

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

To: Office of Planning and Research
1400 Tenth Street, Room 121
Sacramento, CA 95814

From: City of Torrance
CD Department
3031 Torrance Boulevard
Torrance, CA 90503

County Clerk
County of Los Angeles
12400 E. Imperial Highway
Norwalk, CA 90650

Project Title: Adoption of the 2025 California Building Codes with Local Amendments

Project Applicant: City of Torrance

Project Location - Specific: 3031 Torrance Boulevard, Torrance, California 90503

Project Location - City: City of Torrance
Project Location - County: Los Angeles County

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project: Adopting Urgency Ordinance No. 3956 and Ordinance No. 3957, which amends the Torrance Municipal Code by repealing the 2022 California Building Standard with local amendments and adding the 2025 California Building Standard Code with local amendments.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Torrance City Council

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: City of Torrance, Finance Department

- Exempt Status: (Check one)
- Ministerial (Sec. 21080 (b)(1); 15268);
 - Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(c))
 - Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269 (b)(c))
 - Categorical Exemption: State type and section number: CEQA Guidelines Section 15378
 - Statutory Exemptions: State code number:
 - Other: CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3) – Common Sense Exemption

Reason why project is exempt: Urgency Ordinance No. 3956 and Ordinance No. 3957 were reviewed pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (Public Resources Code §§ 21000, et seq., "CEQA") and the regulations promulgated thereunder (14 Cal. Code of Regulations §§ 15000, et seq., the "CEQA Guidelines"). Urgency Ordinance No. 3956 and Ordinance No. 3957 are exempt pursuant to CEQA Section 15061(b)(3) because the activity is covered by the general rule that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. Urgency Ordinance No. 3956 and Ordinance No. 3957 maintain the status quo and prevents changes in the environment pending the completion of the contemplated municipal code review. Because there is no possibility that Urgency Ordinance No. 3956 and Ordinance No. 3957 may have a significant adverse effect on the environment, the adoption of either one is exempt from CEQA.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Michelle G. Ramirez

Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (310) 618-5990

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: 
Title: Director of Community Development
Date: September 25, 2025

Signed by Lead Agency
 Signed by Applicant
Date received for filing at OPR:

THIS NOTICE WAS POSTED
ON September 26 2025
UNTIL October 27 2025

REGISTRAR – RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK

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Sep 26 2025
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