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Mr. Patrick H. West, City Manager
City of Long Beach
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Dear Mr. West:

RE: Long Beach's 5th Cycle (2013-2021) Adopted Housing Element

Thank you for submitting the City of Long Beach's housing element adopted on January 7, 2014 which was received for review on January 15, 2014. Pursuant to Government Code (GC) Section 65585(h), the Department is reporting the results of its review.

The Department is pleased to find the adopted housing element in full compliance with State housing element law (GC, Article 10.6). The Department's finding was based on, among other reasons, commitments outlined in Programs 2.2 (Zoning Code Update for Special Needs), 4.1 (Affordable Housing Development Assistance) and 4.4 (Affordable Housing Funding Opportunities). These programmatic strategies will promote the feasibility of developing and conserving housing for lower-income families and workers while strengthening the local economy.

Please note, the City of Long Beach now meets specific requirements for several State funding programs designed to reward local governments for compliance with State housing element law. For example, the Housing Related Parks and Local Housing Trust Fund Programs both include housing element compliance either as a threshold or competitive factor in rating and ranking applications. Specific information about these programs is available at http://www.hcd.ca.gov/hpd/hrc/plan/he/loan_grant_hecompl011708.pdf.

The Department wishes the City of Long Beach success in implementing its housing element and looks forward to following its progress through the General Plan annual progress reports pursuant to GC Section 65400. If the Department can provide assistance in implementing the housing element, please contact Brett Arriaga, of our staff, at (916) 263-7439.

Sincerely,


Glen A. Campora
Assistant Deputy Director