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# 2019 CEQA Transmittal Memorandum

County of Santa Barbara - Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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Project Applicant <b>PSHHC</b>	Email <b>kevinw@pshhc.org</b>	Phone <b>8056513590</b>	
Project Applicant Address <b>56 E. Main St., #200</b>	City <b>Ventura</b>	State <b>CA</b>	Zip <b>93001</b>

### DOCUMENT BEING FILED:

- Environmental Impact Report (EIR) .....
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  - Previously Paid (must attach receipt) ..... \$0.00
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- Notice of Exemption ..... \$0.00

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**CEQA NOTICE OF EXEMPTION**

**TO:** Santa Barbara County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Peoples' Self Help Housing Corp

The project or activity identified below 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:** 075-051-037

**Location:** 6660 Abrego and 6650 Abrego/6651 Picasso

**Project Title: Funding Reservation for IV Apartments Rehab**

**Project Applicant:** Peoples Self Help Housing Corp

**Project Description:** Rehabilitation of an existing 56 unit affordable housing project owned by Peoples' Self-Help Housing Corporation.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: County of Santa Barbara

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Peoples' Self Help Housing Corp

**Exempt Status:** (Check one)

- Ministerial
- Statutory Exemption
- Categorical Exemption
- Emergency Project
- Declared Emergency

**CEQA Guideline Section 15301 Existing Facilities.** Projects that consist of repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use. Examples include but are not limited to:

- a. Interior or exterior alterations involving such things as interior partitions, plumbing, and electrical conveyances;
- d. Restoration or rehabilitation of deteriorated or damaged structures, facilities, or mechanical equipment to meet current standards of public health and safety, unless it is determined that the damage was substantial and resulted from an environmental hazard such as earthquake, landslide, or flood; and
- f. Addition of safety or health protection devices for use during construction of or in conjunction with existing structures, facilities, or mechanical equipment, or topographical features including navigational devices.

**Reasons to support exemption findings:** Rehabilitation of the existing affordable housing project consists of the repair, maintenance, permitting, and minor alteration of the existing private structure involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use. Moreover, the proposed

rehabilitation will include earthquake retrofits, roofing, and needed plumbing updates to the building structure, consistent with the categorical exemption examples listed in CEQA Guidelines Sections 15301(a), (d) and (f) listed above.

With regard to the proposed project, the exceptions to the Existing Facilities categorical exemption that must be considered pursuant to Section 15300.2 of the State CEQA Guidelines are:

**(a) Location.** *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 in a particularly sensitive environment be significant. Therefore, these classes are considered to apply in all instances, except where the project may impact on an environmental resources of hazardous or critical concern where designated, precisely mapped, and officially adopted pursuant to law by federal, state or local agencies.*

The proposed project is in an area that will not impact an environmental resource of hazardous or critical concern, and no federal, state or local agency has identified a resource at this location as being of hazardous or critical concern.

**(b) Cumulative Impact.** *All exemptions of these classes are inapplicable when the cumulative impact of successive projects of the same type in the same place, over time is significant.*

There are no successive projects of the same type in the same place anticipated for this location. There is no cumulative impact and, therefore this exception does not apply.

**(c) Significant Effect.** *A categorical exemption shall not be used for an activity where there is a reasonable possibility that the activity will have a significant effect on the environment due to unusual circumstances.*

The proposed project will not result in a significant effect on the environment.

**(d) Scenic Highways.** *A categorical exemption shall not be used for a project which 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. This does not apply to improvements which are required as mitigation by an adopted negative declaration or certified EIR.*

There are no state scenic highways in the project area. This exception does not apply.

**(e) Hazardous Waste Sites.** *A categorical exemption shall not be used for a project located on a site which is included on any listed compiled pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the Government Code.*

This proposed project is not located on a site which is included on any listed compiled pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the Government Code. Therefore, it is not located on a hazardous waste site and this exception does not apply.

**(f) Historical Resources.** *A categorical exemption shall not be used for a project which may cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource.*

This proposed project does not involve any historical resources. This exception does not apply.

As described above, none of the exceptions to the categorical exemptions contained within Section 15300.2 of the State CEQA Guidelines apply to this project.

Department/Division Representative: Ted Teyber

Date: 4/29/2021

Date Filed by County Clerk: \_\_\_\_\_