

# Notice of Foster City Planning Commission Study Session Regarding the Housing Element Update

**April 16, 2009  
Council Chambers  
620 Foster City, CA 94404  
7:30 PM**

The Foster City Planning Commission will hold the third Study Session concerning the update to the Housing Element of the General Plan. The State of California requires that all jurisdictions update the Housing Element of their General Plans. Within these Housing Elements, the State mandates that local governments plan for their share of the region's housing need for all income categories. In the case of the San Francisco Bay Area, the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) and the State Housing and Community Development Department (HCD), determine the number of housing units that should be produced in the region.

Foster City is required to plan for 486 units in the 2007 – 2014 period. In addition to determining each jurisdiction's overall housing allocation, ABAG is also required distribute the units according to income level (e.g. very low, low, and moderate). The distribution for Foster City is as follows: 111 units affordable to very-low income households, 80 units affordable to low-income households, 94 units for moderate-income households, and 201 units for above-moderate income households.

At the meeting on April 16, 2009, the Planning Commission will review options to comply with Government Code Section 65582, 65583, and 65589.5, Chapter 614, Statutes of 2007 (SB 2) that requires all jurisdictions to have a zone in place to permit at least one year-round emergency shelter without a conditional use permit or any discretionary permit requirements.

Possible future meetings dates regarding the Housing Element are shown below:

Study Session #4: 5/5/09 – Review of Draft Housing Element  
Planning Commission Public Meeting: 5/21/09 – Recommend Approval of Draft Element  
City Council Public Meeting: 6/1/09 – Approve Draft Element  
Planning Commission Study Meeting: 9/03/09 – Review Comments from State  
Planning Commission Public Hearing: 9/17/09 – Recommend Approval of Housing Element  
City Council Public Hearing: 10/19/09 – Approve Housing Element

The Staff Report for this meeting will be available after 5:00 PM on Friday, April 10, 2009 and will be available to review on the City's web site [www.fostercity.org](http://www.fostercity.org). Interested persons are encouraged to sign up for the e-mail listserv for the project in order to be notified about subsequent meetings regarding this project. If you wish to be placed on the listserv for this project please contact Shannon Templin at [stemplin@fostercity.org](mailto:stemplin@fostercity.org). Questions or comments regarding the project should be addressed to Curtis Banks, Senior Planner at (650) 286-3239 or [cbanks@fostercity.org](mailto:cbanks@fostercity.org).