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CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

# NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

(Article III, Section 3, City CEQA Guidelines)

FORM RP 1-1-91

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.

LEAD CITY AGENCY AND ADDRESS: City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks, 221 N. Figueroa Street, Suite 400, Los Angeles, CA 90012	COUNCIL DISTRICT: 15
PROJECT TITLE: PECK PARK - Fire Alarm Upgrades	LOG REFERENCE: PRJ21905, BR 25-219

PROJECT LOCATION: 560 North Western Avenue, San Pedro, CA, 90732

**DESCRIPTION OF NATURE, PURPOSE, AND BENEFICIARIES OF PROJECT:**

The scope of work of the proposed Project involves the installation of a new fire alarm system in the Peck Park Youth/Senior. Beneficiaries of the project are the patrons of the park.

CONTACT PERSON: ELENA MAGGIONI	AREA CODE 213	TELEPHONE NUMBER: 482-6980	EXT.
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EXEMPT STATUS: (Check One)	<u>CITY CEQA GUIDELINES</u>	<u>STATE CEQA GUIDELINES</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> DECLARED EMERGENCY	Art. II, Sec. 2a(1)	ART. 18, Sec. 15269(a)
<input type="checkbox"/> EMERGENCY PROJECT	Art. II, Sec. 2(a)(2)(3)	ART. 18, Sec. 15269(b)(c)
<input type="checkbox"/> MINISTERIAL PROJECT	Art. II, Sec. 2b	ART. 18, Sec. 15268
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION	Art. II, Sec. 2(c) See Below	ART. 19, Sec. 15300 -15333
<input type="checkbox"/> GENERAL EXEMPTION	Art. II, Sec. 2(d)	ART. 18, Sec. 15262
<input type="checkbox"/> STATUTORY EXEMPTION	Art. II, Sec. 2(i)	ART. 18, Sec. 15282
Class	Category	<u>(City CEQA Guidelines)</u>
1	1	Art. III, Sec(s). 1(a)(1)
3	4	Art. III, Sec(s). 1(c)(4)
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<u>(State CEQA Guidelines)</u>		
Art. 19, Sec(s). 15301(a)		
Art. 19, Sec(s). 15303		
Art. 19, Sec(s). _____		
Art. 19, Sec(s). _____		
Art. 19, Sec(s). _____		

OTHER (See Public Resources Code Sect. 21080(b) and set forth in state & city guidelines provisions)

**JUSTIFICATION FOR PROJECT EXEMPTION:**

The proposed Project is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article 19, Sections 15301(a) and 15303 of California CEQA Guidelines and Article III Section 1, Class 1(1) and Class 3(4) of City 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**

SIGNATURE: ELENA MAGGIONI Environmental Supervisor			DATE: 12/18/2025
FEE \$75.00	RECEIPT NO.	REC'D. BY:	DATE:

## **PECK PARK - Fire Alarm Upgrades**

### **CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION NARRATIVE**

#### **I. PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

The scope of work of the proposed Project involves the installation of a new fire alarm system in the Peck Park Youth/Senior Center (the Old Recreation Center building).

The project is located at 560 North Western Avenue, San Pedro, CA, 90732, in the San Pedro Community Planning Area (Fig.1).

#### **II. ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW**

##### **Basis for Categorical Exemption**

The proposed Project consists of the reallocation of funding and approval of a project which includes interior alterations involving such things as interior partitions, plumbing, and electrical conveyances and installation of accessory equipment.

Based on this description the proposed Project is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article 19, Sections 15301(a) and 15303 of California CEQA Guidelines and Article III Section 1, Class 1(1) and Class 3(4) of City 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 project falls under Class 1, and 3, and could potentially constitute an exception to CEQA exemptions. According to the parcel profile report retrieved on November 4, 2025, this area does not reside in a liquefaction zone, or a methane or coastal zone. Therefore, the project does not impact on a recognized environmental resource of hazardous or critical concern, and 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 in the same place, over time is significant.

The proposed project consists of improvements to an existing public building. 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.

