

Item 1

Ad Hoc Committee

General Plan Comments

Planning Commission Meeting
February 8, 2023

Background

- Comments were originally received in July 2020 commenting on the Land Use, Circulation, Housing, Conservation & Open Space and Economic Development Elements
- The Council discussed these comments at two past meetings (2020 & 2021) but decided to ultimately hold off on pursuing amendments due to a lack of funding
- At a recent Council meeting, a request was made to distribute Ad Hoc comments again

Background -Cont

- In March/2022, a consultant was hired to update the Housing Element, Safety Element, Circulation Element and create a new Environmental Justice Element
- Reviewing and drafting amendments addressing Ad Hoc Comments are part of their contract

Summary of Ad Hoc Comments

- Consideration of “Shall” statements to be revised to “should” statements
- Consideration of deleting, and revising certain Policies
- Providing more flexibility with Goals, Policies, and Measures to provide a more “pro-growth” approach to new development

Summary of Ad Hoc Comments -Cont

- Recommendations for further discussion of Policies, Goals, and Measures for clarity and understanding
- Additional meetings with the Ad Hoc Committee are needed to provide more clarity and understanding of each comment and proposed revisions
- Input from the Community is still needed and may include a public workshop

Staff Recommendation

- Provide input to Staff on the Ad Hoc Comments which in turn will be part of a future presentation to the City Council
- Later this year, draft amendments to these elements will be reviewed by the Commission with your recommendations forwarded to the Council for their consideration