SANTA BARBARA COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

Consent Agenda

Staff Report for 2010 Comprehensive General Plan Annual Progress Report

Hearing Date: February 9, 2011 Staff Report Date: January 21, 2011

Case No: N/A
Environmental Document: N/A

Director: Jeff Hunt Division: Long Range Planning Planner: Paul Clementi Staff Contact: 805-568-2048

1.0 REQUEST

Hearing on the request of the Long Range Planning Division to receive and review the 2010 Comprehensive General Plan Annual Progress Report and direct staff to forward any comments to the Board of Supervisors.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS AND PROCEDURES

The Long Range Planning Division recommends that the Planning Commission:

- 1. Receive and review the 2010 Comprehensive General Plan Annual Progress Report (Attachment A).
- 2. Direct staff to forward a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors to receive and file the 2010 Comprehensive General Plan Annual Progress Report.

Please refer the matter to staff if the Planning Commission takes actions other than those recommended.

3.0 JURISDICTION

This report is being considered by the Planning Commission pursuant to Government Code §65400 which mandates that the Planning Agency provide an annual report to their legislative body, the Governor's Office of Planning and Research (OPR), and the State Department of Housing and Community Development (SHCD) on the status of the Comprehensive General Plan and progress in its implementation by April 1st of each year. The report must also detail progress in meeting the County's share of regional housing needs, as well as local efforts to remove governmental constraints to the maintenance, improvement, and development of housing pursuant to Government Code §65583.

4.0 ISSUE SUMMARY

Government Code §65400 et seq. mandates that certain cities and all 58 counties submit an annual report on the status of the Comprehensive General Plan and progress in its implementation to their

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legislative bodies, OPR and SHCD by April 1 of each year. The Annual Progress Report provides the Board of Supervisors with information regarding the implementation of the Comprehensive General Plan within the County. It summarizes projects related to the maintenance and implementation of the Comprehensive General Plan that the Department of Planning and Development has completed over the reporting period, as well as projects currently underway. It also provides details on housing production within the County in order to show the status of current development trends and the County's progress towards satisfying its housing goals.

Specifically, the Annual Progress Report is divided into the following sections:

- 1. Purpose of the Annual Progress Report;
- 2. Structure of the Comprehensive General Plan and Supporting Documents;
- 3. Comprehensive General Plan Amendments and Implementation Activities;
- 4. Housing Element Activity; and
- 5. Annual Work Program Management.

The report finds that the County continues to make significant progress towards implementing ongoing updates to its Comprehensive General Plan and is also demonstrating progress in meeting its fair share RHNA objectives.

5.0 CONCLUSION

The Annual Progress Report is used by the State to identify statewide trends in land use decision making and how local planning and development activities relate to statewide planning goals and policies. It is also used by the State Department of Housing and Community Development to track housing information, including the County's progress in meeting its affordable housing goals. The report is anticipated to be filed with the Board of Supervisors in March 2011. The 2010 Comprehensive General Plan Annual Progress Report (Attachment A) is submitted for the Planning Commission's review prior to filing with the Board of Supervisors and submittal to OPR and SHCD.

Attachments:

A. 2010 Comprehensive General Plan Annual Progress Report

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