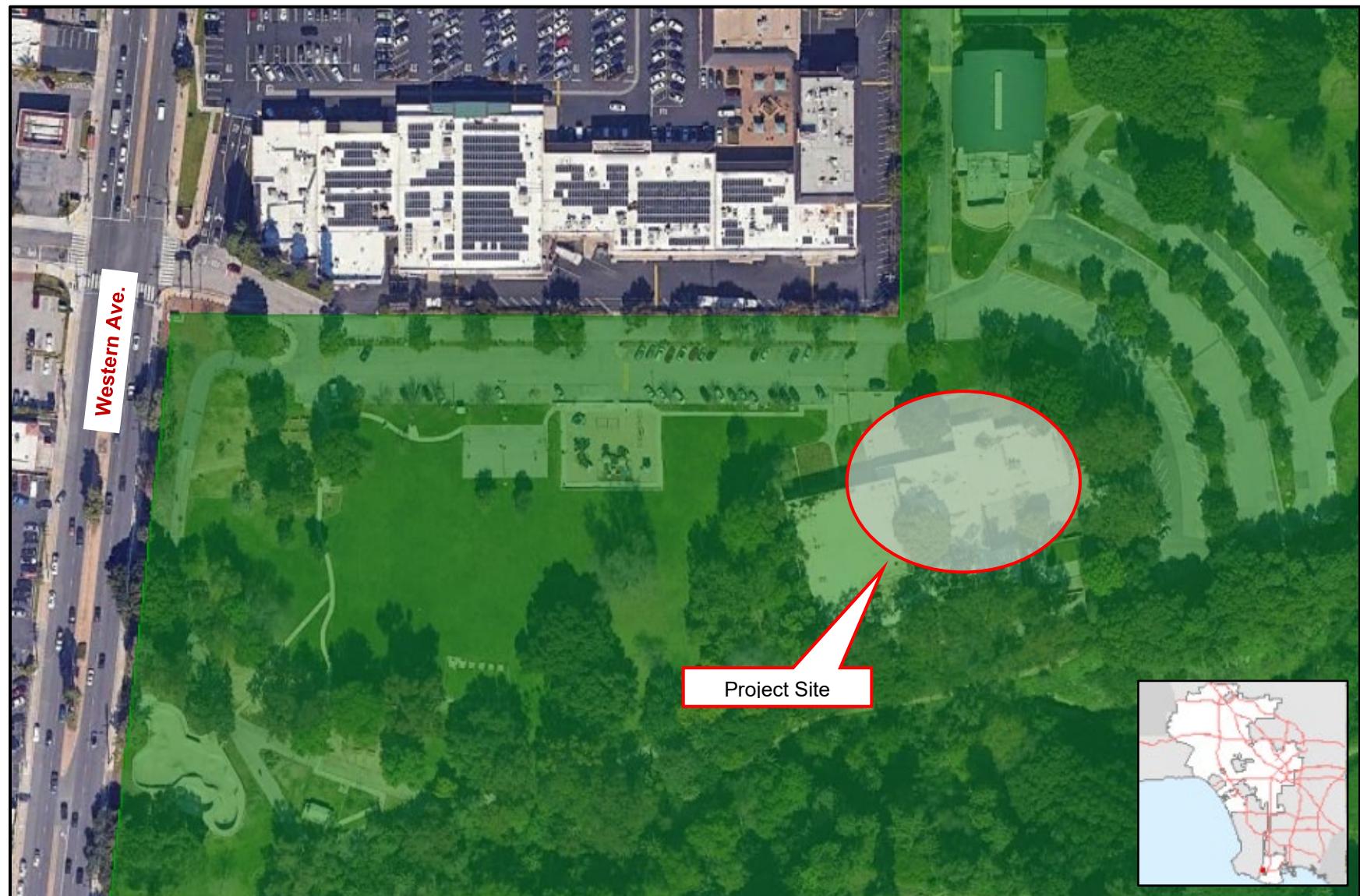
As of November 4, 2025, the State Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) (Envirostor at [www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov](http://www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov)) and the State Water Resources Control Board (SWCB) (Geotracker at <https://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/>) have not listed the Project site. They listed Case T0603704319, case T0603767871 and case T0603700782 near the Project area (within 1000 feet). The three cases are leaking underground storage tanks. The first and third were discovered and stopped respectively in 1994 and 1993, with no specific action. The second was discovered in 2001. The Regional Water Quality Control Board closed the case in 2023, after the removal of the leaking storage tanks, of a large amount of contaminated soil and soil vapors. 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. No excavation is required for the proposed Project, and this office does not anticipate the disruption of archaeological or paleontological resources.

Therefore, this exception has no application here.

**Figure 1. Project Location**



## List of References

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