

Exhibit L

**CITY OF FRESNO
CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION
ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT NO. P23-00244**

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: Valarie Richardson of Locked In (Sports Bar)
3045 West Bullard Avenue
Fresno, CA 93711

PROJECT LOCATION: 3045 West Bullard Avenue; Located on the southwest corner of West Bullard and North Marks Avenues. (APN: 415-373-13)

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Conditional Use Permit Application No. P23-00244 requests authorization to extend the hours of operation for an existing State of California Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) Type 47 alcohol license (On-Sale General – Eating Place) within an existing ±4,275 square-foot tenant space.

This project is exempt under Section 15301/Class 1 (Existing Facilities) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines as follows:

Section 15301/Class 1 consists 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 existing or former use. The key consideration is whether the project involves negligible or no expansion of use.

The proposed restaurant use is in an existing building which is part of a larger existing retail/commercial shopping center with other commercial spaces, restaurants, parking, and landscaping. The project is the modification of the hours of operation of an alcohol sales license for an existing operational restaurant which is already permitted to sell alcohol. Thus, this project qualifies for a Class 1 Exemption because the project involves the negligible expansion of the operation of an existing restaurant.

None of the exceptions to Categorical Exemptions set forth in the CEQA Guidelines, Section 15300.2, apply to the project. Furthermore, the proposed project site is a developed property in an urbanized area and is not expected to have a significant effect on the environment. Accordingly, a categorical exemption, as noted above, has been prepared for the project and the area is not environmentally sensitive.

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