



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: Community Center Courtyard (Project No. 1726) & East Parking Lot (Project No. 1727)

Project Location- Specific: 801 E. Carson St.

Project Location- City: Carson

Project Location- County: Los Angeles

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

The Community Center Courtyard project is approximately 1 acre and located between City Hall and the Carson Event Center. The Courtyard project's primary objective is to convert the current open landscaped area between the Carson Event Center and City Hall to provide an additional outdoor area for private and public events. The project involves grading a small portion of the landscaped mound for the proposed stage and audience area. The 1,000 sq.ft stage will be accompanied with an audience area for seating and other event features. To compliment the audience area, a new pergola will be installed adjacent to the audience section. As part of this project, the current courtyard outside of Room 107 will be remodeled and its footprint slightly expanded. The newly remodeled courtyard will have a waterfall feature with lighting accents and landscape features. A similar pergola will also be installed abutting Room 107. The entire site will have new lighting, decorative pavement, and a new landscape layout. Included in this project is the reconfigured parking area at the east parking lot of the Carson Event Center.

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 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. All expansions to the existing event center building will meet this exemption. Other portions of this project would meet the provisions of Section 15303(e) as the covered stage, shade structures, and pergolas 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 an events center.

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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: