

REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL



DATE: May 15, 2018

TITLE: 2017 Annual Housing Element Progress Report

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RECOMMENDATION

- 1) Staff Report;
- 2) Entertain Questions of Staff from City Council;
- 3) Open the Public Hearing;
- 4) Take Public Testimony;
- 5) Close the Public Hearing;
- 6) City Council discussion and questions to Staff; and
- 7) Receive the 2017 Housing Element Annual Progress Report, and authorize its submittal to the State Department of Housing and Community Development and to the Governor's Office of Planning and Research.

BACKGROUND

On April 7, 2009 the City Council approved an update of the City of Desert Hot Springs Housing Element for the 2006-2014 housing cycle. The City is currently working on a comprehensive General Plan update, which includes an update to the Housing Element. With the passage of Assembly Bill No. 879 on September 29, 2017, California Law now requires charter cities to submit an annual report on the status of the General Plan Housing Element and progress in its implementation.

DISCUSSION

The Housing Element Annual Progress Report (Annual Progress Report) includes information on the City's progress on implementing the Housing Element. The State uses the information contained in the Annual Progress Report to monitor progress towards meeting statewide housing needs, goals, and progress towards the City's Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) numbers. In 2017, forty-two (42) Building Permits were issued for new single family dwellings and one (1) Building Permit issued for a multifamily duplex.

Agency and Public Review

Public Agency Review

The Housing Element Annual Progress Report will be sent to the Department of Housing and Community Development and the Governor's Office of Planning and Research for review and approval.

Public Hearing Notice

This item was noticed in the Desert Star Weekly on Friday, May 4, 2018 per state noticing requirements. No public comments have been received, as of Tuesday, May 8, 2018.

Environmental Determination

The annual progress report is exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as it is not a "project" as defined in the CEQA Guidelines Section 15378(b)(5).

The annual progress report is also exempt pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3), (General Rule) of the CEQA guidelines.

FISCAL IMPACT

As of 2018, this report must be filed annually to qualify for certain grant funding and there are no costs associated with the filing of this report.

EXHIBITS:

- 1) 2017 Housing Element Annual Progress Report
- 2) 2017 State Income Limits for Riverside County
- 3) 2017 Single Family Permit Listing
- 4) 2017 Multifamily Permit Listing