


TRANSMITTAL

TO Council	DATE 7-15-19	COUNCIL FILE NO. 14-1174-S42
FROM CRA/LA Bond Oversight Committee		COUNCIL DISTRICT 4

At its Special Meeting on July 11, 2019, the CRA/LA Bond Oversight Committee approved recommendations in the attached Economic and Workforce Development Department (EWDD) report and instructed staff to transmit to Council for consideration. Council approval of the report recommendations would authorize the appropriation of up to \$250,000 in CRA/LA Excess Non-Housing Bond Proceeds from the Hollywood Redevelopment Project Area (Tax-Exempt Series 2008-F) for the De Longpre Park Improvements Project.

Fiscal Impact Statement: There is no impact on the City's General Fund from the proposed appropriation. The CRA/LA Excess Non-Housing Bonds Proceeds Fund No. 57D is funded solely from two transfers totaling approximately \$86 million in pre-2011 tax allocation bond proceeds from CRA/LA to the City. (C.F. 14-1174) Said transfers have been deposited with the Office of the Controller.



Richard H. Lewellyn, Jr.
City Administrative Officer
Chair, CRA/LA Bond Oversight Committee

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INTERIM GENERAL MANAGER



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MAYOR

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ECONOMIC AND WORKFORCE
DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

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LOS ANGELES, CA 90017

July 11, 2019

Council File:14-1174-S42
Council District No.: 4
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CRA/LA Bond Oversight Committee
c/o Jacqueline Wagner
Office of the City Administrative Officer
Room 1500, City Hall East

BOND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE TRANSMITTAL: REQUEST REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION THAT COUNCIL AND MAYOR, AS REQUIRED, APPROPRIATE UP TO \$250,000 IN CRA/LA EXCESS NON-HOUSING BOND PROCEEDS FROM THE HOLLYWOOD REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA (TAX-EXEMPT SERIES 2008-F) FOR THE DE LONGPRE PARK IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

The Interim General Manager of the Economic and Workforce Development Department (EWDD) requests your review, approval and processing of the recommendations in this transmittal to the Mayor and City Council for their review and consideration.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Interim General Manager of EWDD, or designee, requests that the Bond Oversight Committee recommend that the City Council, subject to the approval of the Mayor as required:

1. **ACKNOWLEDGE** the finding by the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners on November 7, 2018 that the De Longpre Park Improvements Project (Project) consisting of outdoor lighting for security and operations, replacement of existing structures with a new structure of substantially the same size, purpose and capacity, new landscape, minor trenching and backfilling to restore surface, and installation of new accessory equipment is categorically exempt from provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Article XIX, Sections 15301, 15302(b), 15304(b,f) and 15311. Project is also exempt under the City of Los Angeles CEQA Guidelines Article III, Section 1, Class 1(12), Class 2(2), Class 4 (3, 12) and Class 11(3). A CEQA Notice of Exemption (NOE) was filed with the City Clerk and Los Angeles County Clerk on December 4, 2018 (Attachment 3) ;

2. APPROVE up to \$250,000 in tax-exempt CRA/LA Excess Non-Housing Bond Proceeds (EBP) available to Council District (CD) 4 from the Hollywood Redevelopment Project Area (Project Area) to be utilized for the Project;
3. AUTHORIZE the Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) to be the implementing department for activities related to the Project;
4. AUTHORIZE RAP to select contractor(s) from its list of Pre-Qualified On Call Contractors previously approved by its Board of Commissioners, and negotiate and execute contracting documents as required to effectuate Project no later than September 30, 2019;
5. DIRECT RAP to transmit copies of all executed contract(s) under Project to EWDD;
6. DIRECT RAP to expend the CRA/LA EBP appropriation no later than September 30, 2024 pursuant to a duly executed and valid contract;
7. DIRECT RAP to report on its work accomplishments to the Office of the City Administrative Officer (CAO), and fund expenditures to EWDD on a quarterly and as-needed basis;
8. AUTHORIZE the Controller, subject to the availability of funds and a duly executed and encumbered contract(s), to expend up to \$250,000 from the CRA/LA EBP Fund No. 57D, Account No. 22L9FN Hollywood Tax-Exempt, for activities related to the Project upon presentation of proper documentation from RAP and satisfactory review by the EWDD in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Bond Expenditure Agreement (BEA); and
9. AUTHORIZE the Interim General Manager of EWDD, or designee, to prepare Controller instructions and/or make technical adjustments that may be required and are consistent with this action, subject to the approval of the CAO, and authorize the Controller to implement these instructions.

