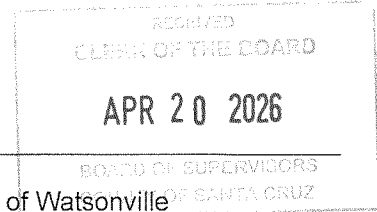


**NOTICE OF EXEMPTION**

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**TO:**  Office of Planning and Research  
1400 Tenth Street, Room 12  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**FROM:** City of Watsonville  
Community Development Dept  
250 Main Street  
Watsonville, CA 95076

Clerk of the Board  
Santa Cruz County  
701 Ocean Street, Room 500  
Santa Cruz, CA 95060

44-04202026-0424

**FILE NO.:** PP2026-139

**Project Title:** Burlington Storefront Remodel

**Project Location - Specific:** 1445 Main Street

**Project Location - City:** Watsonville

**Project Location - County:** Santa Cruz

**Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:** The project proposes to remodel the exterior of an existing storefront.

**Name of Public agency Approving Project:** City of Watsonville

**Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:** Bill Burke, 25001 Emery Rd Suite 400, Cleveland OH 44128

**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: Class 1, §15301(a)
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Reasons why project is exempt:** This project qualifies for a Class 1 Categorical Exemption from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to Section 15301(a) of the *State CEQA Guidelines*. The modification of an existing storefront facade is not considered an expansion of use. The subject site has an existing retail store and the subject site is not environmentally sensitive.

**Lead Agency Contact Person:** Matt Orbach

**Telephone:** 831.768.3077

**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:** [Signature] **Date:** 04/03/26 **Title:** CDD Director

- 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.

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