





September 29, 2020

Mayor Jesse Arreguin, Chair Association of Bay Area Governments Housing Methodology Committee 375 Beale Street, Suite 700 San Francisco, CA 94105

RE: Support of the Plan Bay Area 2050 Baseline Data Methodology (Future Housing Growth 2015-2050 Plan Bay Area 2050 Baseline Data Methodology)

Chair Arreguin:

The City of Pleasant Hill has adopted the attached resolution that is consistent with a letter of support sent by the Contra Costa County Mayors Conference (dated August 7, 2020) and attached for reference.

Sincerely,

Troy Fujimoto
Acting City Planner

Attachment: City of Pleasant Hill City Council Resolution No. 79-20

Contra Costa County Mayors Conference Letter of Support, August 7, 2020

CC: File

RESOLUTION NO. 79-20

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PLEASANT HILL SUPPORTING THE CONTRA COSTA COUNTY JURISDICTIONS' SUPPORT FOR THE 'PLAN BAY AREA 2050' HOUSING ALLOCATION METHODOLOGY THAT MATCHES HOUSING ASSIGNMENTS PROXIMATE TO JOB CENTERS

WHEREAS, the Contra Costa County Jurisdictions recognize and respect the local needs and character of each community, and have a shared interest in maintaining local control of decision-making related to all aspects of the management of each jurisdiction, including but not limited to financial, land use and development, and growth-related matters; and

WHEREAS, in June 2020, the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) determined that the San Francisco Bay region must plan to accommodate 441,176 housing units over the upcoming 8-year housing element cycle (2022-2030); and

WHEREAS, according to Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG), this represents a 135% increase from the previous housing element assignment; and

WHEREAS, ABAG has formed a Housing Methodology Committee (HMC) that is charged with evaluating and making a recommendation on how these housing units would be allocated to the Bay Area's 101 cities and 9 counties; and

WHEREAS, at a very high level, the HMC is considering a variety of options and factors for allocating housing units; and

WHEREAS, selecting a 'baseline data' methodology has the greatest impact on Contra Costa communities and ensuring that there is a match between housing assignments and job centers; and

WHEREAS, the Contra Costa Mayors Conference at their August 6, 2020 meeting discussed and unanimously supported the 'Plan Bay Area 2050 Baseline Data Methodology'; and

WHEREAS, the Contra Costa Mayors Conference sent a letter of support for the 'Plan Bay Area 2050 Baseline Data Methodology' on August 7, 2020.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Pleasant Hill to re-affirm the Contra Costa Mayors' Conference letter of support for the support for the 'Future Housing Growth 2015-2050 Plan Bay Area 2050 Baseline Data Methodology' which is consistent with decades-long region-wide efforts to:

- Encourage housing development proximate to job centers, which would in turn:
 - Reduce transit and transportation congestion, helping to alleviate long region wide commute times; and
 - Reduce greenhouse gas emissions, consistent with AB 32, SB 375 and the Metropolitan Transportation Commission's (MTC) Plan Bay Area 2050 policy framework.

ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Pleasant Hill at a regular meeting held on the 14th day of September, 2020, by the following vote:

AYES:

Carlson, Flaherty, Harris, Noack, Rinn

NOES:

None

ABSENT:

None

ABSTAIN:

None

MATTHEW RINN, Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM;

JANET E. COLESON, City Attorney



2221 Spyglass Lane, El Cerrito, CA 94530

August 7, 2020

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RE: Support for the Plan Bay Area 2050 Baseline Data Methodology

Chair Arreguin,

The Contra Costa Mayors Conference, representing all 19 cities in Contra Costa county, wishes to convey our appreciation for the Housing Methodology Committee's work on evaluating housing allocation methodologies for the next RHNA cycle (2023-2031).

We recognize that it is a daunting task, not only because of the collective recognition to provide more housing that is affordable to a wide range of income levels but also because we can't forget that *where* we distribute the 441,176 housing unit assignment by California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) to the Bay Area is just as important to the overall quality of life for all residents in the Bay Area.

In light of these considerations, the Contra Costa Mayors Conference supports and endorses the use of **Plan Bay Area 2050** as the baseline data methodology because it is consistent with the decades-long region-wide effort to:

- 1. Encourage housing development in proximity to jobs, which would in turn;
- 2. **Reduce transit and transportation congestion**, helping to alleviate long region wide commutes; and
- 3. **Reduce greenhouse gas emissions**, consistent with both AB 32 and SB 375.

It is of great concern to Contra Costa communities that the alternative "2019 Baseline Household" method would *reverse* the decades-long region-wide effort to reduce traffic congestion and GHG emissions through a greater jobs-housing balance. We appreciate your consideration of our perspective and recommendation.

Sincerely,

/Signed/

Gabriel Quinto, Conference Chair Contra Costa Mayors Conference

Contra Costa Mayors Conference Membership

City of Antioch

City of Oakley

City of Brentwood

City of Orinda

City of Clayton

City of Pinole

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City of Pittsburg

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