# NOTICE OF CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION

Sonoma County Permit and Resource Management Department

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Sonoma County proposes to carry out the following project. Pursuant to Section 23A of the Sonoma County Code, it has been determined that this project is categorically exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA):

Project Title: Cottage Housing at 654 Walnut

Avenue; File No. PLP19-0048

Public Agency: Permit Sonoma Project Applicant: Stephen Pasquan Applicant Address: 654 Walnut Avenue,

Sonoma, CA 95476

Project Location: 654 Walnut Avenue, Sonoma, CA 95476; APN 052-413-015 **Date of Approval: 02/27/2025** 

To:

County Clerk- Recorder Office Office of Planning and

County of Sonoma

585 Fiscal Drive, Room 103

Santa Rosa, CA 95403

Research

P.O. Box 3044, Room 113 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

### **DESCRIPTION OF NATURE, PURPOSE AND BENEFICIARIES OF THE PROJECT:**

Use Permit and Design Review for five 2-bedroom cottage housing units, ranging from 895 square feet to 900 square feet, with 106 to 124 square feet of private outdoor space each, served by public water and sewer, located on a 0.32-acre parcel. Total building area, including cottages and a 4-car garage, total 5,444 square feet. Fencing within front, side, and rear setbacks will surround the development, including a vehicle gate, pedestrian security gates, screened trash enclosure, and pergolas. Fencing, screening, and gates within the front setback are six feet in height. Pergolas add four feet to fence height, for a total of up to ten feet in the front and side setback areas.

### **EXEMPT STATUS:**

Categorical Exemption Section 15303(b) for New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures

### **REASON WHY THIS PROJECT IS EXEMPT:**

The proposed project is categorically exempt from the provisions of the CEQA Guidelines pursuant to the Provisions of Title 14 of the California Administrative Code, Section 15303(b) which provides for the construction of apartments, duplexes and similar structures designed for not more than six dwelling units in urbanized areas. The proposed project involves the construction of a small housing development including five dwelling units located within the Sonoma Urban Area designated by the U.S. Census, and no exceptions listed under CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 apply. There is no reasonable possibility that the project would have a significant effect on the environment.

This Notice of Exemption is filed pursuant to the provisions of Section 15062 of the State CEQA Guidelines.

## **Lead Agency Contact Person:**

Isabella Wotring

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Isabella Wotring, Project Planner

Permit and Resource Management Department **Project Review Division** 

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Deva Marie Proto, County Clerk BY: ACASTON Deputy Clerk

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654 WALNUT AVE	SONOMA	CA	95476		
PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)  Local Public Agency  School District	Other Special District	☐ St	ate Agency	X Private Entity	
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