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RE: Submittal of City of Clayton Draft Housing Element

I am pleased to submit for HCD's review the HCD Review Draft Housing Element Update for the City of Clayton. Our local process has involved extensive opportunities for public input, including volunteer distribution of informational doorhangers to each residence in the City, two online surveys and a dedicated project webpage on the City website, and eight public meetings with residents and decision-makers to discuss Housing Element statute and creation of a local, viable plan for meeting housing needs for all income levels. This document also reflects public input received on the first, Public Review Draft Housing Element, which was made available to the community for a 30-day review period that ran between May 20 and June 20, 2022, and included four of the aforementioned public comment meetings.

We believe that our Draft Housing Element is both compliant with Housing Element statute and reflective of the preferences and desires of the Clayton community. We are excited to share this document with HCD staff and look forward to communication with HCD toward achieving certification of our community's housing plan.

Thank you for your time and attention. For future correspondence, please contact our consultant, Laura Stetson of MIG, Inc, by email to <u>lstetson@migcom.com</u>, and me by email to <u>danaa@claytonca.gov</u>. I am also available by telephone at 925-673-7343.

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1. Introduction

ABOUT CLAYTON

The City of Clayton, nestled against Mount Diablo in central Contra Costa County, remains a quiet, comfortable place to live amid the hubbub of the Bay Area—but with ready access to the urban centers in Concord, Richmond, Berkeley, and Oakland. Its quaint downtown provides small-town charm, and the surrounding hillsides offer expansive open spaces. Clayton is largely a bedroom community, with the City's earliest subdivision patterns reflecting building approaches of the 1960s, just prior to Clayton's incorporation in 1964 with approximately 600 residents. The more rapid period of development from 1980-2000, when Clayton added about 6,500 residents, continued the trend of providing homes in single-family subdivisions at prices affordable to middle-income households. Then and today, these neighborhoods included parks lively with community events, where neighbors gather to socialize, play, and enjoy art and food festivals.

As the smallest city in Contra Costa County, Clayton is home to about 11,500 residents (2020), representing just one percent of the total County population. Between 2000 and 2020, Clayton experienced a moderate growth of 5.3 percent, greatly contrasted to the boom of the previous two decades and growth in the region, at 14.8 percent. Today, Clayton is largely built out, with predominantly residential development and commercial uses concentrated in a shopping center near its northern boundary and in its downtown Town Center. Much of the eastern side of the City (east of Oakhurst Drive/Clayton Road) is constrained by challenging geology and terrain.

Throughout the greater Bay Area, the decades of the 2000s have been a period of significant growth and change, with home prices rising to among the highest in the nation and housing supply falling far below demand. Clayton has experienced this change in the form of rapidly escalating home prices; its neighborhoods, once affordable to middle-class households, have become unaffordable to lower- and middle-income households. About one quarter of current Clayton households overpay for housing despite earning high incomes, further reflecting the high cost of living in the Bay Area. For the few new developments recently approved in Clayton, affordable housing is produced only in response to local inclusionary housing requirements or pursuant to State density bonus law. Clayton needs a diversity of housing types at different levels of affordability for both rental and owner units. Housing diversity can add value to a community like Clayton and contribute to its sustainability. Through this Housing Element, the community looks to put forward housing policies and programs that will meet a variety of housing needs for new residents while preserving those qualities and community character that Clayton residents value.

REGULATORY FRAMEWORK

The Housing Element is one of the required components of a General Plan and must be consistent with all other elements of the General Plan. This element identifies ways in which the housing needs of existing and future residents can be met. State law describes in great detail the necessary contents of the Housing Element: 1) identifying housing needs; 2) analyzing constraints to housing production; 3) examining past

accomplishments from prior housing element planning efforts; 4) understanding how past planning practices may have excluded groups of people from housing opportunities; 5) documenting how the public has been engaged in the planning process; and 6) assessing and describing how land and financial resources will be marshalled to meet all housing needs. This Housing Element responds to those requirements and specifically to conditions and policy directives unique to Clayton.

The California Legislature has identified the attainment of a decent home and suitable living environment for every Californian as the State's main housing goal. Recognizing the important part that local planning programs play in pursuit of this goal, the Legislature has mandated that all cities and counties prepare a Housing Element as part of their comprehensive General Plans.

Section 65581 of the California Government Code reflects the legislative intent for mandating that each city and county prepare a Housing Element:

- 1. To ensure that counties and cities recognize their responsibilities in contributing to the attainment of the State housing goal.
- 2. To ensure that counties and cities will prepare and implement Housing Elements which, along with federal and state programs, will move toward attainment of the state housing goals.
- 3. To recognize that each locality is best capable of determining what efforts are required by it to contribute to the attainment of the state housing goal, provided such a determination is compatible with the state housing goal and regional housing needs.
- 4. To ensure that each local government cooperates with other local governments to address regional housing needs.

SCOPE AND CONTENT

This Housing Element applies to the planning period of June 2022 through December 2031 and identifies strategies and programs to:

- Maintain and enhance existing housing and neighborhoods
- Ensure adequate sites are available to accommodate moderate housing and population growth
- Update City policies and regulations to allow for a greater number and diversity of housing units
- Diversify the housing stock to increase opportunities at all income ranges and for both renters and homeowners
- Minimize governmental constraints to housing production
- Ensure fair housing practices
- Preserve and improve existing affordable housing stock

Toward these ends, this Housing Element consists of:

- This introduction to the scope and purpose of the Housing Element
- A Housing Plan to address the identified housing needs, including housing goals, policies, and programs
- A community needs assessment which reviews population characteristics, housing stock, and the special housing needs of the elderly, lower-income households, disabled persons, foster care youth aging out of the system, and people experiencing homelessness

- A review of potential market, governmental, and environmental constraints to meeting the City's identified housing needs
- An inventory of available sites in Clayton to meet the City's allocated regional housing need, referred to as the RHNA (Regional Housing Needs Allocation), established by the Association of Bay Area Governments/Metropolitan Transportation Commission (ABAG/MTC)
- An evaluation of land, administrative, and financial resources available to address the housing goals
- A review of past accomplishments under the previous Housing Element
- A fair housing assessment
- A summary of public engagement events

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER GENERAL PLAN ELEMENTS

As noted above, State law requires that the Housing Element be consistent with all other General Plan elements. The Clayton General Plan contains nine elements: Land Use, Circulation, Housing, Community Design, Open Space/Conservation, Safety, Noise, Community Facilities, and Growth Management. Most specifically, the Land Use Element must have land use policy that supports the distribution and densities of housing assumed in the Housing Element to achieve the RHNA. The City will continue to review the General Plan for internal consistency as amendments are proposed and adopted. The City is aware of the requirements of Assembly Bill (AB) 162 (2007), which requires every city and county to amend its General Plan Safety and Conservation elements to include analysis and policies regarding flood hazards and management.

ACRONYMS

This element includes use of many acronyms to identify agencies, housing programs, funding sources, and planning terms. Commonly used acronyms are:

- ABAG/MTC Association of Bay Area Governments/Metropolitan Transportation Commission
- ADU Accessory Dwelling Unit
- AFFH Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing
- AI Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing
- ACS American Community Survey
- AMI Area Median Income
- CDBG Community Development Block Grant
- CEQA California Environmental Quality Act
- CHAS Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy
- CHDO Community Housing Development Organization
- DOF State of California Department of Finance

- HCD State of California Department of Housing and Community Development
- HUD Federal Department of Housing and Urban Development
- LIHTC Low-Income Housing Tax Credit
- MFI Median Family Income
- MRB Mortgage Revenue Bonds
- RHNA Regional Housing Needs Allocation
- SRO Single Room Occupancy
- TOD Transit-Oriented Development
- TCSP Town Center Specific Plan

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION OVERVIEW

The Housing Element must reflect the values and preferences of the community. Therefore, public participation in the planning process is critical to ensuring this Housing Element represents community voices. Government Code Section 65583(c)(7) states: "The local government shall make diligent effort to achieve public participation of all economic segments of the community in the development of the Housing Element, and the program shall describe this effort."

At its core, a Housing Element is an opportunity to have a community conversation about how to address local housing challenges, develop policies, and find solutions. As such, the public engagement process for Clayton involved participation from a variety of stakeholders to solicit input, and that input has informed key element programs and decisions, such as identifying appropriate housing sites and densities. The engagement process, described in detail in Appendix A, included interviews with the City Council and Planning Commissioners, an online community workshop, study sessions with the City Council and Planning Commission in which members of the public participated, a map-based online survey, Council and Commission frequent updates, and a Balancing Act survey that allowed participants to create their own housing plans. Key comments expressed at some of these activities are described below.

STAKEHOLDER INTERVIEWS

- Clayton is largely built out.
- The city lacks diverse housing options for young adults, renters, teachers, and seniors.
- Add new housing throughout City, not just in downtown.
- Developments downtown should attract Clayton residents and people living in nearby cities.

WORKSHOP

• Vision for an increase in affordable housing for new residents, community events held downtown, a diversified city facilitated by a range of affordable housing, affordable housing for younger adults, and a maintenance of the character of Clayton

• **Concerns** about having the infrastructure to support apartment complexes, traffic congestion that may come with additional housing, affordable housing options for seniors who want to downsize, and ensuring children who grow up in Clayton can one day afford to purchase homes

MAPTIONNAIRE SURVEY

Maptionnaire is a digital map-based tool for questionnaires, surveys, and data collection. The survey included several questions focused on housing issues and challenges, possible strategies and solutions for the City, locations for new housing, community preference for a vacant site (Downtown Site) in Clayton's historic Town Center, the community's vision and goals, and optional questions to gather demographic information. The survey was open to all members of the public. The map-based nature of the survey allowed participants to mark a digital map with places where they thought new housing would be appropriate and share what housing types they were interested in seeing. Participants were also able to upload photos or other materials to support their vision for the Downtown Site, and to answer questions about preferred uses for that site.

Key findings included:

- Over half (56 percent) of respondents said they were in favor of the potential growth increase in housing units in Clayton. Most of those in support of more housing also indicated concerns about possible impacts of growth.
- When asked to rank the importance of housing issues and challenges in the City, respondents listed traffic and congestion, preserving community character, limited infrastructure, and overcrowding as the top issues.
- A lack of diverse housing options and housing supply were the least important housing issues.
- When asked to rank the strategies or solutions that are appropriate for Clayton, participants indicated that supporting homeowners who want to build ADUs on single-family lots and encouraging the rehabilitation of existing housing in older neighborhoods were the top options.
- Providing shelters and transitional housing for homeless families and individuals, along with services that help move people into permanent housing and targeting efforts to address long-term inequities in the housing market were the least important strategies.
- One-quarter of respondents indicated that new housing should blend in with the character of surrounding neighborhoods, and nearly one-quarter said that new housing should be located where it will have the least impact on traffic in Clayton.

BALANCING ACT

The City offered an opportunity for residents and other interested parties to participate in the Housing Balancing Act, a virtual simulation within which participants were given 15 vacant or underutilized sites within the City and asked what density of housing they preferred to see on each site. Starting with a "default" density of either two or three units per acre on each site, participants could change density in increments of 1 unit per acre to as low as 0 units per acre if they did not want to see housing on a site, up to as many as 30 units per acre.

Generally, respondents specified higher densities on the sites in north Clayton, and particularly the Clayton Valley Presbyterian and St. John's Parish sites, where the most common densities selected were

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30 units per acre. Some respondents also added comments suggesting increasing density above 30 units per acre on these sites, a comment that was also reflected in the minutes of the Planning Commission meeting at which Balancing Act was demonstrated.

In central Clayton, the Oakhurst Country Club overflow parking lot site also had some of the highest densities among sites in the simulation, with the most common density at 30 units per acre and an average of 13 units per acre.

In south Clayton, where the only site was a large property Pine Lane and Marsh Creek Road, respondents generally selected medium densities for the site (10 to 13 units per acre). Other sites, including sites in the Town Center, tended to have lower densities selected, and in some cases, no development. It is noted, however, that for some Town Center sites, some respondents commented that they preferred to see commercial development on those properties but would consider residential development on upper floors above commercial or adjacent to Clayton Road.

DRAFT HOUSING ELEMENT WORKSHOP SESSIONS

In May and June, 2022, the Planning Commission and City Council conducted a series of four public workshops on the draft Housing Element, which was made available for public review on May 20, 2022. Based on public comments, Commission recommendations, and Council discussion, the Council directed City staff to make minor adjustments to the draft before sending it to HCD for review.

[PLACEHOLDER FOR DESCRIPTION OF FUTURE ACTIVITIES]



INTRODUCTION

This Housing Plan's goals, policies, and programs have been established to address housing issues in Clayton and to meet state law housing requirements. The City's enduring objective is to facilitate and encourage safe, decent housing that fulfills the diverse needs of current and future residents. To achieve this vision, the Housing Plan identifies long-term housing goals and shorter-term policies and programs to address identified housing needs, constraints to development, and resources available to address housing needs. These objectives are informed by the housing needs assessment, housing constraints analysis, housing resources analysis, and review of the previous Housing Element.

To make adequate provision for the housing needs for people of all income levels, State law (Government Code 65583[c]) requires that the City, at a minimum, identify programs that do all of the following:

- Identify adequate sites, with appropriate zoning and development standards and services to accommodate the locality's share of the regional housing needs for each income level.
- Assist in the development of adequate housing to meet the needs of extremely low-, very low-, low-, and moderate-income households.
- Address and, where possible, remove governmental constraints to the maintenance, improvement, and development of housing, including housing for people at all income levels, as well as housing for people with disabilities.
- Conserve and improve the condition of the existing affordable housing stock and preserve assisted housing developments at risk of conversion to market-rate housing.
- Promote equal housing opportunities for all people, regardless of race, religion, sex, marital status, ancestry, national origin, color, familial status, or disability.

FRAMING THE CHALLENGE AND FINDING SOLUTIONS

Clayton is located within one of the most expensive housing regions in the country. The cost of existing homes remains high because of insufficient inventory and the desirability of Clayton's semi-rural character. Throughout the Bay Area, high materials and labor costs constrain housing production. Clayton has experienced very little new development since 2010, with almost no housing constructed for lower-and moderate-income households. Low wage earners and middle-income households who work in Bay Area counties and wish to buy a home—or just find something affordable for a family of four—often commute two hours or more to Central Valley communities such as Tracy or Stockton.

Other factors constraining housing production in Clayton include adverse geologic conditions on the City's east side that require significant investments to remedy unstable slope conditions, continuing concerns over drought conditions, high fire hazards associated with climate change, and limited job opportunities in Clayton, thus requiring commutes out of the community every day. This very limited jobs and

commercial base means that Clayton operates on a small municipal budget and must carefully consider the costs of providing adequate public services to new residences and residents.

The City recognizes that it shares similar challenges with many Bay Area communities, all of which have been tasked with creating new housing opportunities for people of all income levels. Historically, Clayton's land use and zoning regulations have capped residential densities at 20 units per acre, a density which does not provide much incentive to multi-family housing developers. The City's limited financial resources do not allow it to incentivize or partner with affordable housing developers to bring such needed homes into the community. Thus, to accommodate willing housing providers and the RHNA allocation of at least 570 units, the City's chief strategy is to zone properties at sufficient densities that will attract developers. In conjunction with adoption of this 2023-2031 Housing Element, the City has adopted new General Plan land use and zoning regulations that support this commitment.

Meeting regional and local housing needs extends beyond simply planning for new home construction. Often one of the best ways to provide reasonably priced housing is to preserve older housing stock that is already somewhat affordable. While this housing stock is very limited in Clayton—as homeowners have continued to invest in homes constructed in the 1960s to preserve their value—owners of such properties might consider building an accessory dwelling unit on their lot or subdividing the lot for a new home or two. This element identifies the City's stepped-up efforts to support homeowners's efforts to create new units within existing neighborhoods.

For this sixth cycle Housing Element update, the State has required much closer examination of how minority and lower-income households may have been discouraged or excluded from moving into Clayton through practices such as redlining or landlords not adhering to fair housing laws, or how such communities today face other challenges when looking to live in Clayton. The new commitment to encouraging affordable housing production looks to affirmatively further fair housing practices.

The natural environment that surrounds Clayton is a valued community asset that this Housing Element looks to protect by focusing new housing production in already developed areas of the City and limiting it in sensitive habitats, high fire hazard areas, and unstable hillsides. Planning for housing within the Town Center and along corridors with ready access to community amenities represents good planning practice that will benefit current and future Clayton residents.

SITES INVENTORY SUMMARY

Housing development projects that have been approved (as of June 2022) account for 113 units, or about 20 percent of the RHNA. Vacant properties zoned for residential use total only 13.9 acres (Silver Oaks property), and the owner has indicated an intent to plan for about 32 units on that site. To accommodate the balance of the RHNA, this Housing Element identifies the following types of sites, described in detail in Chapter 5:

- Vacant properties zoned for residential, public, or agricultural use
- An overflow parking lot owned by the Oakhurst Country Club
- Within the Town Center, vacant properties (including a significant City-owned site), public parking lots, and private properties that could be redeveloped with mixed-use projects

- Properties that currently developed with a single-family home but are large enough to support a multifamily housing project
- Sites owned by religious institutions that have expressed interest in developing housing on portions of their properties

Not all of these properties are designated and zoned for residential use and for those that are, the density yields are not considered high enough to encourage private redevelopment efforts. Thus, for this sixth cycle Housing Element, to accommodate its RHNA of 570 units the City will need to amend General Plan land use policy to increase residential densities to support multifamily housing, amend the Zoning Code to provide for consistency with General Plan policy, and rezone properties to reflect parallel General Plan land use designations. With the proposed amendments, the City is able to plan for the RHNA and create a planning buffer that responds to State laws regarding no net loss of affordable housing capacity should a site planned for below-market-rate housing be developed otherwise.

GOALS AND POLICIES

GOAL 1. Maintain and enhance long-established housing and neighborhoods while accommodating moderate growth.

- **Policy 1.1** Neighborhood Preservation. Preserve the architectural and design quality of established residential neighborhoods.
- **Policy 1.2** Impacts of New Housing. Consider and mitigate the impacts of new housing on the City's infrastructure, open space, natural resources, and public services.
- **Policy 1.3** Targeted Growth. Target new housing development to areas in Clayton near major travel corridors and commercial centers.
- **Policy 1.4 Code Enforcement.** Continue to utilize the City's code enforcement program to improve overall housing conditions, and promote increased awareness among property owners and residents of the importance of property maintenance.
- **Policy 1.5** Facilitate Reinvestment. Make it easy for homeowners to reinvest in their properties by having staff-level review processes for the home renovations and additions that meet minimum development standards.

GOAL 2. Encourage a variety of housing types, densities, and affordability levels to meet the diverse needs of the community, including a mix of ownership and rental

- **Policy 2.1** Adequate Housing Sites. Maintain and implement land use policies and zoning regulations that accommodate a range of residential housing types that can fulfill local housing needs and accommodate the City's Regional Housing Needs Allocation of at least 570 units.
- **Policy 2.2** Variety of Densities and Housing Types. Implement land use policies and standards that allow for a range of residential densities and housing types that will enable households of all types and income levels opportunities to find suitable ownership and rental housing in the City.
- **Policy 2.3** Accessory Dwelling Units. Promote construction of accessory dwelling units as a way to increase the housing stock, particularly for lower-income households, seniors, young adults and persons with disabilities, recognizing that ADUs also promote investment in existing properties and reduce ongoing housing costs for property owners.
- **Policy 2.4** Urban Lot Splits. Recognize urban lot splits, as defined and allowed by State law, as a viable means to create new housing.
- **Policy 2.5 Mixed-use Development**. Promote mixed-use development in Downtown Clayton that includes residential uses above ground-floor commercial and office uses, with ground-floor residential allowed under limited circumstances, such as along side streets or behind street-facing commercial uses on Center and Main Streets.
- **Policy 2.6 Housing on Religious Institution Lands.** Create land use regulations that encourage the development of housing, particularly below market-rate housing, on properties owned by religious institutions.
- GOAL 3. Provide opportunities for housing that respond to the needs of special needs households.
- **Policy 3.1 Persons with Living with Disabilities**. Ensure zoning regulations accommodate development approaches that support special consideration for persons living with disabilities of all types.
- **Policy 3.2** Assistance and Incentives. Facilitate the development of lower- and moderate-income housing by offering developers incentives such as density bonuses, streamlined entitlement and permitting processes, City participation in on- and off-site public improvements, and flexible development standards.

- **Policy 3.3** Seniors, Large Families, Single-parent Households, Foster Youth. Encourage development of housing that meets the specific needs of seniors, large families, single-parent households, and youth transitioning out of the foster care system.
- **Policy 3.4** Supportive and Transitional Housing. Ensure that zoning regulations respond to evolving laws regarding supportive and transitional housing.
- **Policy 3.5** Unhoused Persons and Families. Support regional programs focused on finding safe housing for persons and families who are temporarily or chronically without a place to live.
- GOAL 4. Remove governmental constraints and obstacles to the production of housing for all income groups.
- **Policy 4.1** General Plan Land Use Policy. Ensure that General Plan land use policies permit higher density housing development within a range that can support and encourage affordable housing.
- **Policy 4.2 Residential Development Standards**. Review and adjust residential development standards, regulations, ordinances, departmental processing procedures, and residential fees related to rehabilitation and construction that are determined to constrain housing development.
- **Policy 4.3 Policy Assessments**. Identify, assess, and, when appropriate, amend ordinances and policies that adversely affect housing cost.
- GOAL 5. Ensure equal housing opportunities for all persons in Clayton regardless of age, race, religion, sex, marital status, national origin, color, disability, or other barriers that prevent choice in housing.
- **Policy 5.1 Anti-Discrimination**. Promote equity and prohibit discrimination in the sale, rental, or financing of housing based on race, color, ancestry, religion, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, age, disability/medical condition, familial status, marital status, source of income, or any other arbitrary factor.
- **Policy 5.2** Fair Housing. Assist in the enforcement of fair housing laws by providing references for residents to organizations that can receive and investigate fair housing allegations, monitor compliance with fair housing laws, and refer possible violations to enforcing agencies.
- **Policy 5.3** Housing Distribution. Distribute affordable housing throughout all Clayton neighborhoods.
- **Policy 5.4 Quality Living Environments.** Avoid concentrating low-income housing in areas with high pollution loads and low levels of public services.

- **Policy 5.5 Inclusion.** Facilitate increased participation in civic conversations and decision-making by residents who have traditionally been underrepresented or hesitant to engage.
- **Policy 5.6 Education.** Support continuing education for landlords regarding their fair housing legal responsibilities and tenants regarding their fair housing rights.

GOAL 6. Incorporate sustainability practices intohousing production and operations.

- **Policy 6.1 New Subdivisions.** Require developers to incorporate sustainable practices into the design of subdivisions.
- **Policy 6.2** Appliances. Promote the use of clean, energy-efficient appliances in new homes.
- **Policy 6.3 Energy Efficient Retrofits.** Promote home retrofits that reduce consumption of water and energy resources.
- **Policy 6.4 High Standards**. Establish high sustainability standards for new multi-family housing and mixed-use develoments.

PROGRAMS

The City will pursue the following programs to implement Housing Element goals and policies. As part of its annual budgeting process, the City Council will evaluate its ability to fund ongoing programs and new initiatives, and will use the budgeting process to prioritize efforts for the coming year.

PROGRAM A: MAINTAINING THE EXISTING HOUSING STOCK

Program A1 – Code Enforcement

Code enforcement is an important tool for maintaining the quality of residential neighborhoods. Clayton staff provide inspection services on a complaint basis. Residences citywide generally are maintained in good to excellent condition, with evident pride of ownership. Examples of code violations—which are few—include poor landscape maintenance, fencing in need of repair, and minor property improvements. Actions the City will take to preserve the existing housing stock in good condition include:

- Provide ongoing inspection services to review code violations on a complaint basis.
- Work with neighborhood organizations and other groups to create programs that recognize homeowners for exemplary property maintenance.
- Create an ADU amnesty program that allows owners of illegally converted garages, detached accessory structures, and attached accessory living quarters to convert those units to units that comply with the building code and ADU ordinance.

Responsibility: Community Development Department

Time Frame: Amnesty program by 2026

Other efforts ongoing

Funding: General Fund, grants

PROGRAM B: CREATING OPPORTUNITIES FOR NEW HOUSING

Program B1 – Accessory Dwelling Units

Increase the number and affordability of assessory dwelling units by pursuing the following initiatives, with the goal of facilitating development of at least 10 ADUs annually.

- Publicize information in the general application packet and posting information on the City's website.
- Create a set of standard plans for several types of ADUs that property owners can use to reduce planning costs.
- Provide incentives for developers of new housing to use ADUs to meet the City's inclusionary housing requirements.

Responsibility: Community Development Department

Time Frame: Standard Plans – By end of 2023

Other efforts, 2023–2031

Funding: General Fund, grants

Program B2 – Town Center Mixed Use

Amend the Town Center Specific Plan to allow for and encourage compact, creative types of housing, including live/work units, senior housing, efficiency apartments, and co-housing.

Responsibility: Community Development Department

Time Frame: Amend the Specific Plan by 2025

Funding: General Fund, grants

Program B3 – Affordable Housing Development

Both for-profit and non-profit developers can provide affordable housing in Clayton. While the City has extraordinarily limited resources to help fund development and/or provide land, the City can assist by expediting applications, reducing fees, and allowing additional building height and/or density bonuses beyond those allowed by State statutes—or as a matter of right rather than as a concession/waiver pursuant to density bonus law. To encourage such development, the City will:

- Create a database of sites to help developers identify suitable sites for affordable residential and mixed-use developments.
- Develop a process that prioritizes the processing of affordable housing applications.
- Encourage use of the density bonus provisions through technical assistance and information dissemination.

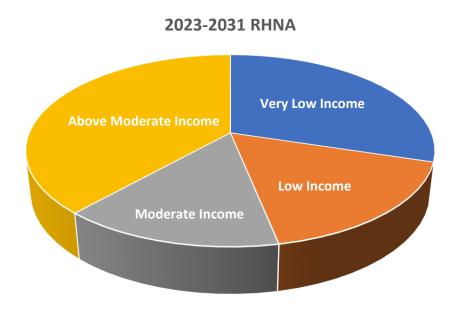
- Alert housing developers with known interest in developing within the City when opportunities are available (e.g. sites, partnerships, City-owned land, availability of funding).
- Adopt a policy to provide priority water and sewer service to new housing developments for lower-income households.

Responsibility: Community Development Department

| Time Frame: | Database by end of 2024 | | | | |
|-------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| | Expedited process and priority policy by end of 2024 | | | | |
| | Ongoing for alerting developers | | | | |
| Funding: | General Fund, grants | | | | |

PROGRAM C: ADEQUATE SITES

The City of Clayton has been allocated a Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) target of 570 new housing units, distributed four among income categories: very low, low, moderate, and above moderate. The inventory of sites to accommodate this RHNA consists of vacant properties zoned for residential use, developed properties that have potential to be redeveloped at higher residential



densities, mixed-use properties in the Town Center, properties owned by religious institutions that have surplus parking areas capable of supporting residential development, and accessory dwelling units (ADUs). As of 2022, General Plan land use policy and zoning do not have capacity sufficient to support this level of development; therefore, General Plan and zoning amendments are required to accommodate the RHNA. Program D below identifies the amendments the City will undertake to ensure that land use policies and regulations can support the RHNA.

Actions:

- Continue to provide appropriate land use designations and maintain an inventory of suitable sites for residential development.
- Establish a means to track all housing sites in the inventory to guard against no net loss of sites identified as suitable for lower-income housing development consistent with Government Code Section 65863. Maintain a priority list of sites for rezoning, if needed to guard against no net loss.

- Provide technical assistance and information on available City-owned parcels for lower-income developments to private or non-profit housing providers.
- Maintain a database of available housing sites and conduct targeted outreach to multifamily housing developers to promote private development and redevelopment efforts.

Responsibility: Community Development Department

Time Frame: Implementation and annual reporting throughout the planning period

Establish no-net-loss tracking within one year of Housing Element adoption and continuously track upon adoption

Technical assistance and database: Ongoing

Funding: General Fund

PROGRAM D: GENERAL PLAN AND ZONING CODE AMENDMENTS TO REMOVE CONSTRAINTS

Program D-1: General Plan Amendments

The City will amend the General Plan Land Use Element to clarify the density ranges for multi-family housing and thereby encourage development of housing for people of all income levels and desired housing choices. The amendments will be as follows:

- Amend Objective 1 and related policies to reflect higher allowed densities along major corridors.
- Amend the Multifamily Medium Density land use designation to describe a broader range of desired housing types and establish a density range of 10.1 to 20 units per acre.
- Amend the Multifamily High Density land use designation to describe a broader range of desired housing types and establish a density range of 20.1 to 30.0 units per acre.
- Amend the Institutional land use designation to allow for residential development within a density range of 10.1 to 30 units per acre, and at a minimum density of 20 units per acre on sites where religious assembly uses already exist.
- Amend the allowed uses in the Town Center designation to accommodate ground-floor residential under prescribed circumstances, such as along side streets or behind street-facing commercial uses on Center and Main Streets and to allow for densities of up to 30 units per acre. Revisit the lot coverage standards to provide conditions that can accommodate higher densities.
- Amend the General Plan land use map to identify housing sites inventory properties for affordable housing as Multifamily High Density.
- Amend the General Plan to include policy language that allows for 100 percent affordable housing developments at 40 units per acre.
- Amend the Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) provisions to comply with current state law.
- Adopt a new policy in the Land Use Element requiring that development be built in accordance with minimum densities of the land use designation in which they are located.

Responsibility: City Council, Planning Commission, Community Development Department

Time Frame: By January 31, 2023

Funding: General Fund

Program D-2: Zoning Code Amendments

This Housing Element identifies a shortfall of properties zoned at appropriate densities to accommodate housing for the extremely low-, very low-, and low-income RHNA. State law (Government Code Section 65583.2(h) and (i)) requires that land rezoned or redesignated to meet a shortfall meet the following criteria:

- Require a minimum density of at least 20 units per acre
- Accommodate at least 16 units per site
- Allow multi-family housing by-right (without a use permit)
- At least 50 percent of rezoned sites must be designated for residential uses only

In 2012, the City established the Multi-Family High Density General Plan land use designation and the M-R-H zoning (High Density Multiple Family Residential) zoning district to accommodate the City's lowerincome RHNA shortfall from the 2007–2014 Housing Element planning period. However, properties identified to meet the lower-income RHNA were not rezoned, and not all of the additional Zoning Code amendments were made. For this cycle, the City will:

- Amend the Zoning Code to include provisions for sites in the M-R-M (Medium Density Multiple Family Residential) and M-R-H zoning districts to allow at least 16 units regardless of density restrictions.
- Establish a Religious Institutional Overlay zone or similar mechanism to allow residential development on properties with an established religious use at a minimum density of 20 units per acre.

The Constraints analysis for this sixth cycle Housing Element identifies several Zoning Code amendment needed to address new state laws and remove potential constraints to development. In response, the City will:

- Revise the development standards for the M-R zone to increase the maximum allowable building height to 35 feet within 50 feet of an abutting single-family residential district.
- Revise the lot area regulation in Section 17.20.050 for the M-R-M zone to require a minimum of 10 units per acre and accommodate a maximum of 20 units per acre, and revise the lot area regulation for the M-R-H zone to require a minimum of 20 units per acre and accommodate a maximum of 30 units per acre.
- Establish a zoning overlay or other mechanism to allow affordable housing developments at a maximum density of 40 units per acre on properties occupied by a religious institution.
- Pursuant to the requirements of AB 101 (2017), amend the Zoning Code to allow Low Barrier Navigation Centers as a by-right use on properties zoned for mixed use and non-residential zones that permit multifamily housing.
- Identify ways to streamline the site plan review process, authorize the Planning Commission as the decision-making body for planned development permit approval, and make other procedural streamlining amendments to the Zoning Code as appropriate.
- Revisit parking requirements for single-family residential uses to base requirements on the number of bedrooms in a unit instead of having the minimum standard of four per unit, and revise

codified parking standards for multifamily residential uses to eliminate requirements for covered and guest parking.

