## CITY OF FRESNO CERTIFIED DOCUMENT OF EXEMPTION FINDING

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 Capital Projects Department 747 'R' Street, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor Fresno, CA 93721
PROJECT LOCATION:	The proposed project is located at 5165 West Alluvial Avenue (Fresno County Assessor Parcel Number (APN) 502-101-14T), in the northwestern portion of the City.  (Council District 2)
PROJECT DESCRIPTION:	The City of Fresno Parks, After School, Recreation and Community Services Department (City) proposes to enhance recreation use through the installation of lighting improvements at the existing Koligian Park facility. These lighting improvements (proposed project) are proposed for the existing volleyball and soccer fields, which are part of the larger 7.6-acre multi-use neighborhood park that also includes a basketball court, picnic area, benches, shade structure, and a playground. Mature trees border all sides of the soccer field area (southern portion of park site) and are scattered throughout the remaining portions of the park site.

This project is exempt under Section 15301/Class 1 of the State of California CEQA Guidelines. None of the exceptions to Categorical Exemptions set forth in the CEQA Guidelines, Section 15300.2 apply to this project.

## **EXPLANATION:**

Class 1 exemptions, for projects pertaining to Existing Facilities, consist of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or 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 used to provide electric power, natural gas, sewerage, or other public utility services; existing highways and streets, sidewalks, gutters, bicycle and pedestrian trails, and similar facilities (this includes road grading for the purpose of public safety); Rehabilitation of existing facilities to meet current standards of public health and safety; and, the Addition of safety or health protection devices for use in conjunction with existing facilities, including navigational devices.

The proposed project involves installation of lighting improvements that constitute a "Minor Alteration" of the existing facility, consistent with the General Plan. The project would not include incompatible uses or changes to the existing purpose of the neighborhood park site. Implementation of the proposed project would involve minor site alterations and repairs to the

existing site facilities that would not create significant expansion of an existing use or include incompatible uses or changes to the existing purpose of the park facility. In addition, pursuant to Section 15300.2 (c) and 15301 of Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations, there are no unusual circumstances that would cause the project to have a significant effect on the environment. The certification of these findings is based on substantial evidence that there is no potential for any significant impacts from implementation (planning, construction, operations, and maintenance) of the proposed project.

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