

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE AGENDA

Tuesday July 9, 2013

9:00 A.M.

Third Floor Conference Room #3

Application: ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT NO. 12-007 (2013-2021 Housing Element Update)

Applicant: City of Huntington Beach
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Huntington Beach, CA 92648
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Request: To analyze the potential environmental impacts associated with adoption of the Housing Element, one of the seven State-mandated elements of the City's General Plan, which must be updated pursuant to California Government Code Section 65588 for the 2013-2021 planning period. The Housing Element identifies and assesses projected housing needs and provides an inventory of constraints and resources relevant to meeting these needs. Components of the housing element include: a housing needs assessment with population and household characteristics; identification of constraints to providing housing; an inventory of available sites for the provision of housing for all economic segments of the community; and a statement of goals, policies and programs for meeting the City's housing needs. The Element's goals focus on:

- 1) Preserving and improving housing and neighborhoods;
- 2) Providing adequate housing sites;
- 3) Assisting in the provision of affordable housing;
- 4) Removing governmental and other constraints to housing investment;
- 5) Promoting fair and equal housing opportunities; and
- 6) Promoting a healthy and sustainable community.

As described in the draft Housing Element (Section IV, Housing Resources), Huntington Beach has an identified regional housing growth need (RHNA) of 1,353 units for the 2013-2021 planning period. Huntington Beach plans to fulfill its RHNA allocation using a combination of the methods listed below:

1. Residential projects with development entitlements (occupancy post 12/31/2013);
2. Vacant residential and mixed use sites;
3. Underutilized residential and mixed use sites; and
4. Pending projects on developed sites (with zoning in place).

Location: Citywide

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For information on the above items, please contact the specified City contact person in the City of Huntington Beach Dept. of Planning and Building at (714) 536-5271.