



NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING OF THE IRVINE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE 2013-2021 IRVINE HOUSING ELEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the City of Irvine City Council will conduct a public hearing on September 10, 2013, at 4:00 p.m. to consider the adoption of an amendment to the City's Housing Element of its General Plan (Housing Element) at Irvine City Council Chambers, located at 1 Civic Center Plaza, Irvine, California, 92606. The City of Irvine, as required by state law, is the applicant and entity responsible for completing required amendments to its Housing Element. The Housing Element is one of the seven state-mandated elements of the General Plan and is a comprehensive assessment of current and projected housing needs for all economic segments of the Irvine community. The Housing Element is required by state law, among other provisions, to:

- Determine the existing and projected housing needs of Irvine residents, including special needs populations.
- Identify adequate capacity for housing development to accommodate the City of Irvine's Regional Housing Needs Assessment allocation issued by the Southern California Association of Governments.
- Analyze constraints on housing production.
- Establish goals, policies, and programs that will implement the City's housing objectives.

Current state law requires cities to update their housing elements every four to eight years. The Housing Element will cover the planning period of October 15, 2013 to October 15, 2021.

On June 6, 2013 the Planning Commission held a public hearing to consider the proposed draft Housing Element. The Planning Commission unanimously approved the draft Housing Element and directed staff to send the draft Housing Element to the State Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) for review, pursuant to state law. The Planning Commission also recommended the City Council approve the draft Housing Element, subject to any minor modifications required by HCD to comply with state housing element law, and that the Council approve corresponding General Plan Amendment 00558612-PGA in furtherance thereof. The draft Housing Element is currently under review by HCD and is subject to revision before or during the City Council meeting.

The proposed General Plan Amendment 00558612-PGA is considered a "project" subject to the terms of the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA"). An Initial Study and findings for a Negative Declaration have been prepared regarding this project for adoption by the City Council. In compliance with CEQA guidelines, the Initial Study and Draft Negative Declaration will be available for a 30-day public review and comment period from August 8, 2013 to September 8, 2013 at 5:30 p.m.

Copies of the Housing Element and other project information will be available for review, starting August 8, 2013, during regular City business hours at the Community

Development Department, Housing Division offices, 1 Civic Center Plaza, Third floor, Irvine, California, 92606 and on the City's website at www.cityofirvine.org. Written comments may be submitted at least 24 hours prior to the hearing, to the Housing Manager at P.O. Box 19575, Irvine, CA 92623-9575. If the communication includes maps, photos or any other material not reproducible on a copy machine, fifteen copies should be provided.

For additional information, please contact Amy Mullay, Senior Planner, at (949) 724-7454 or via email at amullay@cityofirvine.org.

Anyone interested in the Housing Element is invited to attend the meeting to appear and be heard. If, in the future, you wish to challenge the above in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues which you or someone else raised orally at this public hearing or in written correspondence received by the **City Council**, or the **Housing Manager** at or before the City Council Meeting on **September 10, 2013**.

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