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To: Board of Supervisors  
From: Julia R. Bueren, Public Works Director/Chief Engineer  
Date: September 27, 2016

Subject: Approve Demolition of 3939 Bissell Avenue, Richmond and 343 Rodeo Avenue, Rodeo and Related Actions Under CEQA

**RECOMMENDATION(S):**

APPROVE the demolition projects located at 3939 Bissell Avenue, Richmond and 343 Rodeo Avenue, Rodeo (Project No. WLP130 & WLP131, DCD-CP#16-44), and DETERMINE the projects are a California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), Class 1(l) and Class 12 Categorical Exemption, pursuant to Section 15301 (l) and Section 15312 of the CEQA Guidelines; and DIRECT the Director of Conservation and Development to file a Notice of Exemption with the County Clerk, and AUTHORIZE the Public Works Director to arrange for payment of a \$25 fee to Department of Conservation and Development for processing, and a \$50 fee to the County Clerk for filing the Notice of Exemption.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

100% General Fund

**BACKGROUND:**

The structures located at 3939 Bissell Avenue, Richmond, were previously leased to Ujima Family Recovery Services, a non-profit

APPROVE

OTHER

RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **09/27/2016**  APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED  OTHER

Clerks Notes:

**VOTE OF SUPERVISORS**

AYE: John Gioia, District I Supervisor  
Candace Andersen, District II Supervisor  
Mary N. Piepho, District III Supervisor  
Karen Mitchoff, District IV Supervisor  
Federal D. Glover, District V Supervisor

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.

ATTESTED: September 27, 2016

David Twa, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: June McHuen, Deputy

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## BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

agency dedicated to helping families recover from alcoholism, drug addiction and behavioral health problems. In 2014 Ujima relocated and the structures have been vacant. On August 15, 2016, a fire occurred due to trespassers. The structures have since been red tagged and have now become a health and safety issue. General Plan Conformance was obtained from the City of Richmond. The structure located at 343 Rodeo Avenue in Rodeo, also known as the Rodeo Veterans Memorial Building, has been vacant since the War Memorial Hall Association terminated the lease on November 18, 2008. Due to significant damages throughout the interior and flooding in the basement, County staff recommends demolishing the building.

## CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

The structures will continue to be a health and safety issue due to their deteriorating conditions and the County would continue to own and maintain these structures.

## ATTACHMENTS

CEQA, 3939 Bissell & 343 Rodeo

Maps, 3939 Bissell & 343 Rodeo