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1.0 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Introduction

This Addendum was prepared in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the CEQA Guidelines (Article 11, Sections 15162 and 15164). The City of Pleasanton certified the Housing Element and Climate Action Plan General Plan Amendment and Rezonings Supplemental EIR (SCH No. 2011052002) on January 4, 2012. This document is referred to as the General Plan Amendment and Rezonings Supplemental EIR, or the Supplemental EIR, in this Addendum.

The California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) allocates regional housing needs numbers to regional councils of governments throughout the State. For areas with no council of governments, HCD determines housing market areas and defines the regional housing need for cities and counties in these areas. HCD assigned the Bay Area a Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) of 1,857,990 for the 2014-2022 planning period. The Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) then further defined the RHNA to distribute the region's share of the Statewide need to the cities and counties in the Bay Area region. For the 2015–2023 Housing Element update, the City of Pleasanton is allocated an RHNA of 2,067 units, with allocations for specific income groups.

The City of Pleasanton 2015–2023 Housing Element is designed to address the projected housing needs of current and future city residents and to comply with State law requiring amendment of the Housing Element every five or eight years, depending on jurisdiction (California Government Code Sections 65580–65589.8). The proposed Housing Element is the City's policy document guiding the provision of housing to meet future needs for all economic segments of Pleasanton, including housing affordable to lower-income households.

The analysis provided in this Addendum (see Section 3.0 for the technical analysis) provides substantial evidence supporting the City's determination that the proposed Housing Element does not meet the criteria for preparing a subsequent or supplemental EIR under CEQA Guidelines Section 15162 and is consistent with the provisions of CEQA Guidelines Section 15164.

1.2 Organization and Scope

SECTION 1.0 – INTRODUCTION

Section 1.0 provides an introduction and overview describing the intended use of the EIR Addendum.

SECTION 2.0 – PROJECT DESCRIPTION

This section provides a detailed description of the proposed Housing Element.

SECTION 3.0 – ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS

Section 3.0 provides substantial evidence to support that none of the circumstances set forth in CEQA Guidelines Section 15162 would result from adoption of the proposed Housing Element. CEQA Guidelines Section 15162 and the Addendum's consistency with these guidelines are addressed.

2.0 PROJECT DESCRIPTION

2.1 Proposed Housing Element

The City of Pleasanton 2015–2023 Housing Element builds on the other elements in the Pleasanton General Plan and is consistent with the General Plan’s policies. Housing policy draws on the development capacity levels established in the Land Use Element to determine the appropriate locations for housing development. The 2015–2023 Housing Element includes programs that may result in changes to the City’s Zoning Ordinance; however, these changes do not involve the rezoning or upzoning of land to another zoning district that would result in the development of additional housing beyond that currently anticipated in the Zoning Ordinance. Therefore, the Housing Element is consistent with the land use assumptions of the General Plan Amendment and Rezoning Supplemental EIR.

The City of Pleasanton Housing Element is based on 20 goals:

