

Agenda Item No. B-1

DATE SUBMITTED 6/10/2021

SUBMITTED BY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

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**IMPERIAL CITY COUNCIL
 AGENDA ITEM**

SUBJECT: DISCUSSION/ACTION: HOUSING ELEMENT PUBLIC OUTREACH WORKSHOP 1. CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC OUTREACH WORKSHOP FOR THE 6TH CYCLE HOUSING ELEMENT UPDATE	
DEPARTMENT INVOLVED: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT	
BACKGROUND/SUMMARY: Since 1969, California has required that all local governments (cities and counties) adequately plan to meet the housing needs of everyone in the community. California's local governments meet this requirement by adopting housing plans as part of their "general plan". The law mandates that housing be included as an element of each jurisdiction's general plan. The Housing Element addresses existing and future housing needs of all types for persons of all economic groups in the City. The Housing Element is a tool for use by citizens and public officials in understanding and meeting the housing needs in City of Imperial. Per California State Law, "Public Outreach" efforts are mandatory by the jurisdiction. The Public Outreach portion of the element is an opportunity to engage constituents in a dialogue — defining problems and creating solutions in regards to housing needs within the City of Imperial.	
FISCAL IMPACT: Funded by the "LEAP" Grant.	ADMIN SERVICES SIGN INITIALS _____
STAFF RECOMMENDATION: City of Imperial staff requests the Council to conduct the public workshop and provide staff with vision and direction based on comments received from the public.	DEPT. INITIALS <u>OM</u>
MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION: <i>allow for public input</i>	CITY MANAGER'S INITIALS <u>JTM</u>
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Staff Report

Agenda Item No.

To: City of Imperial City Council
From: Lisa Tylanda, Planner
Date: June 10, 2021
Subject: 6th Cycle Comprehensive Update for the 2021-2025 Housing Element

Discussion/Analysis:

The Housing Element is an integral component of the City's General Plan. The Housing Element addresses existing and future housing needs of all types for persons of all economic groups in the City. The Housing Element is a tool utilized by citizens and public officials for understanding and meeting the housing needs within the City of Imperial. The Housing Element Update covers the eight-year period of October 2021 through September 2029, and provides an implementation strategy for effectively addressing the housing needs of Imperial residents during this period.

Housing issues affect the entire community; residents, employers, and the public and private sectors. Government Code 65583(c)(7) requires: "The local government shall make a diligent effort to achieve public participation of all economic segments of the community in the development of the housing element, and the program shall describe this effort."

The public participation requirement of the law, presents an opportunity to engage constituents in a dialogue. The inclusion of community stakeholders in the housing-element public participation process, helps ensure appropriate housing strategies are more efficiently and effectively evaluated, developed, and implemented. Public participation is important in order to include enough of the population to engage in defining the housing problems and in crafting solutions that work for everyone in the community. Participation and engagement of the public, increases the likelihood that the community members involved in the discussion and planning processes will support new housing strategies and housing developments.

The following are required topics by the State of California's Department of Housing and Community Development, be analyzed by jurisdictions during the Housing Element Update Process:

- *The jurisdiction must make a diligent effort to include all economic segments of the community (including residents and/or their representatives) in the development and update of the housing element.*
- *The housing element should clearly describe efforts to engage the community throughout the housing-element process (e.g., types of outreach, meetings.) and clearly describe the implementation of the housing-element process.*
- *The housing element should describe who was invited to participate, which groups actually participated, general comments received, and how comments were incorporated into the housing element.*
- *The housing element should describe any ongoing efforts to engage the public and stakeholders in the implementation of the housing element.*

Staff Recommendation:

- City of Imperial staff requests the Council to conduct the public workshop and provide staff with vision and direction based on comments received from the public.

Attachments:

- PowerPoint Presentation by HWL Consulting Firm.