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<b>Project Title:</b>	Applications for Local Ordinances Exceeding the 2025 Energy Code
<b>TN #:</b>	267664
<b>Document Title:</b>	City of Palo Alto Notice of Exemption (NOE)
<b>Description:</b>	Plain text of City of Palo Alto Notice of Exemption (NOE)
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<b>Organization:</b>	California Energy Commission
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**Confirmation Number:** 208823410  
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**Transaction Type:** Purchase  
**Approval Code:** 030042  
**Transaction Ref #:** 212271181  
**Payment Method:** MC(2638)

**Bill To**  
Ghebilet Paulos  
United States of America

Authorization: Paid in Full  
Agency Amount: \$50.00  
Other Agency Amount: \$0.00  
LN Service Fee: \$2.50  
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LEAD AGENCY

CITY OF PALO ALTO, DEPARTMENT OF

LEAD AGENCY EMAIL

claire.raybould@paloalto.gov

DATE

09/18/2025

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DOCUMENT NUMBER

PROJECT TITLE

CITY OF PALO ALTO ENERGY REACH CODE ORDINANCE 5665

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME

CITY OF PALO ALTO, PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL

PHONE NUMBER

(650) 329-2368

PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS

250 HAMILTON AVE.

CITY

PALO ALTO

STATE

CA

ZIP CODE

94301

**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 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND) \$2,968.75 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW \$1,401.75 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

☒ 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 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
☒ County documentary handling fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_ \$50.00  
☐ Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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Nina Khamphilath, Deputy County Clerk-Recorder



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CEQA FILING COVER SHEET**

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By: Nina Khamphilath, Deputy Clerk-Recorder

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Complete and attach this form to each CEQA Notice filed with the County Clerk

**TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY**

**Check Document being Filed:**

- ☐ Environmental Impact Report (EIR)
- ☐ Filing Fee (new project)
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- ☐ Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) or Negative Declaration (ND)
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- ☒ Notice of Exemption (NOE)
- ☐ Other (Please fill in type):

1. LEAD AGENCY: City of Palo Alto, Department of Planning and Development Services
2. LEAD AGENCY EMAIL: Claire.Raybould@Paloalto.gov
3. PROJECT TITLE: City of Palo Alto Energy Reach Code Ordinance 5665
4. APPLICANT NAME: City of Palo Alto, Planning & Development Services PHONE: (650) 329-2368
5. APPLICANT EMAIL: george.hoyt@paloalto.gov
6. APPLICANT ADDRESS: 250 Hamilton Ave., Palo Alto, CA 94301
7. PROJECT APPLICANT IS A: ☒ Local Public Agency ☐ School District ☐ Other Special District ☐ State Agency ☐ Private Entity
8. NOTICE TO BE POSTED FOR 30 DAYS.

Filing fees are due at the time a Notice of Determination/Exemption is filed with our office. For more information on filing fees and No Effect Determinations, please refer to California Code of Regulations, Title 14, section 753.5.



## PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

CITY OF  
**PALO  
ALTO**

250 Hamilton Avenue, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Palo Alto, CA 94301  
(650) 329-2441

### NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

**PROJECT TITLE:** City of Palo Alto Adoption of Ordinance 5665 Amending the 2025 California Energy Code, Title 24, Part 6

**PROJECT LOCATION:** Citywide, City of Palo Alto, CA, multiple zip codes

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Adoption of an Emergency Ordinance Amending Palo Alto Municipal Code (PAMC) Chapter 16.04 to Add Local Administrative Amendments Related to Certificates of Occupancy and Definitions to the 2022 California Building Code, and an Emergency Ordinance Amending PAMC Chapter 16.17 to Adopt the 2025 California Energy Code and Local Amendments Thereto.

**NAME OF PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT:** City of Palo Alto

**NAME OF PERSON OR GROUP CARRYING OUT PROJECT:** City of Palo Alto, Planning and Development Services  
250 Hamilton Avenue  
Palo Alto, CA 94301

**EXEMPT STATUS** (check one)

- ☐ Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268)
- ☐ Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a))
- ☐ Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c))
- ☒ Categorical Exemption: CEQA Guidelines §15308 and 15061(b)(3)
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions.

**REASONS WHY  
PROJECT IS EXEMPT:**

This project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in accordance with CEQA Guidelines section 15308 as an action by the City for the protection of the environment, and under section 15061(b)(3) on the grounds that the proposed standards are more stringent than the State energy standards, there are no reasonably foreseeable adverse environmental impacts and there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant adverse effect on the environment.


**PROJECT CONTACT:**

George Hoyt  
Chief Building Official, Planning and Development Services (PDS)  
(650) 329-2368

**IF FILED BY APPLICANT:**

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Declare if a Notice of Exemption has been filed by the public agency approving the project

☐ Yes  
☒ N/A

DocuSigned by:  
  
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Signature (Public Agency)

Manager, Current Planning  
Title

3/20/18  
Date