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From: Paramount Unified School District
8555 Flower Street
Paramount, CA 90723

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Paramount High School Senior Campus New Parking Lot
Project Title

14429 Downey Avenue
Project Location - Specific

Paramount
Project Location – City

Los Angeles
Project Location – County

The District is proposing the construction of a new parking lot and associated improvements on the western end of the Senior Campus (Proposed Project). The new parking lot would provide additional parking to serve the needs of the Senior Campus; specifically, the new parking lot would include 151 new parking stalls, including 6 handicapped accessible stalls, 28 electric vehicle (EV) capable stalls, and 7 EV stalls. The proposed parking lot improvements involve removal of the existing tennis courts, multi-use turf area, and storage area. Vehicular access to the new parking lot would be provided via a new access drive off of Rosecrans Avenue, which would require removal of a portion of the existing wrought-iron security fence and landscaping near the northwestern end of the campus. The new driveway would also require demolition of a portion of the public sidewalk and curb and gutter along Rosecrans Avenue. Other improvements would include new pedestrian walkways and landscape improvements. The proposed improvements to the Senior Campus would not result in any change (increase or decrease) to the existing student capacity of the Senior Campus.

Construction and Phasing

Construction of the Proposed Project is anticipated to occur over a period of approximately five months, commencing in mid-2027 and ending in late 2027. Construction activities would disturb approximately 2.5 acres of the 33.44-acre Project Site. No soil import or export would be required to accommodate the Proposed Project. Once construction begins, all construction equipment, activities, and workers would remain within the boundaries of the Project Site and the District's construction contractors and activities would adhere to the City of Paramount's construction noise regulations to avoid disruption to Senior Campus operations and surrounding residences.

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project

Paramount Unified School District
Name of Public Agency Approving Project

Paramount Unified School District
Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project

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Exempt Status: (check one below)

☐ 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 2, CCR §15302, Replacement or Reconstruction; Class 3, CCR § 15303, New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures; Class 11, CCR § 15311, Accessory Structures; and Class 14, CCR §15314, Minor Additions to Schools

☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

CEQA Guidelines Section 15301. The proposed replacement of the existing tennis courts, multi-use turf area and storage area with a new parking lot would provide additional parking to serve the needs of the Senior Campus. The new parking lot, which is considered a minor alteration of the Senior Campus, would occur within the confines of the Project Site and would not result in the expansion of the Senior Campus. Parking is an existing use and the additional spaces would serve to meet an existing need and would not constitute expansion of use. Therefore, the Proposed Project is exempt from CEQA under Section 15302.

CEQA Guidelines Section 15303. The new parking lot is considered a small facility addition to the Senior Campus. As noted above, the new parking lot would provide additional parking for the Senior Campus and would occur within the confines of the Project Site. Therefore, the Proposed Project is exempt from CEQA under Section 15303.

CEQA Guidelines Section 15311. The new parking lot is considered a small parking lot under Section 15311(b). As noted above, the new parking lot would provide additional needed parking accessory to the existing Senior Campus and would occur within the confines of the Project Site. Therefore, the Proposed Project is exempt from CEQA under Section 15311.

CEQA Guidelines Section 15314. The new parking lot is considered a minor addition to the Senior Campus. As noted above, the new parking lot would provide additional parking to meet the existing needs of the Senior Campus and would occur within the confines of the Project Site. The Proposed Project would also not result in any change (increase or decrease) to the existing student capacity of the Senior Campus. Therefore, the Proposed Project is exempt from CEQA under Section 15314.

Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2, Exceptions, a categorical exemption cannot be used if the project would cause cumulative impacts, significant environmental effects, or impacts to scenic highways, hazardous waste sites, or historical resources. As detailed in the supplemental information, the Proposed Project would not result in any significant effects, would not occur near scenic highways, is not on a hazardous materials site as identified under Government Code Section 65962.5, and would not adversely impact any historical resources. The Proposed Project has been reviewed for these exception criteria and was found not to conflict with Section 15300.2.

Therefore, the Proposed Project qualifies for categorical exemptions under CEQA Guidelines Sections 15301, 15303, 15311, and 15314. The District has determined that the project meets the conditions for an exemption and that no exceptions under Section 15300.2 apply.

Reasons why project is exempt

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Contact Person: — Area Code/Telephone/Extension:

If filed by applicant:

1. Attach certified document of exemption findings
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project ☒ Yes ☐ No

Date Received for Filing:

Signature: Title: Director FM&O

☒ Signed by Lead Agency ☒ Signed by Applicant

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

Date Received for Filing at OPR: