



Report to City Council

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Angelica Frausto-Lupo, Community Development Director

AGENDA DATE: March 18, 2025

TITLE: ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT AS REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT CODE 65400 (REPORT OF: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT)

TITLE SUMMARY: Annual Progress Report As Required By Government Code 65400

Recommendation(s)

That the City Council:

1. Adopt Resolution No. 2025-XX, approving the General Plan Annual Report and directing staff to submit the Annual Report to the Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation (LCI) and the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) by April 1, 2025.

SUMMARY

The City is required by State law (Government Code Section 65400) to prepare an annual progress report on the status of the City's General Plan and its implementation ("Annual Report"). The Annual Report must be submitted to the Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation (LCI) and the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD). The Annual Report must be presented to the City Council for its review and acceptance before it is submitted to the above-referenced state agencies.

BACKGROUND

Under State law, the City is required to adopt and maintain a comprehensive, long-term General Plan for its physical development, including consideration of any land located outside its boundaries that bears a relationship to its planning activities. The General Plan

is at the top of the hierarchy of the City’s land use regulations; zoning and other land use decisions must conform to the General Plan. In essence, the City’s General Plan serves as the blueprint for future growth and development. As a blueprint for the future, the General Plan contains goals, objectives, policies, and programs designed to provide decision-makers with information and a basis for all land use related decisions.

City’s General Plan

The following is a summary of the current adoption status of the different required elements of the 2006 General Plan:

1. Community Development (2006)
2. Circulation (2006)
3. Parks, Recreation and Open Space (2006)
4. Safety (2006)
5. Noise (2006)
6. Conservation (2006)
7. 6th Cycle Housing Element 2021-2029 (certified by HCD on October 11, 2022)

ANNUAL REPORT CONTENTS

The 2024 General Plan Annual Progress Report summarizes the City’s progress toward implementing the goals, policies, and programs of the General Plan. It covers the period of January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024. The Annual Report includes a report of all General Plan amendments approved by the Planning Commission and City Council in 2024. Four (4) General Plan Amendments and two (2) Municipal Code Amendments were approved during the annual reporting period.

General Plan and Municipal Code Amendments

The General Plan and Municipal Code Amendments that were approved during the reporting period are as follows:

Case No.	Action	Description	Location
PEN22-0156 PEN22-0157 PEN22-0158 PEN22-0159	February 8, 2024 – Planning Commission recommended approval. March 5, 2024 – City Council approval with the second reading of the ordinance on March 19, 2024.	Heritage Park Neighborhood I: General Plan Amendment, Change of Zone, Conditional Use Permit, and Tentative Tract Map 38458 to subdivide approximately 9.42 acres for a Planned Unit Development comprised of 78 detached single-family residences.	South side of Iris Avenue, east of Indian Street
PEN23-0069 PEN23-0070 PEN23-0071 PEN23-0072	February 8, 2024 – Planning Commission recommended approval. March 5, 2024 – City Council approval with the second reading of the ordinance on March 19, 2024.	Heritage Park Neighborhood II: General Plan Amendment, Change of Zone, Tentative Tract Map 38702, and Conditional Use Permit to subdivide approximately 13.73 acres for a Planned Unit Development comprised of 131 detached single-family residences.	Southeast corner of Goya Avenue and Indian Street

Case No.	Action	Description	Location
PEN24-0036	March 21, 2024 – Planning Commission recommended approval. April 16, 2024 – City Council approval with the second reading of the ordinance on June 4, 2024.	A Municipal Code Amendment - Temporary Sign Regulations.	Citywide
PEN24-0033	May 9, 2024 – Planning Commission recommended approval. June 4, 2024 – City Council approval with the second reading of the zoning ordinance on June 18, 2024.	A Municipal Code Amendment - Various amendments including revisions to Chapter 9.02 (Permits and Approvals), Chapter 9.03 (Residential Districts), Chapter 9.09 (Specific Use Development Standards), Chapter 9.11 (Parking, Pedestrian and Loading Requirements), Chapter 9.14 (Land Divisions) and Chapter 9.15 (Definitions) of the Moreno Valley Municipal Code.	Citywide
PEN22-0133 PEN22-0134 PEN22-0136 PEN22-0130	July 25, 2024 – Planning Commission recommended approval. September 17, 2024 – City Council approval.	Sunset Crossing (North): A Planned Unit Development and Tentative Tract Map to subdivide approximately 28.2 acres into 135 residential lots for the development of a residential community, including park facilities and public improvements, with associated land use designation and zoning amendments.	South side of Cottonwood Avenue, east of Nason Street, north of Bay Avenue
PEN23-0127 PEN23-0109 PEN23-0118 PEN23-0119 PEN24-0041	October 24, 2024 – Planning Commission approved. November 19, 2024 - City Council approval with the second reading of the ordinance on December 3, 2024.	Aquabella (SP 218): Master planned community to accommodate development of a 15,000 multi-family and workforce housing units, a 24-acre mixed-use commercial and retail town center (with a 300-room hotel), 80 acres of parks, and 40 acres for schools.	South side of Cactus Avenue and north side of Iris Avenue between Lasselle Street and Oliver Street

Housing

The California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) requires the reporting of development activity related to Housing Element implementation on specific State reporting forms. The method of reporting Housing Element implementation is established by HCD with the purpose of tracking overall housing production in a community, as well as, more specifically, the City's progress towards meeting its Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA). The City's Housing Element Implementation Progress Report is included as Exhibit A to the Annual Report (Attachment 1).

In summary, 650 new residential permits were issued in 2024, including 182 multiple-family (apartment) units, 382 single-family dwelling units, and 86 Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs). The City's progress in meeting its 2021-2029 RHNA goals are summarized in the table below.

Income Level	2021-2029 RHNA (# units)	Projection Period (6/30/21-10/14/21)	2021 – 2023 Units (10/15/21-12/31/23)	New Units 2024	Total Units to Date	Remaining RHNA Need (Cycle 6)
Very Low	3,779			0		3,779
Low	2,051		32	0	32	2,019
Moderate	2,165	11	523	134	668	1,497
Above-Moderate	5,632	38	878	516	1,432	4,200
Total	13,627	49	1433	650	2,132	11,495

ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN 2024

The purpose of the Annual Report is to highlight significant accomplishments and summarize ongoing General Plan projects that the City worked on between January 2024 and December 2024. Major accomplishments include key projects demonstrating how the City is implementing the policy and realizing the vision of the General Plan.

Highlighted below are some of the items from the Annual Report.

Community Development Department (Planning)

1. Six (6) General Plan related projects approved by the City Council.
2. Nine (9) major projects were approved by the Planning Commission.

Public Works

- SR-60 & Moreno Beach Drive Interchange Improvements (\$32M)
- Juan Bautista de Anza Trail APT 4 (\$6.7M)
- Traffic Signal and ADA Ramps Updates at Pigeon Pass Rd and Ironwood Ave (\$300,000)
- Citywide Pavement Rehabilitation Program FY 23-24 (\$11M)
- The City of Moreno Valley received funding for the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Safe Streets for All (SS4A) for Moreno Valley Citywide Traffic Signal Safety Improvement Plan.

Parks & Community Services

1. Windsong Park opened to the public.
2. The City continued a \$6M+ Park Rehabilitation and Refurbishment Program.
3. Moreno Valley is a proud recipient of California's first-ever Arts in California Parks Local Parks Grant Program.
4. Hundreds of residents of all ages attended the quarterly Beautify MoVal Community Days of Service, which furthered the beautification of parks throughout the City.
5. The Moreno Valley Public Library (MVPL) installed 10 more Little Free Libraries (LFL) in City Parks, bringing the City-sponsored total to 15.
6. The Moreno Valley Public Library (MVPL) joined the California Library Literacy Services program, becoming eligible for ongoing funding for three fiscal years (2021/2022, 2022/2023, 2023/2024), to support Read MoVal/Talk MoVal adult literacy and family literacy services. In August 2024, Moreno Valley was awarded its highest California Library Literacy Services award yet, \$35,750.

Financial and Management Services Department/City Manager's Department

1. The City of Moreno Valley expanded free WiFi Gardens to six additional local parks and facilities in April and October 2024: El Potrero Park, Morrison Park, Rock Ridge Park, Patriot Park, Westbluff Park, and Woodland Park.
2. Assisted 3,438 households with Fair Housing Services.
3. Aided 58,092 individuals through public services, including senior services, youth services, and the MoVal Policing program.

In conclusion, the General Plan Annual Report satisfies the State-mandated annual report on the implementation status of Moreno Valley's General Plan. The actions, plans, programs, and projects documented in the Annual Report represent the City's commitment to achieving the goals and objectives set forth in the State required mandated General Plan Elements.

ENVIRONMENTAL

In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the CEQA Guidelines, it has been determined that this item does not constitute a "Project" under CEQA in that it does not involve any discretionary action that has the potential to cause a direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment, but rather it is a ministerial annual "reporting" duty the City must perform under State law.

ALTERNATIVES

1. Submit the report to the State Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation (LCI) and State Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) by April 1, 2025. Staff recommends this alternative.
2. Do not approve the General Plan Annual Report, do not submit the Annual Report to the Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation (LCI) and the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD), and provide an alternate direction. Staff does not recommend this alternative as it would put the City at risk of being out of compliance with State law based on the required submittal deadline of April 1, 2025.

FISCAL IMPACT

No fiscal impact is associated with the approval and recommendation of the General Plan Annual Report.

NOTIFICATION

Notice of this Annual Report was provided at least 72 hours prior to the March 18, 2025, regular City Council meeting by the posting of the March 18, 2025 Agenda at City Hall, the Moreno Valley Library, the Moreno Valley Senior/Community Center, and on the City's website at: www.moval.org.

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CITY COUNCIL GOALS

Community Image, Neighborhood Pride and Cleanliness: Promote a sense of community pride and foster an excellent image about our City by developing and executing programs which will result in quality development, enhanced neighborhood preservation efforts, including home rehabilitation and neighborhood restoration.

Positive Environment: Create a positive environment for the development of Moreno Valley's future.

CITY COUNCIL STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

1. Beautification, Community Engagement, and Quality of Life

Report Approval Details

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