CITY OF LOS ANGELES OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK **ROOM 395, CITY HALL** LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012 **CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT** NOTICE OF EXEMPTION (Articles II and III - City CEQA Guidelines)

Submission of this form is optional. The form shall be filed with the County Clerk, 12400 E. Imperial Highway, Norwalk, California, 90650, pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21152(b). Pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21167(d), the filing of this notice starts a 35-day statute of limitations on court challenges to the approval of the project.

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Los Angeles, CA 90015															
PROJECT	TITLE:	Sale -	252	South	San	Pedro	Street	adjacent	(APN	5161-02	20-923)	LOG	REFE	ERENC	E
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PROJECT LOCATION: The property is an abandoned railroad spur (right-of-way) located east of San Pedro Street and north of 3rd Street. (Figure 1 – Project Location) The property is located southerly of 252 South San Pedro Street and northerly of 260 South San Pedro Street. The property is located in the Central City Community Plan Area.

T.G. Pg. 634, Grid G4

DESCRIPTION OF NATURE, PURPOSE, AND BENEFICIARIES OF PROJECT: The property was transferred to the City in 2014 by the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA/LA) with instructions to 1) sell to an adjoining property owner, the Japanese American Cultural & Community Center (JACCC), and 2) provide public access in perpetuity. The property is currently used to support activities of the JACCC, including as a driveway for delivery vehicles, event parking, and a walkway to JACCC gardens (collectively JACCC Support Activities); and public access for other adjoining landowners' tenants and customers, and for Little Tokyo pedestrians (collectively Public Access). The project consists only of the sale of the property. No change in activities occurring on this property or physical changes are proposed. The City will benefit by the (1) perpetual Public Access over the property, in a manner that balances such access with public safety, provided to adjoining owners and the public, and (2) community services facilitated by proposed buyer of the property (JACCC).

CONTACT PERSON: James R. Teb	betts, ES II	TELEPHONE NUMBER: (213) 487-5732					
EXEMPT STATUS: (Check One)							
	CITY CEQA	STATE CEQA					
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	Art. II, Sec. 2.b	Sec. 15268					
DECLARED EMERGENCY	Art. II, Sec. 2.a(1)	Sec. 15269(a)					
EMERGENCY PROJECT	Art. II, Sec. 2.a(2)(3)	Sec. 15269(b)(c)					
GENERAL EXEMPTION	Art. II, Sec. 1	Sec. 15061(b)(3)					
CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION*	Art. III, Sec.	Sec.					
STATUTORY*	Art	Sec					
* See Public Resources Code Sec. 21080 and set forth state and city guidelines provisions.							

JUSTIFICATION FOR PROJECT EXEMPTION: The City of Los Angeles Environmental Quality Act Guidelines, Article II, Sec. 2.b exempts from the California Environmental Quality Act ministerial projects lacking discretionary approval. No change in the uses on the property is proposed, just change the ownership of the property. Current operations will continue: a covenant in the Grant Deed will be included such that the JACCC will continue providing Public Access. This exemption applies only to the sale of this property and continuation of the current uses. As the property was transferred to the City with instruction and conditions for its sale to JACCC, no discretion is thereon being exercised with this action.

IF FILED BY APPLICANT, ATTACH CERTIFIED DOCUMENT OF EXEMPTION FINDING									
SIGNATURE:	M E Matti Maria Martin	TITLE: Environmental Affairs Officer Environmental Management Group	DATE: 4/16/18						
FEE: \$75.00	RECEIPT NO.	REC'D BY	DÁTE						

DISTRIBUTION: (1) County Clerk (2) City Clerk (3) Agency Record

