



CITY OF GROVER BEACH
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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

From: City of Grover Beach
Community Development Dept
154 S. 8th Street
Grover Beach, CA 93433

County Clerk
County of San Luis Obispo
1144 Monterey Street, Suite A
San Luis Obispo, CA 93408

Applicant: Rick Hippach
Address: 858 Newport Ave
Grover Beach, CA 93433
Email: rick@starinvestigations.org
Phone Number: (661) 312-9893

Project Title: DA-26-0005

Project Location – Site: 858 Newport Ave

Project Location – City: Grover Beach

Project Location – County: San Luis Obispo

Description of Project: Approval of a Modification to Standards to allow a reduction to the additional setback requirement for a second-story deck, resulting in a 7-foot 5-inch setback where 10 feet is normally required.

Public Agency Approving the Project: City of Grover Beach

Name of Person or Agency Carrying out the Project: Rick Hippach

Lead Agency Contact: Kyle Bell **Telephone:** (805) 724-2136 **Email:** kbell@groverbeach.org


Exempt Status (check one):

- Ministerial (Section 21080(b)(1); 15268;
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b); 15269(b)(c))
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number:
- Categorical Exemption. Sec. 15303: Class 3 (New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures)
- General Rule Exemption (Sec. 15061(b)(3))

Reasons why project is exempt: The project is categorically exempt from environmental review (Class 3, Section 15303, CEQA Guidelines – New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures), which consists of minor alterations of existing private structures involving negligible expansion of use. The project is consistent with the applicable General Plan and zoning regulations. The project is located in an urbanized area served by existing utilities and public services. The project would not result in significant environmental impacts.

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: Kyle Bell, Senior Planner

Date: April 7, 2026

- Signed by Lead Agency
- Signed by Applicant

Date Received for Filing at OPR: _____

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