

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Santa Barbara County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

FROM: General Services Department/Support Services Division

Based on a preliminary review of the project, the following activity is determined to be exempt from further environmental review requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) of 1970, as defined in the State and County Guidelines for the implementation of CEQA.

APN(s): 059-140-029

Case No. Real Property File No. 003689

LOCATION: 4436 Calle Real, Santa Barbara, California

PROJECT TITLE: Lights On Program at Main County Jail Inmate Reception Center, Santa Barbara

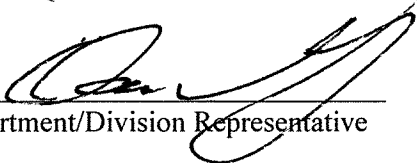
PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The proposed action is to execute a License Agreement to allow Believer’s Edge, a California non-profit organization, to staff the lobby of the Main County Jail Inmate Reception Center (IRC) with volunteers to implement the Lights On Program to assist inmates released by the Sheriff’s Department between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 3:30 a.m., when few services are available, with services such as phone-charging, snacks, and coffee.

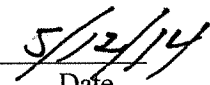
EXEMPT STATUS: (Check One)

- Ministerial
- Statutory
- X Categorical Exemption [Section 15301]
- Emergency Project
- No Possibility of Significant Effect

Cite specific CEQA Guideline Section: 15301. Existing Facilities

Reasons to support exemption findings: As set forth in the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines, Section 15301 of the California Code of Regulations provides an exemption for the “operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency’s determination.” The proposed action involves the licensing of the existing lobby of the IRC between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 3:30 a.m. involving negligible expansion of the existing use for inmate reception purposes. This action is not likely to have any significant effect on the environment, and is therefore exempt from further review under CEQA.


 Department/Division Representative


 Date

NOTE: A copy of this document must be posted with the County’s Planning and Development Department at least 6 days prior to consideration of the activity by the decision-makers to comply with County CEQA guidelines, and a copy must be filed with the County Clerk of the Board after project approval to begin a 35-day statute of limitations on legal challenges.

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