SUMMARY

Transmitted herewith for your review, approval, and further processing are recommendations pursuant to CD 4's original and amending Motions (Ryu-Price for both) which were adopted by Council on September 7, 2018 and April 12, 2019 (C.F. 14-1174-S42).

This transmittal recommends that up to \$250,000 in tax-exempt EBP in the Project Area within CD 4 be allocated to RAP to implement improvements at the De Longpre Park (Park). The Park lies outside the boundaries of the Promise Zone and was not identified as a potential project in the Project Area's Bond Spending Plan (BSP) that was adopted by Council on June 24, 2015 (C.F. 14-1174). CD 4's amending Motion sought an amendment from CRA/LA's Oversight and Governing Boards and the State Department of Finance (DOF) to add Project to the BSP. CRA Boards' approval on May 14, 2019 to amend the BSP to include Project was followed by DOF's approval on June 19, 2019.

Sufficient funds for this purpose are available from CD 4's share of EBP in the Project Area.

The original taxable and tax-exempt EBP in Project Area available to CD 4 was \$813,590. However, after the 16% (\$25,610) taxable administrative appropriation, there remained a combined \$787,980 EBP in the Project Area available to CD 4. This Motion's proposed \$250,000 in tax-exempt EBP, along with three (3) other pending and BOC/Council approved motions, will exhaust all of CD 4's taxable and tax-exempt EBP in the Project Area.

EWDD ANALYSIS

De Longpre Park is located at 1350 North Cherokee Avenue in Hollywood. This 1.37-acre property provides pathways, benches, landscaping, a children's play area and the Rudolph Valentino Monument. An estimated 7,662 City residents live within a ½ mile walking distance of Park. Due to the facilities, features, programs and services it provides, the Park meets the standard for a Neighborhood Park as defined in the City's Public Recreation Plan.

EWDD met and consulted with CD 4 and RAP regarding Project and the scope of work. The RAP will serve as implementing department, project manager, and construction manager. Its in-house design staff has completed the park improvements design already. The construction will be performed by RAP's Pre-Qualified ON Call Contractors previously approved by its Board. The anticipated park renovation scope of work entails replacement of play equipment, lighting upgrades, site security cameras, fencing repairs, landscaping, irrigation and other related park improvements.

Total project cost is estimated at \$800,000 according to the November 7, 2018 RAP Board adopted report. The funding sources are as follows:

1. Park Fees	\$482,086
2. Quimby Fees	\$ 67,914
3. CRA/LA EBP	<u>\$250,000</u>
Total Funding Source	\$800,000

The \$250,000 tax-exempt EBP allocation will be utilized for park site capital improvements as follows:

<u>Tax-Exempt EBP Cost Estimate</u>	
New Planting	\$ 36,000
Refurbish Monument	\$ 25,000
Landscape Installation	\$ 18,750
Benches	\$ 16,000
New Asphalt Surfacing	\$108,070
Drinking Fountain	\$ 10,000
Irrigation (Lawn/Planting Area Improvements)	<u>\$ 36,180</u>
Total Tax-Exempt EBP Cost Estimate	\$250,000

Park improvements already commenced in December 2018 with completion of a \$330,000 playground paid for by Park and Quimby fees. The remaining \$220,000 fees will pay for security cameras, electrical panel/lighting, trash receptacles, irrigation, permits, various soft costs and construction contingency.

The \$250,000 construction elements which will be paid by EBP will begin once funding is approved. Bidding and selection of Park Facilities and Electrical On-Call Contractor(s) will take approximately 4 weeks, followed by implementation within 6 to 8 weeks.

