# **Notice of Exemption**

- To: Office of Planning and Research 1400 Tenth Street, Room 121 Sacramento, CA 95814
  - County Clerk County of San Mateo 555 County Center Redwood City, CA 94063-1665

From: Town of Atherton 80 Fair Oaks Lane Atherton, CA 94070 (650) 752-0544

**Project Title:** Atherton 2023-2031 Housing Element (6th Cycle)

Project Applicant: Town of Atherton

Project Location - Specific: Entire Town of Atherton

Project Location – City: Town of Atherton Project Location – County: San Mateo

## Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

State law requires the Town to update its housing element within the General Plan every eight years. The Town is updating and adopting the 6th cycle housing element which will account for the 2023-2031 period.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Town of Atherton

## Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Town of Atherton

#### 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: <u>15061(b)(3)</u>, <u>15002</u>, and <u>15283</u>
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number:

# Reasons why project is exempt:

The consideration and adoption of the Housing Element not a project pursuant to the CEQA. The consideration and adoption of the Housing Element is alternatively exempt from CEQA pursuant to Section 15002 as the adoption of the Housing element is a planning study and will not have any impacts to the environment. Further, to the extent the Regional Housing Needs determinations are made, the Project is further exempt pursuant to Section 15283, which provides "CEQA does not apply to regional housing needs determinations made by the Department of Housing and Community Development, a council of governments, or a city or county pursuant to Section 65584 of Government Code". A CEQA analysis will be conducted for any future zoning code amendments and/or development of specific projects when those are considered.

# Lead Agency

Contact Person: George Rodericks Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 650-752-0504

Signature: Signed by Lead Agency

**Date:** 2/01/23

Title: City Manager

Date received for filing at OPR:

Signed by Applicant