

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From (Public Agency): City of Murrieta
1 Town Square
Murrieta, CA 92562

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4080 Lemon St.
Riverside, CA 92501

Project Title:		Multi-Family Residential and Mixed-Use Residential Objective Design Standards	
Project Applicant:		The City of Murrieta	
Project Location - Specific:		Citywide	
Project Location - City:		City of Murrieta	
Project Location - County:		County of Riverside	
Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:			
Nature:	The project is the adoption of the final Multi-Family Residential and Mixed-Use Residential Objective Design Standards. The Project involves adoption of an ordinance amending the Development Code and filing a Notice of Exemption.		
Purpose:	The City proposes to adopt the Multi-Family Residential and Mixed-Use Residential Objective Design Standards in order to implement Housing Element Update Policy Action items, to complete a LEAP grant task to create design guidelines and due to recent changes in State law making it necessary for the City to adopt objective standards to regulate the design of Multi-Family projects.		
Beneficiaries:	City of Murrieta		
Name of Public Agency Approving Project:		City of Murrieta City Council	
Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:		City of Murrieta	
Exempt Status (check one):	<i>Pursuant to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Statute and Guidelines</i>		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 152269(a));		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Categorical Exemption. Type and Section:	State CEQA Guidelines §15183 Projects Consistent with a Community Plan or Zoning	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Statutory Exemption. Code Number:		
Reasons Why Project is Exempt: The project is an Ordinance to adopt Multi-Family Objective Design Standards. The proposed action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as this meets the required actions of CEQA Guidelines Section 15183 Projects Consistent with a Community Plan or Zoning, because it involves the adoption and implementation of design standards which regulate the general design of residential projects, which will not cause significant environmental impact and implements a uniformly applied development policy or standard that is consistent with the General Plan Housing Element policy to further regulate multi-family residential development. This determination is predicated on Section 15004 of the guidelines, which provide direction to lead agencies on the appropriate timing for environmental review. The project(s) for which the Objective Design Standards are utilized or are intended, may require the preparation of an environmental document as part of their project(s) review in accordance with State CEQA Guidelines.			
Lead Agency Contact Person: Carl Stiehl		Telephone: (951) 461-6063	
If Filed by Applicant:			
1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Signature:	Title: City Planner	Date: September 5, 2023	

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Signed by Lead Agency	Date received for filing at OPR:
<input type="checkbox"/> Signed by Applicant	