• Establish objective design standards for multifamily residential and qualifying mixed-use developments under State law.

Responsibility: City Council, Planning Commission, Community Development Department

Time Frame: By January 31, 2024

Funding: General Fund and/or grants

PROGRAM E: INCREASED HOMEBUYING OPPORTUNITIES

Program E1: Mortgage Programs

Continue to refer interested persons to information regarding Contra Costa County's Mortgage Credit Certificate Program, Mortgage Revenue Bond Program, Owner-Occupied Housing Rehabilitation Program, and other programs the County may offer over time.

Responsibility: Community Development Department

Time Frame: Ongoing, 2023–2031

Funding: General Funds (used to post information)

Program E2: Mortgage Assistance

Seek funding to develop and implement a sustainable downpayment assistance program for first-time homebuyers by working with the County or by developing the City's own program that can be used with the Mortgage Credit Certificate program, new inclusionary units, or alone.

Responsibility: City Council, Planning Commission, Community Development Department

Time Frame: Examine funding sources and program opportunities by 2025

Funding: CalHome, HOME, or other available sources

PROGRAM F: REGULATORY INCENTIVES

Program F1 – Town Center Specific Plan Amendment

To encourage development of mixed-use projects in the Town Center, the City has adopted the Clayton Town Center Specific Plan which provides detailed policy direction, standards, and guidelines that encourage mixed-use and second-story residential development. The City will amend the Specific Plan to identify housing opportunity sites at a density of up to 30 units per acre and that allow ground-floor residential uses under defined circumstances. The City will promote development opportunities in the Town Center, circulate a development handbook that describes the permitting process for mixed-use and residential projects, and offer incentives such as streamlined processing and additional density bonuses to incentivize such projects. The City will aim to facilitate the development of at least one mixed-use or 100 percent residential project within the planning period.

Responsibility: City Council, Planning Commission, Community Development Department

Time Frame: Amend the Specific Plan by 2024

Funding: General Fund and/or grants

PROGRAM G: INCLUSIONARY HOUSING

Program G1 – Monitoring

On August 16, 2016, the City Council passed and adopted an inclusionary housing ordinance, which provided the details of the Affordable Housing Plan identified in the fifth cycle Housing Element. The ordinance requires that 10 percent of the units for ownership residential projects containing 10 or more units to be created as affordable housing units.

Inclusionary housing requirements provide a solid means of producing affordable units. State law allows inclusionary requirements to be applied to rental units as well. During the planning period, the City will consider modifying the Affordable Housing Plan ordinance to expand application to all residential developments, whether ownership or rental. Also, the City may consider revisiting the Affordable Housing Plan to lower the threshold for providing affordable units to fewer than 10 units.

Recognizing the in-lieu fees often fall far short of the funds required to construct new unit, the City will also consider adjusting the in-lieu fees, as well as considering offering other options for construction of off-site housing, such as purchase of affordability covenants, rehabilitation of substandard existing units, and funding ADU production on other properties.

Responsibility: City Council, Planning Commission, Community Development Department

- Time Frame:Investigate expanding requirements to rental housing and lowering the threshold(s) by
2026; implement by 2028 if deemed to be appropriate
- Funding: General Fund

PROGRAM H: SPECIAL NEEDS HOUSEHOLDS

Program H1 – Funding Assistance

The City will seek funding under the federal Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS, California Child Care Facility Financing Program, and other state and federal programs designated specifically for special needs groups such as seniors, persons with disabilities, and persons at risk for homelessness. The City will aim to work with housing providers on at least one project serving a special needs group during the planning period.

Responsibility: Community Development Department, City Manager

Time Frame: Ongoing, 2023-2031

Funding: General Fund

PROGRAM H2 – REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION

The City shall continue to distribute public information brochures on reasonable accommodations for disabled persons and enforcement programs of the California Fair Employment and Housing Council.

The City will establish a procedure for disabled persons or their representatives to request a reasonable accommodation from Zoning Code requirements, building codes, and land use regulations, policies, and procedures to provide disabled persons with an opportunity to use and enjoy housing equal to that of non-disabled persons.

Responsibility: Community Development Department

Time Frame:Public information ongoing, 2023-2031Reasonable accommodation procedure by end of 2024Funding:General Fund

Program H2 – Universal Design

The City will continue to implement its universal design ordinance and continue to distribute its brochure on universal design standards, resources for design, and compliance with City requirements.

Responsibility: Community Development Department

Time Frame: Implement universal design standards as development is proposed

Funding: General Fund

Program H3 – Expedited Processing

Give priority to development projects that include a component for special needs groups (including the elderly, disabled, large families, the homeless, students, and transitional foster youth) in addition to other lower-income households. Priority will consist of advancing applications for review ahead of development applications not addressing special needs households. Implement priority based on community needs to ensure adequate housing for all residents within special needs groups.

Responsibility: Community Development Department

Time Frame: As development is proposed

Funding: Application fees

PROGRAM I: AFFORDABLE HOUSING PRESERVATION

Program I1 – Monitor and Provide Options

The Stranahan subdivision includes five units that have affordability covenants expiring in 2025 and 2026. Seven other units also have affordability convenants, but these extend beyond 2033. As discussed in the Needs Assessment, the City has no financial resources available to preserve these units' affordability. Each unit, if purchased at current market values, would cost about \$1.2 million, and potential affordable housing organizations would have to compete to buy the units to maintain their affordability covenants. Such a nonprofit owner would need to subsidize housing costs if a unit were sold or rented to moderate-or lower-income households. To keep these units as affordable units, the City will:

- Notify affordable housing providers regarding the potential availability of the units for sale at least one year prior to the covenants expiring to allow time for such providers to contact and negotiate with homeowners.
- Consider amending Chapter 17.92 (Inclusionary Housing Requirements) to allow purchase of these units and extending the affordability covenants as a means of satisfying inclusionary housing goals.

Responsibility: Community Development Department

Time Frame: Contact potential nonprofit purchasers in 2024

Consider amendments to Chapter 17.92 by 2024 and if considered appropriate, amend by 2025

Funding: General Fund

PROGRAM J: FAIR HOUSING

Program J1 – Local Practices

Review the Zoning Ordinance, policies, and practices to ensure compliance with fair housing laws.

Responsibility: Community Development Department

Time Frame: Review by end of 2023; remedies as needed to be completed by 2025

Funding: General Fund

Program J2 – Transparency in Decision-making

The City will provide information on proposed affordable housing projects to the public through the City's public hearing process in the form of study sessions, public meetings, and when required, public hearings. Early notice and awareness will be provided via print and social media.

Responsibility: Community Development Department

Time Frame: At the time applications are received

Funding: General Fund

Program J3 – Proactive Actions

The City relies upon Contra Costa County agencies and their contractors to provide fair housing services. The County's 2020 Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice did not report any findings for Clayton regarding fair housing testing, meaning that no instances of housing discrimination, unlawful evictions, discriminatory lending practices, or similar actions are known. Local fair housing issues largely relate to historic patterns of segregation that prevented people of color from buying or renting a home in Clayton and today, housing prices and rents that are prohibitive to lower-income households.

As the AFFH analysis in this element indicates, all of Clayton qualifies as a high resource area; thus, any new housing built in the City will provide residents a quality living environment. The challenge is attracting affordable housing developers and removing barriers to affordable housing construction.

To address thes factors and work toward improving housing access for all, the City will take the following actions.

- Continue to refer cases and questions to County agencies and their contractors for enforcement of prohibitions on discrimination in lending practices, in the sale or rental of housing, and violation of other fair housing laws.
- Continue to provide information to help increase awareness of fair housing protections by referral of people to fair housing workshops sponsored by the County.
- Inform landlords of their legal responsibilities regarding fair housing.
- Advertise the availability of fair housing services through flyers at public counters, on the City's website, and at other community locations.
- At least once annually, make a presentation to the City Council about fair housing issues and progress.
- Continue to participate in and implement the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice for Contra Costa County.
- Promote public awareness of Federal, State, and local regulations regarding equal access to housing. Provide information to the public on various State and federal housing programs and fair housing law. Maintain referral information on the City's website and at a variety of other locations such as the community center, local social service offices, and at other public locations, including City Hall and the library.
- Implement an accessibility policy that establishes standards and procedures for providing equal access to City services and programs to all residents, including persons with limited proficiency in English, and persons with disabilities.
- Ensure that all development applications are considered, reviewed, and approved without prejudice to the proposed residents, contingent on the development application's compliance
- with all entitlement requirements.

Responsibility: Community Development Department

Time Frame: Implementation throughout the planning period

Website and public counter posting of fair housing resources to occur within one year of Housing Element adoption

Funding: General Fund

PROGRAM K: RESOURCE CONSERVATION

Program K1 – Energy Conservation

Continue to provide energy conservation brochures at City Hall, at the Clayton Community Library, and on the City's website.

Responsibility: Community Development Department

Time Frame: Ongoing, 2015–2023

Funding: General Fund

Program K2 – Stretch Program

Review and consider possible amendments to the General Plan, Zoning Code, and related policy and regulatory documents to improve energy conservation beyond CalGreen standards. Consider establishing an incentivized residential green building program to encourage energy-efficient retrofitting, and the use of renewable energy in residential applications. Some of the incentives the City will consider when drafting this program will be:

- Providing eligible projects with building and plan check fee rebates (when financially feasible)
- Achieving third-party green building certification
- Renewable energy systems
- Green roofs

Responsibility: Community Development Department

Time Frame: Consider establishing a residential green building program by 2025

Funding: General Fund

Program K3 – Regional Programs

Continue to participate in home energy and water efficiency improvement financing opportunities available through PACE programs, such as HERO, Figtree, and CaliforniaFirst.

Responsibility: Community Development Department

Time Frame: Ongoing

Funding: General Fund, grants

SUMMARY OF QUANTIFIED OBJECTIVES

Table 2-1 summarizes Clayton's quantified objectives for the 2023-2031 Housing Element planning period.

| | Income Level | | | | | |
|----------------|--------------|----------|-----|----------|----------|-------|
| | Extremely | Very Low | Low | Moderate | Above | Total |
| | Low | | | | Moderate | |
| Construction | 170 | | 97 | 84 | 219 | 570 |
| Objective | | | | | | |
| Rehabilitation | 0 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 0 | 8 |
| Objective | | | | | | |
| At-Risk | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Housing Units | | | | | | |
| to Preserve | | | | | | |



3. Housing Needs Assessment

POPULATION AND EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

Housing needs are influenced by population and employment trends. This section provides a summary of changes to the population size, age, and racial/ethnic composition in the City of Clayton. Moreover, to gain a deeper understanding of the local housing needs, an evaluation of the intersection of these demographic characteristics with housing statistics—housing type and tenure, condition, cost, and vacancy—provide the basis for a proper housing needs assessment.

BASELINE POPULATION AND POPULATION GROWTH

The Bay Area is the fifth-largest metropolitan area in the nation and has seen a steady increase in population since 1990, except for a dip during the Great Recession that began in 2008. Many cities in the region have experienced significant growth in jobs and population. While these trends have led to a corresponding increase in demand for housing across the region, the regional production of housing has not kept pace with job and population growth. Since 2000, Clayton's population has increased by 5.3 percent; this rate is below that of the region as a whole, at 14.8 percent.

| Geography | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 | 2005 | 2010 | 2015 | 2020 |
|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Clayton | 7,317 | 8,745 | 10,762 | 10,906 | 10,897 | 11,326 | 11,337 |
| Contra | | | | | | | |
| Costa | 803,732 | 863,335 | 948,816 | 1,016,372 | 1,049,025 | 1,113,341 | 1,153,561 |
| County | | | | | | | |
| Bay Area | 6,020,147 | 6,381,961 | 6,784,348 | 7,073,912 | 7,150,739 | 7,595,694 | 7,790,537 |

Table 3-1: Population Growth Trends

Universe: Total population

Source: California Department of Finance, E-5 series

For more years of data, please refer to the Data Packet Workbook, Table POPEMP-01.

In 2020, Clayton's population was estimated to be 11,337 (see Table 3-1). From 1990 to 2000, the population increased by 47.1 percent, with a much smaller increase of 1.3 percent during the first decade of the 2000s. This large increase between 1990 to 2000 can be explained by expansion and urbanization of the undeveloped lands to the north and west of the city center. These areas were developed into

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residential subdivisions and incorporated into the city. Between 2010 and 2020, the population increased by 4.0 percent. The population of Clayton makes up 1.0 percent of Contra Costa County.¹

AGE

The distribution of age groups in a city influences what types of housing the community may need in the future. An increase in the older population may indicate a developing need for more senior housing options, while higher numbers of children and young families can point to increased demand for family housing options and related services. The desire of residents to age in place or downsize to stay within their communities may mean more multi-family and accessible units are needed.

Clayton's overall population is aging, although the number of high school and college age residents is increasing as well. The median age in 2000 was 39.5; by 2019, this figure had increased to 46 years of age. Notably, the 15 to 24 age group and 55 to 64 age group both saw a four percent increase from 2010 to 2019. These increases, coupled with the decline in residents aged 35 to 44 suggests that families are aging in place and the population is remaining fairly static without many young adults or new parents moving to the City. The large percentage of older adults suggests that the demand for smaller homes is likely to increase as older adults downsize and move out of larger family units.

| Demographic Profile 2010 Percentage 2019 Percentage | | | | | | | | |
|---|-------|------------|-------|------------|--|--|--|--|
| Demographic Prome | 2010 | Percentage | 2019 | Percentage | | | | |
| Age | | | | | | | | |
| 0-4 | 468 | 4% | 586 | 5% | | | | |
| 5-14 | 1,665 | 15% | 1,556 | 14% | | | | |
| 15-24 | 1,131 | 10% | 1,634 | 14% | | | | |
| 25-34 | 706 | 6% | 807 | 7% | | | | |
| 35-44 | 1,479 | 14% | 1,264 | 11% | | | | |
| 45-54 | 2,132 | 20% | 1,845 | 16% | | | | |
| 55-64 | 1,714 | 16% | 2,283 | 20% | | | | |
| 65-74 | 949 | 9% | 1,138 | 10% | | | | |
| 75-84 | 489 | 4% | 731 | 6% | | | | |
| 85+ | 164 | 2% | 239 | 2% | | | | |
| Median Age | 43.4 | | 45.7 | | | | | |

Table 3-2: Age

Source: U.S. Census Bureau 2010, 2019 5-year

¹ To compare the rate of growth across various geographic scales, Figure 3-1 shows population for the jurisdiction, county, and region indexed to the population in the year 1990. This means that the data points represent the population growth (i.e., percent change) in each of these geographies relative to their populations in 1990.

RACE AND ETHNICITY

The racial makeup of a city and region influence the design and implementation of effective housing policies and programs. These patterns may be attributed in part by prior and current market factors and government actions, including such practices as exclusionary zoning, discriminatory lending, and displacement that continue to impact communities of color². Table 3-3 shows the change in race and ethnicity in Clayton between 2010 and 2019. Since 2000, the percentage of residents in Clayton identifying as White has decreased as a percentage of total population, by 4.2 percentage points. Correspondingly, the percentage of residents of all other races and ethnicities has increased, with the largest increase in Other Race or Multiple Races, Non-Hispanic population (see Table 3-3).

| Demographic Profile | 2010 | Percentage | 2019 | Percentage | | | |
|---|--------|------------|--------|------------|--|--|--|
| Race/Ethnicity | | | | | | | |
| White (non-Hispanic) | 8,640 | 79.2% | 9,016 | 75.0% | | | |
| Hispanic | 982 | 9.0% | 1,241 | 10.0% | | | |
| Black | 144 | 1.0% | 279 | 2.0% | | | |
| Asian/Pacific Islander | 721 | 6.6% | 922 | 7.6% | | | |
| Other Race or Multiple Races, Non- Hispanic | 380 | 3.5% | 610 | 5.0% | | | |
| American Indian or Alaska Native | 30 | 0.2% | 15 | 0.1% | | | |
| Total | 10,897 | 99.5% | 12,098 | 99.7% | | | |

Table 3-3: Race and Ethnicity

Source: US Census Bureau 2010, 2019 5-year

Note: The population estimates provided by the US Census Bureau and the State Department of Finance, as reported in Table 3-1, differ due to the calculation methods used.

EMPLOYMENT

A city houses employed residents who either work in the community where they live or work elsewhere in the region. Conversely, a city may have job sites that employ residents from the same city, but more often employ workers commuting from outside of it. Smaller cities typically will have more employed residents than jobs and thus export workers, while larger cities tend to have a surplus of jobs, requiring the import of workers. To some extent, the regional transportation system is set up for this flow of workers to the region's core job centers. At the same time, as the housing affordability crisis has illustrated, local imbalances may be severe, where local jobs and worker populations are out of sync at a sub-regional scale.

Clayton has 5,920 workers living within its borders who work across 13 major industrial sectors. Table 3-4 provides detailed employment information. Many Clayton residents work in Educational services and health care and social assistance (23 percent), followed by those working in Professional, scientific, and

² See, for example, Rothstein, R. (2017). *The Color of Law : A Forgotten History of How our Government Segregated America*. New York, NY & London, UK: Liveright Publishing.

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management, and administrative and waste management services (15 percent). Between 2010 and 2019, the number of residents working in all these job categories increased. These trends are important to understand, as certain industries are generally associated with lower median earnings. In Clayton, the median income for Educational services, and health care and social assistance is \$54,939, while the median income for Professional, scientific, and management, and administrative and waste management services is significantly higher at \$105,469.

| Demographic Profile | 2010 | Percentage | 2019 | Percentage |
|---------------------------------|-------|------------|-------|------------|
| Employment by Industry | | | | |
| Educational services, and | | | | |
| health care and social | 1,091 | 21% | 1,358 | 23% |
| assistance | | | | |
| Retail trade | 639 | 12% | 427 | 7% |
| Manufacturing | 295 | 6% | 349 | 6% |
| Professional, scientific, and | | | | |
| management, and | 646 | 1.20/ | 070 | 1 5 0/ |
| administrative and waste | 646 | 12% | 878 | 15% |
| management services | | | | |
| Construction | 222 | 4% | 366 | 6% |
| Arts, entertainment, and | | | | |
| recreation, and | 343 | 6% | 569 | 10% |
| accommodation and food | 545 | 070 | 509 | 10% |
| services | | | | |
| Finance and insurance, and real | 861 | 16% | 565 | 10% |
| estate and rental and leasing | 801 | 1078 | 505 | 1070 |
| Other services, except public | 160 | 3% | 265 | 4% |
| administration | 100 | 370 | 205 | 470 |
| Transportation and | 231 | 4% | 385 | 7% |
| warehousing, and utilities | 231 | 470 | 202 | 770 |
| Public Administration | 432 | 8% | 373 | 6% |
| Wholesale Trade | 179 | 3% | 132 | 2% |
| Information | 168 | 3% | 237 | 4% |
| Agriculture, forestry, fishing | A 7 | 0.00/ | 10 | 0.20/ |
| and hunting, and mining | 47 | 0.9% | 16 | 0.3% |

Table 3-4: Employment by Industry

Source: US Census Bureau 2010, 2019 5-year

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Source: US Census Bureau 2010, 2019 5-year

The 10 principal employers in Clayton in 2021 are identified in Table 3-5.

| Table 3-5: 10 | Principal | Employers, | 2021 |
|---------------|-----------|------------|------|
|---------------|-----------|------------|------|

| Employer | Number of Employees |
|--|---------------------|
| Safeway, Inc. #1195 | 126 |
| Walgreens #2112 | 23 |
| Cemex Construction Materials Pacific LLC | 18 |
| Keith R Bradburn, D.D.S. | 11 |
| Christina P. Mason, D.D.S. | 10 |
| Clayton Bicycles | 7 |
| Epic Care Family Practice/Clayton Valley Med Group | 6 |
| The Grove Family Dentistry | 6 |
| HVAC CAD Services, Inc. | 5 |
| R & M Pool, Patio & Garden | 4 |

Table 3-5: 10 Principal Employers, 2021

Employer

Number of Employees

Source: City of Clayton, Business License Data, 2021

HOUSEHOLD CHARACTERISTICS

The characteristics of a community's households impact the type and tenure of housing needed in that community. Household type, income levels, the presence of special needs populations, and other household traits are all factors that affect the housing needs of a community and the strategies that the community must deploy to meet those needs.

Characteristics for Clayton households are summarized in Table 3-6. Homes in Clayton are predominantly owner-occupied. The number of households in Clayton increased from 3,852 in 2010 to 4,232 in 2019 (380 new households). Renter-occupied households decreased by 86 households, from 385 in 2010. Owner-occupied households increased by 312 households from 3,621 households in 2010.

| Household Characteristic | Owner Households | Renter Households | All Households |
|--|--------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Number of Households ¹ | 3933 (92.9%) | 299 (7%) | 4,232 |
| Median Household Income ¹ | \$161,453 | \$92,109 | \$157,768 |
| Household Income Categ | ories ² | | |
| Extremely Low Income (0-30% AMI) | 195 (4.9%) | 15 (5.3%) | 210 (5%) |
| Very Low Income (30- 50% AMI) | 175 (4.4%) | 55 (19.6%) | 230 (5.4%) |
| Low Income (50-80% AMI) | 175 (4.4%) | 25 (8.9%) | 200 (4.7%) |
| Moderate Income (80- 100% AMI) | 170 (4.3%) | 35 (12.5%) | 205 (4.8%) |
| Above Moderate Income (100% + AMI) | 3,205 (81.7%) | 150 (53.5%) | 3,355 (79.8%) |
| Total | 3,920 | 280 | 4,200 |
| Total number of projected Extremely Low-Income Households (RHNA) ² | N/A | N/A | 48 |
| Overpayment | | | |
| All Households Overpaying for Housing | 1,095 (27.9%) | 95 (33.9%) | 1,185 (28.2%) |
| Lower Income Households Overpaying for Housing (*0-80%) ² | 405 (74.3%) | 60 (63%) | 455 (71%) |

Table 3-6: Household Characteristics by Tenure

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|--|------------------|-------------------|----------------|--|--|
| Household | Owner Households | Renter Households | All Households | | |
| Characteristic | Owner Households | Renter Households | All Households | | |
| Source ¹ : US Census Bureau, American Community Survey 2014-2019 5-year estimates | | | | | |

Source²: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS) Tables 2013-2017

INCOME

According to 2018 American Community Survey data, the median household income in Clayton was \$157,768, which is significantly higher than the Contra Costa County median household income of \$99,716. Median household income differs by tenure; owner households in Clayton have a significantly higher median income than renter households (a difference of \$69,344).

American Community Survey (ACS) census data from 2019 estimates that 1.4 percent of the Clayton population lives in poverty, as defined by federal guidelines. This percentage is much lower than that of Contra Costa County, where 8.7 percent of residents live in poverty. Poverty thresholds vary by household type. Both renter and owner levels are very low, with less than one percent of renter households living in poverty and 0.6 percent of owner households living in poverty. In Clayton, the percentage of persons living in poverty is higher for residents with a high school degree as their highest level of education (4.6 percent), residents who report two or more races (2.8 percent), and Black residents (1.4 percent).

Because poverty thresholds do not differ based on geographic differences, a better measure to understand income disparities can be to identify various percentages compared to the median income for a particular area. For housing planning and funding purposes, the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) uses five income categories to evaluate housing need based on the Area Median Income (AMI) for the county:

- Extremely Low-Income Households earn 0-30 percent of AMI
- Very Low-Income Households earn 30-50 percent of AMI
- Low-Income Households earn 50-80 percent of AMI
- Moderate-Income Households earn 80-100 percent of AMI (HCD uses 120 percent)
- Above Moderate-Income Households earn over 100 percent of AMI (HCD uses 120 percent or greater)

Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS) data provides special Census tabulations (developed for HUD) and calculates household income adjusted for family size and tenure. As shown in Table 3-4, in Clayton, above moderate-income households represent the largest share of all households (79.8 percent), and very low-income households are the second largest category (5.4 percent). Income also differs by tenure. As indicated in Table 3-4, more renter households than owner households are in the lower-income categories (0-80 percent AMI); for example, 19.6 percent of renter households are in the very low-income category compared to 4.4 percent of owner households.

HOUSING OVERPAYMENT

State and federal standards specify that households spending more than 30 percent of gross annual income on housing experience a housing cost burden. Housing cost burdens occur when housing costs

increase faster than household income. When a household spends more than 30 percent of its income on housing costs, it has less disposable income for other necessities such as health care, child-care, and food. In the event of unexpected circumstances such as loss of employment or health problems, lower-income households with a housing cost burden are more likely to become homeless or double up with other households. In Clayton, 28.2 percent of households are overpaying for housing, with 27.9 percent of owner households and 33.9 percent of renter households overpaying for their residences. (Owner households may elect to pay more to enter the ownership market.) Lower-income households have a significantly higher rate of overpayment, with 71 percent of lower-income owner and renter households overpaying for housing.

HOUSING STOCK CHARACTERISTICS

HOUSING STOCK

In 2019, the Department of Finance reported an estimated 4,365 occupied housing units in the City. Compared to 2010, the housing stock has increased by 420 units. Most of the housing stock consists of single family detached homes (81.8 percent) followed by single family attached (13 percent) and multi-family units (five percent). ACS data from 2019 indicate that 0.4 percent of owner households and zero percent of renter households are vacant. Compared to other jurisdictions, vacancy rates in Clayton are very low.

Between 2010 and 2019, the number of single family homes grew by 26 units while no multi-family homes were constructed. As multi-family housing is often a more affordable means for people to enter the housing market, the lack of growth in multi-family homes in Clayton suggests there are fewer housing opportunities for young families and newly independent or single adults in the area. Multi-family housing can also provide an opportunity for empty nesters to downsize while continuing to reside in their community.

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|---------------------------------------|-----------------|--|
| Housing Type | Number of Units | |
| Total Housing units | 4,165 | |
| Single Family Detached | 3,410 (82%) | |
| Single Family Attached | 546 (13%) | |
| Multi-Family Units | 209 (5%) | |
| Mobile home, other units | 0 (0%) | |

| Table 2 | -7: Housing | a Stack h | v Tuno | 2021 |
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Source: California Department of Finance E-5 Population and Housing Estimates, 2021

| Table 3-8: Housing Stock Characteristics by Tenure |
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| Housing Characteristic | Owner Households | Renter Households | All Households |
|------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Total Housing Units | 3,933 (90%) | 299 (6.8%) | 4,365 |
| Persons per Household | Data not available | | 2.83 |
| Vacancy Rate | Data not available | | 2.0% |
| Overcrowded Units | 0% | 0% | 0% |

| Housing Characteristic | Owner Households | Renter Households | All Households |
|---|---------------------------|---------------------------|----------------|
| Units Needing Replacement/Rehabilitation | 0 | 0 | None |
| Housing Cost – Average | \$1,030,000 (for sale) | \$2,690 (monthly rent) | N/A |

Table 3-8: Housing Stock Characteristics by Tenure

Sources: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey 2015-2019 5-year estimates, Zillow.com, Rent.com, California Department of Finance E-5 Population and Housing Estimates, 2021 CoreLogic, 2022

OVERCROWDING

In response to a mismatch between household income and housing costs in a community, some households may not be able to buy or rent housing that provides a reasonable level of privacy and space. According to both California and federal standards, a housing unit is considered overcrowded if it is occupied by more than one person per room (excluding kitchens, bathrooms, and halls). In Clayton, no housing units qualify as overcrowded, suggesting that household incomes are aligned with local housing costs.

HOUSING CONDITION

The condition of housing stock can be an indicator of potential rehabilitation needs. Based upon observations and experiences of the Community Development Director for Clayton, the City reports that in 2020, no housing units are in severe need of replacement or substantial rehabilitation due to housing conditions. This likely reflects the fact that household incomes in Clayton are high and property owners have the financial ability to maintain their properties.

HOUSING COST

The cost of housing in a community is directly correlated to the number of housing problems and affordability issues. High housing costs can price low-income families out of the market, cause extreme cost burdens, or force households into overcrowded or substandard conditions. As of February 2022, the Clayton median home price according to CoreLogic was \$1,030,000. The median home price in Contra Costa County for this same period was \$785,000, or \$245,000 lower than in Clayton.

According to the 2019 Census, only 6.8 percent of Clayton's housing stock is rental housing. Very few rental units exist in the city, so average rent was calculated using rents from Clayton, San Ramon, and Pleasant Hill. Using Zillow.com and Trulia.com data for these three communities (with only one property shown for rent in Clayton), the average local monthly rent was estimated to be \$2,690 per month based on a very limited sample size. Table 3-9 shows the HUD-determined fair market rents for Contra Costa County. The assumed average local rent of \$2,690 falls within the range for a two- to three-bedroom unit. Rents in Clayton thus may be considered generally in line with those countywide.

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| Year | Efficiency | One-Bedroom | Two-Bedroom | Three-Bedroom | Four-Bedroom |
|----------------|------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|--------------|
| FY 2020 FMR | \$1,488 | \$1,808 | \$2,239 | \$3,042 | \$3,720 |

Table 3-9: Fair Market Rents in Contra Costa County

Sources: FY2020 Fair Market Rents. U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)

SPECIAL HOUSING NEEDS

Housing Element law requires local governments to include an analysis of housing needs for residents in specific special needs groups and to address resources available to address these needs. Table 3-10 indicates special needs households in Clayton based on ACS data and annual County homeless counts.

| Special Needs Category | Count | Percent |
|---|------------------|---------------------|
| Persons with Disabilities ¹ (inclusive of persons with developmental disabilities) | 1,024 | 8.5% of population |
| Persons with Developmental Disabilities ¹ | 348 | 3% of residents |
| | 14,514 | 11.3% of residents |
| Elderly (65+ years) ¹ | 618 households | 14.6% of households |
| Large Households (5+ members) ¹ | 487 households | 11.5% of households |
| Farmworkers ¹ | 16 | 0.3% of labor force |
| Migrant Worker Student Population | 0 | 0% of labor force |
| Female Headed Households ¹ | 252 households | 5.9% of households |
| Male Headed Households | 85 households | 2% of households |
| Married Couple Households | 2,963 households | 70% of households |
| Householder Living Alone | 771 households | 18% of households |
| People Experiencing Homelessness ² | 7 | N/A |

Table 3-10: Special Needs Groups

Sources:

1. US Census Bureau, American Community Survey 2015-2019 5-year estimates

2. Contra Costa County: Annual Point in Time Count Report

PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES, INCLUDING PERSONS WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

Disabled residents face housing access and safety challenges. Disabled people, in many cases, are of limited incomes and often receive Social Security income only. As such, most of their monthly income is often devoted to housing costs. In addition, disabled persons may face difficulty finding accessible housing (housing that is made accessible to people with disabilities through the positioning of appliances and fixtures, the heights of installations and cabinets, layout of unit to facilitate wheelchair movement, etc.) because of the limited number of such units.

In Clayton, 1,024 residents live with a disability, representing 8.5 percent of residents. Most residents with a disability are 75 and older (47.9 percent), followed by those 65 to 74 years old (12.6 percent). The most

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commonly occurring disability among seniors 65 and older was a hearing difficulty, experienced by 16.6 percent of Clayton's seniors. For those with a developmental disability, the overwhelming majority reside in the home of a parent, guardian, or family member (80 percent).

ELDERLY (65+ YEARS)

Many senior-headed households have special needs due to their relatively low incomes, disabilities or limitations, and dependency needs. Specifically, many people aged 65 years and older live alone and may have difficulty maintaining their homes, are usually retired, live on a limited income, and are more likely to have high health care costs and rely on public transportation, especially those with disabilities. The limited income of many elderly persons often makes it difficult for them to find affordable housing. In Clayton, 618 households are headed by elderly residents, representing 14.6 percent of total households. Elderly residents experience poverty at the same rate as those aged 18 to 34 (2.8 percent) and a higher rate than all Clayton residents (1.4 percent).

