

Mountain View Whisman School District

Resolution No. 03-110223

Determining that the Window Replacement Projects are Exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act, Deciding to Carry Out the Projects, and Directing the Filing of the Notice of Exemption

WHEREAS, the Mountain View Whisman School District (“**District**”) has developed twelve (12) separate window replacement projects, each one consisting of the replacement of existing single pane windows with dual pane windows at existing District school campuses and an administration site (collectively, “**Projects**”) listed below; and,

	School Site Name	Address
1	Benjamin Bubb ES	525 Hans Ave., Mountain View, CA 94040
2	Gabriela Mistral ES	505 Escuela Ave., Mountain View, CA 94040
3	Crittenden MS	1701 Rock St., Mountain View, CA 94043
4	Amy Imai ES	253 Martens Ave, Mountain View, CA 94040
5	Mariano Castro ES	500 Toft St, Mountain View, CA 94041
6	Edith Landels ES	115 West Dana St., Mountain View, CA 94041
7	Monta Loma ES	460 Thompson Ave., Mountain View, CA 94043
8	District Office	1400 Montecito Ave, Mountain View, CA 94043
9	Theuerkauf ES	1625 San Luis Ave, Mountain View, CA 94043
10	Stevenson ES	750 San Pierre Way, Mountain View, CA 94043
11	Jose Antonio Vargas ES	220 N Whisman Rd, Mountain View, CA 94043
12	Graham MS	1175 Castro St, Mountain View, CA 94040

WHEREAS, the District must comply with the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”) for the Projects; and,

WHEREAS, categorical exemptions to CEQA are set forth in Article 19 of Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations (“CEQA Guidelines”); and,

WHEREAS, the Class 1 Categorical Exemption set forth in CEQA Guidelines section 15301 exempts a project that consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing public structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use. Examples include but are not limited to interior or exterior alterations involving such things as interior partitions, plumbing and electrical conveyances; and,

WHEREAS, the Projects consist of the replacement of existing single pane windows with dual pane windows at existing District school campuses and administrative site, which are minor alterations to the existing public school facilities, similar in nature to the examples provided in the exemption, and which involve no expansion of the existing public facilities, and are therefore exempt from further CEQA review; and,

WHEREAS, CEQA Guidelines section 15300.2 provides certain exceptions that would disqualify a project from being categorically exempt. These are: (1) where the cumulative impact of successive projects of the same type in the same place would be significant over time; (2) a significant environmental impact would occur due to unusual circumstances; (3) a project that would cause damage to scenic elements with a designated state scenic highway; (4) a project that is on a site designated as a Hazardous Waste Site; or (5) a project that causes a substantial adverse change to a historical resource; and,

WHEREAS, none of the exceptions apply here. (1) The Projects are the only projects of the same type at the same place. No other similar, successive projects are proposed at the same locations. (2) There are no known unusual circumstances that would be caused by replacement of single pane windows with dual pane windows. (3) The Projects are not within or near a designated state scenic highway. (4) The Projects sites' are not on sites designated as Hazardous Waste Sites. (5) None of the school sites are on the national, state, or local register of historical resources. Although Benjamin Bubb ES, Gabriela Mistral ES, Crittenden MS, Landels ES, Monta Loma ES, Theuerkauf ES, Graham MS, Amy Imai ES, and the District Office were originally constructed over 45 years ago, these sites have been significantly modernized such that they no longer retain their historical integrity. Accordingly, the Projects will not cause a substantial adverse change to a historical resource because none exist at the Projects' sites.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is found, determined and resolved by the Governing Board of the District ("**Board**") as follows:

Section 1. The Projects meet the definition of the Class 1 Categorical Exemption (CEQA Guidelines, § 15301), because the Projects consist of replacement of single pane windows with dual pane windows at existing school campuses and administration sites, which are minor alterations to the existing public school facilities and they involve no expansion of the existing public facilities.

Section 2. There are no exceptions that would disqualify the Projects from being categorically exempt.

Section 3. The applicable requirements of CEQA have been fulfilled for the Projects.

Section 4. The Superintendent or the Superintendent's designee is authorized and directed to file the attached Notice of Exemption for the Projects with the Santa Clara County Clerk.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Governing Board of the Mountain View Whisman School District this day of November 2, 2023, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTENTIONS:

Clerk of the Board of Trustees
Mountain View Whisman School District
Santa Clara County, California

Attachment