

ORDINANCE NO. 740

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CUDAHY, CALIFORNIA APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT NO. 21-01 AND RE-ADOPTING THE CITY'S HOUSING ELEMENT FOR THE 2021-2029 PLANNING PERIOD (6th CYCLE)

WHEREAS, the Housing Element is one of eight General Plan elements mandated by the State of California ("State") pursuant to Government Code Section 65580 et seq. ("State law"), and the City of Cudahy (the "City") must comply with statutory provisions of State law every eight years and;

WHEREAS, the Housing Element sets forth the housing policies for the City, facilitates the preservation and development of housing, and establishes programs to accommodate the City's share of the Regional Housing Need Assessment ("RHNA") in Southern California; and

WHEREAS, the City initiated an amendment to the City's Housing Element of the General Plan and prepared proposed revisions to the City's 6th Cycle Housing Element ("Housing Element") covering the 2021-2029 planning period, which replaces the Housing Element last adopted in 2013 (5th Cycle) and 2018 part of the General Plan 2040 Update and;

WHEREAS, the City has been assigned an allocation of 393 new housing units as its share of the 6th Cycle RHNA; and

WHEREAS, on January 24, 2022, the Cudahy Planning Commission of the City ("Planning Commission") held a public hearing on the proposed 6th Cycle Draft Housing Element and recommended approval of the element and the addendum to the General Plan 2040 Environmental Impact Report ("EIR"); and

WHEREAS, on March 1, 2022, the Cudahy City Council ("City Council") adopted Ordinance No. 718 approving General Plan Amendment No. 21-01, adopting the 6th Cycle Housing Element; and

WHEREAS, the State's Housing and Community Development Department ("HCD") provided the City with its findings on the City's Housing Element, requiring additional updates to the document, and as such, the Housing Element has been further revised to address HCD comments; and

WHEREAS, the City Council in adopting its respective ordinance, acknowledges that the Housing Element may be further revised to address HCD's future comments; and

WHEREAS, the proposed revisions to the Housing Element are limited to addressing HCD's findings and are technical and minor in nature, re-adoption of the document by the Planning Commission and City Council is required prior to resubmitting the revised Housing Element to HCD for its final review and certification; and

WHEREAS, on August 7, 2023, the Planning Commission conducted a public hearing, as required by law, recommending the City Council consider the amendment to General Plan Amendment No. 21-01 and re-adoption of the City's 2021-2029 Housing Element. The Planning Commission recommendation passed by a 4-0 vote and thus adopted Planning Commission Resolution No. 2023-03.

WHEREAS, all legal prerequisites for the adoption of this Resolution have occurred.

NOW THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CUDAHY DOES HEREBY RESOLVE, DECLARE AND DETERMINE AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The recitals above are true and correct and incorporated herein by reference.

SECTION 2. Government Code Section 65583 states that a Housing Element is a mandatory element of the General Plan and shall consist of an identification and analysis of existing and projected housing needs and a statement of goals, policies, quantified objectives, financial resources, and schedule of programs for the preservation, improvement, and development of housing.

SECTION 3. As required by State law during the adoption of the Housing Element, the City has provided opportunities for the involvement of citizens, public agencies, and civic, educational, and other community groups, through public hearings and other means the city deems appropriate. The City facilitated public participation in the preparation of the draft housing element by conducting Town Hall meetings in August 2021, noticed public hearings before the Planning Commission on January 24, 2022, and, the City Council on February 15, 2022. These meetings were publicized by the provision of legally required publication. The City Council and the Planning Commission received and considered written and oral evidence at each of the public hearings on the proposed draft housing element. For the revised Housing Element, the City posted the document on City's website and notified all individuals and organizations that previously requested notice and/or previously commented on the Housing Element, and therefore, the City is in compliance with the requirements of the State law.

SECTION 4. After HCD issued its findings letter on April 18, 2023, the City updated its Housing Element to address HCD comments. On May 10, 2023, the City posted its revised draft Housing Element on its website for a seven-day public review period. On May 19, 2023, the revised draft Housing Element was submitted to HCD for review. On July 5, 2023, after holding a technical assistance meeting with HCD, the City submitted supplemental information on its revised draft Housing Element to HCD. On July 11, 2023, HCD notified the City the revised Housing Element is in substantial compliance with the State Housing Element Law. The City Council has reviewed and considered the Planning Commission's recommendation, HCD comments, staff recommendations, public testimony, correspondence, and reports thereon, and makes the following findings and facts:

