

## **ATTACHMENT 3 – Recommendations for Fiscal Year 2 (FY 2023 - 2024), Fiscal Year 3 (FY 2024 - 2025), and Future Years**

### Work Program Fiscal Year 2 (FY 2023 - 2024) and Fiscal Year 3 (FY 2024 - 2025)

Staff is recommending that the Board prioritize the following during Fiscal Year Two (FY 2023 - 2024) and Fiscal Year Three (FY 2024 - 2025) of the FY 2022 - 2025 Work Program:

- Completing the Circulation Element Update upon the Public Works Department’s completion of the ATP;
- Completing the Airport Land Use Compatibility Plan Amendments;
- Completing on-going projects from FY 2022 – 2023 that have remaining work;
- Completing the ADUs LCPA, Coastal Resiliency LCPA, and Short-Term Rentals LCPA;
- Preparing the Agricultural Enterprise Ordinance Amendments involving certain Recreational Master Plan-related and/or relatively “large scale” ancillary uses on agricultural-designated lands;
- Initiating ordinance amendment packages that include the oil-and-gas and telecommunication facilities ordinance amendments that the Board identified as unfunded mandates in fall 2021;
- Ordinance amendments to implement new State housing laws;
- Implementing amendments to the Comprehensive Plan to achieve consistency with the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) (timing based on adoption of groundwater sustainability plans);
- Completing the tasks required to satisfy State mandates and secure grant funding for projects; and
- Implementing programs set forth in new and updated Comprehensive Plan elements (e.g., Environmental Justice Element, Housing Element, and Safety Element)—especially programs for which grant funding is available.

### Future Years

Below is a summary of non-mandated Long Range Planning Division projects that could be considered for future years.

- *Updates to, and Consolidation of, Comprehensive Plan Components*

This project would involve a holistic update of the Comprehensive Plan. Comprehensive Plan elements that would be updated given the date the element was adopted or the last time the element was substantially amended (as applicable), include:

- Open Space Element (1991)
- Noise Element (1997)

- Environmental Resources Management Element (1991)
- Agricultural Element (1991)
- Conservation Element (2010)

This project also would include simplifying, reformatting, and updating the Comprehensive Plan components. Certain components of the community plans (e.g., Goleta Community Plan and Montecito Community Plan) require updates and there are a number of development standards in the Comprehensive Plan which could be simplified and consolidated (e.g., development standards for outdoor lighting and Environmentally Sensitive Habitat). This project also would delete unnecessary repetition in, clarify, and provide in a web-based format, the policies, development standards, and regulations of the Comprehensive Plan.

- *California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Thresholds*

The County's adopted CEQA thresholds do not address certain environmental issues (e.g., impacts associated with changes in population and housing) and do not provide clear guidance with regard to how other resources (e.g., the thresholds set forth in Appendix G of the State CEQA Guidelines) should be used for topics on which the adopted thresholds are silent. Also, some of the thresholds (e.g., thresholds for impacts to groundwater resources) require updates.