

Exhibit C – CEQA Exemption Memo

**CITY OF FRESNO
CEQA EXEMPTION
ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION FOR
TEXT AMENDMENT APPLICATION NO. P23-03472**

THE PROJECT DESCRIBED HEREIN IS DETERMINED TO BE
EXEMPT FROM THE PREPARATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTS
PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 5 OF THE STATE CEQA GUIDELINES.

APPLICANT: City of Fresno
Planning & Development Department
2600 Fresno Street
Fresno, CA 93721

PROJECT LOCATION: All areas designated as O (*Office*) zone districts within the corporate boundaries and jurisdiction of the City of Fresno.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Text Amendment Application No. P23-03472 proposes to amend Fresno Municipal Code, Chapter 15, the Citywide Development Code to include Sub-Acute Care Facilities as an identified sub-classification under the general use definition of Hospitals and Clinics of Section 15-6703 - *Public and Semi-Public Use Classifications* and to amend Table Section 15-1302 - *Land Use Regulations-Employment Districts* to include a facility for Sub-Acute Care in the use classification of Hospital in the O (*Office*) zone district..

This project is exempt under Section 15061(b)(3) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines as follows:

CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3) under the common sense exemption states that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. The proposed Text Amendment only provides minor changes to the language of the text in the Development Code in order to identify and define a specific use type as a sub-classification to the current use classification of Hospitals and Clinics and does not commit the city to any specific development on any particular site.

It would clarify that a sub-acute care facility is a use consistent with the current use classification of Hospital which is conditionally permitted in the O (*Office*) zone district subject to a Conditional Use Permit pursuant to the Public and Semi-Public Use Classifications under Table Section 15-1302. It can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the proposed text amendment may have a significant effect on the environment and therefore is not subject to further CEQA review.

Therefore, Text Amendment P23-03472 is exempt from CEQA pursuant to the common sense exemption set forth in Section 15061(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines.

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