

# City of Hesperia

## STAFF REPORT



**DATE:** May 1, 2018

**TO:** Mayor and Council Members

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**SUBJECT:** Annual Report on the Status and Implementation of the General Plan

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### RECOMMENDED ACTION

The Planning Commission recommends that the City Council review this annual report, and direct staff to transmit copies to the Governor's Office of Planning and Research, and the Department of Housing and Community Development as required by law.

### BACKGROUND

State law requires the Planning Department and Planning Commission to provide an annual report to the City Council on the status of the General Plan and progress in its implementation. Specifically, Government Code Section 65400 states in part,

"After the legislative body has adopted all or part of a general plan, the planning agency shall do both of the following:

(1) Investigate and make recommendations to the legislative body regarding reasonable and practical means for implementing the general plan or element of the general plan, so that it will serve as an effective guide for orderly growth and development, preservation and conservation of open-space land and natural resources, and the efficient expenditure of public funds relating to the subjects addressed in the general plan.

(2) Provide by April 1 of each year an annual report to the legislative body, the Office of Planning and Research, and the Department of Housing and Community Development...the status of the plan and its implementation...the progress in meeting its share of regional housing needs...and local efforts to remove governmental constraints to the maintenance, improvement, and development of housing..."

The report also includes forms required by the Department of Housing and Community Development to report progress towards completion of the goals in the Housing Element. As noted, this report will be transmitted to the Office of Planning and Research, and the Department of Housing and Community Development. This annual report will cover the 2017 calendar year.

## **ISSUES/ANALYSIS**

Staff has prepared the attached document to serve three purposes. First, this report serves as the Annual Report on the status of the General Plan and progress towards implementation in accordance with Government Code Section 65400; second, this report is the Implementation Plan for the City's General Plan, providing a comprehensive picture of the steps taken by the City in realizing the major policies established in the General Plan. Finally, since many of the General Plan policies are environmental mitigation measures from the Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) adopted for the General Plan, this report is the method through which the City of Hesperia complies with the requirements of Section 21081.6 of the California Public Resources Code (the "California Environmental Quality Act") which mandates monitoring of the mitigation measures.

On April 12, 2018, the Planning Commission reviewed the annual report and moved to forward it to the City Council with the intent to transmit copies to the Governor's Office of Planning and Research, and the Department of Housing and Community Development as required by law.

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

There is no fiscal impact associated with approval of the recommended action.

## **ALTERNATIVE(S)**

1. Provide alternative direction to staff

## **ATTACHMENT(S)**

1. Hesperia General Plan Annual Report - 2017