For Council Meeting of: March 29, 2016

CITY OF SANTA ROSA CITY COUNCIL

TO: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION

FROM: ERIN MORRIS, SENIOR PLANNER

PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

SUBJECT: JOINT STUDY SESSION - ANNUAL REVIEW OF THE GENERAL

PLAN AND GROWTH MANAGEMENT AND HOUSING

ALLOCATION PLAN ORDINANCES

AGENDA ACTION: NONE

RECOMMENDATION

This item is provided for Council and the Planning Commission's information only and no action will be requested.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Each year, the Planning Commission and City Council review the General Plan consistent with state planning and zoning law. The study session will allow time to cover General Plan actions in 2015, housing needs information, as well as to review the operation of the Growth Management Ordinance and the Housing Allocation Plan over the last year.

BACKGROUND

As the City's primary policy document guiding growth and development, the General Plan includes policies regarding many of the Council's goals and strategic objectives. The annual review touches on the Economic Vitality Element, which addresses creation of a strong, sustainable economic base; the Open Space and Conservation Element, which addresses environmental preservation and greenhouse gas emissions reduction; and the Public Services and Facilities Element which includes enhancement of cultural and recreational assets and public safety.

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PRIOR CITY COUNCIL REVIEW

The Council and Planning Commission receive the Annual Review every March.

ANALYSIS

A report reviewing implementation of the General Plan and the Growth Management and Housing Allocation Plan Ordinances is attached to this report.

FISCAL IMPACT

This item does not have a fiscal impact on the General Fund.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

This action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) because it is not a project which has a potential for resulting in either a direct physical change in the environment, or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment, pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15378.

BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Not applicable

NOTIFICATION

Not applicable

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1- Annual Review 2015 – Santa Rosa 2035 General Plan, Growth Management Ordinance, Housing Allocation Plan Ordinance

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