

## RESOLUTION NO. -2019

### RESOLUTION OF THE FORT BRAGG PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDING THAT CITY COUNCIL ADOPT GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT 1-19 TO FORT BRAGG GENERAL PLAN FOR THE 2019 HOUSING ELEMENT (GPA 1-19)

**WHEREAS**, the City of Fort Bragg (“City”) adopted its first General Plan in 1971, and that General Plan was subsequently updated in 1980, 2002, and 2004, and a Coastal General Plan was adopted in 2008; and

**WHEREAS**, the California Department of Housing & Community Development (“HCD”) reviewed the Housing Element of the Fort Bragg General Plan following its adoption in December 2004, 2009 and 2014 and determined that it was in compliance with State housing element law as established in Title 7, Division 1, Chapter 3, Article 10.6 of the Government Code; and

**WHEREAS**, in September of 2009, the City Council adopted the 2009 Housing Element; and

**WHEREAS**, in November of 2014, the City Council adopted the 2014 Housing Element; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2019, the City Council and Planning Commission conducted duly noticed workshops, during which the public was invited to comment on the proposed Housing Element amendments to the Inland and Coastal General Plans, and during which the City Council and the Planning Commission provided further direction to City staff; and

**WHEREAS**, Staff revised and updated the Housing Element so that it: 1) complies with City Council and Planning Commission direction regarding new policies and programs; 2) complies with State housing element law; and 3) includes an entirely updated housing needs assessment and constraints analysis; and

**WHEREAS**, the State Department of Housing & Community Development (“HCD”) has reviewed the 2019 Housing Element of the Fort Bragg Inland and Coastal General Plans and on July 26<sup>th</sup> sent a letter to the City of Fort Bragg certifying that the 2019 Housing Element is compliant with and meets the requirements of state housing element law (Article 10.6 of the Government Code); and

**WHEREAS**, the Planning Commission considered a staff report dated July 24, 2019 analyzing the proposed 2019 Housing Element. The staff report is incorporated herein by reference and available for review at City Hall during normal business hours; and

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**WHEREAS**, an Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration has been prepared as CEQA documentation for the Inland General Plan Amendment (GPA 1-19); and

**WHEREAS**, the City will submit an LCP amendment application to the Coastal Commission for consideration of the Housing Element for the Coastal General Plan; and the City Council application for an LCP Amendment is exempt from CEQA per 15265a1; and

**WHEREAS**, the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration was made available for public review and comment from May 20, 2019 through June 20, 2019 and

**WHEREAS**, the Initial Study/Negative Declaration was sent to the State Clearinghouse on May 20, 2019, and the State Clearinghouse sent the Initial Study/Negative Declaration to relevant resource agencies for review; and

**WHEREAS**, staff has prepared a Notice of Intent to Adopt a Negative Declaration and distributed and published it in the manner prescribed in CEQA Guideline §15072.

**WHEREAS**, based on all the evidence presented, the Planning Commission finds as follows:

1. The foregoing recitals are true and correct and are made a part of this resolution.
2. On July 24, 2019, the Fort Bragg Planning Commission held a properly noticed public hearing (wherein it considered all written and oral comments received and proposed text amendments) to consider recommending the 2019 Housing Element to the Fort Bragg City Council for adoption.
3. The 2019 Housing Element: (1) advances the orderly growth and development of the City;(2) encourages the development of housing for a variety of households with a range of income levels; (3) establishes programs to help meet the housing needs of special populations; (4) responds to current environmental and infrastructure constraints; (5) is not detrimental to the public interest, health, safety, convenience or welfare of the City of Fort Bragg; (6) protects coastal resources; (7) incorporates sustainability into the development process so that Fort Bragg's coastal resources and amenities are preserved for future generations; and (8) promotes fiscally responsible development.
4. The 2019 Housing Element is internally consistent with all other provisions of the City's Inland and Coastal General Plan.
5. The 2019 Housing Element establishes programs and policies that are physically suitable to design, location, shape, size, operating characteristics, and the provision of public and emergency vehicle (e.g., fire and medical) access and public services and utilities (e.g., fire protection, police protection, potable water, schools, solid waste collection and disposal, storm drainage, wastewater collection, treatment, and disposal, etc.), and will ensure that the proposed uses contemplated within the 2019 Housing Element will not endanger, jeopardize, or otherwise constitute a hazard to properties within the Inland Area of the City.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Planning Commission of the City of Fort Bragg, having given due consideration to the Initial Study and Negative Declaration that

were prepared for the 2019 Housing Element, does hereby recommend that the City Council adopt the 2019 Housing Element as an amendment to the Fort Bragg General Plan (GPA 1-18).

**The above and foregoing Resolution was introduced by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_, and passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the Planning Commission of the City of Fort Bragg held on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2019, by the following vote:**

**AYES:  
NOES:  
ABSENT:  
ABSTAIN:**

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**Nancy Rogers,  
Chair**

**ATTEST:**

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**Joanna Gonzales  
Administrative Secretary**