

# Notice of Exemption

## Appendix E

**To:** Office of Planning and Research  
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County Clerk

County of: Los Angeles  
12400 Imperial Highway  
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**From:** (Public Agency): City of Santa Monica/Environmental Planner  
1685 Main Street, Mail Stop 28  
Santa Monica, CA 90401

(Address)

Project Title: 2501 Wilshire Mixed Use Project

Project Applicant: US 2501 Wilshire Owner LLC

Project Location - Specific:

2501-2525 Wilshire Boulevard, Santa Monica, CA 90403

Project Location - City: Santa Monica Project Location - County: Los Angeles

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The project is an 8-story, 85 foot tall, 138,944 sf mixed-use building with 170 units, of which 17 will be deed-restricted affordable units, and 17,869 SF of neighborhood serving retail. Parking will be in a four (4) level subterranean parking garage consisting of 254 parking stalls.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of Santa Monica

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: US 2501 Wilshire Owner LLC

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. State type and section number: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Statutory Exemptions. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

Reasons why project is exempt:

This housing project (23ENT-0173) does not require discretionary review and has been administratively approved with density bonuses to which the project is entitled as a matter of law. Therefore, the project is a ministerial project exempt from CEQA. (CEQA Guidelines Section 15268)

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Rachel Kwok Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (310) 458-8341

**If filed by 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

Signature: Rachel Kwok Digitally signed by Rachel Kwok  
Date: 2024.08.19 16:29:27  
-07'00' Date: 8/19/2024 Title: Environmental Planner

■ Signed by Lead Agency      Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.  
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_