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TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Development Services Director

SUBJECT

Authorize the City Manager to Submit a Local Early Action Planning (LEAP) Grant Application to Fund Preparation of a Housing Element Update to Implement the Sixth Cycle of the Regional Housing Needs Allocation

RECOMMENDATION

That Council adopts a Resolution (Attachment II), authorizing the City Manager to submit a Local Early Action Planning (LEAP) Grant and receive program funds.

SUMMARY

The City is eligible for \$500,000 in LEAP planning grant funds from the State Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) provided that the funds are used to accelerate housing production and facilitate compliance with and implementation of the sixth cycle of the Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA). Staff recommends that the City apply for and utilize the funds to prepare and adopt an Updated Housing Element to facilitate compliance with the sixth cycle Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA). Staff recommends that the Housing Element Update explore projects outlined in the recently adopted Workplan to Incentivize Housing Production, and that adoption of those programs and projects be included in the outreach, environmental analysis, and General Plan and Zoning Map and Text Amendments associated with the Housing Element Update.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment I	Staff Report
Attachment II	Resolution
Attachment III	Workplan to Incentivize Housing