Goal 1:	Attain a variety of housing sizes, types, densities, designs, and prices which meet the existing and projected needs of all economic segments of the community.
Goal 2:	Provide residential densities capable of accommodating housing affordable to extremely low-, low-, and very low-income households while taking into account the character and development pattern of the surrounding area.
Goal 3:	Endeavor to provide and retain a sufficient number of rental housing units to serve Pleasanton residents who choose to rent or who cannot afford ownership housing.
Goal 4:	Encourage the production of market-rate moderate-income ownership housing and assisted ownership housing affordable to low- and very low-income households.
Goal 5:	Produce and retain a sufficient number of housing units affordable to extremely low-, low-, and very low-income households to address the City’s responsibility for meeting the needs of Pleasanton’s workforce, families, and residents, including those with special needs.
Goal 6:	Promote the production of housing affordable to extremely low-, low-, and very low-income households by actively working with and creating incentives for nonprofit housing developers.
Goal 7:	Preserve and/or replace assisted rental apartment housing which is at risk of changing to market-rate housing.
Goal 8:	Assist occupants of at-risk units by either retaining those units as affordable for their income category or by finding new housing for them that is affordable to low- and very low-income households.
Goal 9:	Process housing proposals affordable to extremely low-, low-, and very low-income households and use available City programs and incentives so as to promote and facilitate housing affordability for low- and very low-income households.
Goal 10:	Remove unnecessary governmental constraints to the provision of housing affordable to extremely low-, low-, and very low-income households and associated public services and facilities.
Goal 11:	Manage residential growth in an orderly fashion while enabling Pleasanton to meet its housing needs.
Goal 12:	Retain flexibility in the growth management process in order to accommodate housing affordability.
Goal 13:	Encourage the preservation and rehabilitation of the existing housing stock.
Goal 14:	Provide adequate locations for housing of all types and in sufficient quantities to meet Pleasanton’s housing needs.
Goal 15:	Adopt land use changes from nonresidential to residential designations where appropriate.
Goal 16:	Continue City policies eliminating discrimination in housing opportunities in Pleasanton.
Goal 17:	Identify and make special provisions for the community’s special housing needs.
Goal 18:	Promote resource conservation and environmental protection for new and existing housing.
Goal 19:	Enhance existing non-discrimination housing policies.
Goal 20:	Satisfy the supportive housing, and transitional housing requirements of SB 2.

2.0 PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The intent of the Pleasanton Housing Element is to address the housing needs of all income levels. In particular, the housing needs of extremely low-, very low-, and low-income households are explicitly mentioned because special emphasis on these income groups is needed. The proposed Housing Element addresses housing needs for all income groups by maintaining and preserving the existing affordable housing stock, assisting in the development of housing, removing constraints to housing development, and promoting equal housing opportunity.

While the Housing Element is subject to CEQA, no specific development projects are proposed as part of the Housing Element. The City currently has adequate housing sites to meet the RHNA, requiring no changes in the General Plan Land Use Map designations. The following two Housing Element programs require an amendment to the City's Zoning Ordinance:

Program 17.1: Review the City's Inclusionary Zoning Ordinance and amend:

- for consistency with the Housing Element and other City affordable housing programs;
- to identify incentives for nonprofit housing developers and other housing developers to construct projects including three-bedroom units for large households;
- to determine if it is appropriate to increase the percentage of affordability to support housing affordable to low- and very low-income households;
- to be consistent with recent court decisions regarding rental housing and State law.

Program 47.1: Revise the Zoning Ordinance to permit transitional and supportive housing in all zones allowing residential uses and define transitional and supportive housing as residential uses allowed in the same way and subject to the same development regulations that apply to other dwellings of the same type in the same zone.

Although the 2015–2023 Housing Element includes many policies and programs, the majority of these are a continuation of an existing policy or program. No Housing Element policies or programs result in policy changes to other elements of the General Plan. No policies or programs, except for those listed above, would result in changes to the Zoning Ordinance. As such, the 2015–2023 Housing Element is considered to be internally consistent with the currently adopted City of Pleasanton General Plan.

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3.1 Basis for Decision to Prepare Addendum

When an environmental impact report (EIR) has been certified for a project, Public Resources Code Section 21166 and CEQA Guidelines Sections 15162 through 15164 set forth the criteria for determining whether a subsequent EIR, subsequent negative declaration, addendum, or no further documentation should be prepared in support of further agency action on the project. In determining whether an addendum is the appropriate document to analyze the modifications to the project and its approval, CEQA Guidelines Section 15164 (Addendum to an EIR or Negative Declaration) states, "The lead agency or a responsible agency shall prepare an addendum to a previously certified EIR if some changes or additions are necessary but none of the conditions described in Section 15162 calling for preparation of a subsequent EIR have occurred." Under the CEQA Guidelines, a subsequent EIR or negative declaration shall be prepared if any of the following criteria are met. Text in italics is from the CEQA Guidelines, while underlined text provides the substantial evidence supporting the City's decision to prepare an addendum.

