



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: Planning and
Development
Department No.: 053
For Agenda Of: March 17, 2015
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Time: N/A
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from: N/A
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Department Glenn S. Russell, PhD, Director, Planning and Development,
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SUBJECT: 2014 Comprehensive Plan Annual Progress Report

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: N/A

Other Concurrence

As to form: N/A

Recommended Actions:

Staff recommends that your Board take the following actions:

- A. Receive and file the *2014 Comprehensive Plan Annual Progress Report* (Attachment 1) as required by Government Code Section 65400, and
- B. Determine that this action is not a project, pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15378(b)(5).

Background:

Government Code Section 65400 requires the Montecito and County Planning Commissions to provide by April 1st of each year an annual report on the status of the Comprehensive Plan to the Board of Supervisors, the Governor's Office of Planning and Research (OPR), and the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD). In part, the annual report summarizes the County's progress in implementing the plan, the County's progress in meeting its share of regional housing needs (RHNA), and the date(s) of the last revision(s) to the plan.

The County's *2014 Comprehensive Plan Annual Progress Report* is enclosed (Attachment 1). The report summarizes programs undertaken by the Planning and Development Department in 2014 (January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014) to maintain and implement the Comprehensive Plan. It also provides details on housing production, including a subsection on the Isla Vista plan area. Tables A, A2, A3, and B contain housing statistics for 2014. Table C describes the County's progress in

implementing the programs contained in Chapter 5 of the 2009-2014 the Housing Element. Staff prepared these tables using the templates adopted by HCD.

The *2014 Comprehensive Plan Annual Progress Report* includes two new sections. The new Housing Permit Activity in Mission Canyon section lists the major housing units that were approved or completed in the Mission Canyon plan area in 2014. The Board of Supervisors agreed to provide this information each year to the City of Santa Barbara when it adopted the Mission Canyon Community Plan on April 1st, 2014. The new Redevelopment Activity section and the Housing Successor Annual Report (Attachment 3) satisfy the new Senate Bill 341 (SB 341) requirement that each “successor agency” to a former redevelopment agency compile certain financial information on the Low and Moderate Income Housing Asset Fund, and report that information in its comprehensive plan annual progress report.

The annual report shows that the County continues to make progress towards maintaining and implementing the Comprehensive Plan and meeting its share of regional housing needs. In 2014, the County focused on updating the 2009-2014 Housing Element. The County adopted and submitted the 2015-2023 Housing Element Update to HCD by the state-mandated deadline of February 15, 2015.

A copy of the Long-Range Planning Division’s Draft 2015-2016 Work Program will be enclosed with the annual progress report. The work program includes programs for implementation of the Comprehensive Plan, including those of the 2015-2023 Housing Element Update. The Montecito and County Planning Commissions will review the Draft 2015-2016 Work Program on March 18, 2015 and March 25, 2015, respectively. Staff will introduce the Draft 2015-2016 Work Program to the Board of Supervisors as a part of the fiscal year 2015-2016 budget workshops in early April. Therefore, the enclosed copy of the annual progress report does not include the Draft 2015-2016 Work Program.

Planning Commission Recommendations:

The Montecito and County Planning Commissions reviewed the annual report on February 18, 2015 and March 4, 2015, respectively, and voted 4-0 and 5-0, respectively, to receive, file, and provide the annual report to the Board of Supervisors, OPR, HCD, and the City of Santa Barbara. The planning commission staff reports (Attachments 2 and 4) and action letters (Attachments 3 and 5) are enclosed. Staff will provide the annual report to OPR, HCD, and the City of Santa Barbara by April 1st, 2015.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis:

Preparation of the annual report is a state-mandate and is budgeted in the Long Range Planning Division of the Planning and Development Department on page D-212 of the *Santa Barbara County Recommended Operational Plan, Fiscal Years 2014-15 & 2015-16*. Staff spent approximately 140 hours/\$12,000 preparing and presenting the annual report to the Montecito and County Planning Commissions.

Special Instructions:

The Clerk of the Board shall forward a copy of the minute order to the Planning and Development Department, Attention: David Villalobos, Hearing Support.

Attachments:

- Attachment 1: *2014 Comprehensive Plan Annual Progress Report*
- Attachment 2: Montecito Planning Commission Staff Report (dated February 10, 2015)
- Attachment 3: Montecito Planning Commission Action Letter (dated February 18, 2015)
- Attachment 4: County Planning Commission Staff Report (dated February 24, 2015)
- Attachment 5: County Planning Commission Action Letter (dated March 4, 2015)

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