Contract execution and funding for the contract(s) must be encumbered no later than September 30, 2019 with EBP allocation fully expended no later than September 30, 2024. Deliverables and/or activity reports showing percentages of completion must accompany RAP's original signed off invoices to be submitted to EWDD. Disbursements will be authorized pursuant to receipt and satisfactory review by EWDD to ensure compliance with bond covenants and BEA, and that the approved spending categories and amounts adhere to those outlined in this transmittal.

RAP will report on its work accomplishments to the CAO, and fund expenditures to the EWDD, on a quarterly and as-needed basis for their respective reporting to the BOC, Mayor and CRA/LA.

BENEFITS TO THE AFFECTED TAXING ENTITIES

The Project will provide community benefits to the surrounding neighborhood by upgrading the quality of park experience especially for children and seniors. Improved pathways will increase park accessibility and encourage walking and exercise. The shade canopy and shade trees will promote increased utilization of the park during warm weather, especially by those who are more sensitive to sun exposure. Improved irrigation will help to maintain the park's condition, and support the preservation of the park as a valuable green space in the community. These improvements will attract more residents, while fostering improved health, safety and community.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

The City of Los Angeles Housing and Community Investment Department and RAP provided the following environmental analysis and CEQA NOE attached:


The Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners found on November 7, 2018 that the Project, consisting of outdoor lighting for security and operations, replacement of existing structures with a new structure of substantially the same size, purpose and capacity, new landscape, minor trenching and backfilling to restore surface, and installation of new accessory equipment is categorically exempt from provisions of the CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Article XIX, Sections 15301, 15302(b), 15304(b,f) and 15311. Project is also exempt under the City of Los Angeles CEQA Guidelines Article III, Section 1, Class 1(12), Class 2(2), Class 4 (3, 12) and Class 11(3). A CEQA NOE was filed with the City Clerk and the Los Angeles County Clerk on December 4, 2018 (Attachment 3).

CAO COVENANT REVIEW

The CAO has completed its review of the original bond documents and covenants, and has found that the proposed use of excess bond proceeds, as presented, is consistent with those covenants.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

There is no impact on the City's General Fund from the proposed appropriation of CRA/LA EBP. The CRA/LA EBP Fund No. 57D is funded solely from transfers of approximately \$86 million in pre-2011 tax allocation bond proceeds from CRA/LA to the City (C.F. 14-1174 and 14-1174-S36). Said transfers have been deposited with the Office of the Controller.



JOHN L. REAMER, JR.
Interim General Manager

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- ATTACHMENTS:**
1. Motion (Ryu-Price) C. F. 11-1174-S42
 2. Amending Motion (Ryu-Price) C. F. 11-1174-S42
 3. CEQA Notice of Exemption (Filed copy)

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

MOTION

The City of Los Angeles has long been committed to establishing open space and park land for public use, with over 16,000 acres of park land under City management. De Longpre Park, developed in Hollywood in 1924, has provided public open space for nearly a century and is home to the Rudolph Valentino Monument. Located on the corner of De Longpre Ave. and N. Cherokee Ave., the Park is named for painter Paul De Longpre, whose celebrated home at Hollywood Boulevard and Caluenga Avenue was an early tourist attraction in Hollywood. Despite Hollywood being one of Los Angeles' most populous neighborhoods, De Longpre Park is one of only a small handful of parks in the area.

At a community meeting on May 9, 2018, both members of the local community and the Department of Recreation and Parks indicated the need for, among other things, improved playground equipment with shade, improved landscaping, better security lighting and cameras, and fence repairs around the park. The Department of Recreation and Parks has developed a schematic plan to add improvements to De Longpre Park. The instituted plan would provide the community with two new playgrounds, improved planting near the Rudolph Valentino Monument, new lighting and cameras, and improved gates and fencing. However, funds are lacking to fully implement Recreation and Parks' vision for De Longpre Park.

To fill the funding gap, Council District 4 would like to allocate tax-exempt CRA/LA Excess Bond Proceeds from the Hollywood Redevelopment Project Area that can help fund the De Longpre Park Improvements project. In accordance with policies adopted by Council (C.F. 14-1174) related to the CRA/LA Bond Expenditure Agreement and Bond Spending Plan, any proposal to expend CRA/LA Excess Bond Proceeds shall be initiated by Council Motion. Proposals will be reviewed by the CRA/LA Bond Oversight Committee, Economic Development Committee, and any other applicable committee with final recommendations presented to the Council and Mayor for final consideration and approval. The use of tax-exempt CRA/LA Excess Bond Proceeds towards a De Longpre Park Improvements project in the Hollywood Redevelopment Project Area is identified as eligible expenses in the Bond Expenditure Agreement and Bond Spending Plan.

