3. The exceptions to this categorical exemption under Section 15300.2 are not applicable. The project location does not impact an environmental resource of hazardous or critical concern, does not result in cumulative impacts, does not have a significant effect on the environment due to unusual circumstances, does not damage scenic resources within a state scenic highway, is not a hazardous waste site, and is not identified as a historical resource.

SECTION 3. REQUIRED FINDINGS.

In accordance with Section 21.52.015 (Coastal Development Permits) of the Newport Beach Municipal Code, the following findings and facts in support of such findings are set forth:

Finding:

A. Conforms to all applicable sections of the certified Local Coastal Program.

Facts in Support of Finding:

- 1. The proposed structure conforms to all applicable development standards including, but not limited to, floor area limitation, setbacks, height, and parking:
 - a. The maximum floor area limitation is 4,412 square feet and the proposed gross floor area is 4,190 square feet.
 - b. The proposed development will provide the required setbacks, which are 10 feet along the front property line abutting the beach, 3 feet along the side property lines, and 0 feet along the rear property line abutting the alley.
 - c. The highest guardrail or flat roof is no more than 24 feet, measured from established grade at every point as required by Zoning Code Section 20.30.050(B)(3) and the highest ridge is no more than 29 feet from established grade, which complies with the maximum height limitation.
 - d. The project includes enclosed garage parking for three vehicles, which complies with the minimum three-space parking requirement for single-family residences with more than 4,000 square feet of livable floor area.
- 2. The proposed design, bulk, and scale of the development is consistent with the existing neighborhood's pattern of development and expected future development consistent with applicable development standards as the neighborhood is predominantly developed with two- and three-story, single-family residences.
- 3. The property is an oceanfront lot that is separated from the ocean by sandy beach with an average width of more than 500 feet. A Coastal Hazards and Wave Runup Study was prepared for the project by GeoSoils, Inc., dated April 22, 2019. The report concludes that the long-term shoreline erosion rate is small, if any long-term erosion occurs at all, and it is unlikely that that the mean high tide line will reach within 300 feet of the property over

Finding:

B. Conforms to the public access and public recreation policies of Chapter 3 of the Coastal Act if the project is located between the nearest public road and the sea or shoreline of any body of water located within the coastal zone.

Facts in Support of Finding:

- The project site is located between the nearest public road and the sea or shoreline; however, the project will not affect the public's ability to gain access to use and/or view the coast and nearby recreational facilities. The proposed residential development neither provides nor inhibits public coastal access. Implementation Plan Section 21.30A.040 (Determination of Public Access/Recreation Impacts) requires that the provision of public access bear a reasonable relationship between the requirement and the project's impact and be proportional to the impact. In this case, the project includes the replacement of an existing single-family residence with a new single-family residence. The project does not involve a change in land use, density or intensity that will result in increased demand on public access and recreation opportunities.
- 2. The project is designed and sited so as not to block or impede existing public access opportunities and occurs within the confines of private property. Existing coastal access conditions will not be affected by the proposed development. Coastal access is currently provided and will continue to be provided by street ends throughout the neighborhood with access to the beach and water.

SECTION 4. DECISION.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- 1. The Zoning Administrator of the City of Newport Beach hereby finds this Project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to Section 15303 under Class 3 (New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures) of the CEQA Guidelines, California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Division 6, Chapter 3, because it has no potential to have a significant effect on the environment.
- The Zoning Administrator of the City of Newport Beach hereby approves Coastal Development Permit No. CD2019-023, subject to the conditions set forth in Exhibit "A," which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference.
- 3. This action shall become final and effective 14 days following the date this Resolution was adopted unless within such time an appeal or call for review is filed with the Community Development Director in accordance with the provisions of Title 21 Local Coastal Implementation Plan, of the Newport Beach Municipal Code. Final action taken by the City may be appealed to the Coastal Commission in compliance with Section 21.64.035 of the City's certified LCP and Title 14 California Code of Regulations, Sections 13111 through 13120, and Section 30603 of the Coastal Act.