LARGE HOUSEHOLDS (5+ MEMBERS)

Large households, defined by HCD as households containing five or more persons, have special housing needs due to the limited availability of adequately-sized, affordable housing units. Larger units can be very expensive; as such, large households often must reside in smaller, less expensive units. Alternatively, to save on housing costs, large households may have to double-up with other families or live with extended families, which may result in unit overcrowding. Clayton has 487 large households, representing 11.5 percent of all households. A larger percentage of owner households (10 percent) are defined as large households as compared to renter households (1.4 percent).

In Clayton, 0.5 percent of families are living in poverty. As of 2019, no large households were reported as living in poverty.

FARMWORKERS

Due to the high cost of housing and low wages, a significant number of migrant farm workers have difficulty finding affordable, safe, and sanitary housing. Census data report 16 Clayton residents who may work as farmworkers, representing only 0.3 percent of the local labor force. Maps from the State of California Department of Conservation Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program show no farmland in Clayton. Due to the low number of agricultural workers in the city, the housing needs of migrant and/or farm worker housing need can be met through general affordable housing programs.

FEMALE-HEADED HOUSEHOLDS

Single-parent households require special consideration and assistance because of the greater need for day care, health care, and other services. In particular, female-headed households with children tend to have lower incomes and a greater need for affordable housing and accessible daycare and other supportive services. The lower incomes often earned by female-headed households, combined with the increased need for supportive services, severely limit the housing options available to them. In Clayton, the 252 female headed households represent 5.9 percent of all households. A total of 2.8 percent of female-headed households live in poverty, a higher percentage than all households living in poverty at 0.5 percent.

PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS

Population estimates for people experiencing homelessness is very difficult to quantify. Census information is often unreliable due to the difficulty of efficiently counting a population without permanent residences. Given this impediment, local estimates of the homeless and anecdotal information are often where population numbers of the homeless come from. In 2020, the Contra Costa County point-in-time counts identified seven people experiencing homelessness in Clayton. In Contra Costa County, the overall homeless count increased by one percent between 2019 and 2020.

Eight organizations listed in the table below provide local homeless services to Clayton and the region.

| Provider | Program/ Services |
|--|---|
| | C.O.R.E Homeless Outreach |
| | Contra Costa Youth Continuum of Services |
| Contra Costa County Public Health Division | Contra Costa Adult Continuum of Services |
| | Permanent Supportive Housing |
| | Community Homeless Court |
| Bay Area Rescue Mission | Food pantry, transitional housing, emergency services, life transformation programs, community outreach |
| Greater Richmond Interfaith Program (GRIP) | Meals, transitional housing |
| Shepard's Gate Women's Shelter | Homeless shelter for women and children |
| SHELTER, Inc. | Temporary and affordable housing |
| Winter Nights | Homeless shelter (seasonal), homework help, and tutoring |

Table 3-11: Regional Homelessness Services

Sources: cc.health.org, bayarearescuemission.org, gripcommunity.org, shepardsgate.org, shelterinc.org, cccwinternights.org

ENERGY CONSERVATION OPPORTUNITIES

The Housing Element is required to analyze opportunities for energy conservation in residential development, as energy-related housing costs can directly impact housing affordability. While State building code standards contain mandatory energy efficiency requirements for new development, the City and utility providers are also important resources to encourage and facilitate energy conservation and to help residents minimize energy-related expenses. Policies addressing climate change and energy conservation are integrated into the Clayton General Plan.

Clayton residents are eligible to participate in multiple energy efficiency and conservation programs:

- Contra Costa Weatherization Program provides no-cost weatherization upgrades to incomequalifying residents.
- Energy Upgrade California offers rebates for home retrofitting in Contra Costa County.
- California FIRST provides multi-family buildings with five or more units property-assessed financing for energy efficiency.
- Pacific Gas & Electric (PG&E) offers rebates for solar water heaters, pool pumps, and appliances.

• Single-family Affordable Solar Homes (SASH) helps income-qualifying households with up-front costs to make the benefits of solar power accessible.

AT-RISK HOUSING ANALYSIS

State housing law requires an inventory and analysis of government-assisted dwelling units eligible for conversion from lower income housing to market rate housing during the next 10 years. Reasons for this conversion may include expiration of subsidies, mortgage pre-payments or pay-offs, and concurrent expiration of affordability restrictions. One development in Clayton, the Stranahan subdivision, has affordability covenants that are currently scheduled to expire in the next 10 years (2022-2032). More specifically, under current affordability agreements, deed restrictions for five of its 12 affordable units will expire in 2025 or 2026.

| Assisted Development | Total Deed-Restricted Affordable Units | Earliest Conversion Date |
|----------------------|---|--------------------------|
| 200 Stranahan Circle | 1 | 2026 |
| 202 Stranahan Circle | 1 | 2026 |
| 210 Stranahan Circle | 1 | 2026 |
| 245 Stranahan Circle | 1 | 2025 |
| 266 Stranahan Circle | 1 | 2026 |

Table 3-12: Affordable Units at Risk of Conversion to Market Rate in Clayton

Source: City of Clayton Affordable Housing Inventory, 2022

PRESERVATION AND REPLACEMENT OPTIONS

Preservation of at-risk affordable housing can be achieved only with adequate funding availability. In Clayton, the five units with expiring covenants are single-family homes, and the property owners have little incentive to sell the units to another income-restricted household. Conversely, the owners may realize a substantial profit by selling their units. The option for preservation is likely limited to the willingness of an entity to purchase the unit at market cost and subsidize rent for a moderate- or lower-income household or to subsidize resale to a qualifying household. The City has no financial resources to do so.

Rental Assistance

State, local, or other funding sources can be used to provide rental subsidies to maintain the affordability of at-risk projects. These subsidies can mirror the Housing Choice Voucher/Section 8 program, in which the subsidy covers the cost of the unit above what is determined to be affordable for the tenant's household income, up to the fair market value of the unit. Unit sizes for the at-risk properties are all three bedrooms and are all in the moderate-income category. The total annual subsidies to maintain the five at-risk affordable units in Clayton is estimated at \$70,800,³ without accounting for the initial cost an

³ Total annual subsidies calculated by assuming 30% of rent for moderate income and subtracting this affordable rent from Contra Costa fair market rent for a 3-bedroom unit, multiplying by 12 (for one year) and multiplying by five (for the five units)

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affordable housing organization to purchase the unit. Over a potential 30-year period of subsidy, the potential cost—not adjusted for inflation—would be \$2.1 million.

Transfer of Ownership

If the current owners of the at-risk units do not desire to extend affordability restrictions to facilitate continued occupancy by another low- or moderate-income household, ownership of the unit can be transferred to a nonprofit housing organization. The estimated market value for the five affordable units that are potentially at risk of converting to market rate is about \$1.2 million each.

Construction of Replacement Units

The construction of new low-income housing can be a means to replace at-risk units. The cost of developing new housing depends on a variety of factors, including density, size of units, construction quality and type, location, and land cost. In the Bay Area, the cost of constructing a new unit, absent land costs, ranges \$250 to \$300 per square foot⁴—with costs approaching \$500 per square foot in San Francisco and Oakland. Assuming a development cost of \$275 per square foot and a house size of 1,400 square feet, the construction cost of replacing all five units would be close to \$2 million (with additional costs for land acquisition, financing, carrying costs, etc.).

Funding Sources

A critical component to implement any of these preservation options is the availability of adequate funding, which can be difficult to secure. In general, Low-Income Housing Tax Credit funding is not readily available for rehabilitation and preservation, as the grant application process is highly competitive and prioritizes new construction. Available funding sources that can support affordable housing preservation includes sources from the federal and state governments, as well as local and regional funding.

Federal Funding

- HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program
- Project-Based Vouchers (Section 8)
- Section 811 Project Rental Assistance

State funding

- Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Program
- Golden State Acquisition Fund (GSAF)
- Project Homekey
- Housing for a Healthy California
- Multifamily Housing Program (MHP)
- National Housing Trust Fund
- Predevelopment Loan Program (PDLP)

⁴ <u>https://www.homebuilderdigest.com/cost-guide/california-cost-guides/how-much-does-it-cost-to-build-a-house-in-the-san-francisco-bay-area/</u>. Accessed 5-13-22.

Regional, Local, and Non-Profit Funding

- Multiple-Family Mortgage Revenue Bonds
- HOME American Rescue Plan (ARP)

COASTAL ZONE

The City of Clayton is not in a coastal zone and therefore is not subject to the requirements of Government Code 65588 (c) and (d).

PROJECTED HOUSING NEED (RHNA)

Housing Element law requires a quantification of each jurisdiction's share of the regional housing need as established in the Regional Housing Need Allocation Plan prepared by the jurisdiction's council of governments, which for Clayton is the Association of Bay Area Governments/Metropolitan Transportation Commission (ABAG). HCD, in conjunction with the ABAG, determines the projected housing need for cities and counties in the nine-county ABAG region, inclusive of the counties of Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, Napa, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, and Sonoma. This share, known as the Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA), is 441,776 new housing units for the 2023-2031 planning period throughout the ABAG region. ABAG has, in turn, allocated this share among its constituent cities and counties, distributing to each jurisdiction its own RHNA divided along income levels. The City of Clayton has a RHNA of 570 housing units to accommodate in the current Housing Element cycle of 2023-2031. The income distribution is as shown in Table 3-13.

| Income Group | % of County AMI | Number of Units Allocated | Percent of Total Allocation |
|-----------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Very Low ¹ | 0-50% | 170 | 30% |
| Low | >50-80% | 97 | 17% |
| Moderate | >80-120% | 84 | 15% |
| Above Moderate | 120%+ | 219 | 38% |
| Total | | 570 | 100% |

Table 3-13: Regional Housing Needs Allocation 2023-2031

Note: Pursuant to AB 2634, local jurisdictions are also required to project the housing needs of extremely low-income households (0-30% AMI). In estimating the number of extremely low-income households, a jurisdiction can use 50% of the very low-income allocation or apportion the very low-income figure based on Census data. There are 210 extremely low- and 97 very low-income households. Therefore, the City's very low-income RHNA of 97 units can be split into 48 extremely low-income and 49 very low-income units.

Source: Association of Bay Area Governments

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INTRODUCTION

Many factors can encourage or constrain the development, maintenance, and improvement of housing stock. These factors fall into two categories—governmental and non-governmental constraints—and include physical constraints, land availability, development economics, and governmental regulations, all of which impact the cost and amount of housing produced. These constraints may result in housing that is not affordable to low- and moderate-income households or may render residential construction economically infeasible for developers. Constraints to housing production significantly impact households with lower incomes and/or special needs.

This chapter addresses both the governmental and non-governmental constraints that impact the City of Clayton's housing market and production. State law requires that Housing Elements analyze potential and actual governmental and non-governmental constraints to the production, maintenance, and improvement of housing for persons of all income levels and abilities. The constraints analysis must also demonstrate local efforts to remove or mitigate barriers to housing production, particularly for supportive and transitional housing, emergency shelters, and housing for persons with disabilities. Where constraints to housing production related to the City's regulations or land use controls are identified, appropriate programs to remove or mitigate these constraints are included in the Housing Plan.

GOVERNMENT CONSTRAINTS

While local governments have little influence on market factors such as interest rates, their policies and regulations can affect the type, amount, and affordability of residential development. Since governmental actions can constrain development and affordability of housing, State law requires that the Housing Element "address and, where appropriate and legally possible, remove governmental constraints to the maintenance, improvement, and development of housing" (Government Code Section 65583(c)(3)).

City regulations that affect residential development and housing affordability include policies, standards, and procedures set forth in the Land Use Element of the General Plan, specific plans, and the Zoning Ordinance.

LAND USE CONTROLS

General Plan Land Use Element

The General Plan is the City's principal land use policy document. The City adopted its first General Plan in July 1971. The General Plan was updated in 1985, with periodic amendments following, most recently in 2016. Table 4-1 shows the General Plan land use categories that allow for residential uses, along with density ranges and the types of residential uses allowed. The General Plan provides for single- and multi-

family housing at a range of densities from one to 20 units per gross acre. For the Multifamily High Density designation, the General Plan indicates not a density range but a set density of 20 units per acre. This indicates the possible need for a clarifying language in the General Plan.

| Land Use Category | Density Range (units/ gross acre) | Allowed Residential Uses |
|------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|
| Rural Estate | Up to 1.0 | Single-family detached estates |
| Single-Family Low Density | 1.1 to 3.0 | Single-family detached houses |
| Single-Family Medium Density | 3.1 to 5.0 | Planned unit developments (PUDs) and single-family subdivisions |
| Single-Family High Density | 5.1 to 7.5 | Patio homes, zero lot line homes, and cluster homes in a planned unit development (PUD) |
| Multi-Family Low Density | 7.6 to 10.0 | Cluster units such as townhouses, garden units, and other types of PUDs, including single-family detached dwellings |
| Multi-Family Medium Density | 10.1 to 15.0 | Multi-family units |
| Multi-Family High Density | 20.0 | Two-story (or higher) apartments or condominiums. Development within this density is encouraged to utilize the PUD concept and standards |
| Institutional | 7.6 to 20 units | Various forms of housing for senior citizens |

Table 4-1: General Plan Residential Land Use Categories

Source: City of Clayton General Plan Land Use Element

Town Center Specific Plan

The Town Center Specific Plan (TCSP) establishes goals and policies for development in the Town Center area. The purpose of the TCSP is to encourage appropriate commercial development while enhancing the area's historic character. The TCSP identifies appropriate land uses in the Town Center and provides design guidelines for new buildings, walkways, parking lots, and landscaping. The regulations allow for housing, with densities of up to 20 units per acre in the Multi-family High Density Residential category. For the Institutional Residential category, the lot coverage is capped at 50 percent, which could constrain development.

| Table 4-2: Town | Center Sp | ecific Plan | Reaulations |
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| Land Use Category | Regulations |
|---|--|
| Multi-family Low Density Residential | Dwelling units at a density of 7.6 to 10 units per gross acre. |
| | Development intensity can reach 100 percent of individual |
| | parcel coverage as long as each unit has access to private |
| | outdoor space, use of recreational amenities, and provision |
| | of useable open space. Accessory dwelling units are allowed. |
| Multi-family Medium Density Residential | Dwelling units at a density of 10.1 to 15 units per gross acre |

| Land Use Category | Regulations |
|---------------------------------------|---|
| Multi-family High Density Residential | Dwelling units at a density of 15.1 to 20 units per gross acre. |
| | Structural coverage, not including recreational amenities, |
| | shall not exceed 65% of the site area. |
| Institutional Residential | Senior housing at a density of 7.6 to 20 units per gross acre. |
| | Development intensity can reach 100 percent structural |
| | coverage for individual parcels. Structural coverage shall not |
| | exceed 50% of the site area. |

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Source: Clayton Community Development Department, 2016

Marsh Creek Road Specific Plan

The Marsh Creek Road Specific Plan (MCRSP) refers to an area of 475 acres south and east of Clayton in central Contra Costa County. This area is mostly undeveloped and is located at the edge of existing urban development. Several residential development proposals have been submitted within this area, but it is also viewed as an important natural resource by the local residents. The goal of the MCRSP is to maintain the unique rural character of the study area and designate appropriate sites for residential development. The development will be guided and regulated in a manner to both protect the area's natural amenities and afford recreational opportunities and access to the public. All developments consist of low to medium density residential.

Zoning

The provisions of the Clayton Zoning Ordinance implement the policies and standards set forth in the General Plan. The Zoning Ordinance permits residential development in the following districts:

- Single-family residential districts The following designations are included in the single-family residential zoning categories: R-10, R-12, R-15, R-20, R40, and R-40-H. The number within each designation identifier references the minimum lot size, in thousands of square feet, for each designation.
- Multi-family residential districts The following designations are included in the multi-family zoning categories: M-R (low density multifamily residential), M-R-M (multifamily residential, medium density), and M-R-H (multifamily residential, high density). Although there are no parcels currently zoned M-R, M-R-M, or M-R-H, some parcels within the TCSP area have land use designations that are consistent with the development densities of the M-R and M-R-H districts, and the City maintains all of the multi-family residential districts for future use.
- Planned development district The following designation is used to denote planned development district: PD.
- Commercial districts The LC (limited commercial) designation is applied to parcels inside of the TCSP area. A few parcels near the northern edge of the City are also zoned LC district. Parcels that are designated or zoned LC district allow some multi-family residential uses under certain circumstances.

The Zoning Ordinance establishes the types of allowed residential uses, as well as residential development standards for each zoning district.

Permitted Residential Uses

Table 4-3 identifies the residential use types permitted by right (P) or permitted subject to the approval of a use permit (UP), as well uses not allowed in residential zoning districts (--).

| Residential Use | | | | | | | | | | | |
|------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|--------|-----|-------|-------|----|------|
| Туре | R-10 | R-12 | R-15 | R-20 | R-40 | R-40-H | M-R | M-R-M | M-R-H | LC | TCSP |
| Single-family | Р | Р | Р | Р | Р | Р | UP | UP | UP | | |
| dwelling | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Second dwelling | Р | Р | Р | Р | Р | Р | Р | Р | Р | | |
| unit | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Duplex | | | | | | | Р | Р | Р | | |
| Residential | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Multi-family | | | | | | | Р | Р | Р | | |
| residential | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (triplex, condos, | | | | | | | | | | | |
| apartments, | | | | | | | | | | | |
| etc.) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Residential | | | | | | | | | | | Р |
| above | | | | | | | | | | | |
| commercial | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Residential care | Р | Р | Р | Р | Р | Р | | | | | |
| home (≤6 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| persons) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Residential care | UP | UP | UP | UP | UP | UP | | | | | |
| homes (>6 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| persons) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Manufactured | Р | Р | Р | Р | Р | Р | | | | | |
| dwelling unit | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Transitional and | Р | Р | Р | Р | Р | Р | Р | Р | Р | | |
| supportive | | | | | | | | | | | |
| housing | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Single-room | | | | | | | | | | UP | |
| occupancy (SRO) | | | | | | | | | | | |

Table 4-3: Residential Use Permit Requirements

P = permitted (by right)

UP = Use Permit

-- = not permitted

Source: City of Clayton Zoning Ordinance 2014

Accessory Dwelling Units

An accessory dwelling unit (ADU) is an additional self-contained living unit either attached to or detached from the primary residential unit on a single lot. It has cooking, eating, sleeping, and full sanitation facilities. To encourage establishment of ADUs on existing developed lots, state law requires cities and

counties to either adopt an ordinance based on standards set out in the state law or allow ADUs as a byright use subject to development standards that reflect state requirements.

Beginning in 2017, the state legislature adopted a series of ADU laws that establish well-defined standards for the by-right (ministerial) approval of ADU applications. The City last updated its ADU regulations in 2004. Thus, current regulations, set forth in Table 4-4 (and called second units in the Zoning Ordinance), are outdated. The City is in the process of drafting new regulations that reflect state law and anticipates adopting the new regulations before the end of 2022.

| Requirement | Description |
|-----------------------------|--|
| Zoning Districts | Per Zoning Code Chapter 17.47 second dwelling units are allowed in all districts |
| | that allow single-family dwellings |
| Setbacks | Same as the principal structure unless located in a PD zone |
| Height | Attached units shall not exceed the principal structure height; detached units |
| | shall not exceed one story or 15 feet, whichever is less. |
| Parking | 1 uncovered space per bedroom |
| Unit size | Units between 250 and 750 square feet (one bedroom) require ministerial |
| | review |
| | Units between 751 and 1,000 square feet maximum (up to two bedrooms) |
| | requires Planning Commission review |
| Architectural compatibility | Must incorporate similar or complementary architectural features as the |
| | principal and surrounding structures |

| Table 4-4: Second L | Unit Development Standards | |
|---------------------|----------------------------|--|
| | | |

Source: City of Clayton Zoning Ordinance 2014

Currently, applicants must pay a Planning Permit processing fee of \$331 for staff-level administrative review of ADU applications. For ADU applications that require Planning Commission review, Planning Permit fees are based on staff cost with a minimum deposit of \$1,000. The requirement for Planning Commission review can be considered a constraint. The city plans to revise its ADU ordinance by the end of 2022 to remove this constraint and otherwise comply with state law.

The Contra Costa Water District (a special district public agency) charges a fee of approximately \$24,125 for ADU's 5/8-inch water hookup (fees vary based on unit size). This connection fee, as well as other factors that include limitations on labor and supplies and increasing costs of construction, may be a constraint to the development of ADUs. Fewer than 10 ADU permit applications have been processed since the 2004 amendment of the Municipal Code.

Residential Care Facilities

Residential care facilities or group homes for persons with disabilities are allowed in the city. Facilities for six or fewer persons are allowed by right in all residential districts pursuant to State Health and Safety Code Section 1566.3. Facilities for seven or more persons are considered a commercial use of property, are allowed with a use permit in accordance with Chapter 17.46 of the Zoning Ordinance, and must meet the following standards:

• The applicant must maintain an operating license from the applicable state and county agencies. The residential care home shall be located within a detached single-family dwelling.

- Sufficient off-street parking spaces shall be provided in addition to the required off-street parking to serve the dwelling.
- Signs are not allowed.
- Each residential care facility shall be located at least 1,000 feet from another such facility.
- The dwelling must comply with the Uniform Building Code and State standards for accessibility by disabled persons.

Manufactured Homes

In 2009, the City amended the Zoning Ordinance to allow manufactured housing on any residential lot subject to the standards applicable to site-built housing in accordance with state law. The Zoning Ordinance now treats manufactured housing as a single-family use type, includes a definition for manufactured housing, and allows manufactured housing on a permanent foundation in all residential zones that allow for single-family homes, subject to site plan and design review.

Emergency Shelters

In compliance with California Senate Bill (SB) 2 (2007), the City amended its Zoning Ordinance in 2013 to define emergency shelters and allow them by right (without discretionary approval) in at least one zoning district. Emergency shelters are now an allowed use in the Public Facility (PF) district, subject to specific development and management standards, including but not limited to:

- Emergency shelters must be located a minimum of 300 feet from residential buildings and schools, and at least 300 feet from other shelters.
- The maximum number of beds in a single shelter is 10.
- Individuals may stay no longer than 180 consecutive days in a consecutive 12-month period.
- Off-street parking must be provided in the ratio of one space for every three beds plus one parking space per staff member per shift.
- The shelter must provide an operational plan to the Community Development Director.

Section 17.36.082 provides a comprehensive list of emergency shelter requirements. Six parcels in Clayton are zoned Public Facilities. The site identified as most viable for an emergency shelter is the north portion of a city-owned 4.73-acre property located at 6125 Clayton Road, which houses the community library. The site is directly served by public transit (a regional bus that connects to the Concord Bay Area Rapid Transit station), as well as services and public amenities. Approximately 1.5 acres of the site are available for development of an emergency shelter. The City has not had inquiries regarding the establishment of an emergency shelter on this property or other sites zoned PF.

In 2019, California Assembly Bill (AB) 101 established the requirement to allow Low Barrier Navigation Centers (LBNC) as a by-right use on properties zoned for mixed use and non-residential zones that permit multi-family uses. As of early 2022, the City had not yet amended the Zoning Code to reflect AB 101. A program has been included to do so.

Transitional and Supportive Housing

SB 2 (2007) requires that all jurisdictions define and allow transitional and supportive housing. Transitional facilities offer short-term housing (at least six-month stay) for persons of certain targeted populations

(persons with AIDS, persons with mental or development disabilities, persons with chemical dependency, etc.) Supportive housing looks to support similar populations with permanent housing that may have onor off-site services linked to the housing.

The City amended its Zoning Ordinance in 2012 to define supportive housing and transitional housing and allow both as permitted uses in all residential zoning districts, subject only to the permit processing requirements as other similar use types in the same zone (site plan review, design review, etc.).

Single-Room Occupancy Units

AB 2634 (2006) requires the quantification and analysis of existing and projected housing needs of extremely low-income households. Housing elements must also identify zoning to encourage and facilitate housing for extremely low-income persons, of which two common types are supportive housing and single-room occupancy units (SRO).

Extremely low-income households typically include persons with special housing needs, including but not limited to persons experiencing homelessness or near-homelessness, persons with substance abuse problems, and persons with mental illness or developmental disabilities.

In 2012, the City amended its Municipal Code to explicitly define SRO housing as a type of residential hotel offering one-room units for long-term occupancy by one or two people. SROs may have kitchen or bath facilities (but not both) in the room. The City allows development of SROs with a use permit in the LC zoning district with a use permit.

Accommodation of Persons with Disabilities

The city has taken significant steps to improve housing accessibility. In 2013, the City adopted a universal design ordinance to ensure that new housing is adaptable and accessible for persons with disabilities. In 2012, the City adopted a reasonable accommodations ordinance (Chapter 15.90 of the Municipal Code) to allow for variations in the application of zoning standards and policies to accommodate persons with disabilities; amended the Zoning Ordinance to define and allow supportive housing facilities as described above; and amended the definition of "family" to remove restrictions on the number of unrelated persons that may be considered a family.

In 2008, the City Council approved its Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Transition Plan. The plan included an evaluation of barriers for persons with disabilities and included steps to remove such barriers. The plan mandates that the City Community Development and Engineering departments periodically evaluate their procedures for land use permit processing and public participation to ensure that reasonable accommodations are made for individuals with disabilities and all are in compliance with Fair Housing laws. As a result of plan implementation, all City facilities, offices, and meeting rooms have been upgraded to be accessible and compliant with Title 24 Accessibility requirements, and the City has an ongoing program for installation of wheelchair-accessible ramps at street intersections.

The City has two special needs residential facilities that cater to persons with disabilities. In 1992, the City approved the Kirker Court development, which provides 20 units for persons with developmental disabilities. In 1999, the City approved the Diamond Terrace project, which created 86 units for seniors, many of whom have disabilities and require special accommodations in their housing units and other

project facilities. The City, through its now defunct Redevelopment Agency, financially participated to support the establishment of both developments.

The City also offers reduced parking requirements for residential developments that serve seniors and persons with disabilities. The residential parking requirement for seniors or persons with disabilities is one parking space per dwelling unit, while standard single-family residential units require four parking spaces per unit.

The City will work to provide housing opportunities for persons and households with disabilities through coordination with housing providers and assistance with funding applications. The City will also continue to offer reasonable accommodations to ensure that City standards and policies do not impede housing opportunities for residents with disabilities. Programs are included in the Housing Plan (Chapter 2) to address reasonable accommodations and universal design.

Density Bonus

The City amended its Zoning Ordinance in 2009 to add specific density bonus provisions to reflect thencurrent state law. Chapter 17.90 of the Municipal Code establishes a density bonus of up to 35 percent and a variety of incentives/concessions to promote affordable housing. Since 2009, the legislature has significantly amended density bonus law, which applies to Clayton irrespective of Zoning Ordinance provisions. A program has been included in the Housing Plan to ensure that City regulations continue to reflect current state density bonus law as it evolves.

Affordable Housing Plan

Chapter 17.92 (Inclusionary Housing Requirements) of the Zoning Ordinance sets forth requirements for provision of affordable housing within developments of more than 10 units. Per this Chapter, a minimum of 10 percent of the units must be built or created as affordable housing units for very low-, low-, or moderate-income households. In lieu of providing housing on site as part of a development project, a developer may: 1) provide housing off-site, with the percentage of units increasing to 16 percent; 2) pay an in-lieu fee established by City Council resolutions; or 3) dedicate land for construction of the affordable units.

The City has established the specific guidelines for the review and preparation of Affordable Housing Plans. These criteria do not present a constraint to the development of housing but help to ensure construction of housing affordable to households at a wide range of income levels. As described below, the City offers a variety of incentives to developers and will consider others not specifically listed.

The Affordable Housing Plan must be submitted and approved in conjunction with the earliest stage of project entitlement, and in no case later than City approval of the primary land use entitlement and/or a development agreement. The Affordable Housing Plan must include:

- The number of dwelling units that will be developed as affordable to very low-, low-, moderate, and above moderate-income households (the City desires that at least five percent of all project units be affordable to very low-income households and at least five percent of all project units be affordable to low-income households)
- The number of affordable ownership and rental units to be produced. Such split shall be approved by the City Council based on housing needs, market conditions, and other relevant factors.

- Program options within Affordable Housing Plans may include, but are not limited to:
 - Actual production (on-site or off-site) of affordable units (including ownership and rental opportunities in the form of accessory dwelling units, corner units, half-plexes, duplexes, cottages, creative alternative housing products, etc.)
 - Land dedication (on-site and off-site)
 - Payment of in-lieu fees
- The timing for completion of affordable housing obligations.

At the City Council's discretion, land or other contributions provided by developers as specified within Affordable Housing Plans may be utilized to augment City efforts and the efforts of its nonprofit partners to provide affordable housing opportunities to all income levels throughout the community. The General Plan states that the City will pursue supplemental funding to allow affordability to households earning less than 50 percent of area median income. However, this policy directive has not been pursued.

To ensure the production and preservation of housing affordable to the City's workforce, no productive, reasonable program or incentive option will be excluded from consideration within project-specific Affordable Housing Plans. Incentives may include, but are not limited to:

- Density bonuses
- Fee waivers or deferrals (as reasonably available)
- Expedited processing/priority processing
- Reduced parking standards
- Technical assistance with accessing funding
- Modifications to development standards (on a case-by-case basis)

The size of property, the surrounding land uses, the purchase price of the real property, and current market conditions (i.e., competition) are all factors that may be considered in the preparation of proposed Affordable Housing Plans. Each development project is unique, as are the incentives and specific affordable housing requirements applied. The flexibility of this "menu approach" allows the City and developer to agree to terms that meet the intent of providing affordable housing while ensuring that the proposed development remains feasible.

Development Standards

Table 4-5 summarizes the development standards for residential zoning districts. While the Zoning Ordinance establishes the minimum lot areas for the three zones as shown in the table, Section 17.20.030 (Permitted Uses-Principal) states as allowable uses: "Duplex, triplex, townhouses, apartments and other multifamily structures meeting and not exceeding the density limits set by the applicable General Plan Land Use Designation." However, the M-R-M zone allows up to 24.2 units per acre, creating a zoning/General Plan inconsistency. The M-R-H zone, which has no corresponding General Plan land use designation, allows up to 43.6 units per acre. No properties are zoned M-R-H—although one parcel in the Town Center has a comparable multifamily residential high density land use designation—and the lack of an equivalent General Plan designation means a property owner would need to apply for a General Plan text amendment in conjunction with a rezoning request to implement the M-R-H zone. This is a constraint to development.

Chapter 17.78 of the Zoning Ordinance limits lot coverage size establishing the maximum building size and building footprint depending on lot size. This could also be a constraint to development depending on building and lot size.

The PD zone allows small lot and zero lot line development at densities that correspond to the underlying General Plan land use designation. However, the PD permit approval process requires review by both the Planning Commission and City Council, which imposes time and cost burdens on applicants. This process may be considered a constraint on development.

The setback requirements for all zones reflect the general low-intensity character of Clayton and are not considered constraints on development.

In the M-R zone, the lot coverage limit for a small lot single-family development is 25 percent, which is limiting. The lot coverage requirements in the higher density zones comport with those found in other cities and do not constrain development.

