

AB 2140 General Plan Amendment

PC-2026-00796 (GPA) – General Plan Text Amendment
COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Planning Commission

Agenda Item : 2

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WHAT IS AB 2140?

AB 2140: Allows local jurisdictions to qualify for additional state funds to finance public assistance projects* if they comply with the bill's requirements.

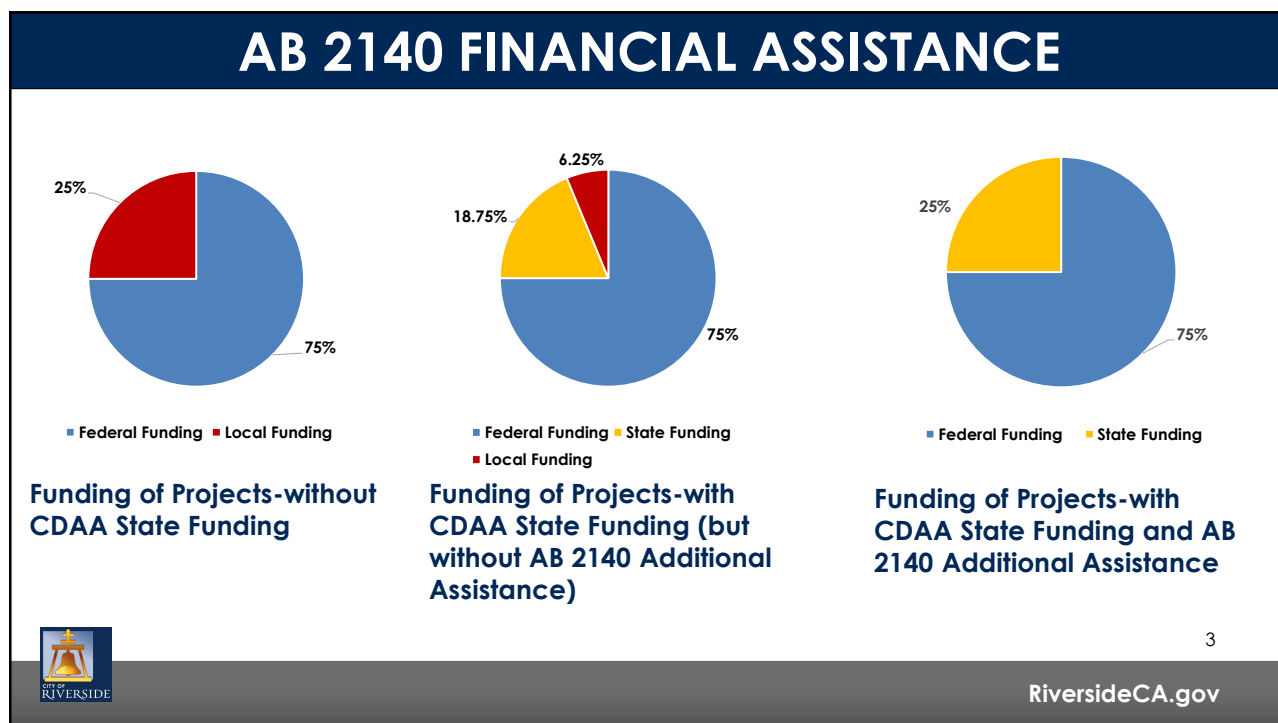
**Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) projects that repair public infrastructure after disasters*



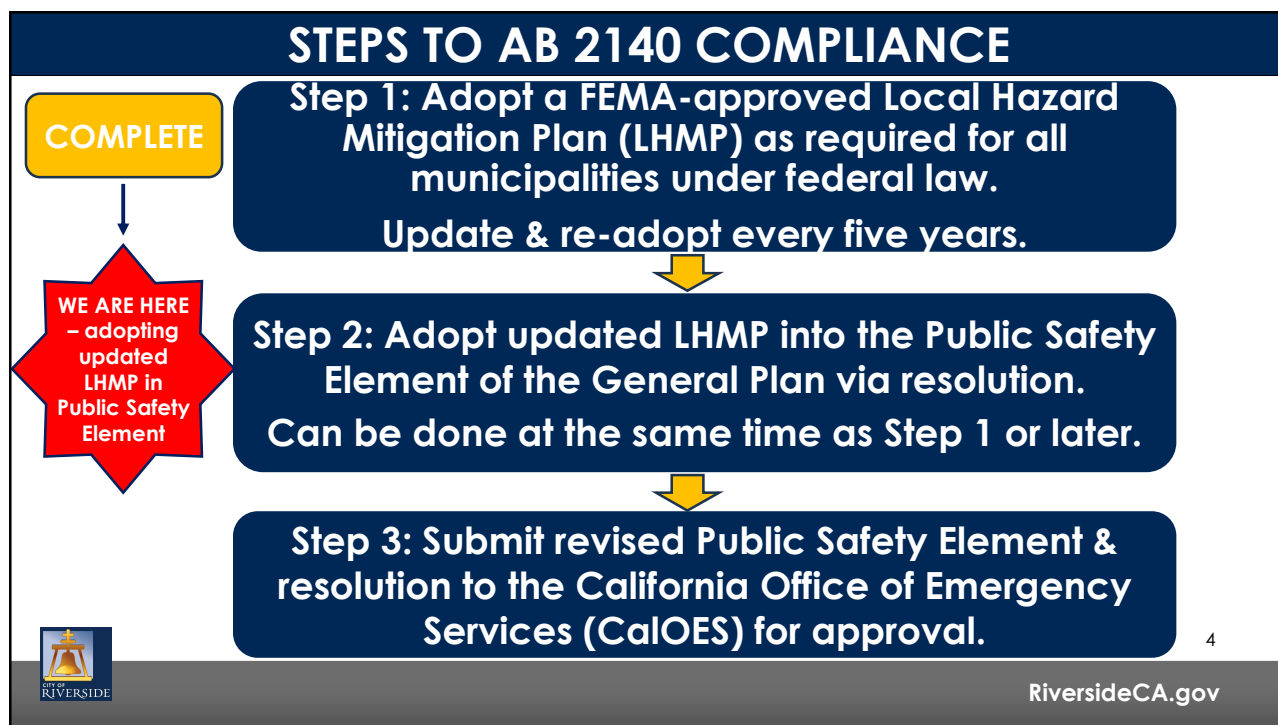
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PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Replace reference to 2018 LHMP with reference to current 2023 LHMP in the Public Safety Element of the 2025 General Plan.

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RECOMMENDATIONS

Staff recommends that the Planning Commission:

1. **RECOMMEND** that the City Council determine that Planning Case PC-2026-00796 (General Plan Text Amendment) is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) review pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) (General Rule) of the CEQA Guidelines and;
2. **RECOMMEND** that the City Council approve Planning Case PC-2026-00796 (General Plan Text Amendment) as outlined in the staff report.



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