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January 21, 2021

Ms. Rosemarie M. Anderson
Supervising Legal Certification Clerk
County of Riverside
P.O. Box 751
Riverside, CA 92501-0751

SUBJECT: Filing of a Notice of Exemption for Planning Application Number PA16-0966, a Conditional Use Permit for Hilton Garden Inn to obtain a Type 70 ABC License (On Sale General – Restrictive). The site is located approximately 900 feet north of Rancho California Road on Jefferson Avenue.

Dear Ms. Anderson:

Enclosed is the Notice of Exemption for the above referenced project. In addition, pursuant to Assembly Bill 3158 (Chapter 1706) please find a check in the amount of \$50.00, for the County Administrative fee to enable the City to file the Notice of Exemption required under Public Resources Code Section 21152 and 14 California Code Regulations 1507. The City of Temecula is paying the \$50.00 filing fee under protest. It is the opinion of the City that the administrative fee has been increased in a manner inconsistent with the provisions of State Law. Under Public Resources Code Section 21152 and 14 California Code Regulations 1507, the County is entitled to receive a \$25.00 filing fee.

Also, please return a stamped copy of the Notice of Exemption **within five working days** after the 30-day posting in the enclosed self-addressed stamped envelope.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Eric Jones at (951) 506-5115.

Sincerely,

Luke Watson
Director of Community Development

Enclosures: Check
Copies of this letter (2)
Self-addressed stamped envelopes (2)

City of Temecula
Community Development
Planning Division

Notice of Exemption

TO: County Clerk and Records Office
County of Riverside
P.O. Box 751
Riverside, CA 92501-0751

FROM: Planning Division
City of Temecula
41000 Main Street
Temecula, CA 92590

Project Title: Hilton Garden Inn CUP (PA16-0966)

Description of Project: A Conditional Use Permit for Hilton Garden Inn to allow for a Type 70 ABC License (On Sale General – Restrictive)

Project Location: Approximately 900 feet north of Rancho California Road on Jefferson Avenue.

Applicant/Proponent: Anthony Yang on Behalf of Hilton Garden Inn

The Planning Commission approved the above described project on January 20, 2021 and found that the project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act, as amended.

Exempt Status: (*check one*)

- ☐ Ministerial (Section 21080(b)(1); Section 15268);
☐ Declared Emergency (Section 21080(b)(3); Section 15269(a));
☐ Emergency Project (Section 21080(b)(4); Section 15269(b)(c));
☐ Statutory Exemptions (Section Number:)
☒ Categorical Exemption: (Section 15301, Class 1, Existing Facilities and Section 15061(b)(3))
☐ Other: Section 15162 Categorical Exemption

Statement of Reasons Supporting the Finding that the Project is Exempt:

The project is exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 because the Conditional Use Permit for a Type 70 (On-Sale General - Restrictive) license involves a negligible expansion of a previously approved use (Hotel). These license types are common at hotels and motels. There will not be any physical changes made to the structure as part of this project. In addition, live entertainment is not proposed as part of this application. The proposed project is also exempt from further environmental review pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3) as it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the sale of alcohol to hotel patrons may have a significant effect on the environment. As noted above, the hotel use is not expanded or being altered in any way. Instead, the service of alcohol would be an incidental use to the hotel's operations.

Contact Person/Title: Eric Jones, Associate Planner

Telephone Number (951) 506-5115

Signature: _____
Luke Watson, Director of Community Development

Date: _____