(a) When an EIR has been certified or negative declaration adopted for a project, no subsequent EIR shall be prepared for that project unless the lead agency determines, on the basis of substantial evidence in the light of the whole record, one or more of the following:

(1) Substantial changes are proposed in the project which will require major revisions of the previous EIR or negative declaration due to the involvement of new significant environmental effects or a substantial increase in the severity of previously identified significant effects;

The Housing Element does not propose any changes to existing land use designations in the General Plan, nor does the Housing Element propose any changes to existing General Plan policies. The programs of the Housing Element resulting in revisions to the Zoning Ordinance bring the ordinance into compliance with State law. Programs 17.1 and 47.1 are required by the State of California in order to provide adequate housing and remove any constraints to adequate housing for all persons in the State. None of the changes result in physical changes to the environment and therefore do not affect the impact analysis contained in the General Plan Amendment and Rezoning Supplemental EIR.

(2) Substantial changes occur with respect to the circumstances under which the project is undertaken which will require major revisions of the previous EIR or negative declaration due to the involvement of new significant environmental effects or a substantial increase in the severity of previously identified significant effects; or

The General Plan was adopted on July 21, 2009. Since that time, a number of land use changes were implemented which were analyzed in the General Plan Amendment and Rezoning Supplemental EIR. The City has not changed the city boundaries since the adoption of the General Plan or the certification of the Supplemental EIR. The 2015–2023 Housing Element does not propose any annexation of land, nor does it increase the intensity of development beyond that identified in the General Plan. Therefore, the Housing Element is consistent with the land use assumptions of the General Plan Amendment and Rezoning Supplemental EIR. No substantial changes in circumstances have occurred.

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(3) *New information of substantial importance, which was not known and could not have been known with the exercise of reasonable diligence at the time the previous EIR was certified as complete or the negative declaration was adopted, shows any of the following:*

(A) *The project will have one or more significant effects not discussed in the previous EIR or negative declaration;*

As discussed in this Addendum, the proposed Housing Element does not increase the level of any environmental impact identified in the General Plan Amendment and Rezonings Supplemental EIR. The proposed changes align definitions with State law. The changes in definitions affect the existing built environment or would be part of future project(s) and subject to additional project-level environmental analysis.

(B) *Significant effects previously examined will be substantially more severe than shown in the previous EIR;*

The proposed Housing Element does not increase the severity of any of the environmental impacts identified in the General Plan Amendment and Rezonings Supplemental EIR, as the proposal does not make changes to the land use designations or patterns nor propose any development that would not be consistent with the land use assumptions in the Supplemental EIR.

(C) *Mitigation measures or alternatives previously found not to be feasible would in fact be feasible and would substantially reduce one or more significant effects of the project, but the project proponents decline to adopt the mitigation measure or alternative; or*

No new mitigation measures are proposed as a result of the new Housing Element. The changes in housing policy are procedural in nature and affect the processing and review of future housing projects.

(D) *Mitigation measures or alternatives which are considerably different from those analyzed in the previous EIR would substantially reduce one or more significant effects on the environment, but the project proponents decline to adopt the mitigation measure or alternative.*

The proposed Housing Element does not make any changes to the land use designations or map, and there is no need to modify the mitigation measures contained in the General Plan Amendment and Rezonings Supplemental EIR that address projects developed pursuant to the General Plan.

(b) *If changes to a project or its circumstances occur or new information becomes available after adoption of a negative declaration, the lead agency shall prepare a subsequent EIR if required under subdivision (a). Otherwise, the lead agency shall determine whether to prepare a subsequent negative declaration, and addendum, or no further documentation.*

As summarized above and further discussed in this Addendum, the proposed Housing Element does not make changes to the goals, policies, or programs or to the land use designations of the General Plan that would require substantial revisions to the General Plan Amendment and

Rezoning Supplemental EIR. Circumstances have not changed significantly since certification of the General Plan Amendment and Rezoning Supplemental EIR in January 2012 that would require revision of the Supplemental EIR.

