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DR 2023-1565DORNIN RESIDENCE

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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

From: Community Development – Planning Division
505 Forest Avenue Laguna Beach, California 92651

(above for use by County Clerk-Recorder's Office only)

1. **APPLICANT:** Rory Foubister, 840 Glenneyre Street, Laguna Beach CA 92651, 949-715-0908
2. **LEAD AGENCY:** City of Laguna Beach, 505 Forest Ave. Laguna Beach, CA, 92651
3. **PROJECT PLANNER:** Daniel Latham, Associate Planner, 949-464-6612
4. **PROJECT TITLE:** DR 2023-1565, Dornin Residence
5. **PROJECT LOCATION:** 2095 Temple Hills Drive, Laguna Beach, CA, 92651 (APN: 641-163-43)
6. **DESCRIPTION OF NATURE, PURPOSE AND BENEFICIARIES OF PROJECT:**
Modifications to a prior approval in the R/HP (Residential/Hillside Protection) zone. Modifications include driveway grading modifications, pool expansion and landscaping.

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION:

In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the recommended action is exempt from further review per State CEQA Guidelines Section 15301, Class 1, Existing Facilities, in that the project consists of the repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing structures or topographical features, involving negligible or not expansion of existing or former use. As aforementioned, the project involves modifications to a single-family home which include grading and minor pool expansion and landscape improvements and no evidence has been presented to demonstrate that there is a reasonable possibility that the proposed project will have a significant effect on the environment due to unusual circumstances, and therefore is exempt from CEQA.

None of the exceptions to the categorical exemptions identified in CEQA Guidelines, section 15300.2 applies. There is nothing unusual about the project site or the project itself that would lead to a potentially significant impact. And, even if an unusual circumstance did exist (one does not), there is no reasonable possibility that the project would have a significant effect on the environment. The project site is zoned for single-family development and provides adequate off-street parking. Further, the project will not result in damage to scenic resources within a highway officially designated as a state scenic highway; the closest officially designated state scenic highway is located near Anaheim and therefore the project will not result in damage to scenic resources within or near such highway. Further, the project is not located on a site which is included on any list compiled pursuant to Government Section 65962.5; the project site has not been designated as a hazardous waste site. Further, the project will not cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historic resource. Thus, the Class 1 categorical exemption applies.

Therefore, the Design Review Board (DRB) has determined that further environmental evaluation is not required because:

- The project is not subject to CEQA because it "does not involve the exercise of discretionary power," or "will not result in a direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment," or, "is not a project as defined in Section 15378 of the CEQA guidelines." (Sections 15060(c)(1), (2) & (3)); or,
- "The activity is covered by the commonsense exemption that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. Where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment, the activity is not subject to CEQA" (Section 15061(b)(3)); or,
- The project is statutorily exempt, Section _____, <name> (Sections 15260-15277); or,
- The project is categorically exempt per State CEQA Guidelines, Section 15301 (Class 1 - Existing Facilities).

7. Was a public hearing held by the Lead Agency to consider the exemption?
Yes No If yes, the date of the public hearing was: January 25, 2024.

Daniel Latham, Associate Planner

February 29, 2024
Date

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