



## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

**TO:**  Office of Planning and Research (OPR)  
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County of Los Angeles,  
12400 Imperial Highway, Norwalk, CA  
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**FROM:**

Lead Agency: City of Whittier, Planning Division  
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Whittier, CA 90602-1772

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**Project Title:** Conditional Use Permit No. CUP25-0008-Whittier Village Cinema.

**Project Location-Specific:** 7038 Greenleaf Avenue Whittier, CA 90602 (A.I.N 8139-022-006)  
(Latitude 33°97781"N, Longitude 118°037"W).

**Project Location-City:** Whittier      **Project Location-County:** Los Angeles

**Project Description:** Conditional Use Permit No. CUP25-0008 is a request to allow the on-site sale and consumption of beer and wine under type 41 at an established movie theater (d.ba. Whittier Village Cinema) located at 7038 Greenleaf Avenue, Whittier, CA 90601. The property is located in the Uptown Whittier Specific Plan-Uptown Core.

**Name of Public Agency Approving Project:** City of Whittier

**Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:** Crystal Arroyo, Assistant Planner, City of Whittier.

**Exempt Status: (Check one)**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268)    | <input type="checkbox"/> Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a))    |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Categorical Exemption (15301) | <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269 (b)(c)) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Statutory Exemption (      )             | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____                                       |

**Reasons why project is exempt:** The proposed project was reviewed for potential exemptions and was found to satisfy the standards of Class 1 Categorical Exemption as specified within Section 15301 (Existing Facilities) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in that there would be negligible or no expansion of the existing or prior use with this project. The business occupying less than 10,000 square feet. The proposed use will not expand the existing foot print. The use is consistent with the General Plan. Therefore, the city of Whittier has determined that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment and a Notice of Exemption will be filed pursuant to Section 15301, Class 1 (Existing Facilities).

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Signature

3/18/26

Date

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