Height limits of 35 feet generally apply to all residential zones, but buildings are limited to 20 in the M-R zone adjacent to a single-family zone. This is inconsistent with the 35-foot limit allowed in an adjacent single-family zone and limits the ability to achieve maximum density in the M-R zone. This is a constraint to development.

| District | Min. Lot Area per Dwelling | Setback: Front Yard (min.) ⁵ | Setback: Rear Yard (min.) | Setback: Side Yard (min./ aggregate) ¹ | Height (max.) | Lot Coverage (max.) | Open Space (min.) |
|------------------|---------------------------------|---|---------------------------------|--|------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| R-10 | 10,000 sf | 20 ft | 15 ft | 10/20 ft | 35 ft | None | n/a |
| R-12 | 12,600 sf | 20 ft | 15 ft | 10/25 ft | 35 ft | None | n/a |
| R-15 | 15,000 sf | 20 ft | 15 ft | 10/25 ft | 35 ft | None | n/a |
| R-20 | 20,000 sf | 25 ft | 15 ft | 15/35 ft | 35 ft | None | n/a |
| R-40 | 40,000 sf | 40 ft | 15 ft | 20/40 ft | 35 ft | None | n/a |
| R-40-H | 40,000 sf | 40 ft | 15 ft | 20/40 ft | 35 ft | None | n/a |
| M-R ⁴ | 6,000 sf (3,000 sf/unit) | 20 ft | 15 ft | 15 ft/20 ft | 35 ft, 20 ft ² | 25% or 40% | 25% |
| M-R-M | 6,000 sf (1,800 sf/unit) | 20 ft | 15 ft | 15 ft/20 ft | 35 ft | 50% | 20% |
| M-R-H | 9,000 sf (1,000 sf/unit) | 20 ft | 15 ft | 15 ft/20 ft | 40 ft, 35 ft² | 65% | 20% |
| PD | Underlying GP designation | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a | 20% ³ |

Table 4-5: Residential Development Standards

Source: City of Clayton Zoning Ordinance 2022

¹Standards shown are for interior lots. Refer to the Zoning Ordinance for side yard standards for corner lots.

²Twenty feet when District abuts (within 50 feet) any single-family residential district.

³ Affordable housing projects may be allowed to provide less than 20 percent of the project site as open space subject to

approval by the Planning Commission.

⁴ Lot coverage in M-R zone depends on density, with General Plan requirements set at 25% for Single Family High Density and 40% for Multifamily Low Density.

⁵ In high density zone, side setback on corner lot is 20 feet.

sf = Square Feet

Parking

New residential development is required to provide parking as shown in Table 4-6.

Table 4-6: Residential Parking Requirements

| Requirement | Description |
|---|---|
| Single-family | 4 per unit (2 must be fully enclosed and 2 may be |
| | tandem) |
| Small lot, single-family (<4,000 sf net lot area, | 2 per unit (1 must be covered and 1 may be tandem), |
| Multifamily General Plan Designation) | 0.5 guest spaces per unit |
| Duplex | 2 per unit (1 must be covered and 1 may be tandem), |
| | 0.5 guest spaces per units |
| Multiple-family | |
| Studio | 1 per unit (covered) |

| Requirement | Description | | |
|-------------------|--|--|--|
| 1-bedroom | 1.5 per unit (1 must be covered) | | |
| 2+ bedroom | 2 per unit (1 must be covered) | | |
| Guest Parking | 0.5 per unit | | |
| Group residential | 1 per sleeping room plus 1 per 100 ft of assembly or | | |
| | common sleeping areas | | |

Table 4-6: Residential Parking Requirements

Source: City of Clayton Zoning Ordinance 2014

The parking requirements for single-family development exceed those typically used in other cities, which generally require two spaces and sometimes more for units with 5+ bedrooms. For multiple-family developments, the requirement for covered spaces adds construction costs and may be considered a constraint on development.

The parking requirements may be reduced for projects zoned PD (e.g., Oakhurst provides only 1.5 parking spaces for its zero lot line units) with a supporting parking analysis and may be reduced for Affordable Housing Opportunity sites with a supporting parking analysis. Affordable Housing Opportunity Sites are determined to be appropriate for affordable housing development due to their size and proximity to services and amenities. These sites are not required to be developed as affordable housing, but it is strongly preferred, and affordable housing units will be incentivized through increased density, design flexibility, priority processing, and funding application assistance.

Growth Management Program (Measures C & J) In 1988, Contra Costa County voters approved a half-cent sales tax to fund a transportation improvement and growth management program (Measure C). This program addresses congestion problems by funding transportation improvement projects and establishing a process involving all cities in Contra Costa County, including Clayton, to cooperatively manage the impacts of growth. In 2004, over two-thirds of Contra Costa County voters passed Measure J, which extended the previous Measure C for another 25 years to 2034. Similar to Measure C, Measure J aims to assure that future residential business and commercial growth pays for the facilities required to meet the demands resulting from that growth. Compliance with the Measure J Growth Management Program is linked to receipt of Local Street Maintenance and Improvement Funds and Transportation for Livable Community Funds from the Contra Costa Transportation Authority (CCTA), the congestion management agency for Contra Costa County.

The overall goals of the program are to relieve traffic congestion created by past development through road and transit improvements funded by the sales tax increase and to prevent future development decisions from resulting in the deterioration of services. To be eligible for sales tax funds, the Growth Management Program requires that each participating city and town and the County take several actions including:

- Adopting a Growth Management Element of the General Plan to address the impacts of growth
- Committing to managing congestion by adopting and applying traffic service standards to ensure that new development will not significantly worsen traffic on streets, roads, and regional routes
- Reducing dependency on the single-occupancy automobile through use of transportation systems management for each jurisdiction's large employers or an alternative mitigation program for areas that are primarily residential in character

- Ensuring that new development pays its own way through mitigation and fee programs
- Reducing the number and length of automobile commute trips by addressing housing options and job opportunities at the local, regional, and countywide level
- Adopting a Housing Element certified by the California Department of Housing and Community Development

CCTA is responsible for ensuring that these objectives and requirements are met. Periodically, it evaluates whether each city, town, and the County is participating fully, based on a compliance checklist. Each year that a jurisdiction is found to be in compliance with the Growth Management Program, the jurisdiction receives a share of the local sales tax increase that will be used for local street improvements and related activities.

In 1992, Clayton adopted the Growth Management Element of the General Plan pursuant to the requirements of Measure C. This element establishes goals, policies, and standards for traffic service and other public facilities and services. The City adopted an update to the Growth Management Element in 2011 (Resolution No. 13-2011) following approval of Measure J. Consistent with Policy 1d of the Growth Management Element and the Measure J Growth Management Plan, the City requires developers of development projects estimated to generate over 100 peak hour vehicle trips to provide the City with a traffic impact study consistent with the Technical Guidelines published by CCTA. Measure J also requires jurisdictions to demonstrate progress on providing housing opportunities by comparing the number of units approved within the previous five years with the number of units needed to meet the objectives established in the jurisdiction's Housing Element. It further requires each city to periodically certify it has not violated its Urban Limit Line (ULL) boundary and accompanying regulations for orderly growth to be eligible for receipt of Measure J funds.

Measure J eliminates the previous Measure C requirements for local performance standards and Level of Service (LOS) standards for non-regional routes. However, the City of Clayton carried forward into its 2011 Growth Management Element update the LOS standards for non-regional routes, as well as performance standards for fire, police, parks, sanitary, water, and flood control, as each could continue to play a decisive role in assessing the impacts of proposed new development. Measure J also adds the requirement for adoption of a voter-approved ULL.

The adopted Growth Management Element does not restrict the number of new homes that can be built in Clayton. The element intends to use the increased tax revenue for transportation improvements to ensure that development and growth are orderly and not restricted. Measure J requires that the City monitor progress toward meeting Clayton's housing objectives. The City has determined that its Growth Management Element does not constrain the maintenance, improvement, or development of housing for all income levels.

DEVELOPMENT PROCESSING PROCEDURES, STANDARDS, AND FEES

Permit Processing Procedures

Housing development projects proposed in Clayton are subject to one or more of the following review processes or permits: environmental review, zoning, subdivision review, planned development permit, site plan review, use permits, and building permits.

The city does not have an in-house building department; it contracts with the Contra Costa County Building Inspection Division to administer its building permit process. To proceed with a residential development, the developer first obtains the required project specific development entitlement approvals from the City. The developer then submits construction plans to the city for zoning compliance review and applies for sewer and water service.

The City of Concord provides contracted sewer service in Clayton. The Contra Costa Water District, an independent special district public entity, provides water service. Once the developer has obtained entitlement, zoning compliance, and utilities connection approvals, the developer submits plans to the County Building Inspection Division for plan check and a building permit. The County also provides building inspection services and grants certificates of occupancy for the project.

The City created and offers a development handbook that provides applicants with an overview of its development approval process. The handbook is available on the City's website. The guide is intended to minimize uncertainty in the process and reduce the time applicants spend seeking development approval. The Clayton Community Development Department also encourages no-cost pre-application meetings so that city staff can provide assistance and direction to applicants prior to application review. Staff has found that the pre-application meetings reduce the time spent approving development applications.

Permit Processing Time Frames

Table 4-7 shows typical permit processing times. Typical processing times include both discretionary and non-discretionary permit processing times and account for the time required to obtain permits from both Contra Costa County and the city. For example, a "typical" development project such as a new single-family residence or residential addition that does not require environmental review but requires a use permit and/or site plan review from the city and a building permit from Contra Costa County could take 12 weeks to process (eight weeks for the use permit and site plan review, which could be processed concurrently, and four weeks for a building permit).

The city's permit processing procedures include an assessment of the potential environmental impacts of the proposed project. If a project requires environmental review, additional processing and time is required. State law under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) mandates these review procedures. Many environmental regulations have protected the public from significant environmental degradation, prevented development of certain projects on sites not well suited for the development proposed, and given the public opportunity to comment on project impacts. This process does, however, increase the time needed for approval of a project and adds to its cost.

A single-family residential subdivision requires approval of a Tentative Subdivision Map. A multifamily project requires the approval of a Development Plan Permit. Both proposals require actions by the Planning Commission and the City Council. If the level of environmental review is a negative declaration (ND) or a mitigated negative declaration (MND), then the typical processing time is six to nine months from the time an application is deemed complete. If the level of environmental review is an environmental impact report (EIR), then the typical processing time, from the time the application is deemed complete, is approximately 12 to 16 months.

| Type of Application | Estimated Processing Time* (following formal acceptance) |
|---|---|
| General Plan Amendment | 20-26 weeks |
| Rezoning | 20-26 weeks |
| Use Permit | 6-10 weeks |
| Variance | 6-10 weeks |
| Planned Development | 20-26 weeks |
| Subdivision (Tentative Map) | 20-26 weeks |
| Subdivision (Final Map) | Varies |
| Site Plan Review | 6-10 weeks |
| Zoning Review (city staff) | 1-2 weeks |
| Building Permit (County Building Inspection Division) | 2-4 weeks |

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|------------|---------|--------|------------|-------|
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Sources: City of Clayton, Contra Costa County

*These times assume environmental review is not required and that the application is deemed complete.

Planned Development Districts

A Planned Development (PD) district requires a separate Planned Development Permit. The permit request must meet the requirements set forth in Chapter 17.28 of the Clayton Municipal Code and must be approved by the City Council. An approved PD district provides applicants with flexibility in land use controls, including residential land use controls.

To facilitate multi-family development on PD sites, in 2014 the city amended the PD zoning district standards to allow multi-family developments with a General Plan land use designation of Multi Family High Density (MHD) to be processed with only site plan review (rather than development plan review as was previously required) if applicants choose to adhere to M-R-H zoning district development standards. This change was intended to create a more predictable path for development on sites designated MHD.

The PD district provides developers with the flexibility to accommodate projects on sites that are constrained by various physical factors such as flooding, slopes, restricted access, or cultural resources. The development plan process allows creativity in the application of various standard development requirements including setbacks, height limitations, lot coverage, vehicular access, parking, and architectural design. Since development plans may involve the relaxation of various standards, Planning Commission and City Council review is required. The standards of review are listed in the Zoning Ordinance and focus upon ensuring that a better development would result than would occur with a non-flexible zone and ensuring protection of usable and natural open areas.

Site Plan Review

Site plan review is required for new single-family dwellings, multi-family dwellings, and certain types of residential additions. Typically, the process is initiated by staff meeting with the applicant to review the project. The applicant submits an application and the processing fee/deposit. Neighboring property owners are notified and a staff report is prepared. The Planning Commission reviews the project at a public hearing to examine compatibility with surrounding residences, solar rights, privacy, safety, and views. The site plan review process takes approximately six to eight weeks. Following site plan approval, the applicant

submits construction drawings for an initial zoning conformance review by the Community Development Department staff and then to the County Building Inspection Division.

While the site plan review process includes specific objective design criteria against which residential development proposals are reviewed, the public hearing process adds time and application processing costs that contribute to housing costs. This process may be considered a constraint on housing development to the degree that it adds costs and delays.

Design Review

Residential development projects in Clayton are subject to a design review process that is a component of the site plan review process. This process ensures that new residential development is compatible with surrounding residences and protects the solar rights, privacy, safety, and views of existing development. The requirements for design review are described in the Town Center Specific Plan, the Marsh Creek Road Specific Plan, the Zoning Ordinance, and the General Plan. These documents are described as follows:

- Marsh Creek Road Specific Plan: The Marsh Creek Road Specific Plan contains design and development standards that require designers and builders to retain and enhance the character of the planning area as it develops. The guidelines address site planning, creek corridors, ridgeline and hillside protection, streetscape and landscape architecture, residential architecture, energy and resource conservation, and commercial development.
- Town Center Specific Plan: The Town Center Specific Plan contains design guidelines that provide guiding principles rather than strict requirements to ensure flexibility in meeting the intent of the guidelines. The guidelines address several topics such as site design, architectural character, landscape character, preservation of historic buildings, relationship of new to existing development, parking, and signage.
- *General Plan*: The General Plan contains a Community Design Element with objectives, policies, and implementation measures that address overall community design, scenic highways, and design standards for the Town Center.
- *Zoning Ordinance*: The Zoning Ordinance protects solar rights, privacy, safety, and views of existing development through height and setback restrictions.

Amendments to the State Housing Accountability Act, as well as other laws enacted to facilitate housing production, have affirmed the state legislature's intent to ensure jurisdictions use an objective process to review whether a proposed housing development application complies with local standards. The City's design review process has been formulated to ensure that new residential development preserves basic objective aesthetic principles and does not allow conditions to be placed on the project that would lower the density or make the project financially infeasible. The City has not yet thoroughly assessed whether the standards applied meet the requirements of current State law. A program has been included to move this review and any required code amendments forward.

ON- AND OFF-SITE IMPROVEMENT REQUIREMENTS

The city requires installation of on- and off-site improvements to ensure adequate provisions are made for safe traffic movement, utility services, and desired community amenities. Improvements typically include streets, curbs, gutters, sidewalks, and utilities, and amenities such as landscaping, fencing, street lighting, open space, and park facilities. Additional improvements can include:

- Road improvements, including construction of sections of roadway, medians, sidewalks, bicycle lanes, and street lighting
- Drainage improvements, including improvement to sections of channels, culverts, swales, stormwater quality treatment basins and pond areas (Contra Costa County Flood Control District requirements)
- Wastewater collection and conveyance facilities (Contra Costa Sanitary District requirements);
- Water system improvements, including pipelines and storage tanks (Contra Costa Water District requirements)
- Public facilities for fire, school, and recreation

The type of improvements required depends upon the improvements that exist prior to development. If, for example, a vacant lot is improved with curbs, gutters, and sidewalks, then the developer is not required to reinstall those improvements. All typical improvements discussed above are required for residential development if they are absent prior to development.

Typically, on- and off-site improvement costs are passed on to the homebuyer or renter as part of the final cost of the home. Clayton does not require on- and off-site improvements beyond what is typically required in other jurisdictions and therefore does not consider these improvements to be a constraint to the development of housing for all income levels.

CONSTRUCTION AND HOUSING CODES

CODE ENFORCEMENT

The City has a small Code Enforcement team. Code Enforcement staff receives and follows up on complaints from residents and business owners about matters regarding poorly maintained properties, including foreclosed properties; ill-kept landscaping; and boats recreational vehicles illegally parked within public view on private properties. Enforcement practices include verbal contacts, written courtesy notices, and formal notices of violation. These efforts help maintain the quality and appearance of properties in Clayton. Code Enforcement staff coordinates as needed with other local agencies, including representatives from the Contra Costa County Building Department, the Clayton Police Department, the Housing Authority of Contra Costa County, the Contra Costa County Mosquito and Vector Control District, and the Environmental Health Department of Contra Costa County.

Building Code

The City contracts with the Contra Costa County Building Inspection Division to provide building plan check, inspection, and occasional code enforcement services related directly to construction projects or matters of health and safety. Table 4-8 shows the construction and housing codes adopted and administered by Contra Costa County for Clayton. These codes are life and safety provisions that apply to housing throughout California and affect cost of housing equally.

| Code Section | Title | Remarks |
|--------------------|--|--------------------------------------|
| 15.01 | Construction Regulations | Applied to all development and |
| | | thus not an unusual cost |
| 15.02 | Uniform Building Code with Amendments, | Applied to all development and |
| | 2013 | thus not an unusual cost |
| 15.03 | California Electric Code Amendments, 2013 | Applied to all development and |
| | | thus not an unusual cost |
| 15.04 | California Plumbing Code with Amendments, | Applied to all development and |
| | 2013 | thus not an unusual cost |
| 15.05 | California Mechanical Code with | Applied to all development and |
| | Amendments, 1997 | thus not an unusual cost |
| 15.06 | Uniform Housing Code with Amendments, | Applied to all development and |
| | 1997 | thus not an unusual cost |
| 15.07 | Building Security Construction Codes | Applied to all development and |
| | | thus not an unusual cost |
| 15.08 ¹ | Sign Provisions | Generally does not apply to |
| | | housing development |
| 15.09 | California Fire Code with Amendments, 2013 | Applied to all development and |
| | | thus not an unusual cost |
| 15.56 | Moving Buildings regulations | Applied to all development and |
| | | thus not an unusual cost |
| 15.58 | Flood Damage Prevention practices | Applied to all development and |
| | | thus not an unusual cost |
| 15.60 | Grading Rules | Applied to all development and |
| | | thus not an unusual cost |
| 15.70 ¹ | Tree Protection regulations | No major impacts on the cost of |
| | | housing |
| 15.80 | Project Construction & Demolition Debris | No major impacts on the cost of |
| | Recycling regulations | housing, although cost savings |
| | | from recycling material may |
| | | provide a cost savings for |
| | | construction which would be |
| | | passed along to tenants |
| 15.90 | Reasonable Accommodation | Provide greater flexibility in |
| | | providing housing for persons with |
| | | a disability |
| 15.92 | Universal Design | No major impacts on the cost of |
| | | housing and will provide a housing |
| | | stock that is accessible to disabled |
| | | persons |
| Part 11, Title 24 | CalGreen Green Building Code, 2013 | Will reduce the demand for |
| | _ | household energy and therefore |
| | | decrease the cost of maintaining a |
| | | household |

Source: City of Clayton, County Building Inspection Division, and County Fire Protection District Notes: 1. Typically not required for residential developments

DEVELOPMENT FEES

The City collects development fees to help cover the costs of permit processing and environmental review. As shown in Table 4-9, Community Development Department fees are billed at the cost per hour per employee. Fees collected by the City in the review and development process cannot and do not exceed the City's costs for providing these services. Applicants must submit a deposit in the specified amount upon submittal of an application.

| Item | Fee |
|---|--|
| Annexation | Staff time billed on a time and materials basis, \$5,000 |
| | minimum deposit |
| General Plan amendment | Staff time billed on a time and materials basis, \$5,000 |
| | minimum deposit |
| Pre Zoning | Staff time billed on a time and materials basis, \$5,000 |
| | minimum deposit |
| Rezoning | Staff time billed on a time and materials basis, \$5,000 |
| | minimum deposit |
| Zoning Ordinance amendment | Staff time billed on a time and materials basis, \$5,000 |
| | minimum deposit |
| Site Plan Review Permit (initial permit or amendment) | Staff time billed on a time and materials basis, \$1,000 |
| | minimum deposit |
| Development Plan | Staff time billed on a time and materials basis, \$5,000 |
| | minimum deposit |
| Environmental Impact Report (EIR) | Staff time billed on a time and materials basis, \$5,000 |
| Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) | minimum deposit |
| Negative Declaration (ND) | Staff time billed on a time and materials basis, \$2,500 |
| | minimum deposit |
| | Staff time billed on a time and materials basis, \$1,500 |
| | minimum deposit |
| Use Permit – Residential – Planning Commission | Staff time billed on a time and materials basis, \$1,000 |
| Review | minimum deposit |
| Second Dwelling Unit Permit – administrative review | \$331 |
| Tree Removal Permit – admin. Review without notice | \$12/ tree (minimum \$40) |
| Tree Removal Permit – admin, review with notice | |
| Tree Removal Permit – Planning Commission review | \$60/ tree (minimum \$132) |
| | Staff time billed on a time and materials basis, \$500 |
| | minimum deposit |
| Variance (residential) | Staff time billed on a time and materials basis, 1,000 |
| | minimum deposit |
| Appeal – administrative decisions | \$65 |
| Appeal – residential Planning Commission decisions | \$331 |
| Tentative Subdivision Map application | Staff time billed on a time and materials basis, \$2,000 |
| | minimum deposit |
| Parcel Map application | Staff time billed on a time and materials basis, \$2,000 |
| | minimum deposit |
| | |

Table 4-9: Community Development Department Fee

| Item | Fee |
|---------------------------|--|
| Lot line adjustment | Staff time billed on a time and materials basis, \$1,000 |
| | minimum deposit |
| Lot merger | Staff time billed on a time and materials basis, \$2,000 |
| | minimum deposit |
| Habitat Conservation Plan | Staff time billed on a time and materials basis, \$1,000 |
| | minimum deposit |

Table 4-9: Community Development Department Fee

Source: City of Clayton FY 20-21 Master Fee Schedule, per City Council Resolution. No. 56-2020 Note: Fees may be adjusted (some are linked to increases based on the Consumer Price Index).

The City and applicable districts collect development impact fees for the provision of services such as water, sewers, storm drains, schools, and parks and recreation facilities. These fees are generally assessed based on the number of units in a residential development, with the exception of the school district fee collected by the Mount Diablo Unified School District (MDUSD), which determines permit fees based on building square footage. Fees charged for building permits are based on the construction values as prescribed by the Uniform Building Code. Table 4-10 shows a summary of development fees for three scenarios of residential development projects that might occur in the city.

Table 4-10: Clayton Development Fees

| MIG | | | | | | | | | AYTON, CA |
|---------------------------------------|--|------------|--------------|------------|------------|----------------|---------------------|------------|--------------|
| | Single Family | | | Multifa | amily - L | arge | Multifamily - Small | | |
| Site Information | Unit S.F. | | 3100 | Unit S.F. | | 800 | Unit S.F. | | 800 |
| Site information | # of Units | | 1 | # of Units | | 100 | # of Units | | 10 |
| | Valuation | | \$404,798.00 | Valuation | | \$9,637,600.00 | Valuation | | \$963,760.00 |
| Fee Classification | Multiplier | Per | Cost | Multiplier | Per | Cost | Multiplier | Per | Cost |
| Entitlement Fees | | | | | | | | | |
| Site Plan Review Permit | \$1,000.00 | Dep | \$1,000.00 | \$1,000.00 | Dep | \$1,000.00 | \$1,000.00 | Dep | \$1,000.00 |
| Development Plan | \$5,000.00 | Dep | \$5,000.00 | \$5,000.00 | Dep | \$5,000.00 | \$5,000.00 | Dep | \$5,000.00 |
| Residential Use Permit | | | N/A | \$1,000.00 | Dep | \$1,000.00 | \$1,000.00 | Dep | \$1,000.00 |
| TOTAL ENTITLEMENT FEES | | \$6,000.00 | | | \$6,000.00 | | | \$6,000.00 | |
| Building Fees | | | | | | | | | |
| Construction and Demolition Recycling | \$172.00 | Set | \$172.00 | \$346.00 | Set | \$346.00 | \$346.00 | Set | \$346.00 |
| Management Plan Deposit | \$1.00 | SF | \$3,100.00 | \$1.00 | SF | \$80,000.00 | \$1.00 | SF | \$80,000.00 |
| TOTAL BUILDING FEES | | | \$3,272.00 | | | \$80,346.00 | | | \$80,346.00 |
| Impact Fees | | | | | | | | | |
| School District Fee | \$4.08 | SF | \$10,608.00 | \$4.08 | SF | \$326,400.00 | \$4.08 | SF | \$32,640.00 |
| Childcare Facilities | \$205.00 | Unit | \$205.00 | \$205.00 | Unit | \$20,500.00 | \$205.00 | Unit | \$2,050.00 |
| Offsite Arterial Street Improvements | \$1,456.00 | Unit | \$1,456.00 | \$1,019.00 | Unit | \$101,900.00 | \$1,019.00 | Unit | \$10,190.00 |
| Fire Development Protection | \$300.00 | Unit | \$300.00 | \$200.00 | Unit | \$20,000.00 | \$200.00 | Unit | \$2,000.00 |
| Community Facilities Development | \$450.00 | Unit | \$450.00 | \$125.00 | Unit | \$12,500.00 | \$125.00 | Unit | \$1,250.00 |
| Parkland Dedication | \$2,569.00 | Unit | \$2,569.00 | \$1,666.00 | Unit | \$166,600.00 | \$1,666.00 | Unit | \$16,660.00 |
| SWPPP | \$5,000.00 | Dep | \$5,000.00 | \$5,000.00 | Dep | \$5,000.00 | \$5,000.00 | Dep | \$5,000.00 |
| TOTAL IMPACT FEES | TOTAL IMPACT FEES \$20,588.00 \$652,900.00 | | | | | | | | |
| TOTAL PROJECT FEES | | | \$29,860.00 | | | \$739,246.00 | | | \$156,136.00 |

As presented in Table 4-10, a developer can expect to pay roughly \$20,558 in impact fees for the construction of a 3,100-square-foot single-family home and \$69,790 for a small multi-family development of ten 800-square-foot units. Note that totals do not include planning fees, which vary based on the level of review needed and actual time needed to process an application.

In 2022, the Contra County Consortium undertook a fee study as part of a regional effort to assist cities with preparation of their housing elements. Table 4-11 shows the typical fees charged by city for an approximate 3,100-square-foot single-family home, a 100-unit apartment complex, and a 10-unit apartment complex.

| Jurisdiction | Single-Family Residential | Multi-family Residential - 100 Units | Multi-family Residential - 10 Units | |
|---------------|------------------------------|---|--|--|
| Antioch | \$22,146.24 | \$813,910.78 | \$103,950.44 | |
| Danville | \$62,489.24 | \$3,336,919.50 | \$347,075.68 | |
| Lafayette | \$68,946.25 | \$3,132,049.61 | \$370,969.49 | |
| Hercules | \$64,064.99 | \$2,967,385.44 | \$316,813.89 | |
| Clayton | \$39,160.00 | \$1,669,246.00 | \$249,136.00 | |
| Pinole | \$56,665.77 | \$2,277,370.79 | \$216,977.21 | |
| Brentwood | \$113,158.84 | \$4,766,295.73 | \$494,143.76 | |
| Concord | \$47,248.07 | \$1,765,845.76 | \$237,264.81 | |
| El Cerrito | \$57,356.24 | \$2,927,768.15 | \$440,729.35 | |
| Moraga | \$85,109.56 | \$4,101,720.20 | \$434,941.60 | |
| Martinez | \$58,701.86 | \$2,468,768.76 | \$271,214.92 | |
| Oakley | \$70,088.22 | \$3,572,169.38 | \$328,874.26 | |
| Orinda | \$64,627.76 | \$3,347,953.50 | \$376,137.59 | |
| Pittsburg | \$60,830.46 | \$3,198,202.86 | \$331,402.52 | |
| Pleasant Hill | \$30,927.67 | \$1,670,408.38 | \$177,477.61 | |

Table 4-11: Development Fees in Contra Costa County Cities

| Jurisdiction | Single-Family Residential | Multi-family Residential - 100 Units | Multi-family Residential - 10 Units | | |
|--------------|------------------------------|---|--|--|--|
| Richmond | \$45,694.42 | \$2,301,117.22 | \$238,344.58 | | |
| San Pablo | \$29,498.69 | \$674,051.76 | \$82,452.38 | | |
| San Ramon | \$100,495.59 | \$3,318,772.28 | \$340,120.27 | | |
| Walnut Creek | \$31,004.88 | \$1,507,627.70 | \$168,649.32 | | |

Source: MIG, Inc.

As Table 4-11 shows, development fees in Clayton are generally lower than typical fees charged by other cities in the County, with only Antioch, San Pablo, and Walnut Creek, for example, having lower fees for single-family homes. A large portion of the total fees associated with residential development in the city is for water connections, which are provided by the Contra Costa Water District (special district) for jurisdictions located in Contra Costa County. The city also relies on the County's Building Inspection Division for building permit, plan review, and inspection services. The pre-application meetings and application referral process can assist with expediting the permit review period at the County level.

NON-GOVERNMENTAL CONSTRAINTS

The availability and cost of housing are significantly influenced by market factors in the Bay Area over which local government has little or no control. State law requires that the Housing Element provide a general assessment of these constraints. This assessment can serve as the basis for actions which local governments might take to offset the effects of such constraints. The primary market constraints to the development of new housing are the costs of constructing and purchasing new housing. These costs can be broken down into three categories: land, construction, and financing. For the most part, housing cost components in Clayton are comparable to those in other parts of the Bay Area. During the COVID-19 pandemic, supply chain issues resulted in regional and statewide increases in materials costs.

LAND COSTS

Costs associated with the acquisition of land include the market price of raw land and the cost of holding land throughout the development process. These costs can account for as much as half of the final sales prices of new homes in very small developments or in areas where land is scarce. Among the variables affecting the cost of land are location, amenities, the availability of public services, and financing arrangements between the buyer and seller.

Land costs vary significantly in accordance with a variety of factors, including proximity of urban services. Due to low inventories of vacant lands and land for sale in Clayton, it is difficult to estimate the local cost per acre of land. The inventory of vacant land parcels in the neighboring city of Concord includes

properties near Clayton. Undeveloped land zoned for residential development on these properties is listed from \$600,000 per acre to as high as \$4 million per acre. The high cost of land constrains developers' ability to develop affordable housing. The city has no control to lower the cost of land in the private market. Below are current land vacancies and costs in Clayton and Concord.

| Address | Cost | Acres |
|----------------------------------|------------|-------|
| 8925 Marsh Creek Rd, Clayton, CA | \$1,300,00 | 47.23 |
| 94517 | | |
| 1595 Lower Trail Rd, Clayton, CA | \$275,000 | 1.03 |
| 94517 | | |
| 1975 Holly Dr, Concord CA 94521 | \$295,000 | 0.5 |
| | | |

Source: Zillow.com, April 2022

CONSTRUCTION COSTS

Factors that affect the cost of building a house include the type of construction, materials, site conditions, finishing details, amenities, and structural configuration. According to data from the California Construction Cost Index, hard construction costs in California grew by 44 percent between 2014 and 2018, or an additional \$80 per square foot¹. During the COVID-19, beginning in 2020, supply chain constraints contributed to a significant rise in materials costs and delays in delivery. Construction costs are estimated to account for upwards of 60 percent of the production cost of a new home, especially for multi-unit residential buildings, which can require the use of more expensive materials, like steel, and in more urban environments, need additional amenities such as parking structures². Variations in the quality of materials, type of amenities, labor costs, and the quality of building materials could result in higher or lower construction costs for a new home.

According to data provided by the 21 Elements consortium in San Mateo County, hard construction costs for a single-family home in the Bay Area range from \$250 to \$525 per square foot, depending upon, for example, the quality of interior finishes. For multi-family housing, per-square-foot costs can be as high as \$520. Pre-fabricated factory-built housing, with variation on the quality of materials and amenities, may also affect the final construction cost per square foot of a housing project. In contrast, the national square footage construction costs for 2021 from the International Code Council (ICC) for residential developments shown in Table 4-13 are substantially below Bay Area costs.

