

RESOLUTION 2021-66

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROSEMEAD, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA APPROVING GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT 20-01 ADOPTING THE CITY OF ROSEMEAD 2021-2029 HOUSING ELEMENT, PUBLIC SAFETY ELEMENT UPDATE WITH ENVIRONMENT JUSTICE POLICIES, AND ADDENDUM TO THE ROSEMEAD GENERAL PLAN UPDATE FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT AND THAT THE CITY COUNCIL SUBMIT THE 2021-2029 HOUSING ELEMENT TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FOR STATE CERTIFICATION

WHEREAS, the City of Rosemead (the “City”) has an adopted General Plan, which includes all of the state mandated elements; and

WHEREAS, the State of California Government Code Section 65588 requires the review and adoption of a Housing Element that may be updated according to the Southern California Association of Governments Regional Housing Needs Assessment (“RHNA”) planning cycle; and

WHEREAS, based on age and condition of non-residential structures on nonvacant sites, as well as the likelihood of commercial uses on nonvacant sites converting to mixed-use residential developments due to the continued decline of retail-only uses specifically within the existing Residential/Commercial Mixed-Use Development Overlay (MUDO), Freeway Mixed-Use Overlay (FCMUO), and Garvey Avenue Specific Plan (GASP) areas, the existing uses on the sites identified in the site inventory to accommodate the lower income RHNA are likely to be integrated with new residential uses or discontinued during the planning period, and therefore are not considered significant impediments to additional residential development during the period covered by the housing element; and

WHEREAS, the State of California Government Code Section 65583(c)(9) requires that local jurisdictions make a diligent effort to achieve public participation of all economic segments of the community in the development of the housing element, and the program shall describe this effort, the City launched a multi-lingual online housing needs survey, conducted stakeholder interviews on February 4 - 10, 2021, held a virtual joint City Council and Planning Commission study session on March 9, 2021, and held a duly noticed virtual community workshop on June 10, 2021. Issues raised during these public participation events were addressed in the 2021-2029 Housing Element and Public Safety Element Update; and

WHEREAS, the City conducted several meetings with the City of Rosemead’s Housing Development Subcommittee and Commercial Task Force Subcommittee; and

WHEREAS, the draft 2021-2029 Housing Element was advertised for a 60-day public review period from September 3, 2021 to November 4, 2021 in compliance with State of California Government Code Section 65583; and

WHEREAS, on September 15, 2021, the draft 2021-2029 Housing Element was reviewed by the (“HCD”) per Government Code Section 65585(b), and has been revised to comply with State housing element law (Article 10.6 of the Government Code); and

WHEREAS, on October 15, 2021, the draft Public Safety Element Update with Environmental Justice policies was submitted to the California Geological Survey of the Department of Conservation prior to adoption, for review to determine if all known seismic and other geologic hazards are addressed, pursuant to California Government Code Section 65302.5(a); and

WHEREAS, Section 17.152.060(A) of the Rosemead Municipal Code provides the criteria for a General Plan Amendment; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission is an advisory body to the City Council with regard to the approval of General Plan Amendments; and

WHEREAS, on December 20, 2021, the Planning Commission conducted a public hearing a duly noticed and advertised public hearing to receive oral and written testimony on General Plan Amendment 20-01, 2021-2029 Housing Element, Public Safety Element Update with, Environmental Justice policies, Addendum to the Rosemead General Plan Update Final Environmental Impact Report, and recommended the City Council adopt Resolution 2021-66 approving the 2021-2029 Housing Element and Public Safety Element Update with Environmental Justice policies, Addendum to the Rosemead General Plan Update Final Environmental Impact Report, and transmit the adopted 2021-2029 Housing Element to the State Department of Housing and Community Development for State certification; and

WHEREAS, on December 30, 2021, notices were posted in six public locations and published in the Rosemead Reader, specifying the date, time, and location of the City Council public hearing to consider amending the General Plan pursuant to California Government Code State Department of Housing and Community Development Section 65091; and

WHEREAS, on January 11, 2022, the City Council held a duly noticed and advertised public hearing to receive oral and written testimony relative to General Plan Amendment 20-01, the 2021-2029 Housing Element, Public Safety Element Update with Environmental Justice policies, and Addendum to the Rosemead General Plan Update Final Environmental Impact Report; and

WHEREAS, the City Council duly authorizes the City Manager to make iterative changes to the 2021-2029 Housing Element in response to comments from HCD to support state certification of the 2021-2029 Housing Element.

WHEREAS, pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the CEQA Guidelines, a Program Environmental Impact Report (EIR) (SCH No. 2007111090) for the Rosemead General Plan Update was prepared and certified by the City of Rosemead on October 14, 2008, by City Council Resolution No. 2008-66.

WHEREAS, the City of Rosemead acting as a lead agency has completed an environmental analysis and determined that there are no new significant environmental impacts or previously identified significant impacts made more severe by project modifications, new circumstances, or new information associated with the project. Therefore, the City has

determined that an Addendum to the Rosemead General Plan Update Final Environmental Impact Report is the appropriate CEQA document to address project modifications in accordance with CEQA Guidelines Section 15164. CEQA Guidelines Section 15164(c) provides that an addendum need not be circulated for public review; and

WHEREAS, the City Council, having final approval authority, has sufficiently considered all testimony and public comment presented to them prior to taking action on the project and its environmental determination.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Rosemead hereby resolves as follows:

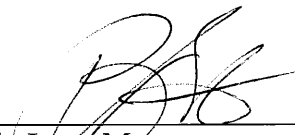
SECTION 1. The City Council finds and determines an Addendum to the Final Program EIR (SCH No. 2007111090) has been completed in compliance with CEQA, the CEQA Guidelines and the City's environmental review guidelines. The City Council has reviewed and considered the information contained in the Addendum to the Final Program EIR prior to making a decision on General Plan Amendment for the 2021-2029 Housing Element and Public Safety Element Update with Environmental Justice policies. The Addendum to the Final Program EIR reflects the independent judgment of the City Council and contains sufficient information and analysis to allow the City Council to make an informed decision, considering the environmental implications of the proposed project, mitigation measures and alternatives.

SECTION 2. The City Council approves General Plan Amendment 20-01 as set forth in Exhibit "A" and adopts the 2021-2029 Housing Element, Public Safety Element with Environmental Justice policies, and Addendum to the Rosemead General Plan Update Final Environmental Impact Report.

SECTION 3. The City Council authorizes submittal of the 2021-2029 Housing Element to the State Department of Housing and Community Development for state certification.


SECTION 4. The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this resolution and hereafter the same shall be in full force and effect.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 11 day of January, 2022.



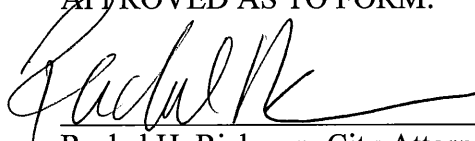
Polly Low, Mayor

ATTEST:



Ericka Hernandez, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Rachel H. Richman, City Attorney

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES) §
CITY OF ROSEMEAD)


I, Ericka Hernandez, City Clerk of the City Council of the City of Rosemead, California, do hereby certify that the foregoing City Council Resolution No. 2021-66, was duly adopted by the City Council of the City of Rosemead, California, at a regular meeting thereof held on the 11th day of January, 2022, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES: ARMENTA, CLARK, DANG, LOW, TANG

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE



Ericka Hernandez, City Clerk

Exhibits:

A. General Plan Amendment 20-01, 2021-2029 Housing Element and Public Safety
Element Update with Environmental Justice Policies