

## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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| <b>To:</b> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Orange County Clerk-Recorder<br>County Administration South<br>601 N. Ross St.<br>Santa Ana, CA 92701 | <b>From:</b> | City of Placentia<br>Development Services Department<br>401 E. Chapman Avenue<br>Placentia, CA 92870 |
|            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Office of Planning and Research<br>P.O. Box 3044, Room 113<br>Sacramento, CA 95812-3044               |              |                                                                                                      |

**Project Title:** Zoning Code Amendment No. 2026-03 and adoption of Ordinance No. O-2026-10

**Project Location - Specific:** Citywide

**Project Location – City:** Placentia, CA 92870 **Project Location – County:** Orange

**Description of Project:** Zoning Code Amendment No. 2026-03 and adoption of Ordinance No. O-2026-10, amends development standards and regulatory requirements in Title 23 ("Zoning") of the Placentia Municipal Code, Chapter 23.23 relating to Density Bonus in accordance with State law.

**Name of Public Agency Approving Project:** City of Placentia City Council

**Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:** City of Placentia, 401 E. Chapman Ave. Placentia, CA 92870, c/o Joseph Lambert Email: [JLambert@Placentia.org](mailto:JLambert@Placentia.org), Phone: (714) 993-8234

**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:
- ☐ General Rule Exemption pursuant to:
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number:
- ☒ Other: Exemption pursuant to: Section 15061(b)(3).

**Reasons why project is exempt:** On June 30, 2026, the City Council approved the project, adopted Ordinance No. O-2026-10, and found that adoption of Ordinance No. O-2026-10 is exempt from environmental review and directed Staff to file a Notice of Exemption, pursuant to CEQA Section 15061(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines, Section 21065 of the Public Resources Code, and the City of Placentia Local Guidelines for implementing CEQA. The City Council found that that a Common Sense Exemption (as defined in CEQA) applies to the project under Section 15061 (b) (3) of the State CEQA Guidelines, which states: "The activity is covered by the Common Sense Exemption that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing significant effect on the environment. Where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment, the activity is not subject to CEQA." The project as described above has been determined to not fall under the jurisdiction of CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines because this action will not result in any physical changes to the environment, it solely adopts updated local Density Bonus regulations in accordance with State law.

**Lead Agency Contact Person:** Joseph Lambert Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (714) 993-8234

Signature:  Date: 07/08/2026 Title: Director of Development Services

- ☒ Signed by Lead Agency
- ☐ Signed by Applicant