¹ Hayley Raetz, Teddy Forscher, Elizabeth Kneebone and Carolina Reid, The Hard Costs of Construction: Recent Trends in Labor and Materials Costs for Apartment Buildings in

California, The Terner Center for Housing Innovation, University of California Berkeley, March 2020, p.8,

http://ternercenter.berkeley.edu/uploads/Hard Construction Costs March 2020.pdf

| Tuble 4.15. Construction Cost by Bunding Type – National Data | | | | | |
|---|-------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Building Type | Square Foot Construction Cost Range | | | | |
| R-2 Residential, multiple family | \$136.73 – \$203.34 | | | | |
| R-3 Residential, one-and two-family \$148.33 - \$189.34 | | | | | |
| Sources International Code Council Building Valuation Data, August 2021 | | | | | |

Table 4.13: Construction Cost by Building Type – National Data

Source: International Code Council, Building Valuation Data, August 2021

According to the ICC data, the range of costs per square footage for one- and two-family homes is higher than that of multiple family homes, making multi-family housing more affordable to develop on a cost per square foot basis.

If labor or material costs increased substantially, the cost of construction in Clayton could rise to a level that impacts the price of new construction and rehabilitation. Therefore, increased construction costs have the potential to constrain new housing construction and rehabilitation of existing housing.

LABOR COST

The California Labor Code applies prevailing wage rates to public works projects exceeding \$1,000 in value. Public works projects include construction, alteration, installation, demolition, or repair work performed under contract and paid for in whole or in part out of public funds. Furthermore, if federal funds are involved, Davis-Bacon wages often apply. While the cost differential in prevailing and standard wages varies based on the skill level of the occupation, prevailing wages tend to add to the overall cost of development. In the case of affordable housing projects, prevailing wage requirements could effectively reduce the number of affordable units that can be achieved with public subsidies.

AVAILABILITY OF FINANCING

Financing new residential development can be a significant cost; however, residential financing for both single-family and multiple family housing is generally available. Developers of single-family projects often secure loans for land acquisition, installation of improvements, and construction. According to the US Bank, land acquisition and development loan rates are typically the prime rate plus 0.5 to 2.0 percent, which is between 3.99 to 5.4 percent as of May 2022. Mortgage rates were low for previous years but are now increasing. Apartment loan rates are generally a bit lower. Developers of affordable housing face significant challenges in securing financing. Due to the limited possible return from rents or sales prices of affordable units, many private lenders are unable to finance affordable projects due to the rate of return. Thus, affordable developers must rely on community lending divisions, nonprofit institutions, grants and special loans, and local assistance.

GOVERNMENT CODE 65583(A)(6) DEVELOPMENT ANALYSIS

Government Code section 65583(a)(6) requires an analysis of requests from developers to build housing at densities below those anticipated in site inventory and the length of time between receiving approval for housing development and submittal of an application for building permit. The analysis must also look at local efforts to remove nongovernmental constraints that create a gap in the jurisdiction's ability to meet RHNA by income category.

Densities Below Zoning Maximums

Clayton largely is zoned for single-family development at densities of no greater than four units per acre. For properties with higher allowed densities, many are zoned PD (Planned Development) to allow for flexibility in development standards given site constraints. On PD-zoned properties, the General Plan land use policy map dictates the maximum allowed density. Given the preponderance of single-family zoned properties and the required low densities, developers elect to build at the upper end. However, given geologic and slope conditions on specific properties, yields can fall below the maximum allowed. For example, the Oak Creek Canyon subdivision proposes six units on nine acres of land. The Diablo Meadows subdivision proposes 18 single-family lots (and three ADUs, which are not included in density calculations) on an 8.68-acre site, at a density of 2.1 units per acre overall, with units clustered into a smaller area to allow for 4.36 acres to be preserved as open space.

For multi-family-zoned properties, only one application has occurred in recent years, for the Olivia on March Creek project. The Olivia is a senior housing development that utilized state density bonus law provisions to yield 27 units per acre, higher than the allowed density of 20 units per acre.

Elapsed Time to Receive Building Permits

In Clayton, the time that passes between a developer receiving entitlements and building permits can be lengthy given the biologic and challenging geologic conditions in the city. Detailed studies and plans are required to address slope and soils stability concerns. Detailed mitigations studies may also be required to show how sensitive habitat areas will be protected. The time may be as long as two years, depending upon specific site conditions. These time periods are typical for a site that requires particular consideration of public safety and natural resource issues.

Regarding the Olivia project cited above, after receiving entitlements, the developer opted to "shop" the project to other parties rather than move diligently through the building permit process. This delay was not related to any city actions.

LOCAL EFFORTS TO REMOVE NONGOVERNMENTAL CONSTRAINTS

Housing Element law requires analysis of local efforts to remove nongovernmental constraints that impact the City's ability to meet its RHNA by income category. The primary nongovernmental constraint is the overall cost of affordable housing development (high land and development costs) in most parts of the State. In general, constructing affordable housing, especially for low- and very low-income households, is not profitable for housing developers. Therefore, deed-restricted affordable units require subsidy beyond available density or financial incentives. This places the construction burden on nonprofits and similar grant-funded housing developers and may result in affordable projects that are not always dispersed throughout the region but are concentrated in limited areas with lower development costs. While the City can offer developer incentives such as expedited permit processing or fee deferrals—or partner with a developer on City-owned properties—it cannot afford to fully mitigate the high cost of development for affordable housing developments.

Previously, Clayton had provided assistance through the Redevelopment Agency Set-Aside fund as a means to subsidize the construction of housing for very low-, low-, and moderate-income households. However, pursuant to changes in State law, the Redevelopment Agency was dissolved in 2012, reducing

the City's ability to provide direct financial support. The city does have measures to help incentivize affordable housing development, including:

- Density bonuses
- Fee waivers or deferrals (as reasonably available)
- Expedited processing/priority processing
- Technical assistance with accessing funding
- Modifications to development standards through the Planned Development Permit process

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS

The City of Clayton has several environmental considerations that affect where development can occur. The City is in both a landslide zone and liquefaction zone due to proximity to fault lines. The City's General Plan Safety element discusses policies to inform development and help mitigate environmental risks to residents. The city has also adopted a Local Hazard Mitigation Plan to address environmental hazards.

Geologic Hazards

Undeveloped land in Clayton has certain geologic hazards that must be considered when looking to build. These hazards include slopes with unstable soil, high erosion potential, evidence of springs, mudflow potential, and rockslide potential.

Due to the combination of geologic hazards affecting that portion of Clayton east of Clayton Road, the City has established the Geologic Hazard Abatement District (GHAD), for which the City Council serves as the Board of Directors. The GHAD is funded by assessments on property owners within the district. GHAD monitors conditions in the area, noting such conditions as buckling of sidewalks and road sections due to earth movement. Wells in the areas have been installed to dewater and stabilize slopes. These conditions significantly constrain development.

Seismic Hazards

Seismic activity must be considered for all cities in the Bay area. However, Clayton is less at risk that other cities in the area. The most critical faults locally, according to Woodward and Lundgren, are the San Andreas, Calaveras and Hayward faults, due to their recent activity and energy potential. Nevertheless, the Antioch and Concord faults recently have produced damaging earthquakes, the latter with a 5.4 magnitude in 1955. Prominent faults of undetermined status include the Pinole, Bollinger, Las Trampas, Frankling, South Hampton, Clayton Marsh Creek, Midland, and Mt. Diablo Faults (see Exhibit VII-2 in the Safety Element). These faults have shown inconclusive signs of activity or are associated with geologic processes and features that could result in earthquakes.

Some areas of the Clayton Valley contain alluvial soils that could amplify ground shaking in the event the Concord fault shifts. The entire area is considered seismically active, and the development plans should reflect this risk factor. Soil types, topography and bedrock may serve to heighten risk or dampen it. The presence of contained water bodies within these seismically active areas raises seiches as potential hazards, which should also be addressed in development plans. The fault is not classified as active; however, there is preliminary evidence that the fault may have displaced recent landslide materials. For this reason, the fault should be treated as active unless evidence proves otherwise.

Flooding Hazards

The principal stream running through Clayton is Mt. Diablo Creek. It originates on the steep north slopes of the 3,849-foot-tall Mt. Diablo. Mt. Diablo Creek drains a watershed of approximately 30 square miles. It flows northerly and westerly through the cities of Clayton and Concord, the Concord Naval Weapons Station and eventually empties into Suisun Bay. In the City of Clayton, Mt. Diablo Creek is joined by Donner and Mitchell creeks, both of which originate on the slopes of Mt. Diablo and by Peacock Creek, which flows from the Keller Ridge. Flooding has occurred from Mt. Diablo Creek in the Town Center area of Clayton and in the flood plain between Clayton Road and Kirker Pass Road. The major floods affecting this area occurred in 1938, 1952, 1955 and 1963. The 1955 and 1963 floods both were estimated as 25-year floods. Despite these occurrences, Mt. Diablo Creek is not considered a creek with a high flood history. Part of the reason for this is due to the long floodplain between Mt. Diablo slopes and the city limits that serves to slow down velocity and delay peak flows.

However, continued watershed development increases the risk of flood event, which is a serious consideration for future development. Mt. Diablo Creek, within its confined limits, is already incapable of providing adequate flood protection. Even if land development within the watershed came to a complete halt, the statistical probability of serious flooding would be considerable. The limitation of land development, the utilization of flood plains, and the construction of engineered improvements are the most useful methods for controlling floods. No serious problems have occurred to date, but unless some type of flood control project is undertaken, the limited capacity of Mt. Diablo Creek could cause serious flooding problems.



As described in the Introduction chapter, Clayton's character is defined by its low-intensity development patterns and connections to the surrounding natural environment. Of the available vacant land, unstable geologic conditions constrain development of new housing. Infill development approaches will be used to accommodate the RHNA of 570 units, and in particular, the higher-density housing most able to provide affordable rents and mortgages. This Housing Element identifies new initiatives for Clayton. Notably, the inventory of housing sites described below includes properties to be rezoned (in tandem with Housing Element adoption) to accommodate development densities of up to 40 units per acre on select sites. Within the Town Center, creative mixed-use projects will bring additional residents into Clayton's downtown, thereby providing new patrons for the local businesses and offering more affordable housing options in the form of townhomes, live/work units, and small apartments.

Encouraging and supporting development of affordable housing choices requires assistance in the form of subsidies and incentives from federal, State, County, and local City resources. This chapter introduces several resources that will be available to provide the incentives and support.

AVAILABILITY OF SITES FOR HOUSING

A critical component of the Housing Element is the identification of sites for future housing development and the evaluation of these sites' ability to accommodate the RHNA. In Clayton, additional residential growth will occur on residential and mixed-use properties with redevelopment potential, primarily along major corridors and in the Town Center. The following discussion analyzes residential growth potential and describes how collectively these sites provide capacity for 570 new homes for households of all income levels.

REGIONAL HOUSING NEEDS ALLOCATION (RHNA)

California law requires each city and county to zone properties in a manner that ensures the city or county can accommodate its fair share of regional housing needs over the course of the housing element planning period. The law states that the housing element must identify adequate sites for housing, including rental housing, factory-built housing, mobile homes, and emergency shelters, and must make adequate provision for the existing and projected needs of all economic segments of the community (California Government Code Section 65583).

The California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) is responsible for determining the regional housing needs assessment at a statewide level. From that statewide number, HCD assigns a portion to each region and its corresponding council of government (COG), a regional planning body. Clayton is part of the Bay Area region, where the COG is the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG). HCD determined that the projected housing need for the ABAG region is 441,176 new housing units for

the eight-year period of June 30, 2022, through December 15, 2030.¹ ABAG then allocates a portion of the regional housing need to each city and county in the Bay Area region. This assignment of projected housing need to each local jurisdiction in the region is known as the regional housing need allocation, or RHNA.

The RHNA is divided into four income categories: very low, low, moderate, and above moderate. Clayton's RHNA for the projection period is 570 housing units, with the units distributed among the four income categories as shown in Table 5-1. As illustrated in this chapter, with existing resources and the rezoning of properties occurring in conjunction with Housing Element adoption, Clayton has sufficient capacity to meet its 2023-2031 RHNA obligation.

| Income Group | % of County Median Income | RHNA (Housing Units) | Percentage of Units |
|------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|
| Extremely Low/Very Low | 0-50% | 170 | 30% |
| Low | 51-80% | 97 | 17% |
| Moderate | 81-120% | 84 | 15% |
| Above Moderate | 120% + | 219 | 38% |
| Total | | 570 | 100% |

Table 5-1: Clayton 2023-2031 RHNA

Note: Pursuant to AB 2634, local jurisdictions are also required to project the housing needs of extremely low-income households (0-30% AMI). In estimating the number of extremely low-income households, a jurisdiction can use 50% of the very low-income allocation; as such, the City's very low-income RHNA of 170 units can be split into 85 extremely low-income and 85 very low-income units.

PROGRESS TOWARDS THE RHNA

The "projection period" is the period for which the RHNA is calculated (Government Code Section 65588(f)(2)). Projects that have been approved or permitted or have received a certificate of occupancy since the beginning of the RHNA projected period may be credited toward meeting the RHNA allocation based on the affordability and unit count of the development.

Despite little to no vacant land and the predominantly single-family home character of Clayton, the City recently approved entitlements for the largest multi-family housing development in Clayton's history, The Olivia on Marsh Creek. The Olivia project, with 81 units inclusive of seven for very low-income households, will provide housing for seniors in more affordable, one- and two-bedroom units. This development highlights the City's ability to accommodate new multi-family housing that will move Clayton toward achieving its RHNA.

Approved and proposed residential development projects credited toward the RHNA include single-family subdivisions with accessory dwelling units (ADUs) for low-income renter households. The Diablo Meadows and Oak Creek Canyon projects together will provide 28 new homes, including four ADUs that

¹ The RHNA projection period varies slightly from the Housing Element planning period, which refers to the date the Housing Element is due to be adopted and the duration of the eight-year term. The Housing Element planning period for the sixth cycle in the ABAG region is January 31, 2023 through January 31, 2031.

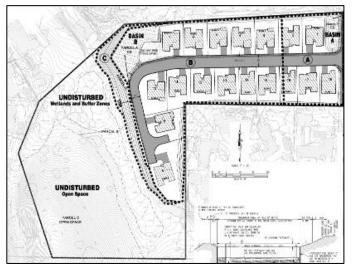
the projects' developers will build to comply with the City's inclusionary housing ordinance (Municipal Code Chapter 17.92). Combined, these three approved projects account for 109 units (Table 5-2).

| Project | Project Status | Extremely/ Very Low- Income (0- 50% AMI) | Low-Income (50-80% AMI) | Moderate- Income (80- 120% AMI) | Above Moderate- Income (+120%) | Total |
|------------------------|-------------------|---|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|-------|
| Diablo Meadows | Approved | | 3 | 1 | 17 | 21 |
| Oak Creek Canyon | Approved | | 1 | | 6 | 7 |
| The Olivia | Approved | 7 | | | 74 | 81 |
| Approved Projects Tota | ıl | 7 | 4 | | <i>98</i> | 109 |

Table 5-2: Approved Projects

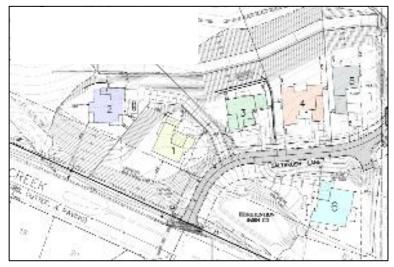
Diablo Meadows

The Diablo Meadows project consists of subdivision of an 8.68-acre site for 18 single-family residential units and three ADUs. The lots are clustered along the east side of the property to protect open spaces and provide for stormwater retention. Approximately 4.36 acres of the site will be preserved as open space.



Oak Creek Canyon

Oak Creek Canyon consists of a six-lot subdivision for six single-family homes and one ADU on a vacant nine-acre site along Marsh Creek Road, a key travel route in Clayton.



The Olivia on Marsh Creek

The Olivia on Marsh Creek housing project approved by the City Council will create three, three-story buildings containing 81 rental units for seniors. The site is located within the Town Center, at 6170 High Street and 6450 and 6490 Marsh Creek Road.



SITES INVENTORY

The sites inventory includes a projection for ADUs based on past trends, anticipated development on vacant sites either zoned for residential development or planned to be rezoned, sites owned by religious institutions that have indicated a desire to build multi-family housing on portions of their properties, and sites currently occupied by low-density residential uses or parking lots that will be zoned to encourage their redevelopment during the Housing Element cycle.

Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) Projections

Since 2017, the State Legislature has passed a series of new laws that significantly increase the potential for development of new ADUs and Junior ADUs (JADUs) by removing development barriers, allowing ADUs to be approved through ministerial permits, and requiring jurisdictions to include programs in their housing elements that incentivize ADU development. Between 2018 (the effective date of the first significant ADU laws) and 2021, property owner interest in constructing ADUs was limited in Clayton. However, beginning in late 2021, interest began to rise. To meet the requirements of the City's Inclusionary Housing Ordinance, recent subdivision developers have proposed including ADUs as part of their projects (see discussion above). Between 2018 and 2021, Clayton permitted a total of seven ADUs, averaging about two ADUs per year.

Given the preponderance of single-family homes in the community, the capacity for additional ADUs is substantial—provided homeowners have interest, the process to acquire necessary permits has few barriers, and the costs for planning and building an ADU can be controlled. Several factors point toward a potential increase in ADU production: 1) new legislation that creates new incentives and streamlined processes to build ADUs; 2) the pent-up demand for affordable housing in Clayton and the Bay Area region at large; and 3) the City's planned program to provide six off-the-shelf, pre-approved ADU construction plans, including small studio, one- and two-bedroom units targeted as affordable housing, that will reduce costs to homeowners and streamline approval processes.

While it is impossible to predict with any certainty the number of ADUs that will be developed within the planning period, the City has estimated a level of ADU development based on previous permits and approved projects. To provide a conservative approach, the City assumes:

• An average of four ADUs per year will be constructed throughout the planning period. This reflects a slightly higher average number of building permits issued for ADUs between 2018 and 2021.

This estimate accounts for the factors pointing toward a potential increase in ADU production: increased interest from property owners, developers providing ADUs in conjunction with subdivision applications, and standard ADU construction plans that the City will make available beginning late 2022.

• A total of 32 ADUs are predicted to be constructed during the planning period.

| | Extremely/ Very Low- Income (0- | Low-Income | Moderate- Income (80- | Above Moderate- Income | |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|-------|
| Project | 50% AMI) | (50-80% AMI) | 120% AMI) | (+120%) | Total |
| Projected ADU Construction | 10 | 10 | 10 | 2 | 32 |

Table 5-3: ADU Projections to Meet the RHNA

As of 2022, 3,696 parcels in Clayton were developed with a single-family home, indicating untapped potential for additional units in the form of ADUs. During this Housing Element cycle, the City will monitor ADU production and may revise the estimates based on proven trends.

The affordability assumptions for the ADUs are based on the ABAG Housing Technical Assistance Team ADU affordability analysis for the sixth-cycle RHNA, which has been approved by HCD².

Senate Bill (SB) 9

In September 2021, Governor Newsom signed Senate Bill (SB) 9 into law, with an effective date of January 1, 2022. SB 9 mandates ministerial approval of duplexes on lots zoned for a single-family residence and requires ministerial approval of subdivisions of a single-family lot into two lots, referred to as urban lot splits. The provisions of SB 9 create the possibility that four units could be developed on each single-family parcel in the Clayton. While SB 9 may facilitate new development in Clayton, the City has elected not to assume such contributions toward the RHNA. However, the City will monitor requests for and completion of so-called SB 9 units over the planning period to determine whether such projects help fulfill RHNA requirements, particularly for new affordable units.

Vacant and Underutilized Residential Properties

The 109 approved units, together with the projection of 32 ADUs, result in a credit of 141 units toward the RHNA of 570 units. Thus, the City must show that the land inventory (sites with appropriate General Plan designations and/or zoning) is adequate to accommodate the remaining RHNA of 429 units.

² ABAG estimates an affordability breakdown of ADUs in the Bay Area as follows: 30% extremely low- and very lowincome, 30% low-income, 30% moderate-income, and 10% above moderate-income. *ABAG Housing Technical Assistance Team: Affordability of Accessory Dwelling Units: A report and recommendations for RHNA 6, September 8, 2021.*

Figure 5-1: Housing Sites Inventory

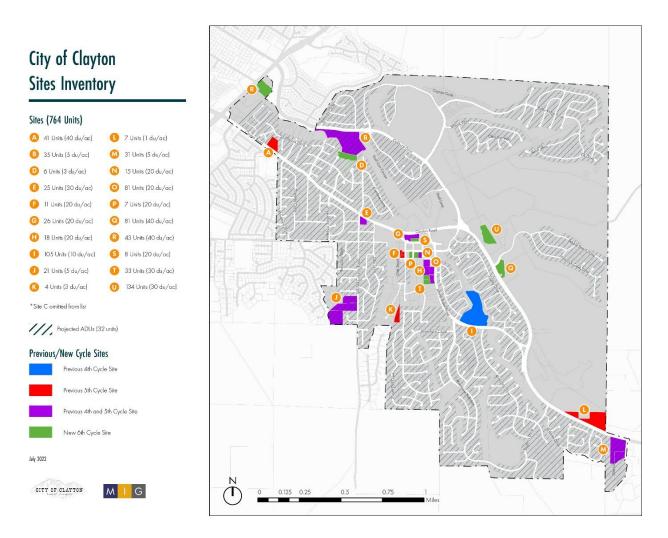


Figure 5-1 shows the sites available to accommodate the remaining RHNA. These include, as indicated above, vacant properties and developed properties with redevelopment potential.

Vacant, uncommitted land on sites with a General Plan designation and zoning that allow residential uses total 14.49 acres, which include site B and one parcel of site T. A previous application for development of site B, which would have produced 32 single-family units, was suspended by the developer. A newer iteration of the development application has been recently submitted to the City and includes the previously proposed 32 single-family units plus three ADUs. Although land use policy allows for higher-intensity development, the potential yield for this site as shown in Table 5-4 reflects the currently pending application. All units have been assigned to the Above Moderate RHNA income category. Additionally, the property owner for The Olivia at Marsh Creek project has expressed interest in developing the adjacent vacant property (site T), which he owns together with an abutting developed parcel. The vacant parcel has a density assumption of 30 units per acre and an 80 percent realistic development capacity.

| Site | General Plan Designation | Zoning | Maximum Density | Assumed Density | Vacant Acres | Potential Dwelling Units | Affordability |
|-------|---|--------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------|-------------------|
| В | Single Family Medium Density (MD) | PD | 5 du/ac | 2.3 du/ac | 13.91 | 35 | Above Moderate |
| Т | Multifamily High Density (MHD) | PD | 30 du/ac | 24 du/ac | 0.58 | 13 | Low Income |
| Total | | | | | 14.49 | 48 | |

Table 5-4: Vacant Residential Land Inventory

Five underutilized (nonvacant) residential lots totaling 12.65 acres were identified (sites E, H, K, M, and a portion of T). Collectively, these sites have the capacity for 107 units (see Table 5-5). Given the scarcity of developable land in Clayton and the continuing demand for housing in the Bay Area, larger multifamily developments such as The Olivia at Marsh Creek have demonstrated that redevelopment of underutilized residential properties is economically viable. The Olivia at Marsh Creek used two underutilized residential lots, in addition to a vacant residential lot. For these underutilized properties, as well as those within the Town Center Specific Plan, the capacity analysis assumes that each site will yield 80 percent of its maximum capacity. This assumption accounts for any necessary on-site improvements and the unique physical site characteristics that may not allow the maximum density to be achieved.

Table 5-5: Underutilized Residential Land Inventory

| | General Plan | | Maximum | Assumed | Underutilized | Potential Dwelling | |
|-------|---------------|--------|----------|----------|---------------|-----------------------|---------------|
| Site | Designation | Zoning | Density | Density | Acres | Units | Affordability |
| E | Multifamily | PD | 30 du/ac | 24 du/ac | 1.08 | 25 | Low Income |
| | High Density | | | | | | |
| | (MHD) | | | | | | |
| Н | Multifamily | PD | 20 du/ac | 16 du/ac | 1.16 | 18 | Very Low |
| | High Density | | | | | | Income |
| | (MHD) | | | | | | |
| К | Single Family | PD | 3 du/ac | 3 du/ac | 1.47 | 4 | Above |
| | Density (LD) | | | | | | Moderate |
| | | | | | | | Income |
| Μ | Single Family | PD | 5 du/ac | 4 du/ac | 8.07 | 31 | Above |
| | Density (LD) | | | | | | Moderate |
| | | | | | | | Income |
| Т | Multifamily | PD | 30 du/ac | 24 du/ac | 0.87 | 20 | Low Income |
| | High Density | | | | | | |
| | (MHD) | | | | | | |
| Total | | | | | 12.65 | 98 | |

Vacant and Underutilized Town Center Properties

The Town Center Specific Plan provides policies and regulations that include the distribution of land uses; location and size of streets, walks, and other infrastructure; standards for development; and methods of financing public improvements. While the primary intent of the plan was to promote commercial development in the Town Center, subsequent economic analysis of the Specific Plan area indicated that a lack of Town Center residences and resident customer base is one of the factors that makes attracting that commercial development challenging. With its central location and proximity to retail and transit stops along Clayton Road, the Town Center is one of the more viable sites for higher-density residential development.

Vacant, uncommitted land in the Town Center was identified, totaling 2.6 acres on four parcels: site G and the eastern portions of sites F and N (see Table 5-6). These sites have been assigned to the Very Low Income RHNA category based on the proposed maximum density of 20 units per acre.³

| Site | General Plan Designation | Zoning | Maximum Density | Assumed Density | Vacant Acres | Potential Dwelling Units | Affordability |
|-------|-----------------------------|--------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------|--------------------|
| F | Town Center (TC) | PD | 20 du/ac | 16 du/ac | 0.51 | 7 | Low Income |
| G | Town Center (TC) | PD | 20 du/ac | 16 du/ac | 1.66 | 26 | Very Low Income |
| N | Town Center (TC) | PD | 20 du/ac | 16 du/ac | 0.43 | 6 | Very Low Income |
| Total | | | | | 2.60 | 39 | |

Table 5-6: Vacant Town Center Land Inventory

In addition to these vacant sites, five underutilized (nonvacant) residential lots within the Town Center area totaling 1.67 acres were identified. These sites (sites P and S, and the western portion of sites N) have capacity for 24 units (see Table 5-7). Along with underutilized residential lands, these underutilized Town Center sites will also be key in advancing Clayton's RHNA due to the built-out nature of Clayton.

Table 5-7: Underutilized Town Center Land Inventory

| Site | General Plan Designation | Zoning | Maximum Density | Assumed Density | Underutilized Acres | Potential Dwelling Units | Affordability |
|-------|-----------------------------|--------|--------------------|--------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------|
| N | Town Center (TC) | PD | 20 du/ac | 16 du/ac | 0.63 | 9 | Very Low Income |
| Р | Town Center (TC) | PD | 20 du/ac | 16 du/ac | 0.46 | 7 | Very Low Income |
| S | Town Center (TC) | L-C | 20 du/ac | 16 du/ac | 0.58 | 8 | Low Income |
| Total | | | | | 1.67 | 24 | |

³ The default density allowed by State law for assuming production of affordable housing is 20 units per acre for a city the size of Clayton.

Underutilized Non-Residential Properties

In the inventory, underutilized properties zoned for non-residential use total 24.98 acres on six parcels (sites A, D, I, Q, R, U, and the western portion of site F) and have capacity for 414 units. These properties will require rezoning. Three of these sites are occupied by churches (General Plan land use designations of ID-Institutional Density, KC-Kirker Corridor, and TC-Town Center). Two congregations have expressed interest in developing a portion of their properties for affordable housing.

Sites Q and U are properties within the Oakhurst Country Club, under the ownership of Empire Acres, LLC. On site Q, an overflow parking lot for the country club, the owner has presented preliminary plans to the City for a potential multifamily housing development. The owner has also expressed interest in redesigning a portion of the golf course and developing housing on the 5.6-acre driving range.

The approved Oak Creek Canyon project is being developed on a site that was in part designated with a private open space land use designation, highlighting the fact that a General Plan designation and/or zone is not a hinderance to residential development. Critically, in conjunction with adoption of this Housing Element, the City has put the land use regulations in place to allow residential development on these sites.

| Site | General Plan Designation | Zoning | Maximum Density | Assumed Density | Underutilized Acres | Potential Dwelling Units | Affordability |
|-------|-----------------------------|--------|--------------------|--------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------|
| А | Institutional | | | | | | Very Low |
| | Density (ID) | PD | 40 du/ac | 32 du/ac | 2.38 | 41 | Income |
| D | Public Park/Open | PD | 3 du/ac | 2.4 du/ac | 2.86 | 6 | Above |
| | space/Open | | | | | | Moderate |
| | Space and | | | | | | Income |
| | Recreational (PU) | | | | | | |
| F | Public Park/Open | PF | 20 du/ac | 16 du/ac | .28 | 4 | Low Income |
| | space/Open | | | | | | |
| | Space and | | | | | | |
| | Recreational (PU) | | | | | | |
| I | Public Park/Open | А | 10 du/ac | 8 du/ac | 13.23 | 105 | Moderate |
| | space/Open | | | | | | Income, Above |
| | Space and | | | | | | Moderate |
| | Recreational (PU) | | | | | | Income |
| Q | Private Open | PD | 40 du/ac | 32 du/ac | 2.55 | 81 | Low Income, |
| | Space (PR) | | | | | | Moderate |
| | | | | | | | Income |
| R | | | | | | | Very Low |
| | Kirker Corridor | | | | | | Income, Low |
| | (KD) | PD | 40 du/ac | 32 du/ac | 3.68 | 43 | Income |
| U | Private Open | | | | | | Very Low |
| | Space (PR) | | | | | | Income, Above |
| | | | | | | | Moderate |
| | | PD | 30 du/ac | 24 du/ac | 5.6 | 134 | Income |
| Total | | | | | 24.98 | 414 | |

The Housing Element sites inventory surveyed recently approved projects and coordinated with property owners to develop and corroborate estimates related to potential development by General Plan designation and zoning. Most recent projects have achieved densities very near actual maximum densities, and property owners of underutilized or vacant sites have expressed willingness to allow their properties to be rezoned for higher density. This helped provide a more realistic and conservative understanding of the potential development capacity.

SITE SUITABILITY, REALISTIC CAPACITY AND RE-USE OF SITES (ASSEMBLY BILL [AB] 1397)

Consistent with Housing Element law (Assembly Bill 1397, codified in California Government Code Sections 65580, 65583 and 65583.2) related to the suitability of small and large sites, the lower-income sites inventory presented in this chapter is limited to sites of 0.5 to 10 acres in size, as HCD has indicated these size parameters best accommodate lower-income housing. In this inventory, several sites include multiple parcels that are less than 0.5 acre in size; however, when consolidated with adjacent parcels, most achieve more than 0.5 acres. Small sites (less than 0.5 acre) are credited toward the above moderate-income categories to account for a potential variety of types, sizes, and amenity levels in future higher-density development projects.

AB 1397 also adds specific criteria for assessment of the realistic availability of non-vacant sites during the planning period. If non-vacant sites accommodate half or more of the lower-income need, the Housing Element must present "substantial evidence" that the existing use does not constitute an impediment for additional residential use on the site. Due to the built-out nature of Clayton, most sites have existing uses. Non-vacant sites included in the inventory have been chosen due to their location, existing uses, and potential for intensification. To ensure that appropriate sites have been chosen, properties that show recent investments or updates or that contain uses of local importance are not included, and clear criteria were used to evaluate all sites within Clayton, as described above.

Government Code Section 65583.2(c) also requires that specific parameters be placed on sites that were used in previous planning cycles but that were not developed and are now used in the current Housing Element to meet the lower income RHNA. if the City identifies any portion of its low-income housing allocation as being met on these sites, the sites must meet the required default densities (zoned to allow 20 units per acre) and must allow residential use by right for housing developments in which at least 20 percent of the units are affordable to lower-income households. "By right" means that no review is required under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), unless a subdivision is required, and the project can only be reviewed using objective design standards.

No Net Loss Provision

A jurisdiction must ensure that its Housing Element inventory can accommodate the RHNA by income level throughout the planning period (Government Code Section 65863). If a jurisdiction approves a housing project at a lower density or with fewer units by income category than identified in the Housing Element, it must determine whether there is sufficient capacity to meet remaining unmet need. If not, the city must "identify and make available" additional adequate sites to accommodate the jurisdiction's share of housing need by income level within 180 days of approving the reduced-density project. Clayton has identified a surplus of sites to address the no-net loss provision, and Program C is included in the Housing Element to set up a process for maintaining compliance.

Comparison of Sites Inventory and RHNA

Combined, the vacant and underutilized opportunity sites identified have the potential to accommodate 764 residential units. As Table 5-9 indicates, these sites and the densities allowed/assumed will provide opportunities to achieve remaining RHNA goals for all income categories, as well as provide a potential surplus or buffer of 194 units, which helps support no-net-loss provisions consistent with State law. Tables 5-10, 5-11, and– 5-12 at the end of this chapter provide additional site-specific detail for each site identified in the inventory.

The opportunity areas identified involve sites that can realistically be redeveloped with residential units during the planning period. These areas are considered highly likely to experience redevelopment for two key reasons: 1) the high demand for more affordable housing throughout Contra Costa County; and 2) the availability of underutilized land in well-resourced areas, with the potential for high-density residential development. The sites chosen are significantly underutilized given their size and location and recent development trends. Interest is especially high in areas identified in this Housing Element, including within the Town Center.

| General Plan Designation | Extremely/ Very Low-Income (0-50% AMI) | Low-Income (50-80% AMI) | Moderate- Income (80-120% AMI) | Above Moderate- Income (+120%) | Total |
|-----------------------------|--|----------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------|
| RHNA | 170 | 97 | 84 | 219 | 570 |
| RHNA Credits | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | | | | |
| Approved | 9 | 2 | 2 | 96 | 109 |
| Projects | | | | | |
| Sites Inventory (N | lumber of Units) | | | | |
| Projected ADU | 10 | 10 | 10 | 2 | 32 |
| Construction | | | | | |
| Residential Sites | 20 | 59 | 0 | 67 | 146 |
| Town Center | 48 | 15 | 0 | 0 | 63 |
| Sites | | | | | |
| Non-Residential | 111 | 57 | 94 | 152 | 414 |
| Sites | | | | | |
| Subtotal Sites | 189 | 141 | 104 | 221 | 655 |
| Inventory | | | | | |
| Total | 198 | 143 | 106 | 317 | 764 |
| Surplus RHNA | 28 | 46 | 22 | 98 | 194 |
| Units | | | | | |

Table 5-9: Comparison of Credits, Sites, and RHNA

CONSISTENCY WITH AFFIRMATIVELY FURTHERING FAIR HOUSING (AFFH)

State law requires that housing elements due on or after January 1, 2021, include an assessment of fair housing that considers the elements and factors that cause, increase, contribute to, maintain, or perpetuate segregation, racially or ethnically concentrated areas of poverty, significant disparities in access to opportunity, and disproportionate housing needs (Government Code Section 65583(c)(10)). Affirmatively furthering fair housing means taking meaningful actions that address significant disparities

in housing needs and access to opportunity. For purposes of the Housing Element sites inventory, this means that sites identified to accommodate the lower-income need are not concentrated in low-resourced areas (for example, with a lack of access to high performing schools, proximity to jobs, location disproportionately exposed to pollution or other health impacts) or areas of segregation and concentrations of poverty.

HCD and the California Tax Credit Allocation Committee (TCAC) coordinated efforts to produce opportunity maps that identify areas in every region of the State whose characteristics have been shown by research to support positive economic, educational, and health outcomes for low-income families. Figure 5-2 shows that TCAC opportunity areas in Clayton are all categorized as high resource.

The distribution of identified sites improves fair housing and equal opportunity conditions in Clayton because sites are all distributed in high resources areas of Clayton. This is positive, considering that these represent locations where new higher-density housing can be provided and residents will have access to good schools, City facilities, and commercial areas. Additional opportunities for more affordable housing are presented through the City's efforts to encourage accessory dwelling units in high resource areas. A thorough AFFH analysis is included in Chapter 7 of this Housing Element.

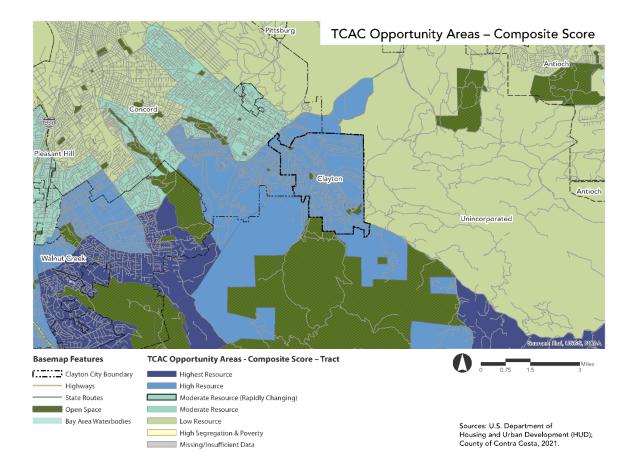


Figure 5-2: TCAC Opportunity Areas – Composite Score – Clayton (2021)

INFRASTRUCTURE CAPACITY

All residential sites identified in the inventory are located within urbanized areas, where infrastructure and public services are readily available for connections. Most public services and facilities are available to adequately serve all potential housing sites. Any missing public improvements (e.g., curbs, gutters, sidewalks, etc.) along property frontages would also be constructed at that time. Water, sewer, and dry utility services are available for all the sites included in the inventory.

ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL RESOURCES

One of the major factors to consider in formulating programs to incentivize housing production is whether sufficient resources exist. Specifically, it is important to examine the availability and adequacy of the financial and institutional resources to support such programs, especially programs aimed at producing affordable housing. The following discussion provides an overview of financial and administrative resources available for preserving and creating new housing.

FINANCIAL RESOURCES

Most projects that are exclusively affordable housing (especially for extremely low- and very low-income households) cannot be developed without financing and other subsidies required to write down the cost of land or other development incentives necessary to reduce construction costs. Funding sources include U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) funds, tax credits, and other loans and grants.

Federal Resources

CDBG: Through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program, HUD provides funds to local governments for a wide range of community development activities. These funds can be used for the acquisition of land for affordable housing units, rehabilitation through a nonprofit organization for housing, development of infrastructure and facilities, and public service activities. Due to its size, Clayton does not qualify as an entitlement jurisdiction and thus only receives CDBG funding through the Contra Costa County Department of Conservation and Development.

HOME: Another source of HUD funds is available under the HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME). These funds can be used to assist tenants or homeowners through acquisition, construction, reconstruction, or the rehabilitation of affordable housing. A federal priority for use of these funds is preservation of the at-risk housing stock. Due to its size, Clayton does not qualify as an entitlement jurisdiction and thus receives HOME funding through the Contra Costa County Department of Conservation and Development.

Housing Choice Voucher Program: The Housing Authority of the County of Contra Costa administers the HUD Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program for Clayton residents. The program provides rental subsidies to low-income families who spend more than 30 percent of their gross income on housing costs. The program pays the difference between 30 percent of the recipients' monthly income and the federally approved payment standard. The voucher allows a tenant to choose housing that may cost more than the payment standard, but the tenant must pay the extra cost.

State Resources

Low Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC): Created by the 1986 Tax Reform Act, the LIHTC program has been used in combination with City and other resources to encourage the construction and rehabilitation of rental housing for lower-income households. The program allows investors an annual tax credit over a 10-year period, provided that the housing meets the following minimum low-income occupancy requirements: 20 percent of the units must be affordable to households at 50 percent of area median income (AMI) or 40 percent of the units must be affordable to those at 60 percent of AMI. The total credit over the 10-year period has a present value equal to 70 percent of the qualified construction and rehabilitation expenditure. The tax credit is typically sold to large investors.

Additional State housing resources include:

- Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities (AHSC)
- CalHFA Single and Multi-Family Program
- CalHome Program
- Homekey
- Housing-Related Parks Grant
- Infill Infrastructure Grant (IIG)
- Local Housing Trust Fund (LHTF)
- Multifamily Housing Program (MHP)
- No Place Like Home
- Permanent Local Housing Allocation (PLHA)

Local Resources

Clayton has no City-funded housing programs due to its small size and limited financial resources.

ADMINISTRATIVE RESOURCES

With a population of just over 12,000 residents and a small tax base, Clayton operates on a lean budget and has limited staff to oversee City operations. The Community Development Department consists of a director to oversee all housing-related efforts, who works in close coordination with one part-time planner and the City Manager. The City values its small-town qualities, and staff is readily available to meet with property owners and developers to explain development processes and shepherd housing development applications through staff review and public hearings. For projects subject to the City's Inclusionary Housing Ordinance, staff can assist developers to craft a strategy to comply.

As of 2022, the City is putting place a program to facilitate ADU production, with six pre-approved construction plans available to residents who wish to build an ADU on their property.



Table 5-10: Residential Vacant and Underutilized Sites

| | Parcels | | | Allowable | Assumed | | | | | | | | | Aff | ordabi | ility Level |
|------------------------------|-----------|--------------|--------|-----------|---------|-------|--|---------------|-----------|-----------|----------------|-------------|------------|-----|--------|-------------|
| | Number | General Plan | | Density | Density | _ | Potential Lot | | Common | Realistic | Infrastructure | On-site | Subject to | EL | L | M AM |
| Site Name | (APN) | Designation | Zoning | (du/ac) | (du/ac) | Acres | Consolidation | Current Use | Ownership | Capacity | Capacity | Constraints | AB 1397 | VL | | |
| Vacant | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| B – Silver Oaks | 118020029 | MD | PD | 5 | 2.3 | 13.91 | No | Vacant | А | 35 | Yes | No | | 2 | 1 | 32 |
| T – 6530/6500 Marsh Creek | 119021019 | MHD | PD | 30 | 24 | .58 | Yes (see Underutilized Residential Sites) | Vacant | A | 13 | Yes | No | | | 13 | |
| Underutilized | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | I |
| E – Old Firehouse | 120015011 | MHD | PD | 30 | 24 | 1.08 | No | Residential | А | 25 | Yes | No | | | 25 | |
| H – 6470 Marsh Creek Road | 119021054 | MHD | PD | 20 | 16 | 1.16 | No | Single Family | А | 18 | Yes | No | | 18 | | |
| K – Douglas Road Triangle | 119560012 | LD | PD | 3 | 3 | 1.47 | No | Single Family | А | 4 | Yes | No | | | | 4 |
| M – Marsh | 78020006 | LD | PD | 5 | 4 | 5.86 | Maria | Single Family | A | 23 | Yes | No | | | | 23 |
| Creek Property | 78020007 | LD | PD | 5 | 4 | 2.21 | Yes | Single Family | В | 8 | Yes | No | | | | 8 |
| T – 6530/6500 Marsh Creek | 119021019 | MHD | PD | 30 | 24 | .87 | Yes (see Vacant Residential Sites) | Single Family | А | 20 | Yes | No | | | 20 | |

Table 5-11: Town Center Vacant and Underutilized Sites

| | Parcels | | | Allowable | Assumed | | | | | | | | | Aff | ordabili | ity Leve | el |
|-------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|--------|--------------------|--------------------|-------|--|------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|----------|----------|----------|----|
| Site Name | Number (APN) | General Plan Designation | Zoning | Density (du/ac) | Density (du/ac) | Acres | Potential Lot Consolidation | Current Use | Common Ownership | Realistic Capacity | Infrastructure Capacity | On-site Constraints | Subject to AB 1397 | EL VL | L | | AM |
| Vacant | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | • | | |
| G- Downtown Site | 118560010 | тс | PD | 20 | 16 | 1.66 | No | Vacant | А | 26 | Yes | No | | 26 | | | |
| N – Center + Diablo Street | 119017003 | тс | PD | 20 | 16 | 0.43 | Yes (see Underutilized Town Center Sites) | Vacant | A | 6 | Yes | No | | 6 | | | |
| Underutilized | - | 1 | | | | | 1 | | | | - | | | | | | |
| | 119050009 | тс | PD | 20 | 16 | 0.22 | Yes (see Table 5-12, Non- Residential | Parks/Recreation | | 3 | Yes | No | | | 3 | | |
| F – Creekside Terrace | 119050034 | TC | PD | 20 | 16 | 0.29 | Underutilized Sites) | Parks/Recreation | A | 4 | Yes | No | | | 4 | | |
| N – Center + Diablo | 119017004 | тс | PD | 20 | 16 | 0.63 | Yes (see Vacant Town Center Sites) | Single Family | В | 9 | Yes | No | | 9 | | | |

| P – City Parking Lot | 119016009 | TC | PD | 20 | 16 | 0.46 | No | Civic Facility | А | 7 | Yes | No | 7 | |
|------------------------------------|-----------|----|-----|----|----|------|----|----------------|---|---|-----|----|-------|--|
| S – Clayton Community Church | 119011003 | тс | L-C | 20 | 16 | 0.58 | No | Office | А | 8 | Yes | No | 8 | |

Table 5-12: Non-Residential Underutilized Sites

| | Parcels | | | Allowable | Assumed | | | | | | | | | Aff | ordabil | ity Le | vel |
|----------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|--------|--------------------|--------------------|-------|---|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|----------|---------|--------|-----|
| Site Name | Number (APN) | General Plan Designation | Zoning | Density (du/ac) | Density (du/ac) | Acres | Potential Lot Consolidation | Current Use | Common Ownership | Realistic Capacity | Infrastructure Capacity | On-site Constraints | Subject to AB 1397 | EL VL | L | Μ | AM |
| A – St. John's Parish | 118101025 | ID | PD | 40 | 32 | 2.38 | No | Civic Facility | А | 41 | Yes | No | | 41 | | | |
| D – City Flag Lot | 118230002 | PU | PD | 3 | 3 | 2.86 | No | Civic Facility | А | 8 | Yes | No | | | | | 8 |
| F – Creekside Terrace | 119050008 | PU | PF | 20 | 16 | 0.28 | Yes (see Table 5-11, Town Center Underutilized Sites) | Parks/Recreation | A | 4 | Yes | No | | | | | 4 |
| I – Easley Ranch | 119080009 | PU | А | 10 | 10 | 13.23 | No | Single Family | А | 132 | Yes | No | | | | 66 | 66 |
| Q – Golf Course Overflow Lot | 118370073 | PR | PD | 40 | 32 | 2.55 | No | Private Parking Lot | А | 81 | Yes | No | | | 40 | 41 | |
| R – Presbyterian Church | 118031054 | КС | PD | 40 | 32 | 3.68 | No | Civic Facility | А | 43 | Yes | No | | 30 | 13 | | |
| U – Golf Course Driving Range | N/A | PR | PD | 30 | 24 | 5.6 | No | Golf Course | А | 134 | Yes | No | | 40 | | | 94 |



6. Housing Element Program Accomplishments

INTRODUCTION

This chapter analyzes program performance for the City of Clayton's 2015 - 2023 Housing Element programs. State law

(California Government Code Section 65588[a]) requires each jurisdiction to review its Housing Element as frequently as appropriate and evaluate:

- The appropriateness of the housing goals, objectives, and policies in contributing to the attainment of the state housing goals
- The effectiveness of the Housing Element in attainment of the community's housing goals and objectives
- Progress in implementation of the Housing Element

This evaluation provides critical information on the extent to which programs have achieved stated objectives and whether these programs continue to be relevant to addressing current and future housing needs in Clayton. The evaluation provides the basis for recommended modifications to policies and programs and the establishment of new housing objectives.

The Department of Housing and Community Development determined that the Clayton 2015-2023 Housing Element was in full compliance with State law. Following adoption in 2014, the City was tasked with following through on the commitments made in the housing programs.

The City has made a number of accomplishments through housing programs, specifically in regard to affordable housing, housing for special needs populations, accessory dwelling units, and the potential for new developments.

Under the Affordable Housing Plan Guidelines, in 2016 The City voted to change the allowable density in Multi-Family High Density (MHD) from 15.1 to 20 units per acre to 20 units per acre. The City Council also passed a and adopted an ordinance requiring multifamily housing types to meet the minimum density limits as set forth in the General Plan the same year. City Council also passed and adopted an inclusionary housing ordinance, which provided the details of the Affordable Housing Plan identified in Implementation Measure I.2.1. This ordinance now requires that 10% of the owner units for residential projects containing 10 or more units to be created as affordable housing units.

To address the needs of special needs populations (low-income and elderly) City Council passed an ordinance in 2016 that allows supportive and transitional housing in the Limited Commercial (LC) zoning district and subjects it only to requirements of other residential uses in this district. In 2020 City Council

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approved Planning entitlements for an 81-unit senior residential development with seven units to be reserved to rent to very-low income households.

Accessory Dwelling Units (ADU) are continuing to be a popular way to add more housing in Clayton. In 2016 two ADUs were approved, in 2017 one ADU was issued a building permit, and in 2020 The City issued zoning clearance for three additional ADUs.

The City continues to find ways to optimize housing by reworking existing land for future uses. In 2016 The City passed an ordinance specifically allowing employee housing for six or fewer residents as a permitted use in residential zoning districts, in compliance with Health and Safety Code Section 17021.5. On October 20, 2020, the City initiated a study to evaluate land use options for development of the City-owned property on Oak Street and Clayton Road in the Specific Plan area.

Table 6-1 outlines the City's progress toward meeting objectives identified in the 2015-2023 Housing Element. Following Table 6-1, Table 6-2 summarizes quantified objective performance.

| Implementation Measure | Progress and Continued Appropriateness |
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| Adequate Sites and New Construction | · · · · |
| Implementation Measure I.1.1. To ensure that adequate sites are available through the planning period to meet the City's Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA), the City will continue to maintain an inventory of sites available and appropriate for residential development for households at all income levels. In keeping with state "no net loss" provisions (Government Code Section 65863), if development projects are approved at densities lower than anticipated in the sites inventory, the City will evaluate the availability of sites appropriate for lower-income housing and, if necessary, shall rezone sufficient sites to accommodate the RHNA. | The City ensured adequate sites were maintained, available, and appropriate for residential development for households at all income levels. Continued Appropriateness: The maintenance of adequate sites is required by law and remains a key goal. This program will be continued and modified to include objectives relating to tracking to ensure no net loss of sites during the planning period. |
| Responsibility: Community Development Department Time Frame: Ongoing, as development projects are proposed. Funding: General Fund | |
| Implementation Measure I.1.2. | The City established Affordable Housing Plan guidelines, which |
| The City will amend the Multi-Family High Density (MHD) General Plan land use designation or otherwise amend the General Plan and/or Zoning Ordinance as needed to meet state requirements specific to sites rezoned to accommodate the City's lower-income RHNA from the 2007–2014 planning period, specifically to allow multi- family housing by-right on these sites at a minimum density of 20 units per acre. The City's 2007–2014 Housing Element identified a shortfall of land that | are contained in the City's Housing Element and continued to inform potential housing developers of this requirement. The City Council approved a General Plan amendment on July 19, 2016, changing the allowable density in Multi-Family High Density (MHD) from 15.1 to 20 units per acre to 20 units per acre. On August 16, 2016, the City Council passed and adopted an ordinance requiring multifamily housing types to meet the minimum density limits as set forth in the General Plan. The |

| Table 6-1: 2015-2023 | Housina | Flement P | Program | Accomp | lishments |
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| provided for residential development at a density | above was the last action required by the City to meet State law |
| deemed appropriate for affordable housing to | (GC Section 65583.2(h) and (i)). |
| accommodate 84 units to meet the extremely low-, very | |
| low-, and low-income RHNA. State law (Government | The zoning code allows multifamily housing structures by right |
| Code Section 65583.2(h) and (i)) requires that land | in the M-R, M-R-M, and M-R-H zones. |
| rezoned or redesignated to meet a shortfall meet the | |
| following criteria: | To meet the RHNA for the sixth cycle, the City intends to |
| | complete General Plan and zoning map amendments to |
| Require a minimum density of at least 20 units | increase densities on several parcels to achieve 20 units per |
| per acre. | acre. These amendments will be accomplished in parallel with |
| Accommodate at least 16 units per site. | the Housing Element update. |
| • Allow multi-family housing by-right (without a | Continued Appropriateness: |
| use permit). | Because required new rezoning will be accomplished as part of |
| At least 50 percent of rezoned sites must be designated for residential uses only. | this sixth cycle Housing Element, the program requiring |
| designated for residential uses only. | rezoning is no longer needed. In designating the sites to be |
| In 2012, the City in good faith established the Multi- | rezoned, the City will ensure each site can accommodate at |
| Family High Density General Plan Land Use and Zoning | least 16 units and that at least 50 percent of the sites allow |
| District designations and made specified General Plan | residential uses only (zoned M-R-H). |
| Map and Zoning Map changes in an attempt to | |
| accommodate the City's lower income RHNA shortfall | |
| from the 2007–2014 planning period. The City was | |
| advised by HCD that these efforts fell short of state law; | |
| therefore, the City's land use regulations will be | |
| appropriately revised to comply with the above stated | |
| criteria. | |
| Responsibility: City Council, Planning Commission, | |
| Community Development Department | |
| Time Frame: By January 31, 2016. | |
| Funding: General Fund | |
| Implementation Measure I.2.1. | On August 16, 2016, the City Council passed and adopted an |
| For residential projects of 10 or more units, developers | inclusionary housing ordinance, which provided the details of |
| will be required to develop an Affordable Housing Plan | the Affordable Housing Plan as identified in Implementation |
| that requires a minimum of 10% of the units to be built | Measure I.2.1. This ordinance requires that 10% of the units for |
| or created as affordable housing units. The City has | ownership residential projects containing 10 or more units to |
| established the following guidelines to provide direction | be created as affordable housing units. |
| for the review of Affordable Housing Plans associated | Continued Appropriateness: |
| with individual development projects and to provide direction for the preparation of an Affordable Housing | Inclusionary housing requirements provide a solid means of |
| Plan. The plan shall be approved in conjunction with the | producing affordable units. State law allows inclusionary |
| earliest stage of project entitlement, typically with the | requirements to be applied to rental units as well, so this |
| City Council approval of the development agreement or | program may be modified to expand application to all |
| | residential developments, whether ownership or rental. |
| | residential developments, whether ownership of rental. |

| Implementation Measure | Progress and Continued Appropriateness |
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| other primary land use entitlement. The Affordable | Also, the City may consider revisiting the Affordable Housing |
| Housing Plan shall specify and include the following: | Plan to lower the threshold for providing affordable units to |
| | fewer than 10 units. |
| • The number of dwelling units that will be | |
| developed as affordable to very low-, low-, | |
| moderate-, and above moderate-income | |
| households shall be a minimum of 10% of the | |
| total project. The number of affordable units | |
| shall be rounded up to a whole number. It is the | |
| City's desire that at least 5 percent of all project | |
| units be built as very low-income housing units | |
| and at least 5 percent of all project units be | |
| built as low-income housing units. | |
| • The number of affordable ownership and rental | |
| units to be produced. Such split shall be | |
| approved by the City Council based on housing | |
| needs, market conditions, and other relevant factors. The split of ownership and rental units | |
| shall be addressed within the plan for each | |
| individual project. | |
| Program options within project-specific | |
| Affordable Housing Plans may include, but are | |
| not limited to, the following: | |
| Actual production (on-site or off-site) of | |
| affordable units (including ownership and | |
| rental opportunities in the form of corner | |
| units, halfplexes, duplexes, cottages, | |
| creative alternative housing products, etc.). | |
| Land dedication (on-site and off-site). | |
| Payment of in-lieu fees. | |
| • The timing for completion of affordable housing | |
| obligations. For projects proposing to construct | |
| affordable housing units, the City generally | |
| supports construction of affordable dwellings | |
| concurrent with the construction of market | |
| rate housing when feasible. For projects | |
| providing alternative contributions (land | |
| dedication, funds, etc.), timing of such | |
| contributions shall be identified in the plan, | |
| with the expectation that the City will pursue | |
| construction of affordable units generally | |
| concurrent with construction of project | |
| market-rate housing. | |

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| The Redevelopment Agency no longer exists. |
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| Continued Appropriateness: |
| This Implementation measure will be updated to leverage |
| programs run by the Contra Costa County Successor Agency, as |
| the Redevelopment Agency no longer exists. |
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| Implementation Measure | Progress and Continued Appropriateness |
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| the City's fair share allocation within the current planning period of the Housing Element. In the event the accumulated cash balance of the Redevelopment Agency housing set-aside fund is insufficient to adequately subsidize such projects, the City and the Redevelopment Agency shall, in consultation with project proponents, do one of the following as a means of providing adequate subsidy for the projects: (1) obtain conventional financing from area lenders; (2) participate in a bond issue with neighboring jurisdictions; or (3) issue bonds. As part of this program the City will develop a marketing plan and research possible incentives aimed at promoting Redevelopment funds. Implementation Measure I.3.1. The City shall continue to promote the development of second dwelling units by publicizing information in the | The City continued to promote second dwelling units, also called Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) and provide informational handouts. Two second dwelling units were |
| general application packet and posting information on the City's website. The City will aim to approve two second dwelling units per year during the planning period. Responsibility: Community Development Department | approved during the 2016 reporting period. One second dwelling unit was issued a building permit during the 2017 reporting period. The City issued zoning clearance for three accessory dwelling units in the 2020 calendar year. With the passage of several new State laws 2017-2019 |
| Time Frame: Ongoing, 2015–2023 Funding: General Fund | intended to encourage ADUs, the City's ADU ordinance has become outdated. The ADU ordinance will need to be updated to reflect current law. Also, the City may consider other means to encourage ADU production. Given the preponderance of single-family lots in Clayton, ADUs provide a good opportunity to produce affordable housing. |
| | Continued Appropriateness: The program will be strengthened and objectives for new construction will be increased. |
| Implementation Measure I.4.1. To encourage development of mixed-use projects in the Town Center, the City has adopted the Clayton Town Center Specific Plan which provides detailed policy direction, standards, and guidelines that encourage mixed-use and second-story residential development. The City will continue to promote development opportunities in the Town Center, circulate a development handbook that describes the permitting process for mixed-use projects, and offer incentives such | The City continued to promote and encourage mixed-use development in the Town Center through the Specific Plan and discussions with potential developers. The Town Center Specific Plan is available at City offices as well as on the City's website. On October 20, 2020, the City initiated a study to evaluate land use options for development of the City-owned property on Oak Street and Clayton Road in the Specific Plan area. Continued Appropriateness: |
| as density bonuses to incentivize mixed-use projects. | Mixed-Use projects will be a major source of new housing downtown while addressing community needs with regard to |

| Implementation Measure | Progress and Continued Appropriateness |
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| The City will aim to facilitate the development of at least one mixed-use project within the planning period. Responsibility: City Council, Planning Commission, Community Development Department Time Frame: Annually and upon receiving development inquiries for mixed-use development. | commercial services, amenities and tax revenue. This program will be continued and modified to include new objectives, including a possible overhaul of the Specific Plan to facilitate housing and mixed use development. |
| Funding: General Fund | |
| Regulatory Relief and Incentives | The City continued to discuss an eight and a constant in which |
| Implementation Measure II.1.1. Work with housing providers to address special housing needs for seniors, large families, female-headed households, single-parent households with children, persons with disabilities and developmental disabilities, farmworkers, and homeless individuals and families. The | The City continued to discuss special needs populations with housing providers. On March 3, 2020, the City Council approved Planning entitlements for an 81-unit senior residential development with seven units to be reserved for rent to very- low income households. |
| City may seek funding under the federal Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS, California Child Care Facility Financing Program, and other state and federal programs designated specifically for special needs groups such as seniors, persons with disabilities, and persons at risk for homelessness. The City will aim to work with housing providers on at least one project serving a special needs group during the planning period. | Continued Appropriateness: This program will be strengthened and updated to address recent State laws that require zoning amendments to accommodate low barrier navigation centers and transitional and supportive housing. |
| Responsibility: Planning Commission, Community Development Department Time Frame: Ongoing, 2015–2023 Funding: General Fund | |
| Implementation Measure II.1.2. | On August 16, 2016, the City Council adopted and passed an |
| The City shall amend the Zoning Ordinance to specifically allow employee housing for six or fewer residents as a permitted use in residential zoning districts, in compliance with Health and Safety Code Section | ordinance specifically allowing employee housing for six or fewer residents as a permitted use in residential zoning districts, in compliance with Health and Safety Code Section 17021.5. |
| 17021.5. | |
| Responsibility: Planning Commission, City Council, Community Development Department Time Frame: 2015 | Continued Appropriateness: This program was completed and will be taken out. |
| Funding: General Fund | |
| Implementation Measure II.1.3. The City shall amend the Zoning Ordinance to allow transitional and supportive housing in the Limited Commercial (LC) zoning district as a residential use subject only to the requirements of other residential | On August 16, 2016, the City Council passed and adopted an ordinance allowing transitional and supportive housing in the Limited Commercial (LC) zoning district subject only to the requirements of other residential uses in this district. |
| | Continued Appropriateness: |

