

NOTICE OF PUBLIC AVAILABILITY OF A DRAFT PROGRAM ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (DPEIR) AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING VARIOUS ZONING AND GENERAL PLAN MODIFICATIONS RELATED TO THE 2021-2029 YORBA LINDA GENERAL PLAN HOUSING ELEMENT IMPLEMENTATION PROGRAMS

Please be informed that the City of Yorba Linda has released a Draft Program Environmental Impact Report (DPEIR) for the project identified above. The 45-day public review period for this project is from June 1, 2022, to July 15, 2022. We request your comments on the above document for consideration by the Planning Commission.

Project Background: The City of Yorba Linda adopted the 2021-2029 Housing Element on February 9, 2022, and received certification from the State Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) on April 8, 2022. The Housing Element includes implementation programs that will change the zoning and General Plan designations on approximately twenty-seven (27) properties/sites throughout the City to increase the amount of housing development that may occur on these properties in the future. The targeted sites for upzoning (and General Plan land use amendments) are reflected in Appendix C - "Residential Sites Inventory" of the Housing Element. The Housing Element and Appendix C may be reviewed in electronic form on the City's Housing Element website at the following link: https://www.ylhousingelementupdate.com. The City is initiating related rezoning and General Plan land use changes for these properties now and has prepared a Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) in furtherance of complying with requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), which was released for 45-day public review on June 1, 2022.

Project Description, Purpose and Location: The 2021-2029 Housing Element and Implementation Programs project establishes a framework for how the City intends to satisfy state-mandated housing production requirements outlined in the Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA). The Housing Element identified twenty-seven (27) properties in the City that potentially could be reclassified at residential densities from 10 to 35 dwelling units per acre in order to facilitate future development of housing. In addition, the project includes related Zoning Code revisions including the creation of three (3) overlay zones, i.e., Congregational Land Overlay, Affordable Housing Overlay and Mixed-Use Housing Overlay. The project also includes various text amendments to the Yorba Linda General Plan and Zoning Code to align these documents with the foregoing.

Environmental Issues: Potentially significant environmental effects examined in the DPEIR include Air Quality, Greenhouse Gas Emissions, Tribal Cultural Resources, Noise and Wildfire related impacts. Included as part of this project are consideration of the DPEIR, and all associated zoning code amendments, zone changes, and General Plan amendments to effectuate the proposed residential density levels for the twenty-seven (27) Housing Element sites.

The City requests your comments on the above referenced Draft PEIR for consideration by the Yorba Linda Planning Commission. Due to the time limits mandated by State law, your responses must be sent at the earliest possible date, but not later than July 15, 2022. Complete copies of the DPEIR prepared for the proposed project, as well as the Adopted Housing Element, may be reviewed on the **City's Housing Element website** at:

- https://www.ylhousingelementupdate.com;
- https://www.yorbalindaca.gov/341/Environmental-Documents

The documents are also available for viewing at **Yorba Linda City Hall**, 4845 Casa Loma Avenue, Yorba Linda, CA 92886; and **Yorba Linda Public Library**, 4852 Lakeview Avenue, Yorba Linda, CA 92886.

Please send your comments on the DEIR to Mr. Nate Farnsworth, Planning Manager, Community Development Department, 4845 Casa Loma Avenue, Yorba Linda, CA 92886, or via email, to nfarnsworth@yorbalindaca.gov.

The Yorba Linda Planning Commission will hold public hearings regarding this matter as follows:

When: June 29, 2022 – Zoning and General Plan Modifications

July 27, 2022 - Draft Program EIR for Zoning and General Plan

Modifications

Where: City of Yorba Linda City Council Chambers

4845 Casa Loma Avenue Yorba Linda, CA 92886

Time: 6:30 P.M.

For additional information regarding this matter, please contact Nate Farnsworth, Planning Manager, at (714) 961-7130, or via email, to **nfarnsworth@yorbalindaca.gov**.

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