



City of Carson

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

CEQA: California Environmental Quality Act

TO: Office of Planning and Research
State of California
1400 Tenth Street
Sacramento, CA 90815

Los Angeles County Registrar
Recorder/County Clerk
12400 E. Imperial Highway
Norwalk, CA 90650

Project Title: MILLS PARK IMPROVEMENT (Project No. 1636)

Project Location- Specific: 1340 Diamondale Dr.

Project Location- City: Carson

Project Location- County: Los Angeles

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

Mills Park is approximately 4.45 acres (195,000 sq.ft) centrally located in the City of Carson. A majority of the improvements are on the easterly half of the park, while minor work is also being completed on the westerly half of the park, which is mostly natural turf. The project scope involves expanding the existing building by approx. 1,400 sq.ft., to provide more office space and additional internal storage. The project will remove the old wading pool to be replaced with a splash pad water feature. The irrigation system will be adjusted according to the modified site layout. Majority of the turf areas will remain with a few locations to be improved due to a bigger playground area with rubberized surface and conversion of the half-court to a full court basketball. The fitness area will have a new shade cover and a three new picnic shelters will be installed. The park marquee sign will be upgraded to a digital format sign. Lastly, the project will improve the condition of the concrete walkways throughout the park.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of Carson

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: City of Carson

Exempt Status: *(check one)*

- Ministerial
- Declared Emergency
- Emergency Project
- Categorical Exemption. Section 15301(e)(1) (Existing facilities); 15303(e) (New Construction of of Small Structures); 15323 (Normal Operations of Facilities for Public Gatherings)
- Statutory Exemptions.

Reasons why project is exempt:

A portion of this project complies with the provisions of Section 15301(e)(1) for an expansion to an existing building totaling less than 50% of the square footage of the existing building. Other portions of this project would meet the provisions of Section 15303(e) as the picnic shelters, shade structures, and splash pad would be considered accessory structures. All other aspects of this project would comply with the provisions of Section 15323 as the project is reinforcing the historical use of this property as a public park.

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If filed by applicant:

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding. (Not required – City filing NOE)
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? Yes No

Signature:  _____

Title: *PW Operations Mgr* Date: *5/7/24*

- Signed by Lead Agency
- Signed by Applicant

Date received for filing at OPR: