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Ms. Gina Gibson-Williams, Planning Manager Planning Division City of Rialto 150 S. Palm Avenue Rialto. CA 92376

Dear Ms. Gibson-Williams:

RE: City of Rialto's 5th Cycle (2013-2021) Revised Draft Housing Element

Thank you for submitting the City of Rialto's revised draft housing element update received for review on May 19, 2017, along with revisions received on July 11 and 17, 2017. Pursuant to Government Code (GC) Section 65585(b), the Department is reporting the results of its review. Our review was facilitated by multiple telephone conversations with David Barquist and Arlene Granadosin-Jones of Kimley Horn.

The revised draft element meets the statutory requirements of State housing element law. The revised element will comply with State housing element law (Article 10.6 of the Government Code) when these revisions are adopted and submitted to the Department, in accordance with GC Section 65585(g).

To remain on an eight year planning cycle, pursuant to Senate Bill 375 (Chapter 728, Statutes of 2008) the City must adopt its housing element within 120 calendar days from the statutory due date of October 15, 2013 for SCAG localities. Since the element was not adopted within this time frame, GC Section 65588(e)(4) requires the housing element be revised every four years. To regain an eight-year planning cycle update, the city must adopt at least two consecutive revisions by the statutory deadline. For more information on housing element adoption requirements, please visit the Department's website at http://www.hcd.ca.gov/hpd/hrc/plan/he/he review adoptionsteps110812.pdf.

Public participation in the development, adoption and implementation of the housing element is essential to effective housing planning. Throughout the housing element process, the City must continue to engage the community, including organizations that represent lower-income and special needs households, by making information regularly available and considering and incorporating comments where appropriate.

For your information, some other elements of the general plan must be updated on or before the next adoption of the housing element. The safety and conservation elements of the general plan must include analysis and policies regarding fire and flood hazard management (GC Section 65302(g)). Also, the land-use element must address disadvantaged communities (unincorporated island or fringe communities within spheres

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of influence areas or isolated long established legacy communities) based on available data, including, but not limited to, data and analysis applicable to spheres of influence areas pursuant to GC Section 56430. Additional information can be obtained from these two Technical Advisories issued by the Governor's Office of Planning and Research at: http://opr.ca.gov/docs/SB244 Technical Advisory.pdf
http://opr.ca.gov/docs/Final-6.26.15.pdf.

The Department appreciates the hard work and dedication Mr. David Barquist and Ms. Arlene Granadosin-Jones provided in preparation of the housing element and looks forward to receiving Rialto's adopted housing element. If you have any questions or need technical assistance, please contact Greg Nickless, of our staff, at (916) 274-6244.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Seeger

Assistant Deputy Director

cc: David Barquist, Kimley Horn