I THEREFORE MOVE that \$250,000 in tax-exempt CRA/LA Excess Bond Proceeds available to Council District 4, from the Hollywood Redevelopment Project Area be utilized by the Department of Recreation and Parks to add improvements to De Longpre Park

I FURTHER MOVE that the Economic and Workforce Development Department, with the assistance of the City Administrative Officer, Chief Legislative Analyst, Department of Transportation, and any other applicable City department, provide a report with recommendations to the CRA/LA Bond Oversight Committee to allocate \$250,000 in tax-exempt CRA/LA Excess Bond Proceeds available to Council District 4, for the purpose of improving De Longpre Park as identified in the Bond Expenditure Agreement and Bond Spending Plan for the Hollywood Redevelopment Project Area.

PRESENTED BY David Ryu
DAVID RYU
Councilmember, 4th District
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MOTION ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

On September 7, 2018, Council adopted an Economic Development Committee report relative to utilizing CRA/LA Excess Bond Proceeds for public improvements to De Longpre Park in Hollywood (C.F. 14-1174-S42). Subsequent to Council's actions, it was determined that De Longpre Park did not meet the eligibility requirements of the Bond Expenditure Agreement (BEA) and related Bond Spending Plan that governs the use of CRA/LA Excess Bond Proceeds (C.F. 14-1174). Projects funded with CRA/LA Excess Bond Proceeds must be listed under the Potential Projects found in the corresponding Bond Spending Plan. De Longpre Park was initially thought to be eligible under the Promise Zone category but it was found to be outside of the boundaries of the Promise Zone. The eligibility factor is not reflective of the importance of the project inasmuch as the De Longpre Park has served the community of Hollywood for over a century and is one of a small handful of parks in the area that require ongoing investment to assure their benefit to the community.

Amendments to the BEA are subject to the approval of CRA/LA's Governing Board, Oversight Board, and the State Department of Finance. Therefore, Council action is needed to request that the Mayor pursue an amendment to the BEA to add the De Longpre Park Project as a Potential Project in the Bond Spending Plan for the Hollywood Redevelopment Project Area.

I THEREFORE MOVE that Council request the Mayor to pursue an amendment to the Bond Expenditure Agreement to add the "De Longpre Park Project" to the Bond Spending Plan for the Hollywood Redevelopment Project Area and that the Economic and Workforce Development Department continue the process of allocating CRA/LA Excess Bond Proceeds to the De Longpre Park Project upon approval of the Bond Expenditure Agreement amendment.

PRESENTED BY 
DAVID RYU
Councilmember, 4th District

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<p>COUNTY CLERK'S USE</p> <p>ORIGINAL FILED</p> <p>DEC 04 2018</p> <p>LOS ANGELES, COUNTY CLERK</p>	<p>CITY OF LOS ANGELES OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK ROOM 386, CITY HALL LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012 CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT</p> <p>NOTICE OF EXEMPTION (Article III, Section 3, City CEQA Guidelines)</p>	<p>CITY CLERK'S USE</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p>DOCUMENT FILED City Clerk's Office</p> <p>No. NE-18-01</p> <p>Certification</p> <p>12/4/18</p> </div> <p style="text-align: right; font-size: small;">FORM RP 1-1-01</p>
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Submission of this form is optional. This form shall be filed with the County Clerk, 12400 East Imperial Highway, Norwalk, California 90650, pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21152(b). Pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21168(d), the filing of this notice starts a 35-day statute of limitation on Court challenges to the approval of the project. Failure to file this notice with the County Clerk results in the statute of limitation being extended to 180 days.

