

1 E. The City Council has considered updating the Environment Justice Element to
2 conform to the Housing Element.

3 F. The Housing Element substantially complies with all requirements of State Housing
4 Element Law as interpreted by HCD.

5 G. The General Plan is internally consistent.

6 **SECTION 3.** The City of Rialto is the Lead Agency for the Project, as determined by
7 CEQA. Based on the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration for the 2021-2029 (6th
8 Cycle) General Plan Housing Element (Environmental Assessment Review No. 25-0020), it has
9 been determined that 2021-2029 (6th Cycle) General Plan Housing Element will not have
10 significant adverse impact on the environment with mitigation incorporated. The 2021-2029 (6th
11 Cycle) General Plan Housing Element is within the scope of the IS/MND and no subsequent
12 environmental review is required per CEQA Guidelines Sections 15162–15164 as provided by
13 Resolution No. _____ which incorporated herein by reference. The adoption of the proposed
14 revision to the Environment Justice Element, as provided in Exhibit “B”, is not a project under
15 CEQA. The revision is not an action which has the potential to result in a direct physical change
16 in the environment or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment.
17 (Public Resources Code section 21065; CEQA Guidelines, 14 Cal. Code of Regs. Section
18 15378.)

19 **SECTION 4.** The City Council of the City of Rialto, thereby, ratifies the adoption of the
20 2021-2029 Housing Element Update, General Plan Amendment No. 25-0001.

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22 **SECTION 5.** The City Council hereby adopts the enclosed ordinance (Exhibit “B”) entitled:
23 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIALTO, CALIFORNIA,
24 AMENDING THE ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE ELEMENT OF THE RIALTO GENERAL
25 PLAN TO MODIFY GOAL 9-14, “FAIR HOUSING OPTIONS FOR ALL,” BY ADDING
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1 POLICY 9-14.4 TO ENSURE THAT THE DEVELOPMENT OF SITES FOR LOW-INCOME
2 HOUSEHOLDS IS CONSISTENT WITH THE POLICIES AND GOALS OF THE
3 ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE ELEMENT AND CONFORMS TO THE HOUSING
4 ELEMENT.

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6 **SECTION 6.** Once adopted, the 6th Cycle Housing Element reflected in Exhibit A would
7 supersede and replace any prior versions of the Housing Element of the General Plan.

8 **SECTION 7.** It is recommended that the City Council authorize the City Manager to make
9 any non-substantive changes to the Housing Element that may be required by the State to achieve
10 final certification or that may be necessary to ensure internal consistency with other planning
11 documents.

12 **SECTION 8.** The Mayor shall sign the passage and adoption of this resolution and
13 thereupon the same shall take effect and be in force.

14 **PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED** this 24th day of February, 2026.

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18 JOE BACA, MAYOR

19 **ATTEST:**

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22 BARBARA MCGEE, CITY CLERK

23 **APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

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26 ERIC S. VAIL, CITY ATTORNEY

1 STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
2 COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO) ss
3 CITY OF RIALTO)
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5 I, BARBARA MCGEE, City Clerk of the City of Rialto, do hereby certify that the foregoing
6 Resolution No. ____ was duly passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the
7 City of Rialto held on the ____ day of _____, 2026.

8 Upon motion of Councilmember _____, seconded by Councilmember
9 _____, the foregoing Resolution No. ____ was duly passed and adopted.

10 Vote on the motion:

11 AYES:

12 NOES:

13 ABSENT:

14 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the Official Seal of the City of
15 Rialto this ____th day of _____, 2026.

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BARBARA MCGEE, CITY CLERK

Exhibit "A"

The Housing Element Update is attached to the Legislative Report as "Exhibit A" or available to view online by clicking this link: <https://www.rialtoca.gov/633/Plan-to-House-Our-Rialto-Housing-Element>.

1 Exhibit "B"

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3 **ORDINANCE NO. _____**

4 **AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY**
5 **OF RIALTO, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE**
6 **ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE ELEMENT OF THE RIALTO**
7 **GENERAL PLAN TO MODIFY GOAL 9-14, "FAIR**
8 **HOUSING OPTIONS FOR ALL," BY ADDING POLICY 9-**
9 **14.4 TO ENSURE THAT THE DEVELOPMENT OF SITES**
10 **FOR LOW-INCOME HOUSEHOLDS IS CONSISTENT**
11 **WITH THE POLICIES AND GOALS OF THE**
12 **ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE ELEMENT AND**
13 **CONFORMS TO THE HOUSING ELEMENT.**

14 **WHEREAS**, there is a shortage of affordable housing in the City of Rialto ("City") as
15 documented in the 2021-2029 (6th Cycle) General Plan Housing Element; and

16 **WHEREAS**, the 2021-2029 (6th Cycle) General Plan Housing Element is a mandatory
17 element of the City's General Plan and the City's main housing policy and planning document that
18 identifies housing needs and constraints, sets forth goals, policies and programs that address these
19 needs and constraints, and plans for projected housing needs for all income levels based on the City's
20 assigned Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA); and

21 **WHEREAS**, California Government Code Section 65580(d) states that all cities have a
22 responsibility to use the powers vested in them to facilitate the improvement and development of
23 housing and to make adequate provisions for the housing needs of all economic segments of the
24 community; and

25 **WHEREAS**, consistent with State Law, Housing Goal 2 is to "Promote and encourage
26 housing development that adequately meets the needs of all socioeconomic segments of the
27 community and region"; and

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“Goal 9-14: Fair housing options for all

Policy 9-14.1: Continue to enforce fair housing laws prohibiting arbitrary discrimination in the building, financing, selling, or renting of housing based on race, religion, family status, national origin, disability, or other protected class (Housing Element Policy 5.1).

Policy 9-14.2: Ensure that residents are aware of their rights and responsibilities regarding fair housing (Housing Element Policy 5.2).

Policy 9-14.3: Continue to cooperate with the Inland Mediation Board to enforce fair housing laws and provide fair housing education services (Housing Element Policy 5.3). Emphasize tenant rights within the outreach materials so that renters are not penalized for reporting dwelling units that do not meet health and safety standards. Effort should be made to translate materials into the languages of the communities.

Policy 9-14.4: Ensure that development sites for low-income households (Housing Element Policy 2.12 – Site Suitability Criteria), is consistent with the policies and goals of this element. This consistency includes but is not limited to sites that are: free from pollution and toxins, protected from air pollution including trucking routes, free from hazardous waste and water pollution, accessible to quality public transit, accessible to healthy food, and accessible to bicycle routes.”

1 STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
2 COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO) ss
3 CITY OF RIALTO)
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5 I, BARBARA MCGEE, City Clerk of the City of Rialto, do hereby certify that the foregoing
6 Ordinance No. _____ was duly passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of
7 the City of Rialto held on the ____ day of February, 2026.

8 Upon motion of Councilmember _____, seconded by Councilmember
9 _____, the foregoing Ordinance No. _____ was duly passed and adopted.

10 Vote on the motion:

11 AYES:

12 NOES:

13 ABSENT:

14 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the Official Seal of the City of
15 Rialto this _____ day of _____, 2026.

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