

Inter Office Memo

ATTENTION: FOR FINAL ACTION OR MODIFICATION TO OR ADDITION OF CONDITIONS, SEE FINAL BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' ACTION SUMMARY MINUTES.

DATE:

July 24, 2025

TO:

Board of Supervisors

FROM:

Planning Commission

SUBJECT:

RESOLUTION NO. 13100 — GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT APPLICATION

NO. 576 (SIXTH CYCLE HOUSING ELEMENT UPDATE)

APPLICANT:

County of Fresno

REQUEST:

Adopt the Addendum to the Program Environmental Impact Report No. 2018031066 that was certified on February 20, 2024, with the adoption of the General Plan Review and Zoning Ordinance Update.

Amend the text of Article 2, Chapter 810.2, Section 810.2.20.A and Section 810.2.030, Table 2.5, and Article 7 (Definitions) of the Fresno County Zoning Ordinance relating to Residential Zones as listed under Residential Zone Land Uses and Permit Requirements to include definitions for Discretionary, Ministerial, and By-right uses.

Approve a resolution and ordinance to correct a typographical error in Ordinance No. R-505-3871 and Resolution No. 24-410 to correct the parcel noted as APN: 449-040-05 from the R-2 (Multi-Family Residential Low Density) Zone District to the R-3 (Multi-Family Residential Medium Density) Zone District.

Adopt the update of the Housing Element of the General Plan, a Multi-Jurisdictional Housing Element for the Sixth Cycle Planning Period (2023-2031) and authorize the Director of the Department of Public Works and Planning, or authorized designee, to submit the Housing Element and make non substantive changes, if necessary, subject to review and approval by County Counsel, to obtain California Department of Housing and Community Development approval.

LOCATION:

This is a Countywide item.

PLANNING COMMISSION ACTION:

At its July 24, 2025, public hearing, the Planning Commission considered the Staff Report and public testimony (summarized in Exhibit A). A motion was made by Chairman Abrahamian and seconded by Commissioner Quist to:

- Recommend adoption of the Addendum to Program Environmental Impact Report No. 2018031066, certified on February 20, 2024, with the adoption of the General Plan Review and Zoning Ordinance Update; and
- 2. Recommend that the Board of Supervisors approve Amendment to Text Application No. 391 amending the text of Article 2, Chapter 810.2, Section 810.2.20.A and Section 810.2.030, Table 2.5, and Article 7 (Definitions) of the Fresno County Zoning Ordinance relating to Residential Zones as listed under Residential Zone Land Uses and Permit Requirements to include definitions for Discretionary, Ministerial, and By-right uses; and
- 3. Recommend that the Board of Supervisors approve a resolution and ordinance to correct a typographical error in Ordinance No. R-505-3871 and Resolution No. 24-410 to correct the parcel noted as APN: 449-040-05 from the R2 (Multi-Family Residential Low Density) Zone District to the R3 (Multi-Family Medium Density) Zone District; and
- 4. Recommend that the Board of Supervisors adopt a Resolution approving General Plan Amendment Application No. 576 updating the Housing Element of the General Plan, a Multi-Jurisdictional Housing Element for the Sixth Cycle Planning Period (2023-2031) and authorize the Director of the Department of Public Works and Planning, or authorized designee, to submit the Housing Element and make non substantive changes, if necessary subject to review and approval by County Counsel, to obtain California Department of Housing and Community Development approval; and
- 5. That Department Staff relay to the Board of Supervisors comments addressed to the Commission at its hearing by a member of the public; and
- 6. Direct the Secretary to prepare a Resolution forwarding the Commission's recommendation for approval to the Board of Supervisors.

This motion passed on the following vote:

VOTING:

Yes:

Commissioners Abrahamian, Quist, Arabian, Carver, Hill, Roman,

and Zante

No:

Commissioner Borchardt

Absent:

Commissioner Whelan

Abstain:

None

STEVEN E. WHITE, DIRECTOR

Department of Public Works and Planning

Secretary-Fresno County Planning Commission

By:

Chris W. Motta, Manager

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EXHIBIT A

GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT NO. 576

Staff:

The Fresno County Planning Commission considered the Staff Report dated July 24, 2025, and heard a summary presentation by staff which included the following:

- The history behind the update
- The proposed changes to the Goals and Policies of the Housing Element
- Key programs from the Housing Element

Others:

One member of the public provided comments requesting formatting changes to the Housing Element document by adding numbered policies.

No other members of the public addressed the Commission.

Correspondence:

Staff received no letters in support of the Housing Element Update.

Staff received one letter requesting the formatting of the document to be changed by adding numbering to all of the programs and policies making it is easier for the public to reference those policies.

No other correspondence was received in support of or in opposition to the project.

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