

Notice of Exemption

California Environmental Quality Act



Sunnyvale

TO: ☒ **COUNTY**
CLERK

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FROM: Planning Division
City of Sunnyvale
P.O. Box 3707
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PROJECT TITLE

ORDINANCE TO INCREASE ENERGY EFFICIENCY IN EXISTING RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS

PROJECT LOCATION – SPECIFIC

CITY OF SUNNYVALE

PROJECT LOCATION – CITY, COUNTY

CITY OF SUNNYVALE, SANTA CLARA COUNTY

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

ORDINANCE TO REQUIRE THE INSTALLATION OF HEATPUMP AIR CONDITIONING SYSTEMS AT THE END OF LIFE OF A STANDARD AIR CONDITIONING SYSTEM. THE INCREASED ENERGY EFFICIENCY RESULTS IN A REDUCTION OF GREENHOUSE GASES AND MEETING OUR GREENHOUSE GAS REDUCTION GOALS OUTLINED IN OUR CLIMATE ACTION PLAYBOOK.

NAME OF PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING
PROJECT

CITY OF SUNNYVALE

NAME OF PERSON OR AGENCY CARRYING OUT
PROJECT

CITY OF SUNNYVALE

EXEMPT STATUS (Check One)

- ☐ Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a))
☐ Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(b)(c))
☐ Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c))
☐ Statutory Exemption – Sec. Choose an item.
☒ Categorical Exemption – Class 8, Section 15308 Actions by Regulatory Agencies for Protection of Environment.

REASON WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT

The ordinance is exempt from the requirements of CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines sections 15307 and 15308 as an action by a regulatory agency taken to protect the environment and natural resources. The ordinance is exempt from the requirements of CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines sections 15301(a) because the ordinance impacts existing buildings only and involves alterations that do not result in an expansion of use. This ordinance is more protective of the environment than the state standards, so there is no possibility that the ordinance will have a significant effect on the environment. The ordinance helps the City of Sunnyvale to assure the maintenance, restoration, enhancement, and protection of the environment and Sunnyvale's natural resources by requiring energy efficiency standards for existing building remodels, additions, and alterations.

LEAD AGENCY CONTACT PERSON, TITLE

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This notice shall be filed only after approval of an exempt project.

SIGNED BY LEAD AGENCY <u>George Schroeder</u> George Schroeder, Principal Planner	DATE 8/26/2025
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