2023-2031 HOUSING ELEMENT UPDATE



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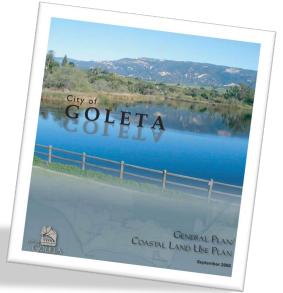
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Background

- Housing Element is a required part of the General Plan
- Extensive legal requirements
- Housing Element updates required every 8 years
 - 2023-2031 update required by State law ("6th Cycle")
- State oversight & certification







What is Housing Element certification, and Why is it important?

- Eligibility for grant funding
- Local land use control
- State enforcement



Goleta's Housing Element complies with State law (HCD 3-2-15)





Housing Element Issues

- Maintain & improve existing housing
- Plan for new housing to accommodate growth and a variety of housing for all economic segments
- Minimize constraints to housing
- Fair housing







SB County Median Income = \$90,100	Income Limits	Affordable Rent	Affordable Price (est.)
Extremely Low (<30%)	\$37,450	\$936	
Very Low (31-50%)	\$62,450	\$1,561	
Low (51-80%)	\$100,050	\$2,501	
Moderate (81-120%)	\$108,100	\$2,703	\$475,000
Above Mod (>120%)	>\$108,100	>\$2,703	>\$475,000

Assumptions:

Based on a family of four

30% of gross income for rent or PITI

10% down payment, 3.75% interest, 1.25% taxes & insurance, \$300 HOA dues



How does the RHNA affect land use?

Planning requirements

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- City must ensure that plans and development regulations can <u>accommodate</u> the RHNA allocation in all income categories
- Housing Element certification requires "adequate sites"

Housing production targets

- Housing Element certification <u>not</u> contingent on achieving the RHNA allocation
- If housing production falls short of the RHNA allocation, streamlined permit processing required for some projects





Final RHNA Allocations

	Goleta	SBCAG Total
Additional housing units needed	1,837	24,856

Source: SBCAG, 7/15/2021

RHNA by Income Category – Goleta

Very Low	Low	Moderate	Above Moderate	Total
682	324	370	461	1,837

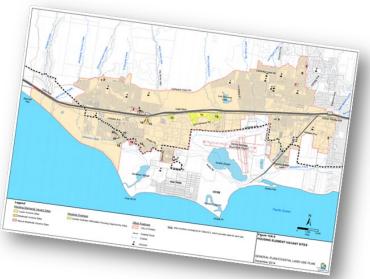
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Sites Inventory

- 1. Sites listed in the prior Housing Element
- 2. Approved projects (units completed after 6/30/2022)
- 3a. New Sites: Other vacant sites
- 3b. New Sites: Other "underutilized" sites
- 4. ADUs
- Note: Existing units
 - Conversion of market rate to affordable
 - Preservation
 - Substantial rehabilitation



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Sites Inventory & RHNA

- Planning target, not a construction quota
- Sites inventory must accommodate the RHNA
- Lower-income need can be accommodated through:
 - Multi-family residential zoning (20+ units/acre)
 - Mixed-use or "overlay" zoning (20+ units/acre)
 - Accessory dwelling units (ADUs)
- If sites inventory does not accommodate the RHNA, rezoning is required

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Other Key Housing Element Requirements

- Needs assessment (especially "special needs")
- Constraints analysis
 - Development standards (e.g., density, height, parking)
 - Permit procedures (subjective vs. objective standards)
- Affirmatively furthering fair housing
- Effective programs



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<u>Next steps</u>

- 1. Review prior programs & accomplishments
- 2. Needs assessment
- 3. Constraints analysis
- 4. Evaluate potential capacity for additional housing
- If insufficient capacity to accommodate RHNA, consider policy options
 - Revised development standards
 - Potential land use changes
- 6. Update policies & programs