

ATTACHMENT A

FINDINGS OF CONSISTENCY

Prior to the approval of a Specific Plan and Zoning Code Amendments, the following findings must be made

1. *The proposed amendment is in conformance with the goals, policies and objectives of the General Plan, and other adopted goals and policies of the City.*

The proposed amendments to the specific plans and the zoning code are consistent with the goals and policies of the General Plan and all eight specific plans as follows

General Plan

Land Use Element

- Policy 21 1 (Adequate and Affordable Housing). Provide a variety of housing types (i.e small subdivisions, row housing, and condominiums), styles, densities, and affordability levels that are accessible to and meet preferences for different neighborhood types (e.g mixed use pedestrian environments and traditional suburban neighborhoods), physical abilities and income levels, pursuant to the Housing Element

Housing Element

- Goal HE-4 Adequate housing opportunities and support services for seniors, people with disabilities, families with children, college students, and people in need of emergency, transitional, or supportive housing
- Policy HE-4.3 (People with Disabilities). Support the development of permanent, affordable, and accessible housing that allows people with disabilities to live independent lives; assist residents in maintaining and repairing their homes
- Policy HE-4.4 (Service-Enriched Housing) Support and assist organizations in the provision of support services and service-enriched housing for special needs groups, such as seniors, families, disabled people, homeless people, and those with medical conditions

The proposed amendments include technical changes to both the Zoning Code and all specific plans in order to comply with the State Law regarding residential care facilities with six or fewer persons, transitional housing, and supportive housing. The proposed amendment consists of adding supportive housing as a defined land use in the Zoning Code, which is a type of housing that is designed to assist the persons with low income who has one or more disabilities such as mental illness, HIV or AIDS, substance abuse, or other chronic health conditions, or individuals eligible for services provided pursuant to the Lanterman Developmental Disabilities Services Act ("Target Population") by providing services that are vital in promoting independent living (e.g. health and employment assistance programs). In addition, the proposed amendment encourages and facilitates the provision of housing for persons with special needs, including homeless persons and

persons with disabilities, as it will allow all three uses in zoning districts where other residential uses are permitted. For these reasons, the proposed amendment is consistent with the Land Use Element Policy 21.1, as well as the Housing Element Goal HE-4 and Policies HE-4.3 and 4.4. In addition, the proposed amendments are mandated by the 2014-2021 Housing Element Implementation Program (#19 and #22).

Specific Plans

All eight specific plans (Central District Specific Plan, East Colorado Specific Plan, East Pasadena Specific Plan, Fair Oaks/Orange Grove Specific Plan, North Lake Specific Plan, Lincoln Avenue Specific Plan, South Fair Oaks Specific Plan, and West Gateway Specific Plan) consist of goals, policies, and objectives that encourage integration of different land uses and/or provision of different housing options and affordable housing. Allowing residential care facilities with six or fewer persons, transitional housing, and supportive housing in specific plan areas where other residential uses are permitted supports these goals, policies, and objectives of all specific plans as it encourages and facilitates the provision of housing for people with special housing needs. Therefore, the proposed amendments are compatible with the overall intent of all eight specific plans.

In addition to Finding #1, an additional finding is required for any Zoning Code Amendment, as follows:

2. *The proposed amendment would not be detrimental to the public interest, health, safety, convenience, or general welfare of the City.*

The proposed amendments would not be detrimental to the public interest, health, safety, convenience, or general welfare of the City since they permit land uses that address special housing needs of the community by serving disabled and/or homeless persons, subject to the same development standards that apply to the same type of housing that such use occupies. In addition, the amendments will not change any development standards such as height, setbacks or floor area that could impact adjacent properties.