

CITY OF SANTA ROSA  
CITY COUNCIL

TO: MAYOR SCHWEDHELM AND MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL  
FROM: SHARI MEADS, CITY PLANNER  
PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT  
SUBJECT: ANNUAL REVIEW OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE GENERAL PLAN  
AND GROWTH MANAGEMENT AND INCLUSIONARY HOUSING  
ORDINANCES

AGENDA ACTION: NO ACTION REQUIRED

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RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended by the Planning and Economic Development Department that the City Council receive the General Plan Annual Review 2019 report which provides a review of the implementation of the General Plan and Growth Management and Inclusionary Housing Ordinances during the 2019 calendar year. This item is provided for the Council's information only and no action is requested.

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Each year the City Council reviews the progress made toward implementation of the General Plan during the prior calendar year. The General Plan Annual Review 2019 (included as Attachment 1 to this report) provides an overview of progress made last year toward achieving General Plan goals and policies. The report also reviews the administration of the Inclusionary Housing Ordinance (formerly called the Housing Allocation Plan Ordinance) and the Growth Management Ordinance as required by City Code.

BACKGROUND

**General Plan Annual Review 2019**

The General Plan is Santa Rosa's primary policy document and it guides the growth and development of the City. General Plan policies address many of the Council's goals and strategic objectives.

The General Plan Annual Review 2019 addresses each of the General Plan elements including, among others, 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.

The City's progress toward meeting the required Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) is reviewed, and the report considers the implementation of the Growth Management and Inclusionary Housing Ordinances.

#### PRIOR BOARD OR COMMISSION REVIEW

The Planning Commission received the General Plan Annual Review 2019 report during a July 9, 2020 study session.

#### ANALYSIS

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

#### FISCAL IMPACT

This item will have no fiscal impact on the General Fund.

#### ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

The General Plan Annual Review report is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15378. The report and discussion items are not projects which have a potential for resulting in either a direct physical change in the environment, or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment.

#### RECOMMENDATION

Receive General Plan Annual Review 2019 report

#### NOTIFICATION

Not applicable.

#### ATTACHMENT

- Attachment 1 – Annual Review 2019 Report

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