

**CITY OF FRESNO
CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION
ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT NO. EA-06-41**

THE PROJECT DESCRIBED HEREIN IS DETERMINED TO BE CATEGORICALLY
EXEMPT FROM THE PREPARATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTS
PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 19 OF THE STATE CEQA GUIDELINES.

APPLICANT: City of Fresno, Department of Public Utilities
2600 Fresno Street
Fresno, California 93721

PROJECT LOCATION: Northeast Corner of North Fowler and East Illinois Avenues.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Vacation of street right-of-way/easement at the location noted above and as shown on the attached exhibit. Based on a review of the proposed project by other City of Fresno Departments and outside reviewing agencies, the vacation is approved subject to the conditions noted in the letter from the City of Fresno Public Works Department, dated October 12, 2006. The vacation is consistent with the land use and circulation elements of both the 2025 General Plan and the Roosevelt Community Plan.

This project is exempt under Section 15301(c)/Class 1 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines.

EXPLANATION: Under the Section 15301(c)/Class 1 exemption, the minor alteration of existing public facilities, such as streets, sidewalks, etc., involving no expansion of use beyond that existing at this time, are exempt from CEQA requirements. The proposed conveyance of the above-described land meets the criteria noted above.

Date: December 12, 2006

Prepared By: Kevin Fabino, Project Manager

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December 12, 2006

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City of Fresno
c/o Alan James
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Fresno, California 93721

Dear Applicant:

SUBJECT: ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT NO. EA-06-41, REGARDING THE VACATION OF A STREET RIGHT-OF-WAY, LOCATED AT NORTHEAST CORNER OF NORTH FOWLER AND EAST ILLINOIS AVENUES

A preliminary determination has been made that the proposed project is categorically exempt from review under Section 15301(c)/Class 1 provision of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines. Therefore, an environmental exemption has been issued, a copy of which is enclosed. Please be advised that the proposed vacation is subject to the conditions established through a previously completed Vacation Feasibility Study (ref: Public Works Department File No. 11144). These conditions have previously been transmitted to you in a letter dated October 12, 2006, from Mr. James Polsgrove, of the City's Public Works Department.

This project is also exempt from review under National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) because it does not involve the use of Federal funds, such as Community Development Block Grant funds or Department of Transportation funds.

Should you need further assistance or have any questions, please call me at the phone number indicated above.

Sincerely,

PLANNING DIVISION

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kevin Fabino", written over the typed name.

Kevin Fabino, Project Manager

Enclosures: Environmental Assessment No. EA-06-41