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Project Title:	Local Ordinance Applications Exceeding the 2022 Energy Code
TN #:	264659
Document Title:	City of Goleta Energy Performance Reach Code CEQA Notice of Exemption
Description:	Plain text of the City of Goleta California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) notice of exemption (NOE) Ordinance 25-02
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LEAD AGENCY City of Goleta	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL dmurray@cityofgoleta.org	DATE 02/20/2025
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PROJECT TITLE

Energy Performance Reach Code

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME City of Goleta, Attn: Dana Murray	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL sustainability@cityofgoleta.org	PHONE NUMBER (805) 961-7500
PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS 130 Cremona Drive, Suite B	CITY Goleta	STATE CA
	ZIP CODE 93117	

PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)

☒ Local Public Agency ☐ School District ☐ Other Special District ☐ State Agency ☐ Private Entity

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

☐ Environmental Impact Report (EIR)	\$4,123.50	\$ 0.00
☐ Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND)	\$2,968.75	\$ 0.00
☐ Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW	\$1,401.75	\$ 0.00

☒ Exempt from fee
☒ Notice of Exemption (attach)
☐ CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)
☐ Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)

☐ Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only)	\$850.00	\$ 0.00
☒ County documentary handling fee		\$ 50.00
☐ Other		\$

PAYMENT METHOD:

☐ Cash ☒ Credit ☐ Check ☐ Other **TOTAL RECEIVED** \$ 50.00

SIGNATURE X <i>Katherine Douglas</i>	AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE Katherine Douglas, Deputy Clerk
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2025 CEQA Transmittal Memorandum

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Complete this form when filing a Notice of Determination (Negative Declaration, Mitigated Negative Declaration, Environmental Impact Report) or Notice of Exemption.

A scanned copy of the Department of Fish and Wildlife Receipt, Transmittal Memorandum and the CEQA filing, including the date/time of posting will be emailed to the Lead Agency and Project Applicant. If you would like a return copy, please submit an extra copy along with a pre-addressed, stamped envelope.

Contact Person Dana Murray	Phone 805-961-7547		
Lead Agency City of Goleta	Lead Agency Email dmurray@cityofgoleta.org		
Project Title Energy Performance Reach Code			
Project Applicant City of Goleta, Attn: Dana Murray	Email sustainability@cityofgoleta.org	Phone 805-961-7500	
Project Applicant Address 130 Cremona Drive, Suite B	City Goleta	State CA	Zip 93117

DOCUMENT BEING FILED:

- ☐ Notice of Determination - Environmental Impact Report (EIR)
☐ 2025 Filing Fee \$4,123.50
☐ Previously Paid (**must attach receipt**) \$0.00
☐ No Effect Determination (**must be attached**) \$0.00
Environmental Filing Fees will be collected **only** for projects that are approved. The Applicant must attest to the following:
☐ This project has been approved. Date of Approval: Click or tap to enter a date.

- ☐ Notice of Determination - Negative Declaration (ND) or Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND)
☐ 2025 Filing Fee \$2,968.75
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☒ Notice of Exemption \$0.00

☒ County Administrative Handling Fee (**required for all filings, effective 7/19/18**) \$50.00

TOTAL: **\$ 50.00**

PAYMENT METHOD: ALL APPLICABLE FEES MUST BE PAID AT THE TIME OF FILING

- ☐ Cash ☐ Credit ☐ Check # _____ ☐ Journal Entry # _____
In person only In FIN send to 'COB CEQA' in CEO Dept

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION (NOE)

To: ☐ Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, 1400 Tenth St. Rm. 212
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

From: City of Goleta
130 Cremona Drive, Suite B
Goleta, CA 93117

☐ Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
County of Santa Barbara
105 E. Anapamu Street, Room 407
Santa Barbara, CA 93101



Subject: Filing of Notice of Exemption

Project Title: Ordinance Amending Title 15, Chapter 15.15 of the Goleta Municipal Code for an Energy Performance Reach Code

Project Applicant: City of Goleta

Project Location (Address and APN): Goleta City Hall, 130 Cremona Drive, Suite B
Goleta, CA 93117

