NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

Final Approval Date: October 2, 2023  
Case No.: 2023-006663ENV  
Project Title: SFMTA Western Addition Quick-Build Project  
Zoning: Not applicable (in public right-of-way)  
Block/Lot: Not applicable (in public right-of-way)  
Lot Size: Not applicable (in public right-of-way)  
Lead Agency: San Francisco Planning Department  
Project Sponsor: Jennifer Wong, San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA)  
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San Francisco, CA 94102  

Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the Guidelines of the Secretary for Resources, and San Francisco requirements, this Notice of Exemption is transmitted to you for filing. At the end of the posting period, please return this Notice to the Staff Contact with a notation of the period it was posted.

Attached fee: $79 filing fee

Project Description and Location

San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) proposes to implement pedestrian safety improvements at various intersections within the Western Addition neighborhood. The project area is defined as west of Van Ness Avenue from O'Farrell Street to Oak Street, north of Oak Street from Van Ness Avenue to the intersection of Steiner Street and Fulton Street, north of Fulton Street from the intersection of Steiner Street to Baker Street, east of Baker Street from Fulton Street to Turk Street, and east of St. Joseph's Avenue from Turk Street to Geary Boulevard, and south of Geary Boulevard from St. Joseph's Avenue to Gough Street and O'Farrell Street from Gough Street to Van Ness Avenue. SFMTA has identified the following typical pedestrian safety improvements in the SFMTA Quick-Build Toolkit that could be installed at intersections within the project area: continental crosswalks, daylighting, painted safety zones, advanced limit lines, slow turn wedges, hardened centerlines, pedestrian signal retiming, leading pedestrian intervals, and signal lens
upgrade. Intersections in the project area would undergo an evaluation and design process to determine specific treatments that would be applied to specific intersections.

**Determination**

The City and County of San Francisco decided to carry out or approve the project on August 23, 2023, when the SFMTA Livable Streets Manager signed a directive for the project. The posting of this approval on the Planning Department’s website on August 30, 2023, constitutes the project’s approval action. The project was officially approved on October 2, 2023, when no appeal of the statutory exemption was filed during the 30-day appeal period following posting of the approval action. A copy of the documents may be examined at the Planning Department, 49 South Van Ness Avenue, Suite 1400, San Francisco, CA, 94103 in file no. 2023-006663ENV.

1. An Exemption from Environmental Review has been prepared pursuant to the provisions of CEQA under:

   - ☐ 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: ____________
   - ☑ Statutory Exemption. State code number: Public Resources Code Section 21080.25
   - ☐ Community Plan Exemption (Sec. 21083.3; 15183)

2. This project in its approved form has been determined to be exempt from environmental review because it fits the definition of the above-stated statutory exemption.

   **Debra Dwyer**
   For Lisa Gibson
   Environmental Review Officer

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   March 19, 2024
   Date

   cc: Jennifer Wong, SFMTA
       Jenny Delumo, SFMTA
       Supervisors Catherine Stefani (District 2), Dean Preston (District 5), and Matt Dorsey (District 6)
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SAN FRANCISCO PLANNING DEPARTMENT

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**DATE**
03/20/2024

**STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER (If applicable)**

**COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING**
SAN FRANCISCO COUNTY

**PROJECT TITLE**
SFMTA WESTERN ADDITION QUICK-BUILD PROJECT

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**PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)**
- [x] Local Public Agency
- [ ] School District
- [ ] Other Special District
- [ ] State Agency
- [ ] Private Entity

**CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:**

- [ ] Environmental Impact Report (EIR) $4,051.25
- [ ] Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND) $2,916.75
- [x] Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW $1,377.25
- [ ] Exempt from fee
  - [ ] Notice of Exemption (attach)
  - [ ] CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)
- [ ] Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)

- [ ] Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only) $850.00
- [ ] County documentary handling fee $79.00
- [ ] Other $79.00

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Deputy Clerk