

Ordinance Fact Sheet

TO: CITY COUNCIL

DATE:

August 28, 2023

FROM: CITY ATTORNEY

SUBJECT: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING CODE TO IMPLEMENT VARIOUS HOUSING ELEMENT ACTIONS

TITLE OF PROPOSED ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PASADENA AMENDING AND ADDING VARIOUS SECTIONS OF TITLE 17 (ZONING CODE) OF THE PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE TO IMPLEMENT THE HOUSING ELEMENT PERTAINING TO EMERGENCY SHELTERS, LOW BARRIER NAVIGATION CENTERS, SAFE PARKING, DESIGN REVIEW THRESHOLDS, AND MODIFICATIONS FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES.

PURPOSE OF ORDINANCE

Council directed preparation of this ordinance on June 12, 2023. The purpose of this ordinance is to amend the Zoning Code to implement the Housing Element, expand access to needed services and potential shelter locations, and ensure consistency with State law.

REASON WHY LEGISLATION IS NEEDED

This legislation is needed to bring the Zoning Code current and in line with the City's Housing Element and fulfill certain objectives therein. Specifically, this legislation is needed to address certain objectives of the City's Housing Element, specifically objectives related to providing greater opportunities for safe shelter and access to services for unhoused individuals and families, updating standards for shelter uses to remove barriers and constraints, streamlining permitting requirements for individuals with disabilities, and establishing a ministerial review process for specific sites identified in the Housing Element Sites Inventory, consistent with State law.

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PROGRAMS, DEPARTMENTS OR GROUPS AFFECTED

The Planning & Community Development Department will implement the proposed ordinance.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no direct fiscal impact to the City arising from this ordinance.

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION

On June 12, 2023, Council found that an Addendum to the 2015 Pasadena General Plan Environmental Impact Report (State Clearinghouse No. 2013091009) addressed the potential environmental impacts associated with the proposed amendments in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970 (CEQA) (Cal. Public Resources Code Section 21000, et. seq., as amended) and its implementing guidelines (Cal. Code Regs., Title 14, Section 15000 et. seq., 2016). The addendum found that the proposed amendments will not result in any potentially significant impacts that were not already analyzed.

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