County of Riverside
Facilities Management
3450 14th Street, Riverside, CA

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# NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

October 8, 2026

**Project Name:** Approval of Revenue License and Operating Agreement with Tiny Treasures of Blythe at Roy Wilson Community Center, Blythe

**Project Number:** FM0417200611

**Project Location:** 13341 Mesa Drive, north of Pepper Drive, Blythe, California 92225, Assessor's Parcel Numbers (APNs) 818-305-019 and 818-305-020

**Description of Project:** The Department of Facilities Management's Real Estate Division (FM-RE) completed a Request for Proposal (RFP) process for the purpose of identifying and selecting qualified and experienced childcare operators capable of providing expanded and efficient childcare center services.

On August 14, 2026, FM-RE advertised the RFP and invited all capable operators to submit proposals for review prior to August 28, 2026. After all reviews were conducted, Tiny Treasures of Blythe was selected as the Operator for Roy Wilson Childcare Center, located at 13341 Mesa Drive, Blythe, CA 92225 identified with Assessor's Parcel Numbers 818-305-019 and 818-305-020 respectively. The attached License and Operating Agreement (Agreement) shall be for a term of approximately five (5) years, commencing on the effective date that both parties have signed the agreement.

During the term of this Agreement, Tiny Treasures of Blythe shall be responsible for operating the childcare facility at the Roy Wilson Community Center and providing childcare services as outlined and further described in the Agreement. The scope of these services will include age-appropriate educational and recreational activities, supervision, and nutrition and health practices that support the safety, well-being, and development of the children served. The Approval of the Revenue License and Operating Agreement is defined as the proposed project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The project is for the use of an existing facility, and no expansion of the existing facility will occur. The operation of the facility will continue to provide community services. No additional direct or indirect physical environmental impacts are anticipated.

**Name of Public Agency Approving Project:** Riverside County

**Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:** Riverside County Facilities Management

**Exempt Status:** State CEQA Guidelines Section 15301, Class 1, Existing Facilities Exemption; Section 15061(b) (3), General Rule or "Common Sense" Exemption. Codified under California Code of Regulations Title 14, Article 5, Section 15061.

**Reasons Why Project is Exempt:** The proposed project is categorically exempt from the provisions of CEQA specifically by the State CEQA Guidelines as identified below. The project will not result in any specific or general exceptions to the use of the categorical exemption as detailed under State CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2. The project will not cause an impact to an environmental resource of hazardous or critical concern nor would the project involve unusual circumstances that could potentially have a significant effect on the environment. The project would not result in impacts to scenic highways, hazardous waste sites, historic resources, or other sensitive natural environments, or have a cumulative effect to the environment. No significant environmental impacts are anticipated to occur with the Revenue License and Operating Agreement, permitting continued use of an existing facility.

- **Section 15301 – Class 1 Existing Facilities Exemption:** This categorical exemption includes the operation, repair, maintenance, leasing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures or facilities, provided the exemption only involves negligible or no expansion of the previous site's use. The project, as proposed, is limited to the continued use of the existing community center in Blythe. The project would not substantially increase or expand the use of the site; and is limited to the extension of term, which will result in the continued use of the site in a similar capacity; therefore, the project is exempt as the project meets the scope and intent of the Class 1 Exemption identified in Section 15301, Article 19, Categorical Exemptions of the CEQA Guidelines.

- **Section 15061 (b) (3) – "Common Sense" Exemption:** In accordance with CEQA, the use of the Common Sense Exemption is based on the "general rule that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment." State CEQA Guidelines, Section 15061(b) (3). The use of this exemption is appropriate if "it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment." *Ibid*. This determination is an issue of fact and if sufficient evidence exists in the record that the activity cannot have a significant effect on the environment, then the exemption applies and no further evaluation under CEQA is required. See *No Oil, Inc. v. City of Los Angeles* (1974) 13 Cal. 3d 68. The ruling in this case stated that if a project falls within a category exempt by administrative regulation or 'it can be seen with certainty that the activity in question will not have a significant effect on the environment', no further agency evaluation is required. With certainty, there is no possibility that the project may have a significant effect on the environment. The Revenue License and Operating Agreement is limited to an extension of term for continued use of an existing facility, which will not expand or increase the capacity or intensity of use of the site. The use and operation of the facility will be substantially similar to the existing use and will not create any new environmental impacts to the surrounding area. No impacts beyond the ongoing, existing use of the site would occur. Therefore, in no way, would the project as proposed have the potential to cause a significant environmental impact and the project is exempt from further CEQA analysis.

Therefore, the County of Riverside Facilities Management hereby concludes that no physical environmental impacts are anticipated to occur and the project as proposed is exempt under CEQA. No further environmental analysis is warranted.

**Signed:** _____ **Date:** 10-8-2026

Mike Sullivan
County of Riverside, Facilities Management

**RIVERSIDE COUNTY CLERK & RECORDER**

**AUTHORIZATION**
**TO BILL**
**BY JOURNAL VOUCHER**

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**Accounting String: 524830-47220-7200400000- FM0417200611**

DATE: October 8, 2026

AGENCY: Riverside County Facilities Management

THIS AUTHORIZES THE COUNTY CLERK & RECORDER TO BILL FOR FILING AND HANDLING FEES FOR THE ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENT(S).

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AUTHORIZED BY: **Mike Sullivan, Facilities Management**

Signature: 

PRESENTED BY: **Sonia Castaneda, Senior Administrative Services Analyst, Facilities Management**

-TO BE FILLED IN BY COUNTY CLERK-

ACCEPTED BY:

DATE:

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County of Riverside
Facilities Management
3450 14th Street, Riverside, CA 92501

Date: October 8, 2026

To: Office of the County Clerk

From: Mike Sullivan, Facilities Management

**Subject:** **County of Riverside Facilities Management Project #FM0417200611**
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**Attention: Mike Sullivan,**
**Facilities Management,**
**3450 14th Street, Suite 307, Riverside, CA 92501**

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