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Aly Zimmermann, City Manager
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RE: City of Rocklin – Successful Completion of Required Rezones and Review of Amended Housing Element

Dear Aly Zimmermann:

Thank you for submitting the City of Rocklin's (City) Resolution No. 2025-191, Ordinance No. 1192 and amended housing element to the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD), received for review on August 5, 2025 and adopted August 26, 2025. Pursuant to Government Code sections 65585, subdivisions (h) and (i), the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) is reporting the results of its review regarding the adopted amendment to the housing element and completion of Program 10 (Inventory of Sites for Housing/Rezone). HCD review was assisted by additional supplemental information received on September 3, 2025 and September 19, 2025.

HCD is pleased to find the City's housing element substantial in compliance with Housing Element Law (Gov. Code, § 65580 et seq). This finding is based on HCD's review of Resolution No. 2024-273, Resolution No. 2025-191, Ordinance No. 1183 and Ordinance No. 1192, together with revisions to the housing element. HCD finds the City has satisfied the requirements described in HCD's June 24, 2024 letter, thereby completing required rezoning actions in Program 10. In addition, HCD finds the amendments to the housing element meet the requirements of State Housing Element Law.

Background

On June 24, 2025, HCD found that the City had failed to implement the required rezone actions in Program 10 (Inventory of Sites for Housing/Rezone) included in its housing element pursuant to Government Code section 65583, and that this failure brought the City's housing element out of substantial compliance with State Housing Element Law. Consequently, HCD revoked its finding of compliance for the City's housing element, as authorized by Government Code section 65585, subdivision (i)(1)(B), and stated this revocation would remain in effect until the City completed required rezone actions in

Program 10. In subsequent communications, the City informed HCD of its intention to rezone sites other than those listed in its adopted, certified element to address its remaining Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) shortfall of 968 lower income units. HCD advised the City would be required to submit a revised housing element with an updated sites inventory and analysis to reflect the inclusion of the alternate sites.

On August 5, 2025, HCD received draft zoning ordinances and accompanying general plan amendments including a revised housing element from the City in response to the revocation letter. On September 18, 2025 HCD received Resolution No. 2025-191 and Ordinance No. 1192 which adopted the zoning ordinances and general plan amendments, including needed revisions to the City's housing element. The City also submitted supplemental information to the City's adopted housing element on September 3, 2025 and September 19, 2025 to support the updated housing element analysis relating to the alternate sites that were being used to meet the City's RHNA shortfall.

Conclusion

HCD congratulates the City on the successful completion of Program 10. While the adopted element now addresses the statutory requirements described in HCD's June 24, 2025 letter by implementing Program 10, the City must continue timely and effective implementation of all housing element programs.

HCD looks forward to continuing to collaborate with the City in meeting the commitments in the housing element. Please feel free to contact Reid Miller at Reid.Miller@hcd.ca.gov with any questions or additional information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Melinda Coy', with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

Melinda Coy
Housing Accountability Unit Chief