



## Legislation Text

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Planning and Building Department, Long Range Planning, hosting a joint informational workshop for the Board of Supervisors and Planning Commission on the 2021-2029 Housing Element Public Review Draft. The Housing Element Update provides a review of the County's housing inventory using the General Plan land use designation; a review of the goals, policies, financial resources, and necessary revisions to implement measures to reflect changes in local, state and federal law, along with a review of the success in meeting the prior goals and objectives. (No formal action will be taken.)

**Funding:** General Fund and California Department of Housing and Community Development Local Government Planning Support Grants Program, Regional Early Action Planning Grants

### **DISCUSSION / BACKGROUND**

This joint informational workshop for the Board of Supervisors and Planning Commission is being hosted by the Planning Division, Long Range Planning unit. The purpose of the workshop is to solicit input and encourage public participation during the process of updating the Housing Element of the County General Plan.

The County is in the process of updating the Housing Element, which is one of the seven mandatory elements of El Dorado County's General Plan. This update is for the eight-year planning period of 2021 to 2029. The County has contracted with PlaceWorks, Inc. to assist with this effort which is anticipated to be completed by August 2021.

The Housing Element update considers the County's housing policies, goals and objective for the planning period. This effort will result in modifications to the current adopted 2013-2021 Housing Element to address the changing needs of County residents as well as changes to State housing law.

The Housing Element of the General Plan is a land use and policy document and does not address or analyze specific housing projects

The draft Housing Element update is posted to the County website at <https://www.edcgov.us/Government/LongRangePlanning> (also Attachment C) and was submitted to the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) for the required 60-day review period. During this time, HCD, County staff and the public will review the draft prior to preparing the final Housing Element update for Board and Planning Commission review and Board approval in August 2021.

Throughout the Housing Element Update review process, the public is encouraged to provide written comment to C.J. Freeland, Planning and Building Department, 2850 Fairlane Court, Bldg. C., Placerville CA 95667, or by email at [Cynthia.freeland@edcgov.us](mailto:Cynthia.freeland@edcgov.us).

### **ALTERNATIVES**

N/A

### **PRIOR BOARD OF SUPERVISOR ACTION**

On September 18, 2018, the Board adopted Resolution of Intention 193-2018 to amend the County General Plan by updating the Housing Element in 2021 as required by State law. (See Board Agenda 9/18/18 Minutes, Item No.20, Legistar File No. 18-1146.)

On March 19, 2019, the Board received a presentation from Greg Chew, Senior Planner for the Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG), and Paul McDougall, Policy Manager, Division of Housing Policy Development at HCD, regarding the methodology process for the 2021-2029 Regional Housing Needs Assessment for the 2021-2029 Housing Element Update of the General Plan. (Agenda Item No. 22, Legistar File 19-0219)

On November 19, 2019, the Board received a presentation from staff regarding an update to the methodology process for the Regional Housing Needs Assessment for the 2021-2029 General Plan Housing Element Update. (Agenda Item No. 36, Legistar File 19-1575)

On January 28, 2020, the Board approved the Chair's signature on a three-year Agreement (Agreement 4511) with PlaceWorks, Inc. for the provision of services required for the General Plan Housing Element Update for the planning period of 2021-2029. (Agenda Item No. 25, Legistar File 19-1865)

On November 10, 2020, the Board adopted Resolution 171-2020, authorizing the Planning and Building Department Director to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with SACOG to accept \$35000 in grant funding under the Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) grant allocation from HCD Local Government Planning Support Grants Program. (See Board Agenda 11/10/20 Minutes, Item No.32, Legistar File No. 20-1320.)

### **OTHER DEPARTMENT / AGENCY INVOLVEMENT**

County Counsel and HCD

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

Cost for this workshop is paid from the Department's existing project budget, which comes from the General Fund, and is supplemented with \$35,000 in funding from SACOG REAP grant allocation from HCD Local Government Planning Support Grants Program.

### **STRATEGIC PLAN COMPONENT**

Good County Governance - Accountability with respect to laws, regulations and policies  
Healthy Communities - Achieve sufficient and attainable housing for all El Dorado County residents.  
Economic Development - Provide attainable housing options - balance jobs with housing.

### **CONTACT**

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