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June 17, 2024

Rochelle Clayton, Acting City Manager  
City of San Bernardino  
290 North D Street  
San Bernardino, CA 92401

Dear Rochelle Clayton:

**RE: City of San Bernardino 6<sup>th</sup> Cycle (2021-2029) Adopted Housing Element**

Thank you for submitting the City of San Bernardino's resolution No. 2024-121, which was dated June 5, 2024 and received on June 17, 2024. The resolution was submitted to verify completed actions in the City's housing element Program 1.1 (Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) Site Inventory). Pursuant to Government Code section 65585, subdivision (h), the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) is reporting the results of its review.

HCD's May 10, 2024 review found that, while the City's adopted housing element met most of the statutory requirements of State Housing Element Law (Gov. Code, Article 10.6), it could not be found in full compliance until the City had completed rezoning actions in Program 1.1 to address the shortfall of sites to accommodate the RHNA pursuant to Assembly Bill 1398 (Chapter 358, Statutes of 2021).

HCD is pleased to find that the resolution completes all requirements in Program 1.1 and Government Code section 65583.2, subdivisions (h) and (i). The City's housing element adopted February 21, 2024 is therefore in substantial compliance with State Housing Element Law (Gov. Code, § 65580 et seq) as of June 17, 2024.

Several federal, state, and regional funding programs consider housing element compliance as an eligibility or ranking criteria. For example, the CalTrans Senate Bill (SB) 1 Sustainable Communities grant; the Strategic Growth Council and HCD's Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities programs; and HCD's Permanent Local Housing Allocation consider housing element compliance and/or annual reporting requirements pursuant to Government Code section 65400. With a compliant housing element, the City will meet housing element requirements for these and other funding sources.

HCD appreciates the hard work and dedication the City's housing element team provided throughout the course of the review. HCD wishes the City success in implementing its housing element and looks forward to following its progress through the General Plan annual progress reports pursuant to Government Code section 65400. If HCD can provide assistance in implementing the housing element, please contact Reid Miller, of our staff, at [Reid.Miller@hcd.ca.gov](mailto:Reid.Miller@hcd.ca.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Melinda Coy", with a long, sweeping horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Melinda Coy  
Proactive Accountability Chief