3.2 DISCUSSION OF FINDINGS

As demonstrated in this Addendum, adoption of the new Housing Element does not meet the criteria for preparing a supplemental or subsequent EIR. First, the Housing Element does not propose substantial changes to existing General Plan policies. Programs 17.1 and 47.1 are required by the State of California in order to provide adequate housing and remove any constraints to adequate housing for all persons in the State. None of the changes result in physical changes to the environment and therefore do not affect the impact analysis contained in the General Plan Amendment and Rezoning Supplemental EIR. Adoption of a new Housing Element with these changes to policy and procedure is not anticipated to result in an increase in severity of any previously identified significant impact beyond that identified in the General Plan Amendment and Rezoning Supplemental EIR (CEQA Guidelines Section 15162[a][1]) that would require major revisions to the Supplemental EIR.

The Housing Element is a policy-level document, meaning that while the Housing Element encourages the provision of a range of housing types and affordability levels, it does not include any specific development designs or proposals, nor does it grant any entitlements for development that would adversely affect the environment. Environmental impacts of subsequent development projects would also be considered pursuant to CEQA on a case-by-case basis following submittal of a specific development proposal.

In addition to the General Plan policies, all land development in the City is governed by engineering standards, the California Building Code, and State and federal permitting associated with wetlands, cultural resources, water, and other environmental resources. These requirements apply to both nondiscretionary (by right) and discretionary development permits. Discretionary permits have the added protection of both conditions of approval and additional CEQA analysis. The General Plan Amendment and Rezoning Supplemental EIR evaluated urban development in Pleasanton and recognized the existing permitting and approval process described above.

Second, the 2015–2023 Housing Element’s proposed modifications to the Zoning Ordinance are programmatic in nature. The Housing Element includes a set of goals, policies, and programs intended to guide the City’s decision-making process as private development projects are considered. While the Housing Element establishes housing targets for income levels as required in the RHNA, the City can only encourage the development of housing units. As a policy document, the Housing Element does not propose changes in physical circumstances that would cause a new significant impact or substantially increase the severity of a previously identified significant impact, and there have been no other changes in circumstances that meet this criterion (CEQA Guidelines Section 15162[a][2]). Therefore, there have been no changes in the environmental conditions in the City not contemplated and analyzed in the General Plan Amendment and Rezoning Supplemental EIR that would result in new or substantially more severe environmental impacts.

Third, as documented in this Addendum, there is no new information of substantial importance (which was not known or could not have been known at the time of General Plan adoption by Pleasanton in 2012) that identifies a new significant impact (condition “A” in CEQA Guidelines Section 15162[a][3]); there would not be a substantial increase in the severity of a previously identified significant impact (condition “B” in CEQA Guidelines Section 15162[a][3]); and there

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are no mitigation measures or alternatives previously found infeasible that would now be feasible and would substantially reduce one or more significant effects of the General Plan, or mitigation measures or alternatives that are considerably different from those analyzed in the General Plan Amendment and Rezonings Supplemental EIR which would substantially reduce one or more significant effects on the environment (conditions "C" and "D" in CEQA Guidelines Section 15162[a][3]). The Housing Element only encourages the provision of a range of housing types and affordability levels. The Housing Element does not include any specific development designs or proposals, nor does it grant any entitlements for development that would adversely affect the environment. None of the "new information" conditions listed in CEQA Guidelines Section 15162[a][3] are present here to trigger the need for a subsequent or supplemental EIR.

