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Katie Watkins
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Dear Katie Watkins:

RE: HCD's Review of the County of Kern's Resolution No. 2022-175 Declaring the Property Located at 999 E. California Avenue and 1016 S. Owens Street, Bakersfield, CA (APN 018-010-04) as "Exempt Surplus Land"

Thank you for notifying the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) of the County of Kern's (County) determination of the property located at 999 E. California Avenue and 1016 S. Owens Street, Bakersfield, CA (APN 018-010-04) (Property) as "exempt surplus land." HCD reviewed Resolution No. 2022-175 (Resolution) pursuant to Section 400(e) of the Surplus Land Act Guidelines. As explained below, HCD finds that the Property qualifies as "exempt surplus land" under Government Code section 54221, subdivision (f)(1)(D).

Analysis

According to the Resolution, the County no longer needs the Property for its use or operations. The County desires to transfer the Property to the City of Bakersfield (City). The City intends to acquire and continue the use of the Property for park and recreational purposes.

Conclusion

HCD finds that the Property qualifies as "exempt surplus land" under Government Code section 54221, subdivision (f)(1)(D). The County is permitted to proceed with the transfer of the Property as described in the Resolution.

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If you have any questions or need additional technical assistance, please contact Public Lands, at Publiclands@hcd.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Laura Nunn". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Laura Nunn
Senior Manager, Housing Accountability Unit
Housing Policy Development