



2023-2031 Housing Element Update

City Council Study Session
January 11, 2023

Overview

- ▶ Introduction to the Housing Element (HE)
- Local Review and Adoption Process
- HCD Review and Revisions
- CEQA Clearance
- Next Steps









What is the Housing Element?

- State required update to the General Plan:
 - Reviews prior Housing Element (2015–2023);
 - Analyzes current and future housing needs;
 - Considers constraints to housing production;
 - Inventories housing resources and programs;
 - Conducts a capacity analysis to identify zoning to meet Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA);
 - Evaluates Fair Housing Access (AFFH); &
 - Establishes a plan with revised/new programs to satisfy State, local, and advocate requests.

What is the RHNA?

- Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA)
 - State estimated number of needed housing units
 - 3,956 units for this housing cycle

Previous RHNA Cycle 5 (2015–2013)

- 1,864 units required (~1,200 issued permits)
- City receives credit for building permits issued during a reporting year
- 3,859 units issued building permits OR entitled
 - 3,223 market rate units
 - 636 affordable units

RHNA Assumptions

	Very- Low Units	Low Units	Moderate Units	Above- Moderate Units	Total Units
RHNA	871	502	720	1,863	3,956
RHNA w/20% Buffer	1,045	602	864	2,236	4,747
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Pipeline Projects	225	408	50	2,898	3,581
ADUs (Based on High Projection)	102	101	101	-	304
Opportunity Sites	546	1,319	580	10,663	13,108
Total to Comply with RHNA	873	1,828	731	13,561	16,993

- New HE proposes zoning capacity to allow up to 13,000 new units
 - Pipeline projects would add 3,500 more units
 - 304 new ADUs also projected

Housing Opportunity Sites



Housing Opportunity Sites

Corridor Area	Acreage	Unit Capacity	% of Total
Lindenville	73.46	5,393	41%
El Camino Real	26.62	2,130	16%
South Airport Blvd	66.74	5,586	43%
Total Capacity	166.82	13,109	100%
RHNA Target + 20% Buffer		3,956 4,747	
Excess Capacity		9,153	230% +

Local Review and Adoption

- Airport Land Use Commission
 - Reviewed on August 25, 2022
 - Approved for compatibility with SFO land use plan
- PC Consideration
 - Scheduled for public hearing on January 19, 2023
- CC Consideration
 - Scheduled for public hearing on January 25, 2023

Local Review and Adoption

- ▶ Target for Adoption is January 31, 2023
 - Draft Housing Element is now in substantial compliance with State Housing Law
 - City avoids Builder's Remedy with adoption by January 31, 2023
 - Council adoption could also permit Staff to continue certification process with HCD and make minor edits, as requested, until draft HE is certified

HCD Review and Revisions

- Sent to HCD on July 5th for first review
- Comments provided December 7, 2022
- City revised draft HE to respond to comments
- Study Session tonight for input on revised draft before Adoption hearings

HCD Review and Revisions

- Requested additional analysis for:
 - Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (AFFH)
 - Clarification on ADU calculations
 - Additional descriptions for opportunity sites
 - Verifying adopted zoning for a variety of housing types
 - Updates to proposed programs to ensure proactive outreach and clear deliverables

Environmental Review

- Covered by General Plan Update EIR that evaluated zoning and capacity changes
- CEQA Exemption Section 15061(b)(3) for policy document without land use changes

Next Steps

- City Council provides feedback on the Draft HE edits and HCD revisions
- Staff will prepare the Draft Housing Element for Adoption Hearings in January 2023