

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: (Public Agency): City of Santa Monica
1685 Main Street
Santa Monica, CA 90405
(Address)

County Clerk
County of: Los Angeles
12400 East Imperial Highway
Norwalk, CA 90650

Project Title: Resolution for Use of Annenberg Beach House with French National Olympic Committee

Project Applicant: City of Santa Monica

Project Location - Specific:

415 Pacific Coast Highway, Santa Monica, CA

Project Location - City: Santa Monica Project Location - County: Los Angeles

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The resolution authorizes waivers from certain provisions of the Santa Monica Municipal Code to facilitate use of the Annenberg Beach House by the French National Olympic Committee during the 2028 Summer Olympic Games as a temporary interactive broadcast and event space from June 30, 2028 – August 4, 2028.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of Santa Monica

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: City of Santa Monica

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: Sections 15301, 15303, 15304, 15311, 15323
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

The event is categorically exempt under Sections 15301, 15303, 15304, 15311, and 15323 of the CEQA Guidelines. The event would take place in the existing Annenberg Beach House and would not result in any expansion of the use of the building and therefore is exempt under Section 15301 (Class 1 Existing Facilities). Additionally the event would include the installation of temporary equipment and facilities (such as tents, signage, canopies) and therefore is exempt under Sections 15303 (New Construction of Small Structures) and 15311 (Class 11 Accessory Structures). Furthermore, the event is exempt under Section 15323 (Class 23 Normal Operations of Existing Facilities for Public Gathering) since the event would occur in the existing beach house, which has historically been used for public gathering events.

Lead Agency
Contact Person: Rachel Kwok Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 310 458 8341

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: Rachel Kwok Date: 6/3/26 Title: Environmental 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: _____