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TABLE 3.0-1 GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT AND REZONINGS IMPACTS/HOUSING ELEMENT IMPACT DETERMINATION			
General Plan Amendment and Rezonings Impact		General Plan Amendment and Rezonings Supplemental EIR Determination	Housing Element Impact Determination
Aesthetics			
Impact 4.A-1	Potentially adverse effect on a scenic vista	Less than significant with mitigation	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.A-2	Potentially damage scenic resources, including, but not limited to, trees, rocks, outcroppings, and historic buildings within a state scenic highway	Less than significant	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.A-3	Potentially degrade the existing visual character or quality of Planning Area	Less than significant	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.A-4	Potentially create a new source of substantial light or glare	Less than significant	Does not change the impact
Air Quality			
Impact 4.B-1	Result in increased long-term emissions of criteria pollutants associated with construction activities that could contribute substantially to an air quality violation	Less than significant with mitigation	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.B-2	Conflict with the Bay Area 2010 Clean Air Plan	Less than significant	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.B-3	Conflict with the Clean Air Plan	Less than significant	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.B-4	Expose sensitive receptors to substantial health risk from diesel particulate matter (DPM) and other TACs from mobile and stationary sources	Less than significant with mitigation	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.B-5	Potentially include residential developments that expose occupants to sources of substantial odors affecting a substantial number of people	Less than significant with mitigation	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.B.6	Potentially be inconsistent with the growth assumptions of the <i>Bay Area 2010 Clean Air Plan</i> resulting in a cumulative air quality impact	Less than significant	Does not change the impact
Biological Resources			
Impact 4.C-1	Substantial adverse effect, either directly or through habitat modifications, on species identified as a candidate,	Less than significant with mitigation	Does not change the impact

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General Plan Amendment and Rezonings Impact		General Plan Amendment and Rezonings Supplemental EIR Determination	Housing Element Impact Determination
	sensitive, or special-status species		
Impact 4.C-2	Potentially adversely affect wetlands, streams, or riparian habitat	Less than significant with mitigation	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.C-3	Potentially interfere with the movement of any native resident or migratory fish or wildlife species or with established native resident or migratory wildlife corridors, or impede the use of native wildlife nursery sites	Less than significant with mitigation	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.C-4	Conflict with local policies or ordinances protecting biological resources	Less than significant	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.C-5	Conflict with the provisions of an adopted habitat conservation plan	Less than significant	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.C-6	Potentially have a cumulatively considerable impact on biological resources	Less than significant	Does not change the impact
Cultural Resources			
Impact 4.D-1	Potential to adversely change the significance of historical resources	Significant and unavoidable	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.D-2	Potential to adversely affect archaeological resources	Less than significant with mitigation	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.D-3	Destroy a unique paleontological resource or site or unique geologic feature	Less than significant with mitigation	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.D-4	Potential to disturb human remains, including those interred outside of formal cemeteries	Less than significant with mitigation	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.D-5	Cumulative impact to historical resources	Less than significant with mitigation	Does not change the impact
Greenhouse Gas Emissions			
Impact 4.E-1	Potentially produce greenhouse gas emissions that could exceed applicable quantitative thresholds	Less than significant	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.E-2	Potentially conflict with an applicable plan, policy or	Less than significant	Does not change the impact

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General Plan Amendment and Rezonings Impact		General Plan Amendment and Rezonings Supplemental EIR Determination	Housing Element Impact Determination
	regulation of an appropriate regulatory agency adopted for the purpose of reducing greenhouse gas emissions		
Geology			
Impact 4.F-1	Expose people or structures to rupture of a known earthquake fault	Less than significant	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.F-2	Potentially expose people or structures to adverse effects of strong seismic ground shaking or seismic-related ground failure	Less than significant	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.F-3	Potentially expose people or structures to landslides or mudflows	Less than significant	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.F-4	Potentially be subject to risk from settlement and/or subsidence of land, lateral spreading, or expansive soils	Less than significant	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.F-5	Potentially result in cumulative impacts to geologic and seismic hazards	Less than significant	Does not change the impact
Hazards and Hazardous Materials			
Impact 4.G-1	Potentially significant hazard to the public through routine transport, use, or disposal of hazardous materials	Less than significant	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.G-2	Accidentally release hazardous materials into the environment, creating a potentially significant hazard to the public or environment	Less than significant with mitigation	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.G-3	Potentially result in hazardous emissions or handling of hazardous or acutely hazardous materials, substances, or waste within one-quarter mile of an existing or proposed school	Less than significant	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.G-4	Potentially be located on one or more sites that are included on a list of hazardous materials sites	Less than significant	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.G-5	Potentially affect the operations at the Livermore	Less than significant with mitigation	Does not change the impact

