

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION (NOE)

To: ☒ Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation
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From: City of Goleta
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Subject: Filing of Notice of Exemption

Project Title: ADU and JADU Regulation Amendments to Implement Changes in State Law (Case No. 25-0005-ORD)

Project Applicant: City of Goleta

Project Location (Address and APN): Citywide

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The project includes the replacement of the City's existing Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) and Junior Accessory Dwelling Unit (JADU) regulations (Section 17.41.030 of the Goleta Municipal Code) with a new set of citywide ADU and JADU standards that will fully comply with the changes in State laws (Assembly Bill (AB) 462 (2025), AB 1154 (2025), Senate Bill (SB) 9 (2025), and SB 543). Changes to the City's ADU and JADU regulations relate to: ADU and JADU Sizes, Quantity of Building Permit Only ADUs, ADU Permitting Process, ADU Processing in the Coastal Zone, Fire Sprinklers, JADU Owner-Occupancy, Disaster-Affected Areas, and Impact Fees. Additional revisions include minor alignments with State ADU law and clarifying clauses and subsection titles, where appropriate.

Name of Public Agency Approving the Project: City of Goleta

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out the Project: City of Goleta

Exempt Status: *(check one)*

- ☐ Ministerial (§15268)
- ☐ Declared Emergency (§15269 (a))
- ☐ Emergency Project (§15269 (b) (c))
- ☐ Categorical Exemption: (Insert Type(s) and Section Number(s))
- ☒ Statutory Exemption: Public Resources Code, §21080.17
- ☐ Other: CEQA Guidelines, §15060(c)(3); §15378(a); §15378(b)(5); §15061(b)(3)

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Reason(s) why the project is exempt:

Under California Public Resources Code Section 21080.17, the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) does not apply to the adoption of an ordinance by a city or county implementing the provisions of Article 2 of Chapter 13 of Division 1 of Title 7 of the Government Code, which is California's ADU law and which also regulates JADUs, as defined by Section 66313. Therefore, the adoption of the proposed ordinance is statutorily exempt from CEQA in that it implements State ADU law.

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Date