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Barbara Harb, Economic Development Manager City Manager's Office City of Manteca 1001 West Center St. Manteca, CA 95337

Dear Barbara Harb:

## RE: City of Manteca's 6th Cycle (2023-2031) Revised Draft Housing Element

Thank you for submitting the City of Manteca's (City) revised draft housing element update received for review on September 6, 2024. Pursuant to Government Code section 65585, the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) is reporting the results of its review.

The revised draft element meets the statutory requirements that were described in HCD's June 24, 2024 review. The housing element will substantially comply with State Housing Element Law (Gov. Code, § 65580 et seq) when it is adopted, submitted to and approved by HCD, in accordance with Government Code section 65585.

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 while considering and incorporating comments where appropriate. Please be aware, any revisions to the element must be posted on the local government's website and to email a link to all individuals and organizations that have previously requested notices relating to the local government's housing element at least seven days before submitting to HCD.

For your information, pursuant to Assembly Bill 1398 (Chapter 358, Statutes of 2021), as the City did not adopt a compliant housing element within 120 days of the statutory deadline (December 31, 2023), Program 3 (Manage Available Residential Land) to make prior identified sites available and accommodate the regional housing needs allocation (RHNA) must be completed no later than one year from the statutory deadline. Otherwise, the local government's housing element will no longer comply with State Housing Element Law, and HCD may revoke its finding of substantial compliance pursuant to Government Code section 65585, subdivision (i). Please be aware, if the

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City does not adopt a compliant housing element within one year from the statutory deadline, the element cannot be found in substantial compliance until the necessary rezones are completed pursuant to Government Code sections 65583, subdivision (c)(1) and 65583.2, subdivision (c).

For your information, pursuant to Government Code section 65583.3, the City must submit an electronic sites inventory with its adopted housing element. The City must utilize standards, forms, and definitions adopted by HCD. Please see HCD's housing element webpage at <a href="https://www.hcd.ca.gov/planning-and-community-development/housing-elements">https://www.hcd.ca.gov/planning-and-community-development/housing-elements</a> for a copy of the form and instructions. The City can reach out to HCD at <a href="mailto:sitesinventory@hcd.ca.gov">sitesinventory@hcd.ca.gov</a> for technical assistance.

Several federal, state, and regional funding programs consider housing element compliance as an eligibility or ranking criteria. For example, the CalTrans Senate Bill (SB) 1 Sustainable Communities grant, the Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities programs, and HCD's Permanent Local Housing Allocation consider housing element compliance and/or annual reporting requirements pursuant to Government Code section 65400. With a compliant housing element, the City will meet housing element requirements for these and other funding sources.

For your information, some general plan element updates are triggered by housing element adoption. HCD reminds the City to consider timing provisions and welcomes the opportunity to provide assistance. For information, please see the Technical Advisories issued by the Governor's Office of Planning and Research at: <a href="https://www.opr.ca.gov/planning/general-plan/guidelines.html">https://www.opr.ca.gov/planning/general-plan/guidelines.html</a>.

HCD appreciates the hard work and dedication of the City, in preparation of the City's housing element and looks forward to receiving the City's adopted housing element. If you have any questions or need additional technical assistance, please contact Sayed Murad, of our staff, at <a href="mailto:sayed.murad@hcd.ca.gov">sayed.murad@hcd.ca.gov</a>.

Sincerely,

Paul McDougall

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