project is not located on a hazardous waste site and the project would not affect environmental resources of hazardous or critical concern, result in a significant impact due to unusual circumstances, damage scenic resources, affect historical resources, or result in a cumulative impact. For these reasons, the project is exempt from the provisions of CEQA.

Signature of Lead Agency Representative: Brandt Burns, Director of Facilities and Operations

Date: April 21, 2025