- a. The amendment is consistent with the goals and policies of the City's General Plan. The Housing Element is a State-mandated Element of the City of Cudahy's General Plan. California law requires that the Housing Element be updated every eight years to adequately plan for the City's housing needs. As such, the revised Housing Element is consistent with the goals and policies of the General Plan.
- b. The amendment will not adversely affect surrounding properties. The Housing Element does not approve of any physical development and as such thus would not adversely affect any properties.
- c. The amendment promotes public health, safety, and general welfare. Adoption of the Housing Element will promote health, safety, and welfare by preserving housing that is affordable to extremely low, very low, and low- and moderate-income households; encouraging variety in housing types, sizes, costs, and tenure; establishing programs to ensure that most new development incorporates affordable housing; establishing incentives to encourage and help defray the costs of affordable housing development; affirmatively furthering fair housing opportunities; and by setting quantified objectives for housing production, rehabilitation, preservation and conservation.
- d. The amendment serves the goals and policies of the zoning code. The amendment does not approve any physical development. Future developments will be required to demonstrate compliance with the goals and policies of the zoning code.
- e. The amendment is consistent with the portions of the County of Los Angeles Hazardous Waste Management Plan relating to siting, and siting criteria, for hazardous facilities. The amendment does not approve any physical development. Future developments will be required to demonstrate compliance with plan.
- f. The revised Housing Element identifies sites that may accommodate the City's RHNA. Consistent with provisions of California Government Code Section 65583 (b), the City has evaluated its ability to accommodate its 393 new housing units by 2029 and has adopted quantified objectives (Housing Programs) that reach the RHNA allocation within the 6th Cycle.
- g. The Housing Element Guidelines adopted by HCD pursuant to Section 50459 of the Health and Safety Code find that the housing goals, objectives, and policies stated in the revised Housing Element are appropriate for the City and will contribute to the attainment of the state's housing goals. The City Council further finds that the adoption of the revised Housing Element will aid the City's efforts in the development of housing for all members of the community and that the Housing Element reflects the requirements of Government Code Section 65583 (b).
- h. In adopting this resolution, the City Council authorizes the Community Development Director to make non-substantive revisions to the City's Housing Element as may be

required to achieve certification by HCD.

SECTION 5. The Project has been assessed in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines and the environmental regulations of the City. The Project was assessed under an addendum to the Cudahy 2040 General Plan EIR (SCH#2017071071) for the Housing Element Update. Although the proposed project is intended to encourage and facilitate the development of housing through the 2021-2029 planning period, specific future projects are subject to the regulation of the General Plan, performance standards, and permitting processes of the City's Municipal Code, including the Planning and Zoning regulations, CEQA review of each proposed project, and all mitigation measures contained in applicable CEQA documents. Furthermore, under CEQA Guidelines Section 15282(s) and 15061, adoption of the Housing Element is exempt from the requirements to prepare additional environmental documentation per CEQA.

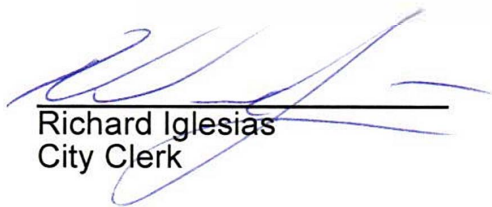
SECTION 6. Now, therefore, be it resolved that the City Council has reviewed and recommends adoption of General Plan Amendment No. 21-01 to amend and re-adopt the City's 6th Cycle Housing Element.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Cudahy at a duly noticed regular meeting held on the 15th day of August 2023 by the following vote:



Daisy Lomeli
Mayor

ATTEST:



Richard Iglesias
City Clerk

CERTIFICATION

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES)
CITY OF CUDAHY) SS:

I, Richard Iglesias, City Clerk of the City of Cudahy, hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance No. 740 was introduced for a first reading on the 15th day of August 2023 and approved for a second reading and adopted by said Council at its regular meeting held on the 5th day of September 2023 by the following vote, to-wit:

AYES: C. Gonzalez, Fuentes, Alcantar, J. Gonzalez, and Lomeli
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

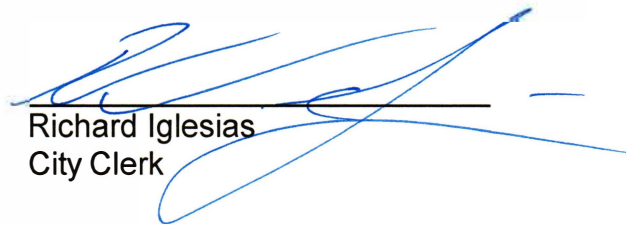

Richard Iglesias
City Clerk

EXHIBIT A

2021-2029 City of Cudahy Housing Element