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project: The purpose of the Energy Performance Reach Code is to modify the California Energy Code within the City of Goleta to require a higher level of energy performance with new construction. The ordinance encourages electrification and still allows for natural gas in buildings, although additional energy performance measures may be needed to comply. These additional measures may include increased energy efficiency (i.e. higher insulation), increased solar panel system size, and battery storage systems. For newly constructed buildings where fuel gas infrastructure is permitted due to any qualifying exceptions, they would be required to have sufficient electrical capacity, including reserved circuit breakers, electrical conduit, subpanels, panels, switchboards, and transformers, to facilitate future full building electrification. The ordinance would require higher energy performance for new single family, low-rise multifamily buildings and non-residential buildings, including pre-fabricated buildings; and provide for either reduced margins or exceptions for smaller homes and accessory dwelling units. The ordinance would extend electric readiness requirements through exterior location for space heat pump compressor in single family, space and ventilation requirements for in-unit water heaters in multifamily buildings, and electrical capacity requirements for multifamily central hot water systems, with an option to include space, ventilation, and condensate requirements.

Pursuant to California Health and Safety Code Sections 17958.5, 17958.7, and 18941.5, the local amendments to the 2022 Edition of the California Building and Energy Code are reasonably necessary due to local climactic, geological, or topographical conditions. The amendment is in the interests of public health and safety and general community welfare by contributing to the overall reduction of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and the reduction of air pollutants associated with new construction. Electric heat pumps for space and water heating are more efficient than their natural gas counterparts and have the added safety benefits of lowering the potential for carbon monoxide poisoning and gas explosions. New construction provides the best opportunity to avoid "lock-in emissions" which would be created through the inclusion of natural gas infrastructure in new buildings. The ordinance will help mitigate climate change and its negative effects such as extreme heat events, droughts, intense storms, and flooding in the region, thus making these amendments reasonably necessary because of local climactic, geological, and topographical reasons. The local amendments to the 2022 California Green Building

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Standards Code implemented by this ordinance will reduce GHG emissions within the City with the intent to reduce the City's contributions to climate change and in turn reduce the impacts of climate change.

Name of Public Agency Approving the Project: City of Goleta

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out the Project: City of Goleta

Exempt Status: *(check one)*

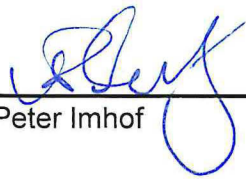
- ☐ Ministerial (Sec. 15369)
- ☐ Statutory (Sec. 21080.35)
- ☐ Categorical Exemption: (Sec. 15307 & 15308)
- ☐ Emergency Project (Sec. 15359)
- ☒ Other: (Sec 15061(b)(3))

Reason(s) why the project is exempt:

This ordinance has been assessed in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (Cal. Pub. Res. Code, § 21000 et seq.) ("CEQA") and the State CEQA Guidelines (14 Cal. Code Regs. § 15000 et seq.) and is categorically exempt from CEQA under CEQA Guidelines § 15061(b)(3), which exempts from CEQA any project 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. These standards are more stringent than the State energy standards, and as such, there are no reasonably foreseeable adverse impacts, and there is no possibility that the ordinance in question may have a significant effect on the environment. Adoption of the ordinance would not be an activity with potential to cause significant effect on the environment because the adoption and local amendments to the California Energy Code are enacted to provide more protection to the environment and therefore is exempt from CEQA. Therefore, it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the ordinance in question may have a significant effect on the environment; accordingly, the ordinance is categorically exempt from CEQA.

City of Goleta Contact Person and Telephone Number:

Dana Murray, Sustainability Manager, 805-961-7547



Peter Imhof

Director, Planning & Environmental Review

2/20/25
Date

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION (NOE)

If filed by the applicant:

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project?
☐Yes ☐No

Date received for filing at OPR: _____

Note: Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 211110, Public Resources Code
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152.1, Public Resources Code



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2/20/25

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Katherine Douglas

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