FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES OF OCTOBER 10, 2013

9. <u>GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT</u> (Public Hearing)

A13-0007/2013-2021 Housing Element: Recommending the adoption of the revised Housing Element to the Board of Supervisors as required by California Government Code, Section 65580. This State statute requires the adoption of the Housing Element by October 31, 2013, or the County risks eligibility for future state and federal funding opportunities. The draft Housing Element was accepted and forwarded to the State Housing and Community Development Department (HCD) for review by the Board of Supervisors on March 25, 2013. The County has received comments from HCD and will coordinate with the State department over the next several months on revisions necessary to ensure certification of the Element. [Project Planner: Shawna Purvines] (Negative Declaration prepared)*

Shawna Purvines-Long Range Planning provided an overview of the item to the Commission and read into the record modifications to Measure HO-2013-2 of the 2013-2021 Draft Housing Element and recommended approval to the Board of Supervisors.

Significant discussion ensued between Staff and Planning Commission.

Valerie Zentner - EDC Farm Bureau-Pleased to see this going forward.

Chair Pratt closed public comment.

There was no further discussion.

Motion: Commissioner Pratt moved, seconded by Commissioner Shinault, and carried (4-0), to recommend the Board of Supervisors take the following actions: 1. Adopt the Negative Declaration based on the Initial Study prepared by staff; and 2. Approve General Plan Amendment A13-0007 amending the General Plan to incorporate the 2013-2021 Housing Element Update based on Findings as presented with modifications to Measure HO-2013-2 as read into the record.

AYES: Stewart, Heflin, Shinault, Pratt

NOES: None ABSENT: Mathews