

**CITY COUNCIL
RESOLUTION NO. 7401**

**A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE 2021-2029 HOUSING ELEMENT OF THE
2040 SANTA PAULA GENERAL PLAN**

Project No. 2020-CI-06

The City Council of the City of Santa Paula does resolve as follows:

SECTION 1: The City Council finds and declares that:

- A. Government Code § 65588 requires every California city and county to update its Housing Element periodically. The Housing Element establishes goals, policies and programs to encourage the maintenance and expansion of the City's housing supply to meet demand;
- B. During 2021, the City prepared a draft Housing Element update for the 2021-2029 planning period in accordance with Government Code Section 65580 et seq.;
- C. The City conducted duly noticed public meetings to discuss and receive public comment regarding the Housing Element update on December 18, 2019, July 7, 2021, August 24, 2021, and September 15, 2021;
- D. On September 16, 2021 the City submitted a draft 2021-2029 Housing Element to the California Department of Housing and Community Development ("HCD") for review pursuant to the requirements of State law;
- E. On November 15, 2021 HCD issued a letter finding that the draft element addressed many statutory requirements; however, revisions will be necessary to comply with State Housing Element Law;
- F. On April 21, 2022 the City posted a revised draft Housing Element for public review. Revisions to the draft Housing Element have been made addressing each of HCD's findings as summarized in the City Council staff report dated May 18, 2022;
- G. The Planning Commission held duly noticed public hearings on March 22 and April 26, 2022 to receive public testimony on the revised draft Housing Element, and at the conclusion of the public hearing on April 26 adopted PC Resolution No. 3836, recommending the City Council adopt the revised draft Housing Element;
- H. The City Council considered the information provided by the Planning Commission, City staff, HCD, and public testimony. This Resolution, and its findings, are made based upon the evidence presented to the Council at its public hearing on May 18, 2022 including, without limitation, the staff report submitted by the Planning Division.

- I. The 2021-2029 Housing Element update is covered by the common sense CEQA exemption (CEQA Guidelines Sec. 15061(b)(3)) which provides that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. Since no development project or other physical change to the environment would be approved by the adoption of the Housing Element, it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that Housing Element adoption may have a significant effect on the environment, and therefore is not subject to CEQA;

SECTION 2: *General Plan*, the City Council makes the following findings:

- A. The 2021-2029 Housing Element is in the public interest and there is a community benefit resulting from the Housing Element Update including, without limitation, assisting in the provision of housing for all income groups and persons with special needs, preserving the affordable housing stock, and minimizing governmental constraints to providing housing.
- B. The 2021-2029 Housing Element is consistent with the goals, policies, and objectives of the General Plan. The Housing Element establishes policies, procedures, and incentives for the City's land use planning activities that serve to maintain and expand the City's housing supply to adequately house people currently living and expected to live in the City.
- C. The 2021-2029 Housing Element will not conflict with the SPMC.
- D. The proposed 2021-2029 Housing Element promotes public health, safety, and general welfare and serves the goals and purposes of the General Plan by facilitating the continued production of housing for all incomes, thereby improving housing and living conditions for all residents. The Housing Element provides housing construction objectives consistent with the Regional Housing Needs Assessment.

SECTION 3: *Environmental Assessment*.

- A. The City Council finds that the 2021-2029 Housing Element update is covered by the common sense CEQA exemption (CEQA Guidelines Sec. 15061(b)(3)) which provides that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. Since no development project or other physical change to the environment would be approved by the adoption of the Housing Element, it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that Housing Element adoption may have a significant effect on the environment, and therefore is not subject to CEQA.

SECTION 4: *Adoption and Submittal*.

- A. Based on the findings made in this Resolution, the City Council adopts the 2021-2029 Housing Element as set forth in attached Exhibit "A," which is incorporated herein by reference.

- B. The City Council hereby directs Staff to submit the adopted 2021-2029 Housing Element to HCD for the required 60-day review. The City Manager is directed to make any subsequent clerical or technical revisions to the Housing Element as may be necessary to obtain a finding of substantial compliance from the Department of Housing and Community Development.

SECTION 5: Reliance on Record. Each and every one of the findings and determinations in this Resolution are based on the competent and substantial evidence, both oral and written, contained in the entire record relating to the 2021-2029 Housing Element. The findings and determinations constitute the independent findings and determinations of the City Council in all respects and are fully and completely supported by substantial evidence in the record as a whole.


SECTION 6: Limitations. The City Council's analysis and evaluation of the project is based on the best information currently available. It is inevitable that in evaluating a project that absolute and perfect knowledge of all possible aspects of the project will not exist. One of the major limitations on analysis of the project is the City Council's lack of knowledge of future events. In all instances, best efforts have been made to form accurate assumptions. Somewhat related to this are the limitations on the City's ability to solve what are in effect regional, state, and national problems and issues. The City must work within the political framework within which it exists and with the limitations inherent in that framework.


SECTION 7: Summaries of Information. All summaries of information in the findings which precede this section are based on substantial evidence in the record. The absence of any particular fact from any such summary is not an indication that a particular finding is not based in part on that fact.

SECTION 8: This Resolution will remain effective until superseded by a subsequent resolution.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 18th Day of May, 2022.

ATTEST:



Julie Latshaw, City Clerk


Jenny Crosswhite, Mayor

Approved as to form:


John C. Cotti, City Attorney

Approved as to content:


Dan Singer, City Manager



CITY OF SANTA PAULA)
COUNTY OF VENTURA)§
STATE OF CALIFORNIA)

I, Julie Latshaw, City Clerk of the City of Santa Paula, California, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution No. 7401 was dully passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Santa Paula at the regular meeting thereof, held on the 18th day of May, 2022, and was signed by the Mayor of said City, and that the same was passed and adopted by the following vote:

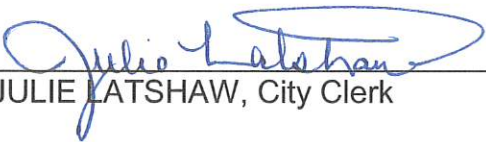
AYES: CROSSWHITE, SOBEL, CORNEJO

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: ARAIZA, JUAREZ

ABSTAIN: NONE





JULIE LATSHAW, City Clerk