NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: ☒	Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation State Clearinghouse P. O. Box 3044, Room 113 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044	☒	Orange County Clerk-Recorder P.O. Box 238 Santa Ana, CA 92702
From (Public Agency):	City of Lake Forest – Community Development Department | Planning Division 100 Civic Center Drive Lake Forest, CA 92630 (949) 461-3400		

1. Project Title:	Use Permit 05-26-5871
2. Project Applicant (include address, telephone number and email address):	Lina Saleh, Mosaic Mediterranean Grill and Cafe 365 Carpio Dr. Diamond Bar, CA 91765 Email: texaslina@hotmail.com/ mosiacllc4@gmail.com Phone: (909) 859-4139
3. Project Location – Identify street address and cross streets or attach a map showing project site (preferably a USGS 15' or 7 1/2' topographical map identified by quadrangle name):	41 Auto Center Drive, Suite 101 (APN:612-161-13)
4. (a) Project Location – City: Lake Forest	(b) Project Location – County: Orange County
5. Description of nature, purpose, and beneficiaries of Project:	This request to operate a hookah lounge on the existing patio at an existing restaurant (Mosaic Mediterranean Grill and Café). Minor exterior modifications are proposed to the patio including, but not limited to, adding a new opening to the patio and addition of a sink, storage cabinet and outdoor coal burner.
6. Name of Public Agency approving project:	City of Lake Forest Planning Commission
7. Name of Person or Agency undertaking the project, including any person undertaking an activity that receives financial assistance from the Public Agency as part of the activity or the person receiving a lease, permit, license, certificate, or other entitlement of use from the Public Agency as part of the activity:	Lina Saleh, Mosaic Mediterranean Grill and Cafe 365 Carpio Dr. Diamond Bar, CA 91765 Email: texaslina@hotmail.com/ mosiacllc4@gmail.com Phone: (909) 859-4139
8. Exempt status: (check one)	
(a) ☐ Ministerial project.	(Pub. Resources Code § 21080(b)(1); State CEQA Guidelines § 15268)
(b) ☐ Not a project.	State CEQA Guidelines § 15060(c)(2)-(3)

(c) ☐ Declared Emergency	(Pub. Resources Code § 21080(b)(3); State CEQA Guidelines § 15269(a))
(d) ☐ Emergency Project.	(Pub. Resources Code § 21080(b)(4); State CEQA Guidelines § 15269(b),(c))
(e) ☒ Categorical Exemption. State type and section number:	CEQA Guidelines Article 19, *Categorical Exemptions*, Sec. 15301, Class 1: *Existing Facilities*
(f) ☐ Statutory Exemption. State Code section number:	
(g) ☐ Other. Explanation:	
9. Reason why project was exempt:	The proposed project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article 19 – *Categorical Exemptions*, Sec. 15301, Class 1 – *Existing Facilities* of the CEQA Guidelines, which involve "negligible or no expansion of an existing use." The project specifically includes modifications to the exterior of the building with no new square footage added to the building.

10. Lead Agency Contact Person: Telephone:	Jennifer Mansur, AICP, Senior Planner (949) 461-3472/ jmansur@lakeforestca.gov
11. If filed by applicant: Attach Certificate of Determination (Form "B") before filing.	
12. Was a public hearing held by the Lead Agency to consider the exemption? Yes ☒ No ☐ If yes, the date of the public hearing was: October 8, 2026	

Date: October 9, 2026

Jennifer Mansur

Signature

Name: Jennifer Mansur, AICP

Title: Senior Planner, City of Lake Forest

☒ Signed by Lead Agency ☐ Signed by Applicant

Date Received for Filing:

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