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| uses in this district in compliance with Senate Bill 2 | This program will be strengthened and updated to address | | | |
| (2007). | recent State laws that require zoning amendments to | | | |
| | accommodate low barrier navigation centers and transitional | | | |
| Responsibility: Community Development Department | and supportive housing. | | | |
| Time Frame: Within one to two years of adoption of the | | | | |
| Housing Element | | | | |
| Funding: General Fund | | | | |
| Implementation Measure II.2.1. | The City's Zoning Ordinance allows for flexibility in standards as | | | |
| The City shall continue to authorize regulatory incentives | well as a density bonus for affordable housing developments. | | | |
| and concessions for development projects that include | The City continued to consider regulatory incentives and | | | |
| residential units affordable to extremely low-, very low- | concessions such as a reduction or deferral in certain | | | |
| , and low-income households and special needs groups | development fees and priority application processing. | | | |
| including disabled and developmentally disabled | | | | |
| persons. Incentives and concessions may include: | On March 3, 2020, the City Council approved Planning | | | |
| Flexibility in development standards (e.g., | entitlements, including a density bonus with concessions and | | | |
| reduced parking requirements, landscaping, | waivers, for an 81-unit senior residential development with | | | |
| setbacks) | seven units to be reserved for rent to very-low-income | | | |
| Reduction or deferral of certain development | households. | | | |
| fees | | | | |
| Priority application processing to decrease | Continued Appropriateness: | | | |
| review and approval time | Funding and technical assistance facilitate the development of | | | |
| Density bonus in accordance with State density | affordable housing. This program remains in the Housing | | | |
| bonus law (Government Code Section 65915). | Element with modified objectives to ensure feasibility for | | | |
| The City will aim to facilitate the development | assisting developments that include affordable housing. | | | |
| of at least one affordable or special needs | | | | |
| project during the planning period. | | | | |
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| Responsibility: City Council, Planning Commission, | | | | |
| Community Development Department | | | | |
| Time Frame: Ongoing, as residential development | | | | |
| projects are proposed. Funding: General Fund | | | | |
| Implementation Measure II.2.2. | The City continued to monitor the impact of development fees. | | | |
| The City shall monitor the impact of development fees | The enty continued to monitor the impact of development lets. | | | |
| and consider waiving or deferring fees for affordable | Continued Appropriateness: | | | |
| housing projects, if and when funding is available. | The opportunity to waive or defer fees did not arise between | | | |
| | 2015 and 2021. The City will focus on strengthening programs | | | |
| Responsibility: City Council, Planning Commission, | such as the Affordable Housing Plan to ensure feasibility for | | | |
| Community Development Department | assisting developments that include affordable housing. | | | |
| Time Frame: Ongoing, as residential development | | | | |
| projects are proposed. | | | | |
| Funding: General Fund | | | | |
| Rental and Homeownership Assistance | l | | | |
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| Implementation Measure | Progress and Continued Appropriateness | | |
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| Implementation Measure III.1.1. | The City continued to promote assistance for first-time | | |
| The City shall continue to refer interested persons to | homebuyers and lower-income renters by referring inquiries to | | |
| information regarding Contra Costa County's Mortgage | County programs and by disseminating information as it | | |
| Credit Certificate Program, the Mortgage Revenue Bond | becomes available. | | |
| Program, and the Owner-Occupied Housing | | | |
| Rehabilitation Program. The City will continue to | Continued Appropriateness: | | |
| disseminate information regarding Contra Costa | This program will be modified to remove discontinued | | |
| Housing Authority's Lower-Income Rental Assistance | programs, including the Lower-Income Rental Assistance | | |
| Program and Aftercare Certificates as information | Program and Aftercare Certificates, and reflect existing Contra | | |
| becomes available. | Costa County programs and will continue. | | |
| Responsibility: Community Development Department | | | |
| Time Frame: Ongoing, 2015–2023 | | | |
| Funding: General Funds (used to post information) | | | |
| Implementation Measure III.1.2. | The City explored funding sources such as CalHome and HOME | | |
| The City shall seek funding to develop and implement a | and did not find any funding sources available for this use. The | | |
| down payment assistance program for first-time | City continued to seek funding to implement a down payment | | |
| homebuyers by working with the County or by | assistance program for first time homebuyers. | | |
| developing its own program that can be used with the | | | |
| Mortgage Credit Certificate program, new inclusionary | Continued Appropriateness: | | |
| units, or alone. | This program will be modified to implement a feasible down | | |
| | payment assistance program for first-time homebuyers. | | |
| Responsibility: City Council, Planning Commission, | | | |
| Community Development Department | | | |
| Time Frame: Examine funding sources and program opportunities by 2015. | | | |
| Funding: CalHome, HOME, or other available sources | | | |
| Implementation Measure III.1.3. | The City did not have any eligible projects. | | |
| The City shall review potential funding opportunities | The city did not have any engible projects. | | |
| through the County HOME program and apply for | Continued Appropriateness: | | |
| funding for applicable projects when development | This program was not used between 2015 and 2021. However, | | |
| opportunities arise. | with increased State funding available for housing programs | | |
| | and increased opportunities for housing in Downtown, this | | |
| Responsibility: City Council, Planning Commission, | program will be modified and continued. | | |
| Community Development Department | | | |
| Time Frame: Apply annually upon notice of funding | | | |
| availabilities. | | | |
| Funding: HOME funds | | | |
| Implementation Measure III.2.1. | The City continued to maintain and annually update the | | |
| The City will continue to maintain and annually update | inventory of affordable housing, which includes the date the | | |
| the inventory of affordable housing projects and identify | affordability expires. Annual reports from privately owned | | |
| those that may be at risk of converting to market rate in | affordable housing units are required to be submitted to the | | |
| the future. Specifically the City will: | City. | | |
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| Implementation Measure | Progress and Continued Appropriateness |
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| • Work to ensure that affordable projects and | Continued Appropriateness: |
| Work to ensure that affordable projects and units remain in or are transferred to an organization capable of maintaining affordability restrictions for the life of the project, including proactively ensuring notices to qualified entities, coordinating an action plan with qualified entities upon notice, and assisting with financial resources or supporting funding applications. Provide assistance to any tenants that are displaced or are in danger of being displaced due to a conversion to market rate. Annually monitor local investment in projects that have been acquired by nonprofit or forprofit entities to ensure that properties are well managed and maintained and are being operated in accordance with the City's property rehabilitation standards. Work with owners, tenants, and nonprofit organizations to assist in the nonprofit acquisition of at-risk projects to ensure longterm affordability of the development. Meet with stakeholders and housing interests to participate and support, through letters and meetings and technical assistance, with local legislators in federal, state, or local initiatives that addresse affordable housing preservation (e.g., support state or national legislation that addresses at-risk projects, support full funding of programs that provide resources for preservation activities). | Continued Appropriateness: An updated version of this program remains in the Housing Element, as preservation of affordable housing is an important goal. |
| Posnonsibility Community Development Department | |
| Responsibility: Community Development Department Time Frame: Annually | |
| Funding: General Fund | |
| Equal Access | 1 |
| Implementation Measure IV.1.1. | At the time new laws are passed, the City reviews the Zoning |
| The City shall review its Zoning Ordinance, policies, and | Ordinance, policies, and practices to ensure compliance with |
| practices to ensure compliance with fair housing laws. | fair housing laws. The City makes updates and changes when necessary to ensure compliance. |
| Responsibility: Community Development Department | |
| Time Frame: Annually, 2015–2023 | Continued Appropriateness: |
| Funding: General Fund | |

| Implementation Measure | Progress and Continued Appropriateness |
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| | Fair Housing is an important City goal. This program has been strengthened with modified objectives pursuant to State requirements. |
| Implementation Measure IV.2.1. | The City ensures the public is notified of any City hearings on |
| The City will provide information on proposed affordable | development projects, including affordable housing projects, |
| housing projects to the public through the City's public | for which State statute or local procedure calls for a public |
| hearing process in the form of study sessions, public hearings, and public meetings. | hearing. For any such hearings, notice is placed on community boards within the City. Notice is also published in the local |
| | newspaper of general circulation (Contra Costa Times), and/or |
| Responsibility: City Council, Community Development | mailed by first class mail to owners of property within a 300- |
| Department | foot radius of the proposed project site. |
| Time Frame: Ongoing, as projects are submitted and | Continued Appropriateness: |
| processed. | Outreach and engagement provide transparency and an |
| Funding: General Fund | equitable decision-making process. This program has been strengthened and updated with modified objectives. |
| Implementation Measure IV.3.1. | The City currently distributes and will continue to distribute |
| The City shall continue to distribute public information | public information brochures on reasonable accommodation |
| brochures on reasonable accommodations for disabled | for disabled persons and enforcement programs. |
| persons and enforcement programs of the California Fair | |
| Employment and Housing Council. | Continued Appropriateness: |
| | This program will be strengthened for the updated Housing |
| Responsibility: Community Development Department | Element to establish a procedure for disabled persons or their |
| Time Frame: Ongoing, 2015–2023 | representatives to request a reasonable accommodation from |
| Funding: General Fund | the City's zoning laws, building codes, and land use regulations, |
| | policies, and procedures to provide disabled persons with an |
| | opportunity to use and enjoy housing equal to that of non- |
| | disabled persons. |
| Implementation Measure IV.3.2. | The City continued to implement its universal design ordinance |
| The City will continue to implement its universal design | codified in Clayton Municipal Chapter 15.92 as projects came |
| ordinance and continue to distribute its brochure on | forward and continued to distribute brochures on universal |
| universal design standards, resources for design, and | design. |
| compliance with City requirements. | |
| | Continued Appropriateness: |
| Responsibility: Community Development Department | This program will continue. |
| Time Frame: Implement universal design standards as | |
| development is proposed. | |
| Funding: General Fund | |

| Implementation Measure | Progress and Continued Appropriateness | | |
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| Energy Conservation | | | |
| Energy Conservation Implementation Measure V.1.1. The City shall continue to provide energy conservation brochures at City Hall and the Clayton Community Library. Responsibility: Community Development Department Time Frame: Ongoing, 2015–2023 Funding: General Fund Implementation Measure V.1.2. The City will review and consider possible amendments to the General Plan, Zoning Ordinance, and related policy and regulatory documents to improve energy conservation beyond CalGreen Tier 1 standards. The City will consider establishing an incentivized residential | The City provides and will continue to provide energy conservation brochures at City Hall and at the Clayton Community Library. The City has also dedicated a page on its website to Green Building, which includes energy conservation through building design. Continued Appropriateness: This program will continue. The City supports and will continue to support energy conservation by encouraging Green Building in both new development and remodels. In 2018, the City dedicated a page on its website to Green Building (https://claytonca.gov/community- development/building/green-building/), which includes energy | | |
| green building program to encourage energy-efficient retrofitting, and the use of renewable energy in residential applications. Some of the incentives the City will consider when drafting this program will be: Providing eligible projects with building and plan check fee rebates (when financially feasible). Achieving third-party green building certification. Renewable energy systems. Green roofs. Responsibility: Community Development Department Time Frame: Consider establishing a residential green | development/building/green-building/), which includes energy conservation through building design. Continued Appropriateness: This program will be updated with modified objectives. | | |
| building program by 2017. Funding: General Fund Implementation Measure V.1.3. The City will explore home energy and water efficiency | The City has opted into three different PACE programs: HERO, Figtree, and CaliforniaFirst. | | |
| improvement financing opportunities available through PACE programs, such as HERO or Figtree PACE. To make this financing option available to Clayton residents, the City would need to adopt a resolution opting in to a Joint Powers Authority. These programs are available at no cost to the City. | Continued Appropriateness: This program will be updated with modified objectives, as HERO and Figtree PACE no longer exists. | | |
| Responsibility: Community Development Department Time Frame: Consider opting into a PACE program by 2015. | | | |

| Implementation Measure | Progress and Continued Appropriateness |
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| Funding: General Fund | |
| Regional Planning | |
| Implementation Measure VI.1.1. The City shall continue to support responsible state legislation which allows municipalities to enter into equitable agreements with other entities to transfer and financially participate in the provision of fair-share housing units closer to transportation centers and work centers outside the city limits, while retaining full credit for the transferred units. Responsibility: City Council | Clayton is not a regional jobs center and is not well served by transit. Regional planning goals include focusing development near transit and jobs. The State legislature continues to pass laws, like SB 10 in 2021, that encourage such development approaches. However, over the past decade little legislative interest has been shown to allow jurisdictions to "trade" RHNA allocations among themselves. Continued Appropriateness: This program will not be included in the update element. |
| Time Frame: Ongoing, 2015–2023 | |
| Funding: General Fund | |
| Implementation Measure VI.1.2. The City shall continue to participate in programs in Contra Costa County (e.g., "Shaping Our Future" project and Contra Costa Affordable Housing Trust Fund). TRANSPAC (Transportation Partnership and Cooperation) is the regional transportation planning committee for central Contra Costa and other regional planning efforts addressing housing, employment, and transportation issues. | The City participates in regional efforts addressing housing, employment, and transportation issues by being involved in ABAG's Plan Bay Area process and TRANSPAC (regional transportation planning committee for central Contra Costa County). Continued Appropriateness: This program will be updated to reflect existing programs and continued. |
| Responsibility: City Council | |
| Time Frame: Ongoing, 2015–2023 Funding: General Fund | |
| Implementation Measure VI.1.3. | The City cooperates with and will continue to cooperate with |
| The City shall continue cooperation with the | the regional/countywide housing task force. |
| regional/countywide housing task force. The City shall | |
| use this task force as a means of gaining new policy and | Continued Appropriateness: |
| technical perspectives. | This program will continue. |
| Responsibility: Community Development Department Time Frame: Ongoing, 2015–2023 Funding: General Fund | |
| Implementation Measure VI.1.4. | Many of the FOCUS initiatives have limited application to |
| The City shall continue to work with the Association of | Clayton given the lack of transit service and virtually no land |
| Bay Area Governments on FOCUS program implementation. FOCUS is a regional development and | available to create employment centers. However, the City |
| conservation strategy that promotes a more compact | recognizes that its Downtown has the potential to support more dense housing that could enhance the walkability of the |
| land use pattern for the Bay Area. Some of the strategies | district and make more efficient use of land resources. |
| that FOCUS promotes are listed below: | |
| | Continued Appropriateness: |

Accomplishments

Table 6-1: 2015-2023 Housing Element Program Accomplishments

| Implementation Measure | Progress and Continued Appropriateness |
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| Encourage infill and the efficient use of land capacity within existing communities. Provide for compact, complete, resource-efficient communities near existing or planned transit and other infrastructure. Provide opportunities for people to live near their jobs and work near their homes. Encourage a mix of land uses with jobs, housing, retail, schools, parks, recreation, and services in proximity. | This program will be modified to address direct applicability to Clayton, particularly to position the City for grants and other funding sources to achieve goals for Downtown. |
| Responsibility: Community Development Department Time Frame: Ongoing, 2015–2023 Funding: General Fund | |

QUANTIFIED OBJECTIVE

Table 6-2 summarizes Clayton's quantified objectives for the 2015-2023 Housing Element planning period and the progress the City has made, including progress meeting the City's fifth cycle RHNA.

| | Income Level | | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|--|----------|-----|----------|-------------------|-------|
| Objectives | Extremely Low | Very Low | Low | Moderate | Above Moderate | Total |
| Construction Objectives (RHNA) | | | | | | |
| Goal | 25 | 26 | 25 | 31 | 34 | 141 |
| Progress | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Single-Fami | Single-Family Rehabilitation Objective | | | | | |
| Goal | | 8 | 8 | | | 16 |
| Progress | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| At-Risk Housing Units to Preserve | | | | | | |
| Goal | 20 | 66 | 14 | 26 | | 126 |
| Progress | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |



8. Community Engagement and Outreach

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The Housing Element must reflect the values and preferences of the community. Therefore, public participation plays an important role in the development of this Element. Section 65583(c)(7) of the Government Code states: "The local government shall make diligent efforts to achieve public participation of all economic segments of the community in the development of the housing element, and the program shall describe this effort." This process not only includes residents of the community but also coordinates participation among local agencies and housing groups, community organizations, and housing sponsors.

Engaging the public in the early stages of the decision-making process can help ensure that programming and policies have public support and reflect community values. Including and involving residents in the process helps policy makers and officials gain a stronger understanding of these values and the ideas and recommendations that members of the community believe can advance housing goals. Along with a better understanding of community values, meaningful community engagement keeps residents informed and cultivates trust in public processes.

Community engagement for the City of Clayton's Housing Element included a project webpage, stakeholder interviews, community workshops, and online surveys. Joint and separate work sessions were also conducted with the City Council and Planning Commission to introduce the goals, objectives, scope, and timeline of the Housing Element. Outreach for the sixth cycle Housing Element was challenging because much of the update process occurred during the COVID-19 pandemic. Restrictions on public gatherings prevented the City from holding traditional public workshops. Instead, the City utilized newspaper articles and virtual engagement tools such as online surveys, e-mails, social media posts and web-based meeting platforms to connect with the public. An extensive and direct effort at outreach, facilitated by the City's Mayor and Vice-Mayor with support from community volunteers, consisted of printing and City-wide delivery of doorhangers to residences with information about the Housing Element, directions to where additional information about the Housing Element could be found online, and an invitation to participate in an online housing planning simulation.

Prior to initiating the Housing Element update, the City had engaged a consultant to lead a community engagement effort to identify preferred uses of a City-owned vacant property in Downtown Clayton. As that work got underway, the City recognized the efficiencies of combining that effort with the Housing Element sites identification task, since the City-owned property represents a potential site for new housing. Thus, this approach was adopted.

Community Engagement and Outreach

PROJECT WEBPAGE

The City launched a project webpage (<u>https://claytonca.gov/community-development/housing /housing-element/</u>) to provide content and periodic updates on the Housing Element program, as well as for documents to be uploaded for public review and to announce community engagement opportunities. Residents were also able to find answers to Frequently Asked Questions, review a glossary of terms, and follow the project schedule on the webpage. A "Housing Element" button that directed site visitors directly to the project webpage was added in a prominent location on the main City homepage.

STAKEHOLDER INTERVIEWS

The Housing Element consultant team met with City Council members and Planning Commissioners at the beginning of the Housing Element process to identify key issues, challenges, opportunities, and potential strategies to address housing needs. Due to COVID-19 constraints, the interviews were conducted via phone or online video conferencing. The guiding questions and key findings from the conversations can be found on the Housing Element webpage.

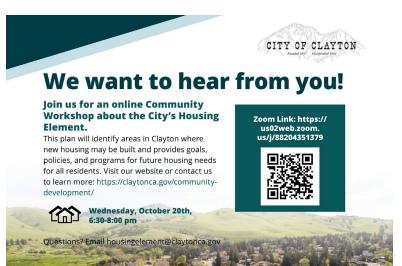
JOINT CITY COUNCIL/PLANNING COMMISSION WORK SESSION (SEPTEMBER 28, 2021)

On September 28, 2021, the City conducted a joint City Council and Planning Commission study session to introduce the consultant team, present the requirements and process of updating the Housing Element, and communicate the roles of the Council and Commission in the process. During the work session, the City reviewed the community engagement strategy and plan, provided preliminary direction to the project team, presented a timeline of next steps, and provided an opportunity to hear initial public comments. No further comments were recorded. Refer to the Appendix for the PowerPoint presentation for the session.

COMMUNITY WORKSHOP #1 (OCTOBER 20, 2021)

On October 20, 2021, the City conducted an online community workshop using video conferencing to gather input from residents regarding their vision for Clayton's future, housing needs, and potential

locations for new housing. Twentytwo members of the public attended the workshop. The workshop began with an introduction of the team and a live polling session to better understand the demographic of attendees. The presentation then provided an overview of the Housing Element's intent, content, local housing needs, and potential housing strategies. The presentation was followed by a facilitated discussion regarding housing issues with a realtime digital whiteboard.



Community Engagement and Outreach

Housing Element law requires that targeted outreach occur to often underrepresented households, such as minority, low- and moderate-income, and special needs residents. Clayton's population is relatively homogenous, with 75 percent reporting as White, 10 percent as Hispanic, 2 percent as Black, and around 8 percent as Asian/Pacific Islander (and the rest as "other"). Regarding household income, 79.8 percent are above moderate, 4.8 percent moderate, and the balance of 15.1 percent lower income. In addition to advertising the workshop on the Housing Element webpage and main City homepage, the City posted paper copies of the workshop announcement on three posting boards located at City Hall, the Clayton Library and in Town Center; placed paper copies of the announcement at the Clayton Library; posted virtual copies of the announcement on the City's homepage and social media site (Next Door); and emailed the announcement to representatives of the Clayton Business and Community Association, local church representatives, for-profit and non-profit developers of housing in Clayton, and individuals who had expressed an interest in housing in the City. At the October 19, 2021, meeting of the City Council, the City Manager also made an announcement about the date and time of the workshop and extended an invitation for the public to attend. A summary of the workshop is provided in the Appendix.

Key themes that emerged from the discussion included:

- Housing affordability
- Diversity and inclusivity
- Importance of community events for drawing the community together
- Providing housing for young adults and seniors
- Maintaining Clayton's character through consistency in design between new and existing development
- Need for housing variety: smaller units, multi-family housing (semi-detached homes, duplexes, ADUs)
- Concerns about lack of infrastructure to support large development projects
- Use of vacant properties for new housing

At the end of the session, the City and consultant team encouraged participants to stay involved by visiting the Housing Element website and taking the upcoming online survey, and highlighted that there would be additional workshops and opportunities for residents to continue to participate. Refer to the Appendix for the workshop presentation, findings, and digital whiteboard.

PLACE-BASED HOUSING ELEMENT SURVEY (NOVEMBER 5 – DECEMBER 10, 2021)

The City's consultant developed a map-based on-line community survey to learn from residents where they believe the most appropriates sites for new housing are in Clayton. The online questionnaire was available starting on November 5, 2021 and was closed on December 13, 2021. It included several questions focused on housing issues and challenges, possible strategies and solutions for the City, locations for new housing, the community vision and goals, and optional questions to gather demographic information. The survey also incorporated questions regarding the City-owned property in Downtown. Members of the community were invited to provide input on the site's development direction and to submit photos or drawings to support their vision for the site. Concept images were also embedded in the survey to assist those who did not have their own images to share.

Community Engagement and Outreach

The questionnaire was available in English. The City promoted the questionnaire through its website and social media channels, at public meetings and facilities, and through the local monthly newspaper, the *Concord Clayton Pioneer*. City Council members, Planning Commissioners, and community groups were encouraged to share the link on their social media channels and email lists, as well as colleagues, friends, and neighbors. The survey was accessed over 450 times on-line, demonstrating wide reach and successful publication, although fewer than 450 people finished the survey or answered every question. All questions were optional.

While survey results should not be interpreted as statistically representative, the results help identify common and shared themes, concerns, and priorities. The survey provided insights into community priorities and needs. The following are notable results and themes from the questionnaire results.

- Over half (56 percent) of respondents said they were in favor of the potential growth increase in housing in Clayton. Most in support of more housing also indicated concerns about possible impacts of growth.
- When asked to rank the importance of housing issues and challenges in the City, respondents listed traffic and congestion (69 percent), preserving community character (67 percent), limited infrastructure (65 percent), and overcrowding (64 percent) as the top issues, with a 10 out of 10 ranking.
- A lack of diverse housing options (34 percent) and housing supply (30 percent) were the least important housing issues, with several participants ranking these issues 1 out of 10.
- When asked to rank the strategies or solutions that are appropriate for Clayton, participants indicated that supporting homeowners who want to build ADUs or in-law units on single-family lots (38 percent) and encouraging the rehabilitation of existing housing in older neighborhoods (21 percent) were the top options, with a 10 out of 10 ranking.
- Providing shelters and transitional housing for homeless families and individuals, along with services that help move people into permanent housing (48 percent) and targeting efforts to address long-term inequities in the housing market (42 percent) were the least important strategies, with several respondents ranking these issues 1 out of 10.
- A quarter of respondents indicated that new housing should blend in with the character of surrounding neighborhoods (25 percent), and nearly a quarter of respondents said that new housing should be located where it will have the least impact on traffic (22 percent).

With respect to the Downtown site:

- Respondents were most supportive of entertainment and commercial uses (30 percent) for the site, followed by arts and cultural uses (20 percent) and commercial uses (18 percent).
- Of all the concept images for example housing types for the Downtown site shown in the survey, participants indicated the highest level of support for mixed-use housing combined with dining, retail, and grocery stores.
- Of all the concept images for example housing types for the Downtown site shown in the survey, participants indicated the lowest level of support for new apartments/condominiums, commercial offices, townhomes, and entertainment/arts center.

See the Appendix for a complete survey summary.

CITY COUNCIL STUDY SESSION ON HOUSING ELEMENT GOALS (JANUARY 4, 2022)

On January 4, 2022, City staff provided a progress report to the City Council on the Housing Element update to allow for discussion and to have the Council direct staff regarding draft housing element goals. The progress report introduced preliminary housing opportunity sites and briefed the Council on planned community engagement opportunities, potential need to rezone properties to support the RHNA, and the schedule for compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

Key issues brought forward by members of the public included:

- The importance of the Housing Element in light of increasing rent prices, unattainable homes with average prices over \$1,000,000, and the lack of affordable housing near jobs and transit that could push out long-standing members of the community
- Providing measurable goals with respect to the climate crisis and the need to manage climate risk and increase climate resilience through energy in the built environment and nature-based solutions
- Suggestion to remove Site J from the preliminary opportunity sites due to its proximity to an existing quarry and its role in carbon sequestration and wildfire mitigation as an open space
- Request for more community engagement efforts moving forward

City staff shared with the City Council two letters that they received from Greenbelt Alliance and East Bay for Everyone, with other partnering community organizations undersigned. The letters included housing policy recommendations for climate resilience and comments on specific sites identified in the preliminary site analysis.

See the Appendix for the meeting agenda and complete letters.

PLANNING COMMISSION STUDY SESSION ON THE HOUSING ELEMENT, CEQA, AND BALANCING ACT DEMONSTRATION (FEBRUARY 22, 2022)

City staff provided a work program status report to the Planning Commission on February 22, 2022. This included a demonstration of the public engagement opportunity consisting of a housing planning simulation (Balancing Act) to be posted to the City website at the end of February 2022.

Only one public comment was recorded for the session, with the person asking whether all housing was proposed to occur on one site. The commenter was informed that the Housing Element would include potential housing units on multiple sites and that the Housing Element included the entire city, not one discrete location.

BALANCING ACT HOUSING SIMULATION (FEBRUARY 25 - APRIL 3, 2022)

Between February 25 and April 3, 2022, the City offered an opportunity for residents and other interested parties to participate in the Clayton Housing Balancing Act simulation. The Balancing Act Community Survey is a virtual simulation. For Clayton, participants reviewed 15 vacant and underutilized sites in the city and were asked what density of housing they preferred to see on each site. Participants started with a default density of either 2 or 3 units per acre on each site and were allowed to change density in

increments of 1 unit per acre; changes could be made to reflect density as low as 0 units per acre if they did not want to see housing on a site and up to as many as 30 units per acre.

To announce the opportunity to participate, City staff used the following approaches:

- 1. Demonstration of Balancing Act at the regular Planning Commission meeting of February 22, 2022
- Flyers on three community posting boards located near City Hall, the Clayton Library, and in the Town Center; copies of the flyers were also available for visitors to take from the lobby of the library.
- 3. E-mails to persons and organizations who expressed interest in the Housing Element Update process and virtual announcements on Next Door and on the City's homepage at <u>www.claytonca.gov</u>
- 4. Volunteer effort facilitated by the City's Mayor and Vice Mayor to place door hangers on each residence in the City

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All printed and virtual announcements included a QR code linked directly to the Housing Element page, as well as directions for how to access the City's Housing Element webpage without using the QR

code. A link to the simulation and a brief introductory video message from the Mayor were embedded at the top of the Housing Element webpage.

In the 38 days the simulation was accessible to the public, it was accessed 382 times, with each participant spending an average of 16 minutes and 17 seconds within the program. At the time of closing of the simulation on April 4, 2022, a total of 44 housing plans had been submitted.

See the Appendix for a complete summary of respondent demographics (age and neighborhood of residence), submitted housing plans, and written comments.

PLANNING COMMISSION AND CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOPS ON THE DRAFT HOUSING ELEMENT

The draft Housing Element was made available for public review on May 20, 2022. In May and June, 2022, the Planning Commission and City Council conducted a series of public workshops to review the draft Housing Element. The Commission met first on May 24, 2022, with the intent to forward comments and recommendations to the Council for consideration. The Commission made preliminary recommendations and expressed a desire to conduct a second study session. On May 31, the Council met to review the element and the Commission's initial ideas, then tabled a decision pending completion of the Commission's review at a subsequent workshop, which occurred on June 14, 2022. The Council conducted the fourth and final draft Housing Element workshop on June 23, 2022, directing final revisions to be incorporated into the draft submitted to HCD for review. Members of the public attended all four workshops.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

Through the project environmental review process, residents also had the opportunity to weigh in on the housing plan and related environmental impacts. The Notice of Preparation period extended from March 2 through April 4, 2022. The City conducted an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) scoping session on March 8, 2022 as part of a Planning Commission meeting. At that meeting, a meeting attendee commented that there are regional and global environmental benefits of density with respect to increasing housing affordability and reducing vehicle miles and vehicle air emissions, and he encouraged building more units than the City's RHNA. A second speaker requested that the EIR include an analysis of potential housing impacts on schools and referenced a school district report that projected that Clayton's elementary school would reach capacity. In addition to spoken comments voiced at the scoping session, the City received two written comment letters in response to the NOP, from the California Department of Transportation and the Native American Heritage Commission.

As required by law, the EIR circulated for a 45-day public review period, and responses to public comments were prepared to produce the Final EIR for public hearings.



Housing Element Map-Based Survey Draft Summary

INTRODUCTION

In 2021, the City of Clayton began updating its Housing Element, a mandatory element of the General Plan, to identify goals and policies that will guide long term decision making around housing throughout the City. As part of the planning process, the City conducted an online survey, inviting community members to provide input on preferred uses for a vacant site in Downtown, as well as citywide housing issues and challenges, and possible strategies for the Housing Element update. The input received will help plan for the future, set priorities and create policies for growth in the community over the next eight years. This document summarizes the questionnaire methodology and key findings.

METHODOLOGY AND OUTREACH

The online questionnaire was available from November 3 to December 13, 2021. It included several questions focused on housing issues and challenges, possible strategies and solutions for the City, locations for new housing, the community vision and goals, and optional questions to gather demographic information.

The questionnaire was available in English and was accessible online. The City of Clayton promoted the questionnaire through its website and social media channels, at public meetings and facilities, and through the Concord Clayton Pioneer. City Council Members, Planning Commissioners and community groups were encouraged to share the link on their social media channels and with their email lists as well as colleagues, friends and neighbors.

While survey results should not be interpreted as statistically representative, the results help to identify common and shared themes, concerns and priorities. This document summarizes the survey results and key findings. Appendices provide documentation of the survey questions, responses, and additional comments received.

The survey was accessed over 450 times online, demonstrating a wide reach and successful publication. Fewer people finished the survey or answered every question. All questions were optional. The number of respondents for each question is included below.

KEY FINDINGS

The City of Clayton Housing Element update survey provided insights into community priorities and needs. The following are notable results and themes from the questionnaire results.

• Over half (56%) of respondents said they were in favor of the potential growth increase in housing units in Clayton. Most of those in support of more housing also indicated concerns about possible impacts of growth.

- When asked to rank the importance of housing issues and challenges in the City, respondents listed traffic and congestion (69%), preserving community character (67%), limited infrastructure (65%), and overcrowding (64%) as the top issues with a 10 out of 10 ranking.
- A lack of diverse housing options (34%) and housing supply (30%) were the least important housing issues with several participants ranking these issues 1 out of 10.
- When asked to rank the strategies or solutions that are appropriate for Clayton, participants indicated that supporting homeowners who want to build ADUs or in-law units on single-family lots (38%) and encouraging the rehabilitation of existing housing in older neighborhoods (21%) were the top options with a 10 out of 10 ranking.
- Providing shelters and transitional housing for homeless families and individuals, along with services that help move people into permanent housing (48%) and targeting efforts to address long-term inequities in the housing market (42%) were the least important strategies with several respondents ranking these issues 1 out of 10.
- A quarter of respondents indicated that new housing should blend in with the character of surrounding neighborhoods (25%) and nearly a quarter of respondents said that new housing should be located where it will have the least impact on traffic in Clayton (22%).

FULL SURVEY RESPONSES

INTRODUCTORY QUESTIONS

When asked about new housing growth over half (58%) of respondents said they were in favor of the potential growth increase in housing units in Clayton, while 42% indicated they did not want to see any new housing. Many of those supporting growth indicated concerns, including impacts to community character and increased strain on city infrastructure and budgets, while others supported growth in certain areas of the city.

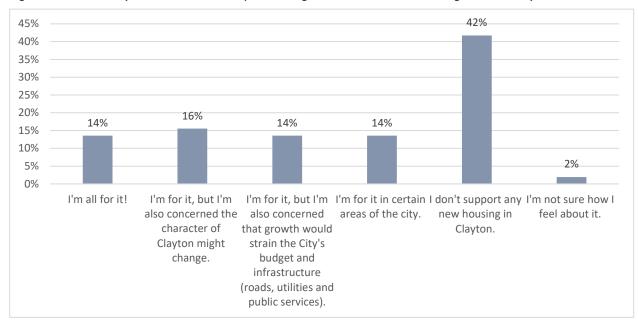
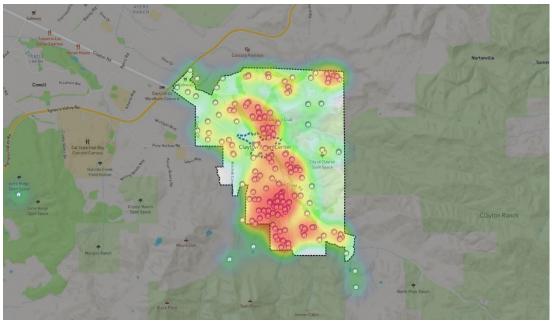


Figure 1: "What do you think about the potential growth increase in housing units in Clayton?"

The first map-based questions asked participants to indicate where they live. This question allows the project team to assess the geographic reach of the questionnaire. Figure 2 below is a "heat map" showing the distribution of respondents. The areas of more intense color (orange and red) indicate a higher concentration of respondents.

