

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-06

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ALTOS
TO GRANT AN EXCEPTION FROM THE CITY'S STORY POLE POLICY TO
THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT AT 385-389 FIRST STREET AND MAKING
FINDINGS OF CEQA EXEMPTION**

WHEREAS, the City Council adopted an Open Government Policy that included a requirement for all commercial, multiple-family, mixed-use and public and institutional development projects subject to Planning Commission and City Council review to erect story poles as part of the public review process; and

WHEREAS, the City Council may grant exceptions to the Story Pole Policy due to a public health or safety concern, or if such an installation would impair the use of existing structure(s) or the site to the extent it would not be able to be occupied and the existing business and/or residential use would be infeasible; and

WHEREAS, the applicant for the proposed development at 385-389 First Street has submitted a request for an exception from some of the requirements in the City's Story Pole Policy due to safety concerns and impairment of the use of existing structures on the site; and

WHEREAS, this action is exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3), in that there is no possibility that the action will have a significant effect on the environment.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Los Altos hereby approves the application's request for an exemption from some of the requirements in City's Story Pole Policy per the modified story pole plan contained in Exhibit A and based on the following findings:

1. There is a public health and safety concern due to the placement of the story poles and guy wires in close proximity to public sidewalks, streets and alleys, and adjacent properties where they may pose a threat of physical harm to adjacent users; and
2. Installation of story poles per the City's Story Pole Policy would impair the use of existing office building on the site to the extent it would not be able to be occupied by the existing business tenants and use of the building would be infeasible.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Los Altos at a meeting thereof on the 26th day of February, 2019 by the following vote:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT:
ABSTAIN:


Lynette Lee Eng, MAYOR

Attest:


Jon Maginot, CMC, CITY CLERK