

1 RESOLUTION NO.

2 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVERSIDE,
3 CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE GENERAL PLAN 2025 TO REPLACE
4 THE HOUSING ELEMENT, HOUSING ELEMENT TECHNICAL REPORT,
5 AND PUBLIC SAFETY ELEMENTS IN THEIR ENTIRETY, TO ADOPT
6 THE 6TH CYCLE 2021-2029 HOUSING ELEMENT UPDATE OF THE CITY
OF RIVERSIDE TO ADD A SEPARATE STAND ALONE DOCUMENT TO
THE GENERAL PLAN 2025 ENTITLED ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE
POLICIES, AND TO MAKE OTHER MINOR TEXT AMENDMENTS
THROUGHOUT THE GENERAL PLAN 2025 FOR CONSISTENCY
PURPOSES

7 WHEREAS, the California Legislature has determined that the availability of housing is a
8 matter of statewide importance and the cooperation between government and the private sector is
9 critical to attainment of the State's housing goals; and

10 WHEREAS, California Government Code Section 65588(b) requires the City of Riverside
11 ("City") to periodically prepare an update to the Housing Element of its General Plan; and

12 WHEREAS, the General Plan Housing Element serves as a policy and action guide to address
13 the comprehensive housing needs of the City of Riverside; and

14 WHEREAS, the City of Riverside prepared the 6th Cycle 2021-2029 Housing Element Update
15 in accordance with California Housing Element Law (Government Code section 65580 et. seq.); and

16 WHEREAS, California Government Code Section 65583 requires that the Housing Element
17 Update contain: (i) an assessment of the City's housing needs and an analysis of the resources and
18 constraints, both governmental and non-governmental, relevant to the meeting of these needs; (ii) an
19 inventory of land suitable and available for residential development and an analysis of the
20 development potential of such sites; (iii) a statement of the community's goals, quantified objectives,
21 and policies relative to the maintenance, preservation, improvement, and development of housing; and
22 (iv) programs that set forth a schedule of actions the local government is undertaking or intends to
23 undertake to implement the policies and achieve the goals and objectives of the Housing Element
24 Update; and

25 WHEREAS, Housing Element Law requires the Housing Element to identify adequate sites to
26 accommodate the City's Regional Housing Needs Allocation ("RHNA") and the City has identified
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1 an adequate list of housing sites to accommodate the amount, type, and income levels required by
2 RHNA; and

3 WHEREAS based on existing underutilization, existing Floor Area Ratio, COVID-impacted
4 uses and current development patterns/trends on the identified Opportunity Sites, existing uses on the
5 Opportunity Sites identified to accommodate the very-low- and low-income RHNA are likely to be
6 discontinued during the planning period based on existing and proposed policies and programs, and
7 therefore potential for redevelopment would not be impeded for additional residential units during the
8 period covered by the Housing Element; and

9 WHEREAS, the proposed amendments to the City's Housing Element, Housing Element
10 Technical Report, and Public Safety Element ("Elements") of General Plan 2025 are intended to
11 ensure that the needs of all residents in the City are met; and

12 WHEREAS, the Planning Commission of the City of Riverside, California, advertised for and
13 held a public hearing on October 5, 2021, in Planning Case No. PR-2021-001058, to consider
14 amendments to the Elements of General Plan 2025 in compliance with California Housing Element
15 Law, Government Code Section 65580 et seq.; and

16 WHEREAS, the City Council received and considered the reports and recommendations from
17 the Planning Commission and all other testimony, whether written or oral, presented at the public
18 hearing.

19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Riverside,
20 California, as follows:

21 Section 1: It is in the public interest to amend the Housing Element, Housing Element
22 Technical Report, and Public Safety Elements of the General Plan 2025, in their entirety, as more
23 particularly described below.

24 Section 2: The Housing Element of the General Plan 2025 is hereby amended and replaced
25 in its entirety with Exhibit "A" attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, which includes
26 all of the following entitled documents: 6th Cycle 2021-2029 Housing Element, Housing Element
27 Technical Background Report, Housing Element Appendix A: Opportunity Sites Inventory, Housing
28 Element Appendix A – Ward 1 Opportunities Sites, Housing Element Appendix A – Ward 2

1 Opportunities Sites, Housing Element Appendix A – Ward 3 Opportunities Sites, Housing Element
2 Appendix A – Ward 4 Opportunities Sites, Housing Element Appendix A – Ward 5 Opportunities
3 Sites, Housing Element Appendix A – Ward 6 Opportunities Sites, Housing Element Appendix A –
4 Ward 7 Opportunities Sites, and Appendix B – Case Studies.

5 Section 3: The 6th Cycle 2021-2029 Housing Element attached hereto as Exhibit “A” and
6 incorporated herein by reference, is hereby adopted.

7 Section 4: The Public Safety Element of the General Plan 2025 is hereby amended and
8 replaced in its entirety with Exhibit “B” attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, which
9 includes the following entitled documents: Public Safety Element and Public Safety Element
10 Technical Background Report.

11 Section 5: The General Plan 2025 is hereby amended to add a separate stand alone
12 document entitled Environmental Justice Policies, which covers existing Elements within the General
13 Plan and is attached hereto as Exhibit “C” and incorporated herein by reference.

14 Section 6: The General Plan 2025 is hereby amended to make minor text amendments
15 throughout for consistency purposes related to the Housing Element and Public Safety Element, all as
16 shown in Exhibit “D” attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

17 Section 7: That an Environmental Impact Report was prepared in connection with this
18 action and has been certified concurrently herewith.

19 ADOPTED by the City Council this _____ day of _____, 2021.

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22 PATRICIA LOCK DAWSON
23 Mayor of the City of Riverside

24 Attest:

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26 DONESIA GAUSE
27 City Clerk of the City of Riverside

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1 I, Donesia Gause, City Clerk of the City of Riverside, California, hereby certify that the
2 foregoing resolution was duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the City Council of said City at
3 its meeting held on the _____ day of _____, 2021, by the following vote, to wit:

4 Ayes:

5 Noes:

6 Absent:

7 Abstain:

8 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the
9 City of Riverside, California, this _____ day of _____, 2021.

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11 DONESIA GAUSE
12 City Clerk of the City of Riverside
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