CITY OF LONG BEACH

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CEQA Notice of Exemption

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FROM: Community Development Department
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Exemption Number: CE26-061

Project Title (Application Number): HSIP-11; Traffic Signals at Atlantic Ave & Atlantic Pl; Pacific Ave & Burnett St

Project Location – Specific: Atlantic Ave & Atlantic Pl; Pacific Ave & Burnett St

Project Location – City/County: **City of Long Beach, Los Angeles County, California**

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The City of Long Beach prioritizes roadway safety and follows CA MUTCD warrant procedures. A collision review and field observations identified two high-priority intersections: Atlantic Ave at Atlantic Pl and Pacific Ave at Burnett St.
At Atlantic Ave and Atlantic Pl, repeated broadside crashes occur, and a horizontal curve limits sight distance, making turns from Atlantic Pl difficult. At Pacific Ave and Burnett St, two blocks from an elementary school, drivers often fail to yield to pedestrians even with an RRFB and a crossing guard, and reported near misses have increased.

To reduce collisions and improve safety for all users, install new traffic signals at both intersections with new poles and mast arms, upgraded signal heads and detection, ADA-compliant pushbuttons and countdowns, high-visibility crosswalks, stop bars set back to improve yielding, and advance warning signage. Coordinate timing with adjacent signals and school arrival and dismissal periods, and evaluate targeted turn restrictions or No Turn on Red where pedestrian conflicts are highest.

Public Agency Approving Project: **City of Long Beach, California**

Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: City of Long Beach, California (Traffic Engineering Division)

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: Class 1 - Existing Facilities, Section 15301(c)
- ☐ Statutory Exemption. State code number:

Reasons why project is exempt:

The project is only proposing new traffic signals, that will result in better safety of vehicular and pedestrian traffic. No significant expansion of the existing facilities are being proposed as part of this project, therefore the categorical exemption of Class 1, existing facilities Section 15301 (c) is being used.

Lead Agency

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