



# City of Huntington Beach

File #: 21-254

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## REQUEST FOR CITY COUNCIL ACTION

**SUBMITTED TO:** Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

**SUBMITTED BY:** Oliver Chi, City Manager

**PREPARED BY:** Ursula Luna-Reynosa, Director of Community Development

**Subject:**

**Approve the 2020 Housing Element Annual Progress Report (APR) and forward to the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) and Governor's Office of Planning and Research (OPR)**

**Statement of Issue:**

State law requires that all cities and counties create an annual progress report that describes that community's progress toward implementing their Housing Element. Staff has prepared the Housing Element Annual Progress Report (APR) for the 2020 calendar year for City Council approval. Filing an APR is an eligibility requirement to receive state SB 2 funding for homelessness response programs as well as other regional and state funding sources.

**Financial Impact:**

There is no financial impact to filing this report. By meeting this and other eligibility requirements, the City may continue to apply for state and regional grant funds.

**Recommended Action:**

Approve the 2020 Housing Element Progress Report and forward to the California Department of Housing and Community Development and Governor's Office of Planning and Research.

**Alternative Action(s):**

Do not approve the 2020 Housing Element Progress Report and direct staff accordingly.

**Analysis:**

The Housing Element Annual Progress Report represents a state-mandated report on the progress of the Housing Element. Section 65400 of the California Government Code establishes a requirement for each jurisdiction to prepare an annual report on the status of the Housing Element and the progress in its implementation, which is then submitted to the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) and the Governor's Office of Planning and Research (OPR).

Until January 1, 2018, charter cities were exempt from preparing and submitting an annual progress

report; however, the City still submitted the report in order to be eligible for state funding programs, such as housing-related park funds.

Staff has prepared the report utilizing the forms adopted by HCD in accordance with the California Code of Regulations. A copy of the report is provided as Attachment No. 1.

**Environmental Status:**

The Housing Element Progress Report is exempt under Section 15061(b)(3) of the CEQA guidelines, which exempts activities where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity may have a significant effect on the environment.

**Strategic Plan Goal:**

Non Applicable - Administrative Item

**Attachment(s):**

1. 2020 Housing Element Annual Progress Report