

A RESOLUTION OF THE ASSOCIATION OF MONTEREY BAY AREA GOVERNMENTS BOARD OF DIRECTORS ADOPTING THE FINAL 2023-2031 6TH CYCLE REGIONAL HOUSING NEEDS ALLOCATION PLAN FOR MONTEREY AND SANTA CRUZ COUNTIES

WHEREAS, the Association of Monterey Bay Area of Governments (AMBAG) is a joint powers agency formed pursuant to the agreement of its members and California Government Code §§ 6500, *et seq.*, and is the council of governments (COG) for the Monterey Bay Area; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Housing Element Law (Act) at California Government Code §§ 65580, *et seq.*, each COG and the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) are required to determine the existing and projected housing needs in the COG's region; and

WHEREAS, by letter dated August 31, 2021, HCD issued a Regional Housing Need Determination (RHND) for the AMBAG region of 33,274 units across four income categories, for the 2023 to 2031 RHNA cycle; and

WHEREAS, under the Act, AMBAG is responsible for adopting a methodology for determining each city and county's share of the RHND through the regional housing need allocation (RHNA) process; and

WHEREAS, AMBAG held a public hearings on the proposed RHNA Methodology on November 10, 2021, December 8, 2021, and January 13, 2022, as required by Government Code § 65584.04(d); and

WHEREAS, after considering all written and oral testimony received, on January 13, 2022, the AMBAG Board of Directors approved the Draft RHNA Methodology; and

WHEREAS, on January 21, 2022, AMBAG submitted the Draft RHNA Methodology to HCD for its review, as required by Government Code § 65584.04(h); and

WHEREAS, by letter dated March 16, 2022, HCD found that the Draft RHNA Methodology furthers the statutory objectives described in Government Code § 65584(d); and

WHEREAS, HCD's findings stated "HCD commends AMBAG for including factors in the draft methodology linked to the statutory objectives such as jobs-housing ratio, transit, and Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (AFFH); and

WHEREAS, on April 13, 2022, the AMBAG Board of Directors adopted the Final RHNA Methodology and Draft RHNA Allocations, and directed staff to issue the Draft 2023-2031 6th Cycle RHNA Plan; and

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WHEREAS, pursuant to Government Code § 65584.05, AMBAG received two appeals of Draft RHNA Allocations from local jurisdictions before the June 6, 2022 deadline and then notified local jurisdictions, HCD, and members of the public on June 7, 2022 about the appeals received; and

WHEREAS, AMBAG received two comments on the appeals before the July 22, 2022 deadline and notified local jurisdictions, HCD, and members of the public of the two comments; and

WHEREAS, the AMBAG Board of Directors conducted a public hearing to consider the appeals and comments received about the appeals on August 10, 2022, as required by Government Code § 65584.05(d); and


WHEREAS, on September 14, 2022, the AMBAG Board of Directors made its final determinations on the two RHNA appeals, denying both appeals; and

WHEREAS, on September 23, 2022, AMBAG issued the Final 2023-2031 6th Cycle Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) Plan, which shows the Final RHNA Allocations for all local governments in the Monterey Bay Area, as required by Government Code § 65584.05(e)(2); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Government Code § 65584.04(m)(3), AMBAG has determined that the final RHNA allocations are consistent with the development pattern in the 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy and furthers the RHNA objectives identified in Government Code § 65584(d);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the AMBAG Board of Directors hereby authorizes approval of the Final 2023-2031 6th Cycle RHNA Plan.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 12th day of October 2022.


Kristen Brown (Oct 13, 2022 12:13 PDT)
Kristen Brown, President

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