



Agenda Item

City Council

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TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

THRU: Tom Kisela, City Manager

FROM: Russell Bunim, Community Development Director

1. SUBJECT

General Plan Annual Progress Report to the State of California.

2. SUMMARY

California Government Code Section 65400 requires that cities submit an annual report on the status of their General Plan and progress in its implementation to the Governor's Office of Planning and Research and the Department of Housing and Community Development each year. This report summarizes the City's implementation accomplishments for 2023.

3. RECOMMENDED ACTION

Receive and file the 2023 General Plan Annual Progress Report for submittal to the State.

4. FISCAL IMPACT

None

5. STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS

Not applicable since this item is informational in nature and involves no action.

6. DISCUSSION AND BACKGROUND

California Government Code Section 65400 requires that cities submit an annual report on the status of their General Plan and progress in its implementation to the Governor's Office of Planning and Research and Department of Housing and Community Development. The annual report must be provided to the City Council for review and acceptance. As a procedural matter, staff took the annual report to the Planning Commission at its April 1, 2024, meeting (Attachment 1) for receipt and acceptance prior to the City Council action given the role of the Commission as advisory to the Council in planning matters.

General Plan implementation supports the quality of life objectives for the community that serve as the foundation for the General Plan Vision Plan (Attachment 2). Annual report and tracking activities enable the City and State to track progress made on General Plan implementation. The General Plan Implementation Report (Attachment 3) details the key implementation actions that the City accomplished or made progress on in 2023. Some highlights of the City's accomplishments in 2023 include:

- Opened 1,506 code enforcement cases and closed 450 cases
- Four signalization projects were completed, and two were under construction
- Improved the intersections at Cannon Street and Serrano Avenue, and at Chapman Avenue and Batavia Street
- Remodeled the bathrooms at the Taft Library
- Plaza Park Safety Enhancement
- Skate Park at Grijalva Park
- El Modena Basin Public Restroom Improvement
- Document Management Improvements which include the implementation of SharePoint and MainStar Permit management systems
- Rubberized Tot Lot Surface Replacement
- Continued annual public right-of-way and infrastructure maintenance including pavement patching and maintenance, slurry seal, 21,882 tons of asphalt concrete replacement, 1,577 linear feet of new or replaced curb and gutter, 7,376 linear feet of sewer main replacement, installation of 46 new ADA wheelchair access ramps, water meter replacement, street tree maintenance, pothole repairs, 5,002 square feet of sidewalk installation, fleet vehicle maintenance, water lateral replacement

Housing Element

The Housing Element is one of the state-mandated elements of the General Plan. The Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) requires the reporting of Housing Element implementation on specific state reporting forms. The method of reporting of Housing Element implementation is established by HCD with the purpose of tracking overall housing production in a community, as well as a jurisdiction's progress toward meeting its regional housing needs assessment (RHNA) allocation. The City's Housing Element Implementation Progress Report is included in Attachment 4 and was submitted to the State on March 27, 2024. The subject report is a companion to the 2023 Housing Element report.

In summary, building permits were issued for 144 new residential units in 2023: 69 units were accessory dwelling units, one unit was a new single family residence, and 74 units were apartments/multi-family units. More detailed information about unit affordability assumptions and the City's progress in meeting its Year 2021-2029 RHNA goals is provided in Attachment 1. However, there are 50 units that fall into the very-low affordability category, and 24 units that fall into the low affordability category which are a result of the Katella Terrace Senior Affordable Housing development.

The City also continues its efforts to implement the Policy Actions of its Housing Element. Furthermore, preparation of this annual report constitutes implementation of Policy Action 2A: Annual Review of Housing Element (Attachment 4).

At their April 1, 2024, meeting, the Planning Commission, in their recommending capacity, voted 5:0 to recommend that the report be forwarded to the City Council for receipt.

7. ATTACHMENTS

- Attachment 1 - Planning Commission Staff Report dated April 1, 2024
- Attachment 2 - 2010 General Plan Vision Statement

- Attachment 3 - 2023 General Plan Implementation Report
- Attachment 4 - 2023 Annual Housing Element Implementation Progress Report