<p>LEAD CITY AGENCY AND ADDRESS: Department of Recreation and Parks, 221 N. Figueroa Street, Suite 400, Los Angeles, CA 90012</p>	<p>COUNCIL DISTRICT: 04</p>
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<p>PROJECT TITLE: DE LONGPRE PARK - Park Renovation</p>	<p>LOG REFERENCE: PRJ 21200, PRJ 21208</p>
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PROJECT LOCATION: 1350 North Cherokee Avenue, Los Angeles, CA, 90028

DESCRIPTION OF NATURE, PURPOSE, AND BENEFICIARIES OF PROJECT:

The proposed project includes replacement of play equipment, lighting upgrades, site security cameras, fencing repairs, landscaping, irrigation and other related park improvements. Beneficiaries of the project are

<p>CONTACT PERSON: PAUL DAVIS</p>	<p>AREA CODE: 213</p>	<p>TELEPHONE NUMBER: 202-2667</p>	<p>EXT.:</p>
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<p>EXEMPT STATUS: (Check One)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> DECLARED EMERGENCY</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> EMERGENCY PROJECT</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> MINISTERIAL PROJECT</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> GENERAL EXEMPTION</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> STATUTORY EXEMPTION</p>	<p>CITY CEQA GUIDELINES</p> <p>Art. II, Sec. 2a(1)</p> <p>Art. II, Sec. 2(a)(2)(3)</p> <p>Art. II, Sec. 2b</p> <p>Art. II, Sec. 2(c) See Below</p> <p>Art. II, Sec. 2(d)</p> <p>Art. II, Sec. 2(f)</p>	<p>STATE CEQA GUIDELINES</p> <p>ART. 18, Sec. 15269(a)</p> <p>ART. 18, Sec. 15269(b)(c)</p> <p>ART. 18, Sec. 15268</p> <p>ART. 18, Sec. 15300 -15330</p> <p>ART. 18, Sec. 15282</p> <p>ART. 18, Sec. 15282</p>																					
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JUSTIFICATION FOR PROJECT EXEMPTION:

The proposed project consists of outdoor lighting for security and operations; of the replacement of existing structures with a new structure of substantially the same size, purpose and capacity; of new landscape; of minor trenching and backfilling where the surface is restored, and of the installation of new accessory equipment. Therefore it is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(12), Class 2(2), Class 4(3, 12) and Class 11(3) of City CEQA Guidelines and to Article XIX, Sections 15301, 15302(b), 15304(b,f) and 15311 of California CEQA Guidelines. None of the limitations set forth in State CEQA Guidelines 15300.2 apply, see attached narrative.

IF FILED BY APPLICANT, ATTACH CERTIFIED DOCUMENT OF EXEMPTION FINDING

<p>SIGNATURE: PAUL DAVIS Environmental Supervisor II</p> <p style="text-align: right; font-size: large;"><i>Paul Davis</i></p>	<p>DATE: 11/7/2018</p>
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<p>FEE \$75.00</p>	<p>RECEIPT NO.:</p>	<p>REC'D. BY:</p>	<p>DATE:</p>
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DE LONGPRE PARK - Park Renovation

**DE LONGPRE PARK - Park Renovation
CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION NARRATIVE**

I. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Project includes replacement of play equipment, lighting upgrades, site security cameras, fencing repairs, landscaping, irrigation and other related park improvements.

The project is located at 1350 North Cherokee Avenue, Los Angeles, CA, 90028, in the Hollywood Community Planning Area.

De Longpre Park is located at 1350 North Cherokee Avenue in the Hollywood community of the City. This 1.37 acre property provides pathways, benches, landscaping, a children's play area, and the Rudolph Valentino Monument. An estimated 7,662 City residents live within a one-half (½) mile walking distance of De Longpre Park. Due to the facilities, features, programs, and services it provides, De Longpre Park meets the standard for a Neighborhood Park as defined in the City's Public Recreation Plan.

II. ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

Basis for Categorical Exemption

The proposed project consists of outdoor lighting for security and operations, exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 1(12) of City CEQA Guidelines and to Article XIX, Section 15301 of California CEQA Guidelines. It also includes the replacement of existing structures with a new structure of substantially the same size, purpose and capacity, exempt from CEQA pursuant to Article III, Class 2(2) of City CEQA Guidelines and to Article XIX, Section 15302(b) of California CEQA Guidelines; new landscape and minor trenching and backfilling where the surface is restored, exempt from CEQA pursuant to Article III, Class 4(3,12) of City CEQA Guidelines and Article 19, Section 15304(b,f) of California CEQA Guidelines. Finally, it also includes the installation of new accessory equipment, exempt from CEQA pursuant to Article III Class 11(3) of City CEQA Guidelines and Article 19, Section 15311 of California CEQA Guidelines.

Consideration of Potential Exceptions to Use of a Categorical Exemption

The State CEQA Guidelines (CCR Sec 15300.2) limit the use of categorical exemptions in the following circumstances:

1. Location. Exemption Classes 3, 4, 5, 6, and 11 are qualified by consideration of where the project is to be located – a project that is ordinarily insignificant in its impact on the environment may be significant in a particularly sensitive environment. Therefore, these classes are considered to apply to all instances, except where the project may impact on an environmental resource of hazardous or critical concern where designated, precisely mapped, and officially adopted pursuant to law by federal, state, or local agencies.

The proposed projects falls under Class 1,2,4 and 11 and could potentially constitute an exception to CEQA exemptions; however the project does not impact on a recognized environmental resource of hazardous or critical concern, therefore, this exception has no application here.

2. Cumulative Impact. This exception applies when, although a particular project may not have a significant impact, the cumulative impact of successive projects of the same type

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in the same place, over time is significant.

The proposed project consists of improvements of an existing facility. No other known projects would involve cumulatively significant impacts, and no future projects would result from the proposed project. Therefore, this exception has no application here.

3. Significant Effect. This exception applies when, although the project may otherwise be exempt, there is a reasonable possibility that the project will have a significant effect due to unusual circumstances.

RAP is not aware of any unusual circumstances associated with this project. Therefore, this exception has no application here.

4. Scenic Highway. A categorical exemption shall not be used for a project that may result in damage to scenic resources, including but not limited to, trees, historic buildings, rock outcroppings, or similar resources, within a highway officially designated as a state scenic highway.

The proposed project is not within sight of any state designated scenic highway, nor of any other historic and scenic resource. Therefore, this exception has no application here.

5. Hazardous Waste Site. This exception applies when a project is located on a site listed as a hazardous waste site under Government Code Section 65962.5.

As of 11/7/2018, the State Department of Toxic Substances Control has not listed any site within the project area (Envirostor at www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov). Therefore, this exception has no application here.

6. Historical Resources. This exception applies when a project may cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource.

The proposed project area is not located in proximity of known historical, paleontological or archeological resources. The excavation required for the proposed project will occur in already disturbed areas, and this office does not anticipate the disruption of archaeological resources.

However, in case historical artifacts are encountered, City Engineer Standard Specifications, Section 6-3.2, (Greenbook, 2012) states: "If discovery is made of items of archaeological or paleontological interest, the Contractor shall immediately cease excavation in the area of discovery and shall not continue until ordered by the Engineer." Therefore, during activities in which there will be ground disturbances (i.e., digging, drilling, etc.) if any evidence of archaeological, cultural, or paleontological resources are found, all work within the vicinity of the find shall stop until a qualified archaeologist can assess the finds and make recommendations. No excavation of any finds should be attempted by Project personnel unless directed by a qualified archaeologist. Construction activities may continue in other areas. If the discovery proves significant under CEQA (Section 15064.5f; Public Resources Code or PRC 21082), additional work such as testing or data recovery may be warranted.

The discovery of human remains is always a possibility during ground disturbances; State of California Health and Safety Code Section 7050.5 states that no further disturbance shall occur until the Los Angeles County Coroner has made a determination of origin and disposition pursuant to PRC Section 5097.98. The Los Angeles County Coroner must be notified of the find immediately. If the human remains are determined to be prehistoric, the Coroner will notify the Native American Heritage Commission, which will determine and notify a Most Likely Descendant (MLD). The MLD shall complete the inspection of the site within 48 hours of notification and may recommend scientific removal and nondestructive

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analysis of human remains and items associated with Native American burials.
Therefore, this exception has no application here.

Figure 1. Project Location

