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RESOLUTION NO. 6721(24)

A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Lompoc, County of Santa Barbara, State of California, Re-Adopting the Housing Element Update of the 2030 General Plan for the 2023-2031 Housing 6th Cycle and Certifying an Addendum to the 2030 General Plan Final Environmental Impact Report (GP 21-02)

WHEREAS, Housing Element law is codified in Sections 65302(c) and 65580 of the California Government Code. Under those statutes, all communities in California are required to have a Housing Element as part of their adopted General Plan. The City of Lompoc's (City) most recent Housing Element was adopted on February 3, 2015, with Housing and Community Development (HCD) compliance date of December 29, 2015. The City is required to update its Housing Element, reflecting an eight-year planning horizon from 2023-2031; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lompoc as Lead Agency determined the Update to the Housing Element is a "Project" under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and State CEQA Guidelines; and

WHEREAS, an Addendum to the Final 2030 General Plan Environmental Impact Report (SCH NO. 2008081032) was prepared by Rincon Consultants, Inc. in conformance with CEQA, the State CEQA Guidelines and the Environmental Guidelines of the City, to study the environmental impacts of the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission held duly-noticed public hearings on September 13, 2023, October 25, 2023, and October 9, 2024, to discuss and take public testimony on the Housing Element Update; and

WHEREAS, staff and its consultants conferred with HCD staff on February 15, 2024, April 24, 2024, and on June 25, 2024, and received written correspondence from HCD. Staff made modifications to the document as requested and subsequently received a letter of substantial conformance from HCD on September 19, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission held a duly-noticed regular public hearing on September 13, 2023, special public hearing on October 25, 2023, and a regular public hearing on October 9, 2024, to consider recommendations to the City Council on the Housing Element Update and Addendum; and

WHEREAS, on October 9, 2024, the Planning Commission adopted Resolution No. 1011 (24) recommending that the City Council re-adopt the Housing Element Update and certify the Addendum; and

WHEREAS, the City Council held a duly-noticed public hearing on November 19, 2024, to consider the Planning Commission recommendations.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOMPOC, CALIFORNIA, DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1: The City Council accepts and certifies the Addendum to the Final 2030 General Plan EIR (SCH No. 2008081032), as shown in Exhibit A, attached hereto and incorporated herein, prepared by Rincon Consultants for the Housing Element Update as required by CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines.

SECTION 2: Based upon the testimony provided, the Addendum, and other evidence received at the hearings and staff's written and oral analyses, the City Council finds the proposed Housing Element Update is consistent with State Law and is necessary for the public health and safety.

SECTION 3: The City Council acknowledges that the site inventory contained within the Housing Element Update relies upon nonvacant sites to accommodate more than 50% of the RHNA for lower income households but recommends the City Council find that the existing uses will likely discontinue in the planning period (2023-2031) based on the following findings:

a. Streamlined permit processing will enable nonvacant sites to be developed more efficiently and in a reduced time frame;

b. The development on nonvacant sites can be served with existing utilities available throughout the City;

c. The development on nonvacant sites is in close proximity to amenities such as services, schools, recreation, employment and public;

d. The City's Permit Ready Accessory Dwelling Unit program will enable significant development of ADU's on nonvacant sites through pre-approved plans available to the community;

e. The Updated Housing Element includes programs that revise review processes as appropriate based on monitoring to ensure processes do not constrain development on nonvacant sites;

f. A previously approved re-zone which added a Planned Development Overlay for all sites included in the Housing Element sites inventory provides flexibility in housing project design to overcome site-specific constraints and limitations for housing projects that wish to deviate from development standards;

g. The Updated Housing Element includes a program that commits to conducting a mid-term evaluation of its Architectural Review Guidelines and revise the process as necessary to promote objectivity and approval certainty; and

h. All findings located in the Nonvacant Sites Analysis beginning on page 2-130 of the Housing Element Update.

SECTION 4: The 6th Cycle Housing Element Update to the City's 2030 General Plan is hereby adopted, as shown in Exhibit B, attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference with the following changes:

a) Revise Table H-45 (Identified Vacant and Underutilized Sites) on page 2-139 with the following revisions:

i. Correct Site #31 to reflect an accurate property size of 0.40 acres;
ii. Correct Site #49 to reference the property with an existing Accessory Dwelling Unit and an existing Junior Accessory Unit;
iii. Correct Site #69 to reflect an accurate property size of 1.8 acres;
iv. Correct Site #81 to reflect an accurate zoning designation of PCD.

SECTION 5: This Resolution is effective immediately.

The foregoing Resolution was proposed by Council Member Aiello, seconded by Council Member Vega, and was duly passed and adopted by the Council of the City of Lompoc at its regular meeting on November 19, 2024, by the following vote:

AYES: Council Member(s): Gilda Aiello, Victor Vega, Jeremy Ball, and Mayor Jenelle Osborne.

NOES: Council Member(s): Dirk Starbuck

ABSENT: Council Member(s): None

Jenelle Osborne, Mayor
City of Lompoc

ATTEST:

Stacey Haddon, City Clerk
City of Lompoc

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE foregoing instrument is a true and correct copy of the original on file in the Lompoc City Clerk's Department.
ATTEST:

Attachments:

Exhibit A: Addendum to Final 2030 General Plan EIR
Exhibit B: 6th Cycle General Plan Housing Element Update