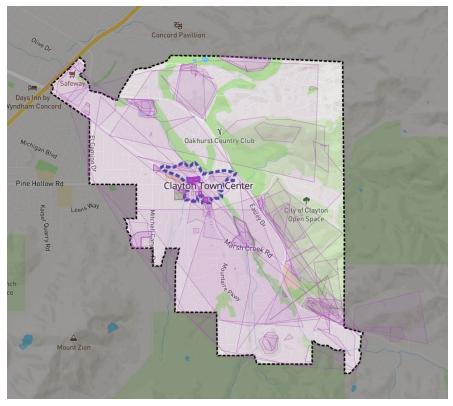
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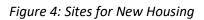


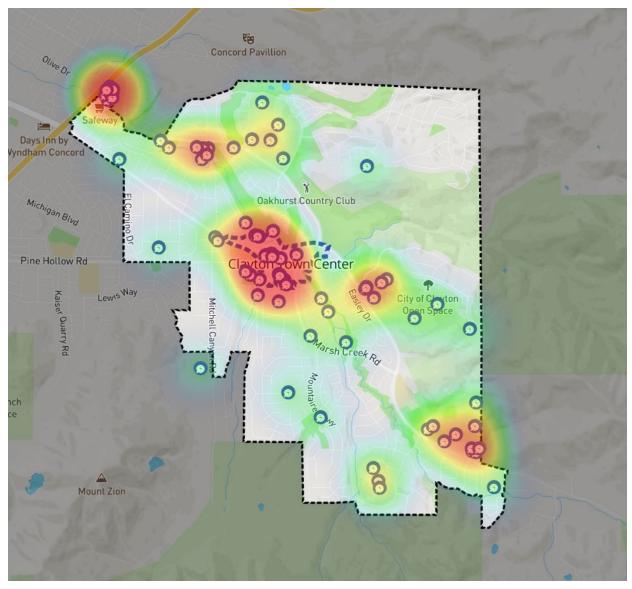
LOCATIONS FOR NEW HOUSING

The next two questions asked survey respondents to indicate what general areas and what sites they think would be appropriate for new housing. These are represented by polygons (Figure 3) that people drew, as well as a heat map (Figure 4) that shows specific locations or sites indicated by map pins.

Figure 3: Areas for New Housing







DOWNTOWN SITE

Survey participants were asked to indicate their preferred uses for the vacant City-owned Downtown site. They were able to select from a list of potential land uses and/or submit a photo that illustrated their ideas. Those who answered this question were most supportive of entertainment and commercial uses, specifically mixed-use projects with retail, mixed-use projects with dining, retail uses, and a grocery store.

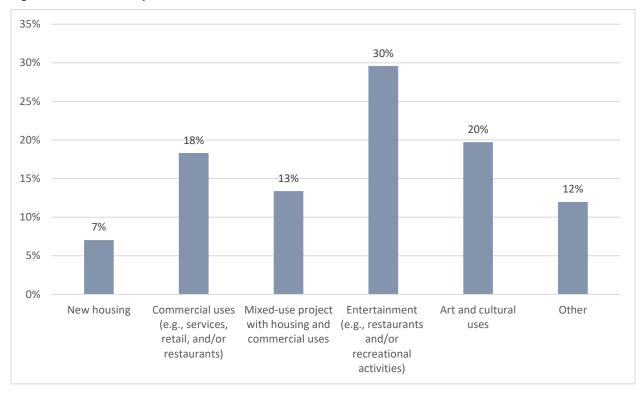


Figure 5: What would you like to see at the Downtown Site?

Follow-up questions asked about support for specific housing types, commercial uses, and mixed-use projects using photos to illustrate the type of use shown. Of the housing products shown, duplexes and townhomes received the most support (indicated by scores of 8 and above), but each type also received a similar number of "do not support" responses (scores of 3 or below). A score of 5 indicated a neutral position. Results are shown in Figures 6-14 below.

Figure 6: Support for New Duplexes

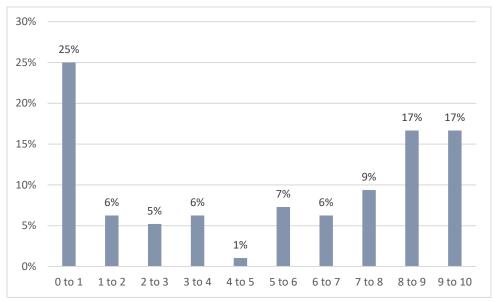
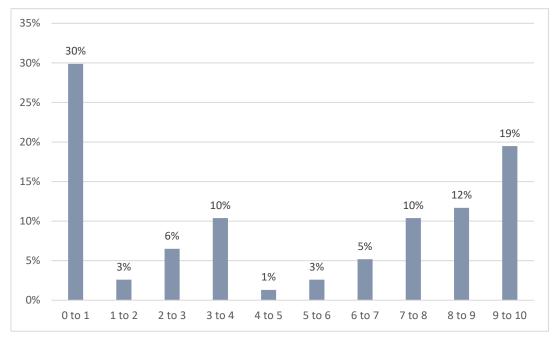


Figure 7: Support for New Townhomes



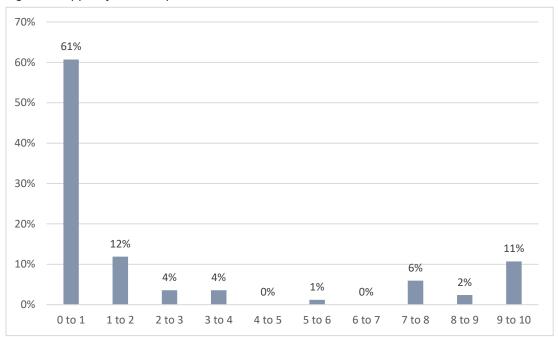
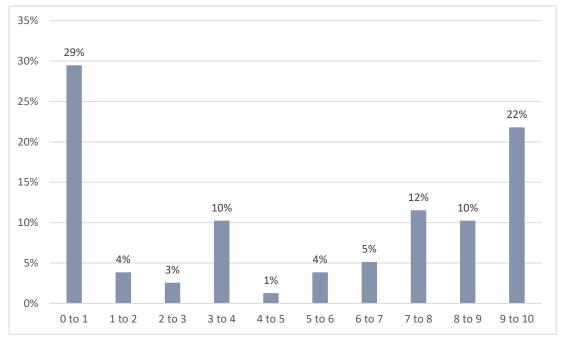


Figure 8 Support for New Apartments or Condominiums

Figure 9: Support for Mixed-Use Housing with Retail



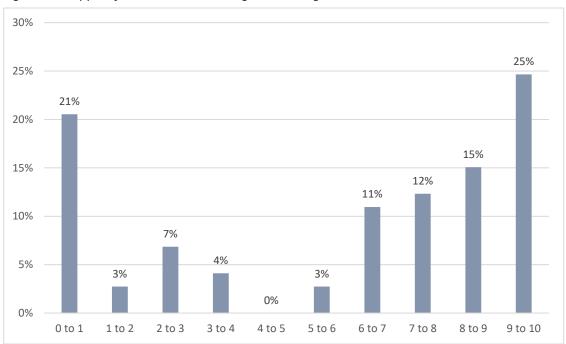
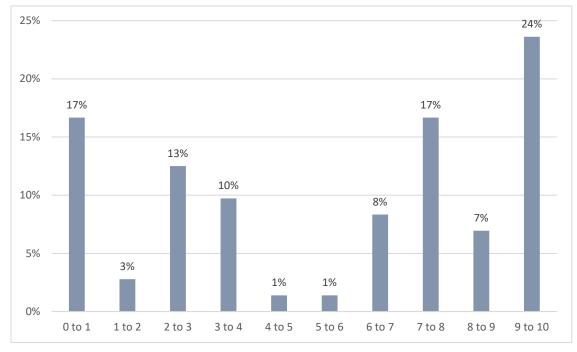


Figure 10: Support for Mixed-use Housing with Dining





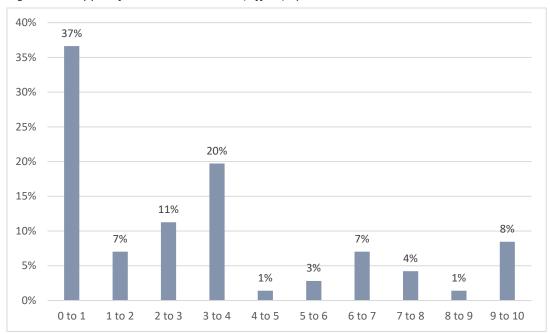
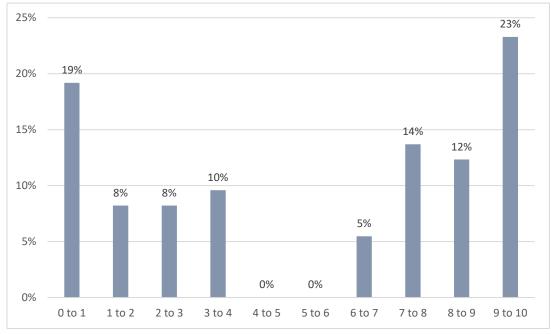


Figure 12: Support for new Commercial (Office) Spaces

Figure 13: Support for New Grocery Store



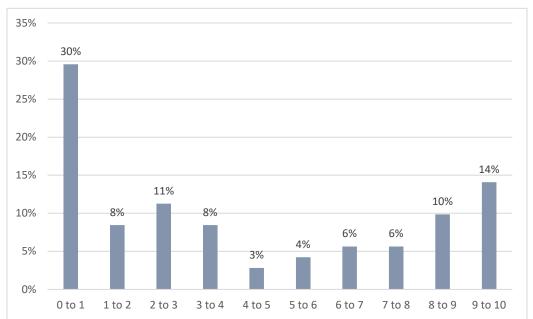
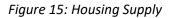
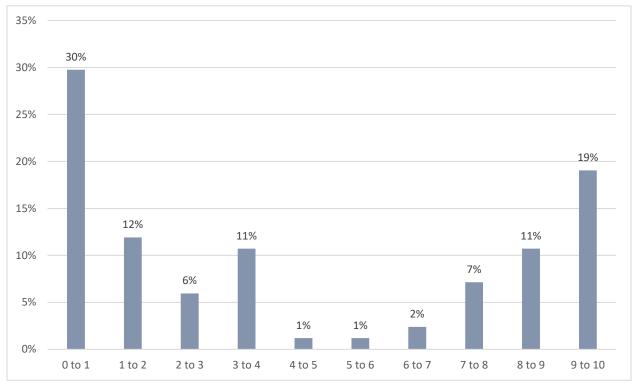


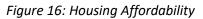
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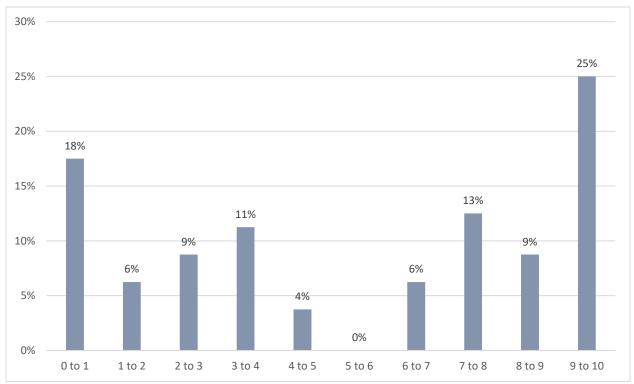
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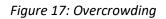
Respondents were asked to indicate the importance of housing issues and challenges in Clayton using sliders ranging from 0 (not at all important) to 10 (very important). If the issue/challenge was neither important nor unimportant to a respondent, the slider would be left at 5. Figures 15 through Figure 24 below illustrate respondent's rankings for each issue

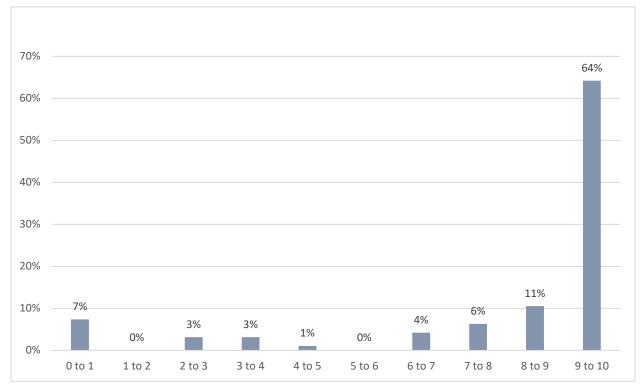












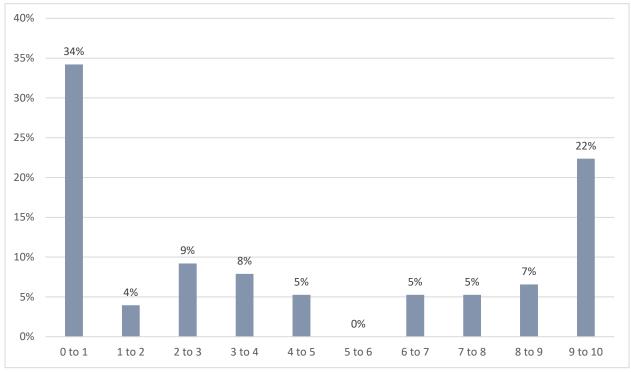
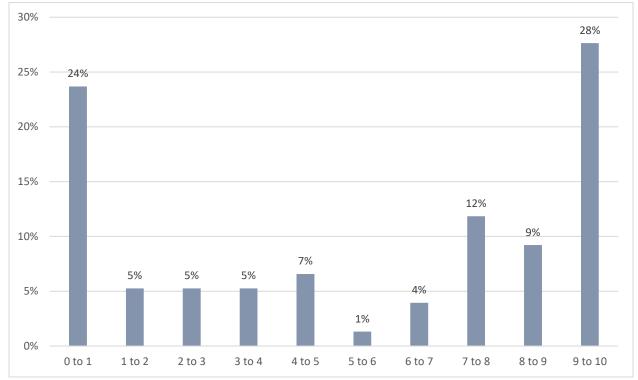
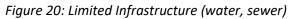


Figure 18: A Lack of Diverse Housing Options

Figure 19: Fair Housing Issues (e.g., discrimination, inadequate accommodations for people with disabilities, etc.)





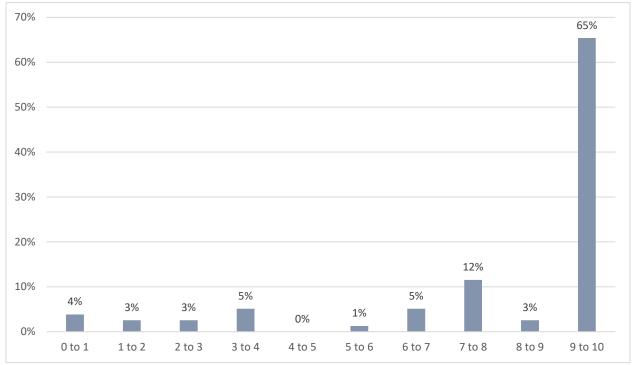
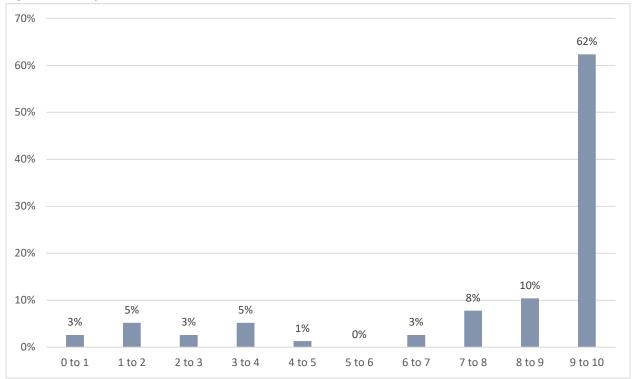
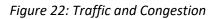


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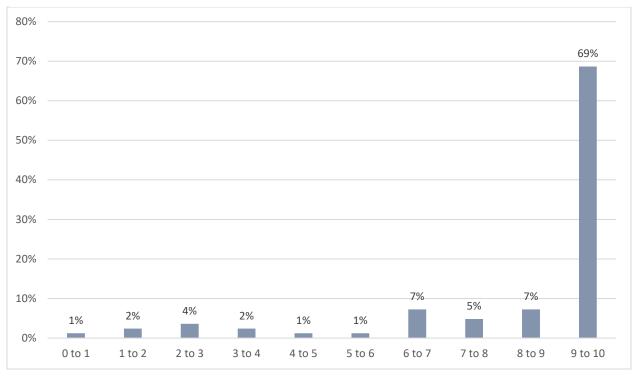
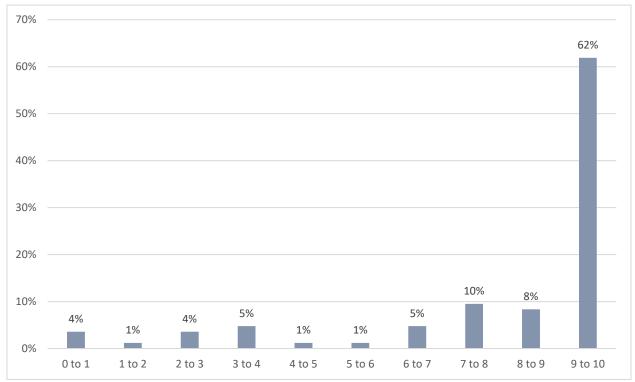


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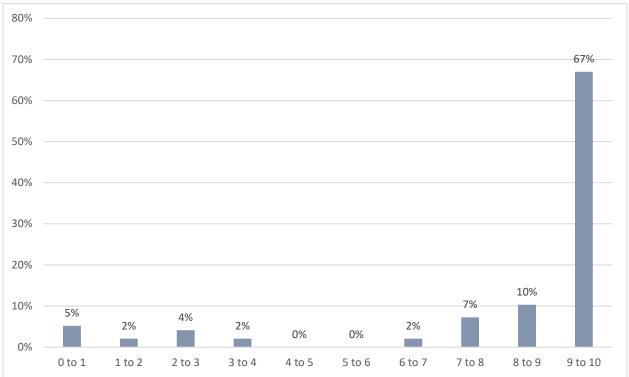


Figure 24: Preserving Community Character

STRATEGIES AND SOLUTIONS FOR CLAYTON

Respondents were asked to indicate their level of support for various strategies and solutions appropriate for Clayton. If a respondent was neither supportive nor opposed to a strategy/solution the slider would be left at 5. Figure 25 through Figure 36 below illustrate respondent's support for each strategy or solution.

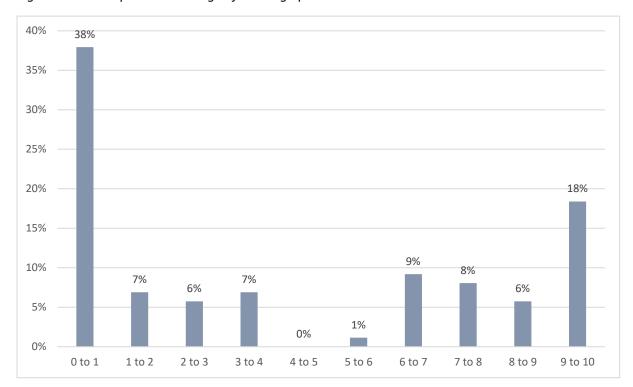


Figure 25: Develop a diverse range of housing options

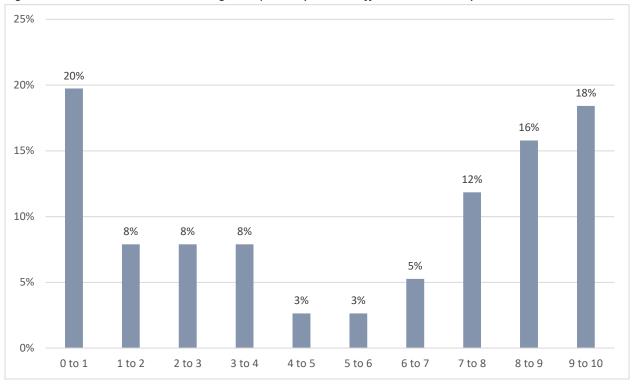


Figure 26: Ensure that children who grow up in Clayton can afford to live in Clayton on their own

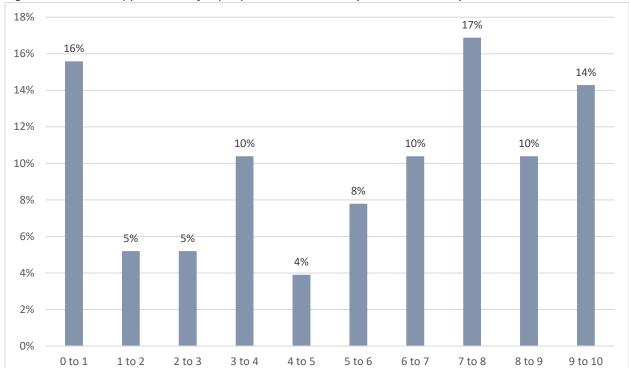


Figure 27: Provide opportunities for people who work in Clayton to live in Clayton

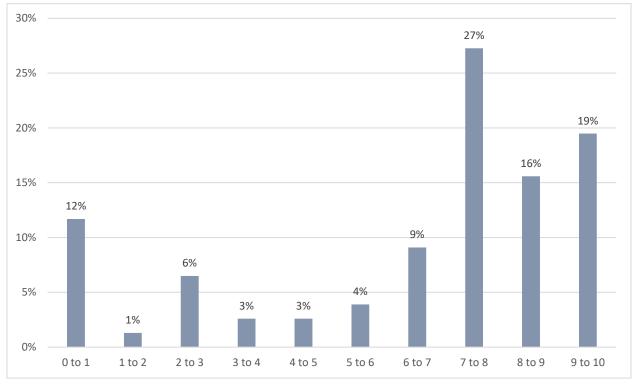
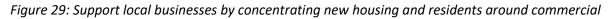
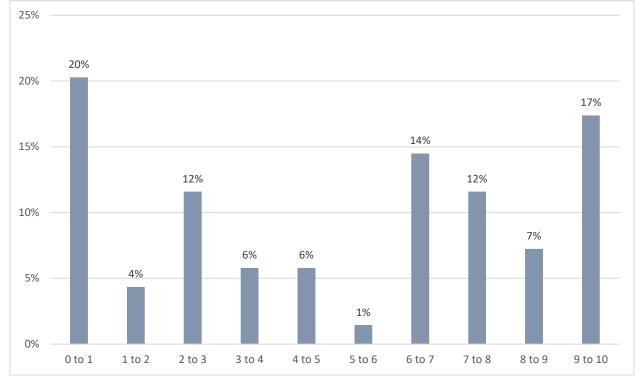


Figure 28: Provide more options for older residents to downsize and stay in the community





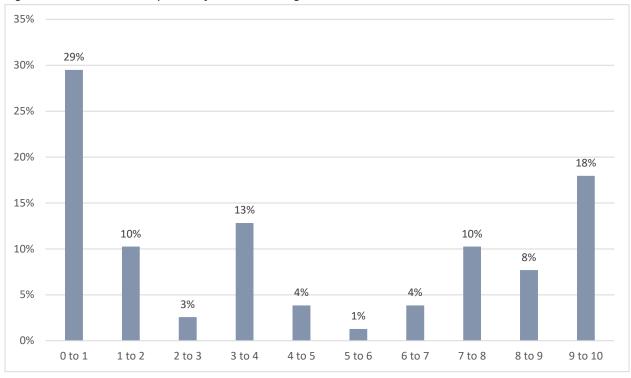
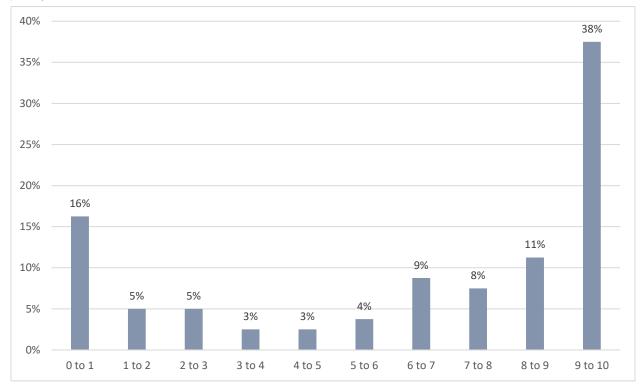


Figure 30: Streamline the process for new housing construction

Figure 31: Support homeowners who want to build Accessory Dwelling Units or in-law units on single-family lots



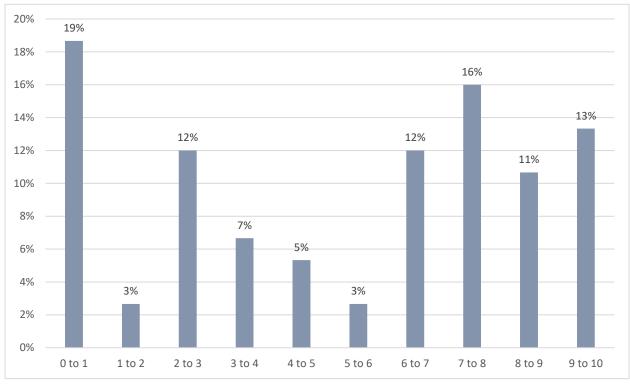
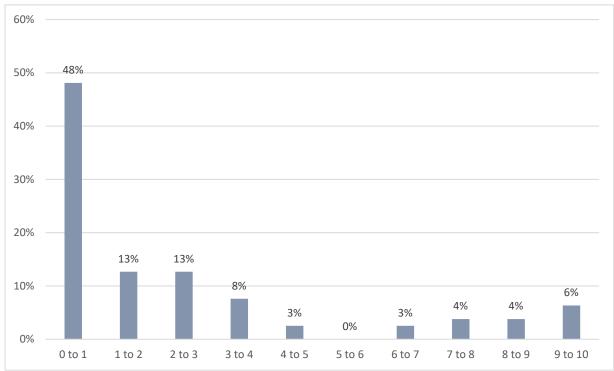


Figure 32: Establish housing for seniors, large families, veterans, and/or persons with disabilities

Figure 33: "Provide shelters and transitional housing for homeless families and individuals, along with services that help move people into permanent housing"



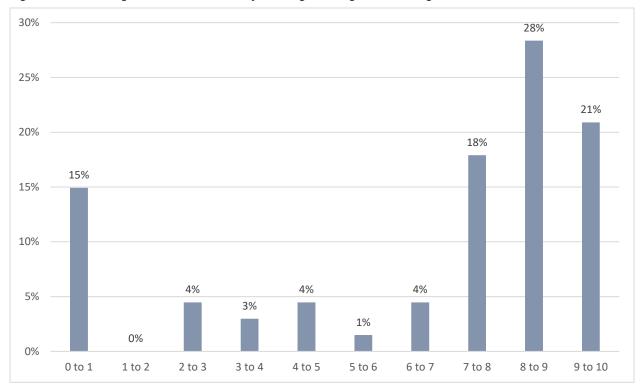
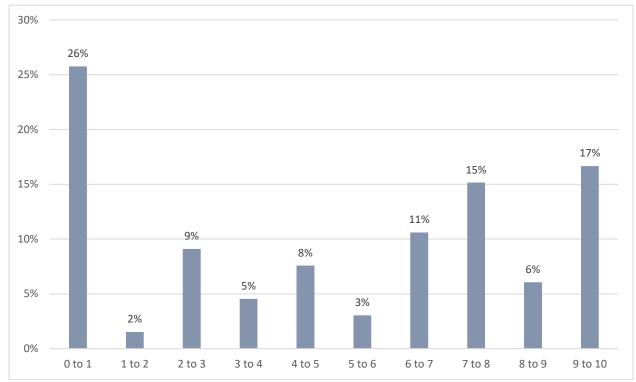


Figure 34: Encourage the rehabilitation of existing housing in older neighborhoods

Figure 35: Support programs to help homeowners at risk of mortgage default to keep their homes



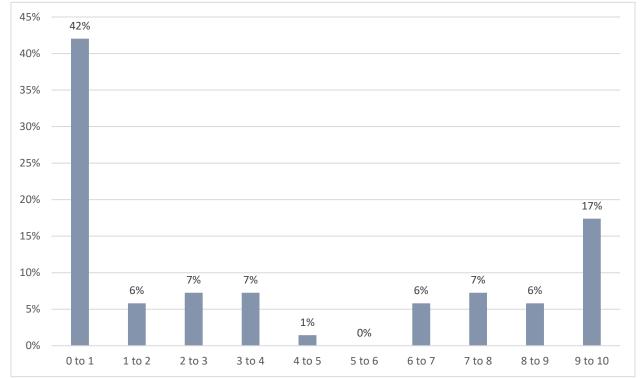
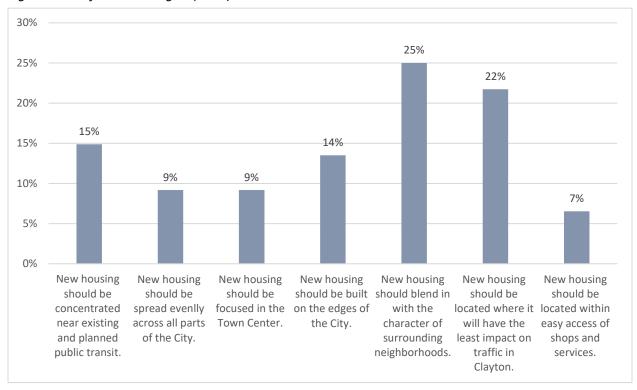


Figure 36: Target efforts to address long-term inequities in the housing market, including discrimination in renting

TRADEOFFS

In selecting housing strategies, the Housing Element will need to identify priorities and make tradeoffs. Respondents were given \$100 to spend on seven housing strategies and were asked to identify preferred strategies by spending the \$100 in \$10 increments across the options. Respondents could choose to spend the \$100 in any way they wanted. Figure 37 below illustrates the percentage of funds allocated to each strategy across all responses.



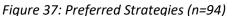


Table 1: Preferred Strategies

| Strategy | Amount Spent (\$) | Percentage |
|---|-------------------|------------|
| New housing should be concentrated near existing and planned | | |
| public transit. | \$1410 | 15% |
| New housing should be spread evenly across all parts of the City. | \$870 | 9% |
| New housing should be focused in the Town Center. | \$870 | 9% |
| New housing should be built on the edges of the City. | \$1280 | 14% |
| New housing should blend in with the character of surrounding | | |
| neighborhoods. | \$2370 | 25% |
| New housing should be located where it will have the least impact | | |
| on traffic in Clayton. | \$2060 | 22% |
| New housing should be located within easy access of shops and | | |
| services. | \$620 | 7% |

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| Site Inventory Forms must be submitted to HCD for a housing element or amendment adopted on or after January 1, 2021. The following form is to be used for satisfying this requirement. To submit the form, complete the Excel spreadsheet and submit to HCD at sitesinventory@hcd.ca.gov. Please send the Excel workbook, not a scanned or PDF copy of the tables. | | |
| General Information | | |
| Jurisidiction Name | CLAYTON | |
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| City | Clayton | |
| Zip Code | 94517 | |

| Jurisdiction Name | Site Address/Intersection | 5 Digit ZIP Code | Assessor Parcel Number | Consolidated Sites | General Plan Designation (Current) | Zoning Designation (Current) | Minimum Density Allowed (units/acre) | Max Density Allowed (units/acre) | Parcel Size (Acres) Existing Use/Vacancy | Infrastructure | Publicly-Owned | Site Status | Identified in Last/Last Two Planning Cycle(s) | Lower Income Capacity | Moderate Income Capacity | Above Moderate Income Capacity | Total Capacity |
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| CLAYTON | 1005 OAK ST | 94517 | 119050034 | F | ТС | PD | 0 | 20 | 0.29 Parks/Recreation | YES - Current | NO - Privately-Owned | Available | Used in Prior Housing Element - Non-Vacant | 4 | | | 4 |
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| CLAYTON CLAYTON CLAYTON | CLAYTON RD 1007 OAK ST | 94517 94517 94517 | 120015011 119050009 119050034 | 25 3 4 | В | Both Both Both | 1.08 0.22 0.29 | ТС | PD TE | BD F | PD | TBD TBD TBD | 30 20 20 | 32 | 2 Non-Vacant 4 Non-Vacant | Residential Parks/Recreat | i Creekside Terra | ce, city owned, entitler ce, city owned, entitler | ment lapsed. | | |
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| PF - Public Facility | Public Facility |
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