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Howard Chan, City Manager  
City of Sacramento  
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Dear Howard Chan:

**RE: City of Sacramento's 6<sup>th</sup> Cycle (2021-2029) Adopted Housing Element**

Thank you for submitting the City of Sacramento's (City) housing element adopted August 17, 2021 and received for review on August 20, 2021. The Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) has also received correspondence related to affirmatively furthering fair housing on November 18, 2021. Pursuant to Government Code section 65585, subdivision (h), HCD is reporting the results of its review.

Although the adopted housing element addresses most statutory requirements described in HCD's June 7, 2021 review; revisions are necessary to comply with State Housing Element Law (Article 10.6 of the Gov. Code). Specifically, programs to affirmatively further fair housing (AFFH) must have metrics and milestones. At the same time, the City has proposed potential revisions in its November 18, 2021 correspondence. These revisions are sufficient to address the remaining statutory requirements and the element will be in full compliance once the revisions are adopted into the housing element.

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 should 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.

Several federal, state, and regional funding programs consider housing element compliance as an eligibility or ranking criteria. For example, the CalTrans Senate Bill (SB) 1 Sustainable Communities grant; the Strategic Growth Council and HCD's Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities programs; and HCD's Permanent Local Housing Allocation consider housing element compliance and/or annual reporting requirements pursuant to Government Code section 65400. With a compliant housing

element, the City will meet housing element requirements for these and other funding sources.

HCD appreciates the cooperation, dedication, and responsiveness the City's housing element team provided throughout the review. If you have any questions or need additional technical assistance, please contact Irvin Saldana, of our staff, at [Irvin.saldana@hcd.ca.gov](mailto:Irvin.saldana@hcd.ca.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Paul McDougall". The signature is stylized and somewhat cursive, with the first name "Paul" being more legible than the last name "McDougall".

Paul McDougall  
Senior Program Manager