CITY OF FRESNO CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION **ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT NO. P18-03313**

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.

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PROJECT LOCATION: A portion of East Divisadero Street and North Delbert Avenue between

North Blackstone Avenue and North Abby Street. (See Exhibit A)

(APN: 459-331-38)

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The City of Fresno, Public Works Department, is proposing to vacate approximately 3,737 square-feet of land, most of which is in between two commercial parcels. The area proposed to be vacated would be used for an existing McDonald's restaurant located on East Divisadero Street and North Delbert Avenue between North Blackstone Avenue and North Abby Street. Based on a review of the proposed project by other City of Fresno Departments and outside reviewing agencies, the vacation is approved with conditions as noted herein below.

This project is exempt under Section 15332/Class 32 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines as follows:

Staff has performed a preliminary environmental assessment of this project and determined that it falls within the Categorical Exemption set forth in CEQA Guidelines Section 15332/Class 32 which exempts infill development. Staff found that those conditions are met with the vacation conditions set forth by Public Works. The project is consistent with the applicable general plan designation and all applicable general plan policies as well as with applicable zoning designation and regulations. The proposed development occurs within city limits on a project site of no more than five acres substantially surrounded by urban uses. The project site has no value as habitat for endangered, rare or threatened species. Approval of the project would not result in any significant effects related to traffic, noise, air quality or water quality. The site can be adequately served by all required utilities and public services.

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A vacation feasibility study conducted by Public Works listed three conditions of vacation:

- 1. Comcast has existing facilities that may be affected by the vacation. A final determination of the location of their facilities will need to be made to determine if a utility easement will be necessary.
- 2. The City of Fresno Department of Public Utilities (DPU) has existing facilities within the alley

near the area proposed for vacation. DPU will require that a public utility easement be reserved over the entire area proposed for vacation.

3. PG&E has facilities within the area proposed to be vacated and requests that a utility easement be reserved over the entire area proposed to be vacated for the benefit of PG&E to provide for their facilities.

Furthermore, Staff has determined that none of the exceptions to Categorical Exemptions set forth in the CEQA Guidelines, Section 15300.2 apply to this project. Therefore, the proposed project is not expected to have a significant effect on the environment.

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