

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
From: (Public Agency): City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks

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County of: Los Angeles

(Address)

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Project Title: VENICE BEACH - Removal for the sculpture entitled "Declaration"

Project Applicant: City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks

Project Location - Specific: 2300 Ocean Front Walk, Venice, CA, 90291

Project Location - City: Los Angeles

Project Location - County: Los Angeles

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The proposed activity consists on allowing a third party to remove a sculpture located at Winward Plaza entitled "Declaration". This Sculpture is located on the Venice Beach Ocean Front Walk at the intersection of Winward and Ocean Avenues. The sculpture has become corroded and may pose a safety risk unless removed, since the applicant (LA Louver) is no longer able to maintain it. The proposed work is anticipated to take four weeks to complete. The construction staging area is the minimum temporary obstruction of public access necessary for safe equipment access; flagmen will be used to guide equipment to the staging area in order to avoid closure of the main boardwalk. Best management practices (BMPs), including avoidance of equipment on sandy beach and covering construction materials, are proposed to avoid adverse impacts to water quality. The sculpture will be returned to the artist that built it and trucked in Petaluma (CA).

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks

Exempt Status: **(check one):**

Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);

Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));

Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));

Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: Class 1 CCR Title 14 Sec. 15301 (l)(4)

Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

The proposed Project consists of the removal of accessory structures.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: ELENA MAGGIONI

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If filed by applicant:

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.

2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? Yes No

Signature: 

Date: 8/7/2025

Title: Environmental Supervisor

Signed by Lead Agency

Signed by Applicant