## CITY OF FRESNO CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT NO. P18-03364

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:

John Everett

City of Fresno

Department of Public Works

2600 Fresno Street Fresno, CA, 93721

PROJECT LOCATION:

East Jensen Avenue ROW from California State Route 41 to

South Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The City of Fresno Department of Public Works proposes an asphalt overlay along Jensen, as well as the installation of curb ramps, signal loop detectors, signage and striping from SR 41

to Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.

This project is exempt under Section(s) 15301/Class 1, 15302/Class 2, 15303/Class 3 and 15304/Class 4 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines.

**Section 15301 (Class 1/Existing Facilities)** of the CEQA Guidelines exempts from the provisions of CEQA, projects consisting of the minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination. Examples include but are not limited to existing facilities of publicly owned utilities and services; existing highways and streets, sidewalks, gutters, bicycle and pedestrian trails, and similar facilities (this includes road grading for the purpose of public safety); and, restoration or rehabilitation of deteriorated or damaged facilities or mechanical equipment to meet current standards of public health and safety.

**Section 15302 (Class 2/Replacement or Reconstruction)** of the CEQA Guidelines exempts from the provisions of CEQA, projects consisting of the replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced. Examples include but are not limited to replacement or reconstruction of existing utility systems and/or facilities involving negligible or no expansion of capacity.

Section 15303 (Class 3/New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures) of the CEQA Guidelines exempts from the provisions of CEQA, projects consisting of the construction and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures; installation of small new equipment and facilities in small structures; and, the conversion of existing small

structures from one use to another where only minor modifications are made to the exterior of the structure. Examples include but are not limited to: Water main, sewage, electrical, gas and other utility extensions, including street improvements of reasonable length to serve such construction.

**Section 15304 (Class 4/Minor Alterations to Land)** of the CEQA Guidelines exempts from the provisions of CEQA, projects consisting of minor public or private alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees except for forestry or agricultural purposes. Examples included but are not limited to grading on land with a slope of less than 10 percent; filling of earth into previously excavated land, minor trenching and backfilling where the surface is restored; and, the creation of bicycle lanes on existing rights-of-way.

The proposed project consists of construction, repair, maintenance, installation and minor alterations to existing public structures, facilities, improvements and mechanical equipment, within existing public street rights-of-way. None of the exceptions to Categorical Exemptions set forth in the CEQA Guidelines, Section 15300.2 apply to this project. Furthermore, the proposed project is not expected to have a significant effect on the environment. Accordingly, a categorical exemption, as noted above, has been prepared for the project

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