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General Plan Amendment and Rezonings Impact		General Plan Amendment and Rezonings Supplemental EIR Determination	Housing Element Impact Determination
	Municipal Airport or present a safety hazard to people residing or working in the vicinity		
Impact 4.G-6	Potentially result in a safety hazard for people residing or working in the vicinity of a private airstrip	Less than significant	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.G-7	Potentially impair implementation of or physically interfere with an adopted emergency response plan or emergency evacuation plan	Less than significant	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.G-8	Expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving wildland fires	Less than significant	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.G-9	Cumulative hazards or hazardous materials impacts	Less than significant	Does not change the impact
Hydrology and Water Quality			
Impact 4.H-1	Potential impacts on water quality, flooding, and could create additional sources of polluted runoff	Less than significant	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.H-2	Potentially deplete groundwater supplies or interfere with groundwater recharge	Less than significant	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.H-3	Potentially alter runoff characteristics on sites proposed for residential development which could lead to on-site and off-site erosion or flooding	Less than significant	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.H-4	Potentially result in construction of residences within a FEMA 500-year flood hazard area	Less than significant	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.H-5	Potentially expose people and structures to flooding as a result of a levee or dam failure	Less than significant	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.H-6	Cumulative adverse impact with respect to hydrology and water quality	Less than significant	Does not change the impact
Land Use			
Impact 4.I-1	Potentially physically divide an established community	Less than significant	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.I-2	Potentially conflict with applicable land use plans and	Less than significant	Does not change the impact

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General Plan Amendment and Rezonings Impact		General Plan Amendment and Rezonings Supplemental EIR Determination	Housing Element Impact Determination
	policies		
Impact 4.I-3	Potentially conflict with adopted habitat conservation plans	Less than significant	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.I-4	Cumulative land use conflicts	Less than significant	Does not change the impact
Noise			
Impact 4.J-1	Potentially increase construction noise levels at sensitive receptors located near construction sites	Less than significant with mitigation	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.J-2	Potentially generate ground-borne vibration at neighboring sensitive uses	Less than significant with mitigation	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.J-3	Future residents could potentially be exposed to excessive exterior and interior noise exposure from train noise events	Less than significant with mitigation	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.J-4	Future residents would be exposed to substantial vibration from train pass-by events	Less than significant	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.J-5	Potentially generate additional traffic on local area roadways and associated increases in traffic noise exposure relative to existing conditions	Less than significant with mitigation	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.J-6	Potentially be affected by existing, stationary (non-transportation) noise sources	Less than significant with mitigation	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.J-7	Potentially be exposed to aircraft noise	Less than significant with mitigation	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.J-8	Cumulative noise effects at noise-sensitive uses	Less than significant	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.J-9	Cumulative increase in traffic noise exposure under the project scenario	Less than significant with mitigation	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.J-10	Exposing future residents to excessive exterior and interior traffic noise exposure	Less than significant with mitigation	Does not change the impact

