March 31, 2020

Board of Supervisors
County of Marin
3501 Civic Center Drive, Room 329
San Rafael, CA 94903

SUBJECT: 2019 Housing Element Annual Progress Report

Dear Board Members:

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Accept the Housing Element Annual Progress Report substantially in the form attached, subject to County Counsel approval.

2. Authorize staff to submit the Annual Progress Report to the California State Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) and the California Office of Planning and Research (CPR).

SUMMARY: State housing law\(^1\) requires California cities and counties to submit a prescribed Housing Element Annual Progress Report to by April 1 of each year. The 2019 Annual Progress Report contains a numeric and narrative review of the County’s achievements in implementation of Housing Element programs during calendar year 2019.\(^2\) This report is a standard procedural requirement and is being submitted to your Board as an informational update; preparation or review of the Annual Progress Report does not constitute an opportunity to amend the Housing Element.

DISCUSSION: The 2019 Annual Progress Report marks the second year of increased reporting requirements. These requirements include:

- Provision of the number of units applied for and disapproved each year, and sites rezoned to accommodate Marin County’s Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA); and

- Analysis of how locally adopted ordinances impact the cost and supply of housing development, the impact of processing timelines, and local efforts to remove nongovernmental constraints that result in a shortfall of a jurisdiction’s achievement of its RHNA requirements at all income levels.

These requirements are exemplified in tables A2, C, E and F of the Annual Progress Report.

As per these new requirements, Table B of the Annual Progress Report summarizes new residential building permits issued during the 2019 calendar year by income category as a measure of the unincorporated County’s progress toward meeting the 2014-2022 RHNA cycle. Table D of the report summarizes progress achieved in the implementation of statutory requirements and programs of the 2015-2023 Housing Element during that same period.

\(^{1}\) California Government Code §65400(b)(2)

\(^{2}\) A comprehensive list of Housing Element programs is provided in Table D of the 2019 APR.
CONCLUSION: The County is statutorily obligated to annually account for implementation of its Housing Element and achievement of its RHNA. Completion and timely submission of the Annual Progress Report fulfills this obligation. Staff recommend that your Board accept the 2019 Annual Progress Report and direct staff to submit it to HCD and OPR, with authorization to provide such corrections or additional information as HCD may require.

FISCAL IMPACT: None.

REVIEWED BY:

☐ Auditor Controller  ☒ County Counsel  ☐ N/A
☐ Human Resources  ☒ N/A

Respectfully submitted,

[Signatures]

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Attachments:

Attachments:
1. Housing Element Progress Report, Table B
2. Housing Element Progress Report, Table D

To conserve resources the following materials are provided to your Board electronically only:

3. Full 2019 Annual Housing Element Progress Report

The Board letter and all attachments are available online at:

www.marincounty.org/housingelement

At this time, a full reference copy is not available for public review due to the State of California shelter-in-place order. Please email jzeiger@marincounty.org or call (415) 473-7549.