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# Notice of Exemption

California Environmental Quality Act



**TO:** ☑ COUNTY  
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**FROM:** Planning Division  
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**PROJECT TITLE**

**ORDINANCE TO INCREASE ENERGY EFFICIENCY IN EXISTING RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS**

**PROJECT LOCATION – SPECIFIC**

**CITY OF SUNNYVALE**

**PROJECT LOCATION – CITY, COUNTY**

**CITY OF SUNNYVALE, SANTA CLARA COUNTY**

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

ORDINANCE TO REQUIRE THE INSTALLATION OF HEATPUMP AIR CONDITIONING SYSTEMS AT THE END OF LIFE OF A STANDARD AIR CONDITIONING SYSTEM. THE INCREASED ENERGY EFFICIENCY RESULTS IN A REDUCTION OF GREENHOUSE GASES AND MEETING OUR GREENHOUSE GAS REDUCTION GOALS OUTLINED IN OUR CLIMATE ACTION PLAYBOOK.

**NAME OF PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING**

**PROJECT**

**CITY OF SUNNYVALE**

**NAME OF PERSON OR AGENCY CARRYING OUT**

**PROJECT**

**CITY OF SUNNYVALE**

**EXEMPT STATUS (Check One)**

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a))
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(b)(c))
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c))
- Statutory Exemption – Sec. Choose an item.
- Categorical Exemption – Class 8, Section 15308 Actions by Regulatory Agencies for Protection of Environment.

**REASON WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT**

The ordinance is exempt from the requirements of CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines sections 15307 and 15308 as an action by a regulatory agency taken to protect the environment and natural resources. The ordinance is exempt from the requirements of CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines sections 15301(a) because the ordinance impacts existing buildings only and involves alterations that do not result in an expansion of use. This ordinance is more protective of the environment than the state standards, so there is no possibility that the ordinance will have a significant effect on the environment. The ordinance helps the City of Sunnyvale to assure the maintenance, restoration, enhancement, and protection of the environment and Sunnyvale's natural resources by requiring energy efficiency standards for existing building remodels, additions, and alterations.

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**This notice shall be filed only after approval of an exempt project.**

SIGNED BY LEAD AGENCY	DATE
George Schroeder, Principal Planner	8/26/2025