



2023-2031 Housing Element Adoption

City Council | January 10, 2023

Presentation Agenda



- Review of Housing Element Update Process
- Review Highlights of Draft 2023-2031 Housing Element
- Summary of Changes and Revisions

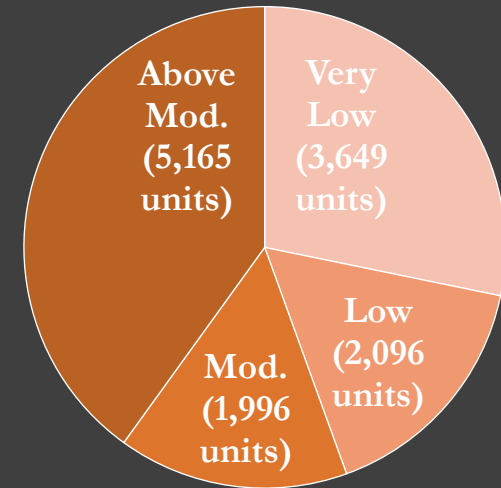


Housing Element Update



- An eight-year plan to meet the housing needs of everyone in the community
- State HCD must certify by January 31, 2023
- Must demonstrate capacity to accommodate RHNA

2023-2031 RHNA



Review of Update Process



Commission Meetings

Feb-April 2022



Extensive Public Outreach

Jan-July 2022

**City of Fremont
Housing Element
2023-2031**

**An Eight-Year Plan to Meet the Housing Needs of Everyone in
the Community**

Public Review Draft, July 2022

Public Review
Draft

July 2022

Housing Element Highlights



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Goals, policies, and programs

- Maintain and improve existing housing (Goals 1, 2, and 5)
- Facilitate new affordable housing (Goals 3 and 4)

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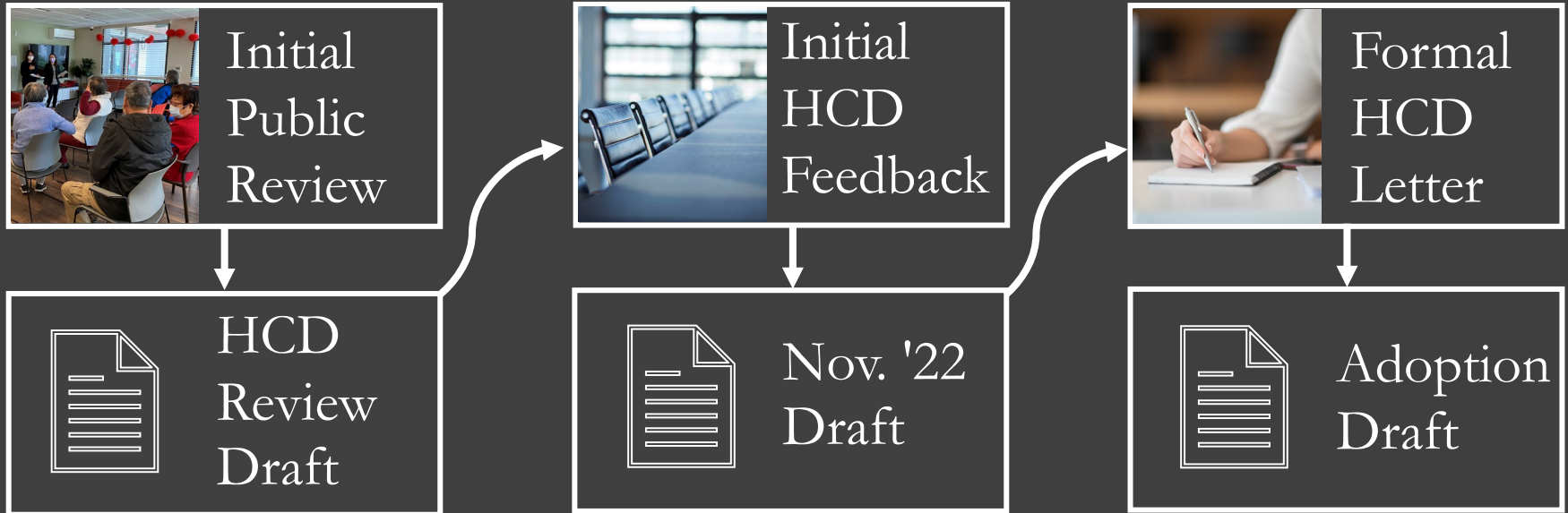
Housing sites identification

- Over 90% of new housing units within areas of high opportunity
- Over 75% of new housing units in proximity to transit

Revised Draft Housing Element



Additional review and revisions:



Significant Revisions



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Goals, policies,
and programs

- Clarified geographic impacts of specific programs (Programs 35, 37, and 39)
- Added timelines and objectives (Programs 39, 52, 53, and 62)
- Strengthened actions to facilitate housing development on public land (Program 63)
- Strengthened program expanding housing opportunities for disabled people (Program 69)

Significant Revisions



Constraints analysis

- Clarified discretionary vs. by-right processes
- Expanded analysis of infrastructure constraints
- Discussed maintaining general plan consistency



Fair housing analysis

- Ranked contributing factors
- Added regional analysis of disparate needs
- Strengthened connections to proposed policies

Housing Element Adoption



1. Hold public hearing;
2. Find that the amendments are exempt from the requirements of CEQA;
3. Find that the Housing Element is consistent with the General Plan;
4. Find that the adoption of the Housing Element furthers the public interest, convenience, and general welfare of the city;
5. Adopt a resolution amending the General Plan to adopt the 2023-2031 Housing Element; and
6. Direct staff to apply for available grant funding for implementation of Housing Element programs.

Environmental Review



Find that the amendments are exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), per:

- CEQA Guidelines Section 15183, in that the proposed Housing Element update is consistent with the density established by the General Plan, for which an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) (SCH#2010082060) was previously prepared and certified
- CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3), in that it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the project would have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment.



Questions and Discussion
