

## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION



TO:

FROM:

☒ County Clerk  
County of Los Angeles  
12400 E. Imperial Hwy., Rm. 2001  
Norwalk, CA 90650

City of Santa Clarita  
Community Development  
23920 Valencia Boulevard, Suite #302  
Santa Clarita, CA 91355

☐ Office of Planning and Research  
1400 Tenth Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814

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DATE: September 8, 2026

PROJECT NAME: Santa Clarita Multifamily and Mixed-Use Residential Architectural Objective Design Standards and UDC Updates

PROJECT APPLICANT: City of Santa Clarita, Department of Community Development  
(Contact: Zarui Chaparyan; 661.255.4916)

PROJECT LOCATION: Citywide

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**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The City of Santa Clarita (City) is preparing City-wide multifamily and mixed-use Objective Design Standards and updating the Santa Clarita Municipal Code (SCMC) to address administrative procedures for Objective Design Standards to implement the City's Housing Element Programs HP-2.1 and HP-2.2.

This is to advise that the ☐ Director of Community Development ☐ Planning Commission ☒ City Council of the City of Santa Clarita has approved the above project on September 8, 2026. Review of the project by the Department of Community Development found that the project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

**EXEMPT STATUS:** A Notice of Exemption was prepared for the proposed project. The project is exempt from additional environmental review pursuant to CEQA Guidelines (14 Cal. Code of Regs. § 15000, et seq.) Section 15061(b)(3), the common sense exemption. The activity is covered by the general rule that CEQA applies only to projects that have the potential for causing a 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.

Person or agency carrying out the project: City of Santa Clarita, Department of Community Development.

This is to certify that the Notice of Exemption with comments/responses and record of project approval is available for public review at:

City of Santa Clarita  
Community Development Department  
23920 Valencia Boulevard, Suite 302  
Santa Clarita, California 91355  
(661) 255-4330

Contact Person/Title: Zarui Chaparyan, Associate Planner

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_