



# Notice of Exemption

**Date:** May 7, 2026

**To:**

- Office of Planning and Research  
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**From:**

City of Fremont, Planning Division  
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**Subject: Filing of a Notice of Exemption Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15062**

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**Project Title:** Creatif Fremont (PLN2025-00198)

**Project Applicant:** Poorna Chandrashekhar

**Project Location (include county):** 3940 Decoto Road, Fremont, Alameda County

**Project Description:** To consider a Zoning Administrator permit to establish and operate a 1,780 square-foot indoor art and Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) studio for children and adults at 3940 Decoto Road, located within the Centerville Community Plan Area.

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

**Exempt Status (check one):**

- Ministerial (Public Resources Code Section 21080(b)(1); CEQA Guidelines Section 15268)
- Declared Emergency (Public Resources Code Section 21080(b)(3); CEQA Guidelines Section 15269(a))
- Emergency Project (Public Resources Code Section 21080(b)(4); CEQA Guidelines Section 15269(b)(c))
- Categorical Exemption. State type and CEQA Guidelines section number: 15301 (Existing Facilities)
- Special Situations. State CEQA Guidelines section number: 15183 (Projects Consistent with a Community Plan or Zoning)
- Statutory Exemptions. State CEQA Guidelines section number:

**Reasons why project is exempt:** The proposed project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to without limitation, CEQA Guidelines Section 15301, Existing Facilities, as the proposed project is located within an existing building proposing minor interior alterations. Additionally, the project is exempt from CEQA Guidelines Section 15183, as the project is consistent with the land use envisioned for the site as established by the General Plan for which an Environmental Impact Report was previously prepared and certified. Each of the foregoing provides a separate and independent basis for CEQA compliance.

Signature (Lead Agency): Juliette Setudsh-Nejad Title: Planner I

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.  
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.