

**ATTACHMENT C: COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION RESOLUTION**

**RESOLUTION OF THE SANTA BARBARA COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION  
COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

IN THE MATTER OF RECOMMENDING	)	RESOLUTION NO.: 23- <u>10</u>
THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ADOPT	)	
THE 2023-2031 HOUSING ELEMENT UPDATE,	)	CASE NO.: 22GPA-00000-00002
AN ELEMENT OF THE SANTA BARBARA	)	
COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN	)	

- A. WHEREAS, Government Code (GC) Section 65302(c) requires that cities and counties adopt a housing element as one element of the Comprehensive Plan (general plan) that complies with State housing element law as set forth in GC Sections 65580 through 65589.11.
- B. WHEREAS, GC Section 65588 requires that the state-mandated housing element be revised periodically to incorporate new information and reflect changes in community needs and values.
- C. WHEREAS, on December 20, 1980, by Resolution No. 80-566, the Board of Supervisors (Board) of the County of Santa Barbara (County) adopted the Comprehensive Plan for the County of Santa Barbara.
- D. WHEREAS, the 2023-2031 Housing Element Update (HEU), dated November 2023, of the Comprehensive Plan has been prepared pursuant to State general plan law, GC Section 65358, and State housing element law, GC Sections 65580, et seq.
- E. WHEREAS, the California Department of Housing and Community Development (State HCD) reviewed the HEU pursuant to GC Section 65585(b) and reported in a letter to the County, dated October 16, 2023, that the HEU substantially complies with State housing element law.
- F. WHEREAS, citizens, California Native American tribes, public agencies, public utility companies, and civic, education, and other community groups have been provided the opportunity for involvement pursuant to GC Section 65351.
- G. WHEREAS, the County contacted and offered to conduct formal consultations with affected Native American tribes pursuant to GC Sections 65352.3 and 65352.4.
- H. WHEREAS, a Notice of Exemption was prepared and circulated for public review pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), concluding that there is no possibility that the HEU may have a significant effect on the environment and, therefore, the project is not subject to CEQA.

- I. WHEREAS, the County Planning Commission has determined that the goals and policies set forth in the HEU are consistent with the County's Comprehensive Plan, and while some of the programs described in the HEU may conflict with the Comprehensive Plan depending on how they are implemented, they are nonetheless mandatory under State housing element law. Implementation of these programs will be separate projects subject to separate decision-maker review and approvals, at which time decision-makers will need to make findings that the programs are consistent with the Comprehensive Plan. As a result, the HEU's programs and actions would ultimately be consistent with the Comprehensive Plan. The County Planning Commission has also determined that the HEU is consistent with State planning and zoning laws, in the interest of the general community welfare, consistent with good zoning and planning practices, and deemed to be in the public interest as stated in the findings in Attachment A of the County Planning Commission staff report dated November 1, 2023.
- J. WHEREAS, in compliance with GC Section 65353, the County Planning Commission has held a public hearing and received and considered all reports and comments on the HEU.
- K. WHEREAS, in compliance with GC Section 65854, the County Planning Commission recommends that the Board adopt the HEU (Case No. 22GPA-00000-00002), based on the findings included in Attachment A of the County Planning Commission staff report dated November 1, 2023.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FOUND AND RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD FIND:

1. The Notice of Exemption is complete, correct, and adequate and prepared in accordance with CEQA and State and County guidelines.
2. On the basis of the Notice of Exemption, there is no possibility that the HEU may have a significant effect on the environment.
3. The HEU substantially complies with State housing element law as set forth in GC Sections 65580 through 65589.11.
4. The 2023-2031 Housing Element Update, as included as Exhibit 1, is adopted as an element of the Comprehensive Plan for the County of Santa Barbara.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT:

1. The above recitations are true and correct.

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2. A certified copy of this resolution shall be transmitted to the Board pursuant to GC Section 65354.

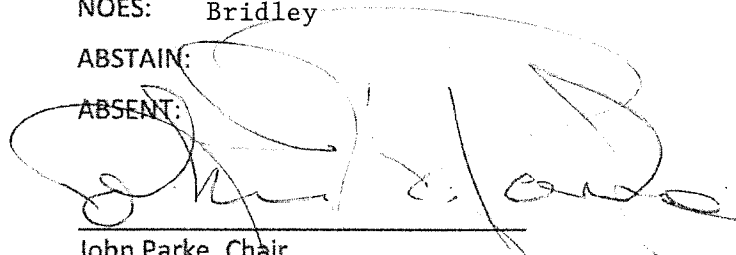
PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by the County Planning Commission of the County of Santa Barbara, State of California, this 8th day of November, 2023, by the following vote:

AYES: Cooney, Parke, Ferini, Martinez

NOES: Bridley

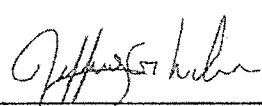
ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

  
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John Parke, Chair  
County Planning Commission  
ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

RACHEL VAN MULLEM  
COUNTY COUNSEL

By:   
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Jeffrey Wilson  
Secretary to the County Planning Commission

By:   
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Deputy County Counsel

Exhibit:

1. 2023-2031 Housing Element Update, dated September 2023