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General Plan Amendment and Rezonings Impact		General Plan Amendment and Rezonings Supplemental EIR Determination	Housing Element Impact Determination
Population and Housing			
Impact 4.K-1	Induce substantial population growth in the city	Less than significant	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.K-2	Potentially displace substantial numbers of existing homes	Less than significant	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.K-3	Potentially displace substantial numbers of people	Less than significant	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.K-4	Potentially introduce additional population to the region, and would result in unanticipated population, housing, or employment growth, or the displacement of existing residents or housing units on a regional level.	Less than significant	Does not change the impact
Public Services and Utilities			
Impact 4.L-1	Potentially result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered governmental facilities	Less than significant	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.L-2	Potentially require new or expanded water supply resources or entitlements	Less than significant with mitigation	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.L-3	Potentially result in the need for construction of wastewater treatment facilities or exceed capacity available by the wastewater treatment provider	Less than significant	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.L-4	Potentially be served by a landfill with insufficient permitted capacity to accommodate the project's solid waste disposal needs	Less than significant	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.L-5	Potentially result in an increased demand for utilities services	Less than significant	Does not change the impact
Recreation			
Impact 4.M-1	Potentially increase the use of existing neighborhood and regional parks or other recreational facilities such that substantial physical deterioration of the facilities would	Less than significant	Does not change the impact

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General Plan Amendment and Rezonings Impact		General Plan Amendment and Rezonings Supplemental EIR Determination	Housing Element Impact Determination
	occur or be accelerated		
Impact 4.M-2	Potentially include recreational facilities or require the construction or expansion of recreational facilities that might have an adverse physical effect on the environment	Less than significant	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.M-3	Potentially result in an increased demand for recreational facilities	Less than significant	Does not change the impact
Transportation and Traffic			
Impact 4.N-1	Potentially affect levels of service at the local study intersections	Less than significant	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.N-2	Potentially increase traffic safety hazards for vehicles, bicyclists, and pedestrians	Less than significant	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.N-3	Potentially generate services calls from emergency vehicles	Less than significant	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.N-4	Potentially be inconsistent with adopted policies, plans, and programs supporting alternative transportation.	Less than significant	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.N-5	Potentially generate temporary increases in traffic volume and temporary effects on transportation conditions	Less than significant	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.N-6	Potentially affect levels of service at the local study intersections under Cumulative plus Project conditions	Less than significant	Does not change the impact
Impact 4.N-7	Potentially add traffic to the regional roadway network to the point at which they would operate unacceptably under Cumulative plus Project conditions	Significant and unavoidable	Does not change the impact

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3.3 PROPOSED HOUSING ELEMENT IMPACTS

The Housing Element is consistent with the land uses envisioned in the General Plan and would not remove or modify any policies that currently protect environmental resources. Additionally, the Housing Element does not propose any policies or programs that would be inconsistent with General Plan policies designed to protect environmental resources.

The proposed Housing Element is a policy-level document. While the Housing Element encourages the provision of a range of housing types and affordability levels, it does not include any specific designs or proposals, nor does it grant any entitlements for development that would degrade the existing visual character of the city. The Housing Element anticipates land uses that are consistent with the land use designations established by the General Plan Land Use Element. No policies or programs are included in the 2015–2023 Housing Element that would result in a change to the existing General Plan land use designations or upzoning to a greater density or result in growth greater than what was analyzed in the General Plan Amendment and Rezonings Supplemental EIR. The City would require that all future residential development projects be compliant with General Plan policies.

SUMMARY

The proposed Housing Element would result in land uses and development consistent with that assumed and analyzed in the original General Plan Amendment and Rezonings Supplemental EIR. The *General Plan Amendment and Rezonings Supplemental EIR* determined that implementation of the General Plan amendments and rezones would result in significant and unavoidable impacts to cultural resources (potential to adversely change the significance of historical resources) and transportation and traffic (potentially add traffic to the regional roadway network to the point at which it would operate unacceptably under Cumulative plus Project conditions). Since the policies in the Housing Element are consistent with the existing General Plan policies, no new areas are proposed for urban development, and no changes are proposed to the existing permitting and approval process, adoption of the 2015–2023 Housing Element would not result in greater impacts in either of these impact areas or in any other impact area analyzed in the Supplemental EIR.

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