

# Notice of Exemption

# Appendix E

**To:** Office of Planning and Research  
 P.O. Box 3044, Room 113  
 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044  
 County Clerk  
 County of: Los Angeles  
 12400 Imperial Highway  
 Norwalk, CA 90650

**From: (Public Agency):** City of Bell Gardens  
7100 Garfield Avenue  
Bell Gardens, CA 90201  
 (Address)

Project Title: Zone Code Amendment for Housing Element and Government Code Section 65583.2 Compliance

Project Applicant: City of Bell Gardens

Project Location - Specific:  
City Wide

Project Location - City: City of Bell Gardens Project Location - County: Los Angeles

**Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:**

The proposed Zone Code Amendment updates multiple provisions of the Bell Gardens Municipal Code (BGMC) to satisfy the request from California Department of Housing and Community Development and the City's Housing Element Program 6. The amendments include modifications to Title 9 (Zoning and Planning Regulations) sections: 9.04.020, 9.10.030, 9.10.040, 9.12.030, and 9.58.040 to establish specific permitting procedures, density minimums, and definitions for rezone and reuse properties identified in the City's Housing Element.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of Bell Gardens

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: City of Bell Gardens

**Exempt Status: (check one):**

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: \_\_\_\_\_
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: Section 15061(b)(3) (Common Sense Exemption)

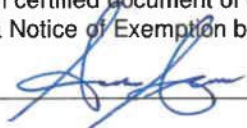
**Reasons why project is exempt:**

The amendments clarify and update definitions, land use tables, development standards, and procedural requirements to ensure consistency with State housing law and the City's adopted Housing Element. The proposed changes do not authorize or approve any specific development project, nor do they result in a physical change to the environment.

Lead Agency  
 Contact Person: Adrian Andujo Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (562) 806-7722

**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:  Date: 5/4/2026 Title: Associate Planner

Signed by Lead Agency  Signed by Applicant

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

Date Received for filing at OPR: 5/4/2026

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