

RESOLUTION NO. 8056

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOODLAND APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE GENERAL PLAN TO REPLACE THE EXISTING HOUSING ELEMENT WITH THE FINAL VERSION 2 -2021-2029 HOUSING ELEMENT UPDATE

WHEREAS, the City of Woodland proposes to update the 5th Cycle 2013-2021 Housing Element and replace it with the 6th Cycle 2021-2029 Housing Element Update as an amendment to the General Plan in conformance with California State Department of Housing and Community Development requirements; and

WHEREAS, the 6th Cycle Housing Element-Version 1 review occurred during the heart of the COVID 19 pandemic, a time when public contact and gather was completely restricted. The City made efforts to conduct outreach using techniques available at the time, including teleconference, mail, social media, and newspaper.

WHEREAS, on February 9 and 10, 2021 the City of Woodland held three focus group meetings to gather information and input from stakeholders who represent housing developers, housing advocates, and local businesses and institutions. Feedback from the focus group meetings was used to assist in the preparation of the draft 6th Cycle Housing Element.

WHEREAS, on June 2, 2021, the City of Woodland held a community workshop via teleconference. Meeting notice was provided to all identified parties interested in housing, to all property owners of identified sites on the RHNA inventory, and to the community at large using email, social media and display advertisement in the Daily Democrat; and

WHEREAS, on May 14, the City of Woodland released the draft 6th Cycle Housing Element for public review and submitted the draft Housing Element to HCD for 60 day review.

WHEREAS, on July 2, 2021 the City received comments from Legal Services of Northern California and on July 13, 2021 the City received comments from the State Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD). The City addressed all comments and have provided updates to the draft Housing Element in conformance with HCD comments; and

WHEREAS, on August 5, 2021, the City of Woodland Planning Commission held a duly noticed public hearing to receive public testimony, review the proposed 2021-2019 6th Cycle Housing Element update and General Plan Amendment; and

WHEREAS, on September 7, 2021, the City of Woodland City Council held a duly noticed public hearing to receive public testimony, and adopted the 2021-2029 Version 1 6th Cycle Housing Element update and General Plan Amendment; and

WHEREAS, on December 8, 2021, the City received a letter of non-compliance from HCD. The City has worked with HCD to update the document. The City submitted a revised draft to HCD in June of 2022, and received a letter of non-compliance from HCD on August 15, 2022.

The City submitted a revised draft to HCD on November 28, 2022 with additional revised pages submitted January 24, 2023. On January 26, 2023, the City received a Conditional Approval letter from HCD. The final public review draft Version 2 incorporates all edits.

WHEREAS, each updated draft was posted on the City's web page for 7 days and emails sent to interested parties.

WHEREAS, notice of the public review draft of Version 2 of the 6th Cycle Housing Element was published in a paper of local circulation ten days before the hearing, and email sent to interested parties. Notices were display ad format and published in Spanish and English.

WHEREAS, The item was heard by the Planning Commission at their regularly scheduled meeting on March 2, 2023, and recommended for approval by a unanimous vote of the attending Commission Members (7-Ayes, 0-Noes, 0-Absent)

WHEREAS, the City Council accepts the determination that the 2035 General Plan EIR (SCH #2013032015) provides the appropriate level of environmental clearance for the proposed Version 2 - 6th Cycle Housing Element and General Plan Amendment based on evaluation using a modified Initial Study/15183 checklist, pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA"); and

WHEREAS, proper notice of this public hearing was given in all respects as required by law; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has reviewed all written evidence and oral testimony presented to date.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Woodland, based on substantial evidence in the administrative record of proceedings and pursuant to its independent review and consideration, does hereby make the following findings, determinations, and recommendations with respect to the proposed Version 2 - 6th Cycle 2021-2029 Housing Element and General Plan Amendment:

The City Council approval makes the following findings:

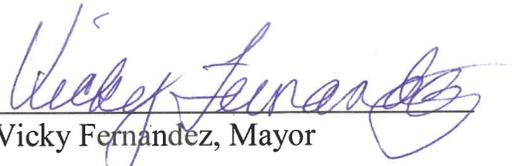
Section 1. Compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act. Based on substantial evidence set forth in the record, the City Council finds that the voting members have determined that the 2035 General Plan EIR (SCH #2013032015) provides the appropriate level of environmental clearance for the proposed 2021-2029 6th Cycle Housing Element and General Plan Amendment.

Section 2. Public Interest. The City Council of the City of Woodland finds that this Resolution approving the Version 2 - 6th Cycle Housing Element Update and General Plan Amendment is in the public interest and is necessary for the public health, safety, and welfare.

Section 3. Approval of the Version 2 - Housing Element Update. The City Council hereby recommends approval of the General Plan Amendment to replace the existing Housing Element and to incorporate the final Version 2 - 6th Cycle Housing Element Update, attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit 1.

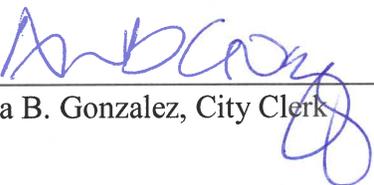
PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Woodland at a regular meeting of the City Council held on the 21st day of March, 2023, by the following vote:

AYES: Members Garcia-Cadena, Lansburgh, Vega and Mayor Vicky Fernandez
NOES: None
ABSENT: Member Stallard
ABSTAIN: None



Vicky Fernandez, Mayor

ATTEST:



Ana B. Gonzalez, City Clerk

Exhibit 1 – Version 2 - 6th Cycle 2021-2029 Draft Housing Element