

Supplemental Material

For

City of Sacramento

City Council

Agenda Packet

Submitted: May 22, 2008

For the Meeting of: May 27, 2008

Additional Material

Revised Material

TITLE: Approval of Draft 2008-2013 Housing Element

Staff has taken the draft Housing Element to four advisory commissions over the past two weeks. Their recommendations are detailed here.

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Recommendations of City Advisory Commissions & Committees on the Draft 2008-2013 Housing Element

Planning Commission (passed unanimously)

Approve staff recommendation, with the following additions:

1. The City Council should consider expansion of the Mixed Income Housing Ordinance citywide.
2. The City Council should consider the extremely low income (ELI) category in addition to the two current income categories in the Mixed Income Housing Ordinance.
3. The City Council should consider a policy statement noting the linkage between the City, the Capital Area Development Authority (CADA) and the State of California in furtherance of housing production goals.

Disability Advisory Commission (passed unanimously)

Recommend Sacramento Disabilities Advisory Commission [DAC] approval of the Draft Housing Element, with the exception that the "Visitability Ordinance" program study be completed by the first of July 2009 and a progress report done by January 2009.

General Plan Advisory Committee (passed: 9 yes, 8 no)

This Committee will adopt the Subcommittee's recommendation that the Housing Element be brought forward to City Council with the following recommendations:

1. The Housing Element includes a policy that the City intends to apply a Mixed Income Ordinance citywide.
2. The Housing Element includes a policy to consider additional strategies to address the needs of ELI.
3. The Housing Element includes a policy that addresses the City's relationship with CADA and the State for furthering housing production goals.

SHRA Commission (passed unanimously)

Recommend that the Draft 2008-2013 Housing Element be brought forward to City Council with the following recommendations:

1. The Housing Element includes a policy that the City intends to apply a Mixed Income Ordinance citywide.
2. The Housing Element includes a policy to consider additional strategies to address the needs of ELI.
3. The Housing Element includes a policy that addresses the City's relationship with CADA and the State for furthering housing production goals.
4. Program 68 be modified to read "The City shall implement the 10 Year Plan to End Chronic Homelessness, including the "Housing First" strategy. Focuses of the "Housing First" strategy include:
 - Providing support for permanent housing that offers disabled homeless individuals a home without expecting them to have resolved their addictions or mental health issues.
 - Providing supportive services and treatment in such housing to assist tenants return to health and ability to stay housed.

May 22, 2008

Mayor Heather Fargo
Members of the Sacramento City Council
City of Sacramento
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Dear Mayor Fargo and Members of the City Council:

On behalf of the City of Sacramento Planning Commission, I have been asked to share with you the recommendations and discussion of the Planning Commission related to the review of the Draft 2008-2013 Housing Element. The Planning Commission heard this item on May 15, 2008 and unanimously approved recommending authorization for staff to submit the Draft 2008-2013 Housing Element to the State Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD), with the following additions:

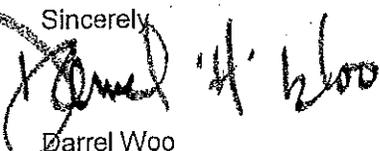
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In addition to this formal recommendation, I would also like to share with you additional comments from Commissioners. These comments were not unanimously expressed and were not formally adopted as recommendations. However, the Planning Commission felt that the City Council could benefit from a full understanding of the conversation between the Commissioners. Additional comments and recommendations are as follows:

- Consideration should be made to the different housing needs of ethnic groups and to changing demographic makeup of the City. For example, many homes focus mostly on private space (i.e. bedrooms) and not enough on gathering/public spaces. The City should analyze the needs of residents, and see if the range of housing options meets those needs.
- Programs that suggest a change to the zoning code should be prioritized such that developments do not need variances or special consideration to reflect the new development vision in the General Plan. Specific programs to consider prioritizing include programs 7, 48, 57 and 87.

Thank you for your time and consideration of the Planning Commission recommendation and comments. Should you have any questions, please feel free to call me at 492-3556.

Sincerely,



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Chair, City Planning Commission