



County of Santa Barbara

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Minute Order

February 14, 2023

Present: 5 - Supervisor Williams, Supervisor Capps, Supervisor Hartmann, Supervisor Nelson, and Supervisor Lavagnino

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

File Reference No. 23-00151

RE: HEARING - Consider recommendations regarding the Housing Element Update - Goals, Policies and Programs, as follows: (EST. TIME: 1 HR. 30 MIN.)

a) Receive and file a report from Planning and Development Department (P&D) staff regarding the proposed sixth Cycle Housing Element Goals, Policies and Programs;

b) Provide initial direction to staff regarding any changes that the Board would like to make to the proposed Goals, Policies and Programs; and

c) Determine that the Board's actions to receive this report and provide initial direction to staff is not a project as defined in the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Sections 15060(c)(3) and 15378(b)(5) and are not subject to environmental review.

COUNTY EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION: POLICY

HEARING TIME: 10:53 AM - 2:00 PM (3 HR. 7 MIN.)



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Received and filed staff presentation and conducted a public hearing.

A motion was made by Supervisor Lavagnino, seconded by Supervisor Hartmann, that this matter be acted on as follows:

a) Received and filed;

b) Provided staff with the following direction: and;

Create a new program in Chapter 5 for each of the following actions or, where appropriate, add each of the following actions to an existing program:

- Revise Goal #1 to include “promote livable communities.”;
- Add local preference reference to Goal 3 or Goal 6, or add a new policy;
- Increase the number of projected accessory dwelling units from 100 to 150 units per year in Program 10;
- Add stormwater capture, reuse, and groundwater recharge to the actions in Program 14, Water and Sewer Services;
- Remove action regarding the Laguna Sanitation District’s groundwater recharge project in Program 14;
- Add information to Program 14 regarding water purveyors in the North County (e.g., Golden State and City of Santa Maria);
- Add “county employee housing” to the scope of the workforce housing study in Program 23, Workforce Housing Study;
- Add an action to explore and create incentives for the development of rental housing;
- Add an action to study options for long-term funding to encourage and help finance affordable housing (e.g., vacancy tax, short-term rental tax, real estate transfer tax for higher end home, and bonds);
- Add an action to study options for the preservation of mobile home parks, including evaluating problems with current standards in the County code;
- Investigate and consider a program to prepare a bi-annual report that reviews the status of the sites inventory.;
- Add text to the Housing Element Update that encourages the creation of jobs near existing housing stock;
- Acknowledge the need for public transit services near high-density residential



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development; and

c) Approved.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 5 - Supervisor Williams, Supervisor Capps, Supervisor Hartmann, Supervisor Nelson, and Supervisor Lavagnino