

**DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
DIVISION OF HOUSING POLICY DEVELOPMENT**

2020 W. El Camino Avenue, Suite 500
Sacramento, CA 95833
(916) 263-2911 / FAX (916) 263-7453
www.hcd.ca.gov

COMM. DEVEL. DEPT.

NOV 24 2014

SAN LEANDRO
RECEIVED

November 21, 2014

ATTACHMENT 4

Mr. Tom Liao, Deputy Director
Community Development Department
City of San Leandro
Civic Center
835 E. 14th Street
San Leandro, CA 94577

Dear Mr. Liao:

RE: City of San Leandro's 5th Cycle (2015-2023) Draft Housing Element

Thank you for submitting San Leandro's draft element update that was received for review on October 13, 2014, along with revisions received on November 7 and 19, 2014. Pursuant to Government Code (GC) Section 65585(b), the Department is reporting the results of its review. Our review was facilitated by a conversation on October 28, 2014 with you and Mr. Barry Miller, the Consulting City Planner.

The Department conducted a streamlined review of the draft housing element based on the City meeting all eligibility criteria detailed in the Department's Housing Element Update Guidance. The City also utilized ABAG's pre-approved housing element data.

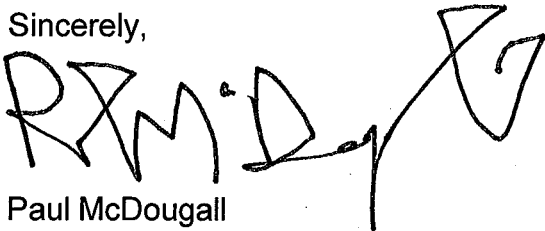
The draft housing element with revisions meets the statutory requirements of State housing element law. The draft housing element with revisions will comply with State housing element law (GC, Article 10.6) when they are adopted and submitted to the Department, in accordance with GC Section 65585(g).

To remain on an eight year planning cycle, pursuant to Senate Bill 375 (Chapter 728, Statutes of 2008) the City of San Leandro must adopt its element within 120 calendar days from the statutory due date of January 31, 2015 for ABAG localities. If adopted after this date, GC Section 65588(e)(4) requires the housing element be revised every four years until adopting at least two consecutive revisions by the statutory deadline. For more information on housing element adoption requirements, please visit our website at: http://www.hcd.ca.gov/hpd/hrc/plan/he/he_review_adoptionsteps110812.pdf.

Public participation in the development, adoption and implementation of the housing element is essential to effective housing planning. Throughout the housing element process, the City must continue to engage the community, including organizations that represent lower-income and special needs households, by making information regularly available and considering and incorporating comments where appropriate.

The Department appreciates your efforts and dedication in preparation of the housing element and looks forward to receiving San Leandro's adopted housing element. If you have any questions or need additional technical assistance, please contact Jess Negrete, of our staff, at (916) 263-7437.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "P. McDougall", with a stylized flourish extending from the end.

Paul McDougall
Housing Policy Manager