



## City Council Agenda Item

**City Council Meeting Date:** January 19, 2021

**TO:** Jim Throop, City Manager

**FROM:** Samantha Scroggin, Community Relations and Grants Manager  
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**SUBJECT:** Adoption of Resolution No. 6375(21) Authorizing Application for, and Receipt of, Local Government Planning Support Grant Program Funds

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### **Recommendation:**

Staff recommends the City Council adopt Resolution No. 6375(21), Authorizing Application for, and Receipt of, Local Government Planning Support Grant Program Funds.

### **Background:**

The City is eligible to submit a Local Early Action Planning (LEAP) grant application package through the Department of Housing and Community Development (Department). This application is for a grant authorized under the LEAP provisions pursuant to Health and Safety Code Sections 50515 through 50515.05. LEAP provides funding to jurisdictions for the preparation and adoption of planning documents, process improvements that accelerate housing production and facilitate compliance in implementing the sixth cycle of the regional housing need assessment.

### **Discussion:**

The City's Planning Division's mission is to foster the orderly growth and protect the quality of life of the community. The City accomplishes this by utilizing the best available planning techniques and resources to implement the City's long-range plans and to perform design and environmental review of development proposals.

The City is eligible to apply for the 2021 Planning Grants in the amount of \$150,000. The City Council has identified expanding housing as a priority, and funds available through the grant can be used to accelerate housing production and facilitate compliance with the implementing the sixth cycle of the regional housing needs assessment.

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**Fiscal Impact:**

If the application for the Planning Grant is approved, then the \$150,000 grant will reduce fiscal impact on the City's Planning Division. Funds will be used towards consultation costs related to the Housing Element update and implementation of policies that would encourage infill housing development.

**Conclusion:**

The Planning Grant program's purpose is to provide financial incentives to cities and counties that accelerate the production of housing. The City has supported increasing housing in the City. Adoption of Resolution No. 6375(21) will allow the City to apply for this financial incentive to assist with housing production and projects.

Respectfully submitted,

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Samantha Scroggin, Community Relations and Grants Manager

**APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL TO THE CITY MANAGER:**

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Christie Alarcon, Community Development Director

**APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL TO THE CITY COUNCIL:**

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Jim Throop, City Manager

Attachment: Resolution No. 6375(21)