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Mr. James C. Hardy, City Manager
City of Foster City
610 Foster City Boulevard
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Dear Mr. Hardy:

RE: City of Foster City's 5th Cycle (2015-2023) Adopted Housing Element

Thank you for submitting Foster City's housing element adopted February 2, 2015 which was received for review on February 5, 2015. Pursuant to Government Code (GC) Section 65585(h), the Department is reporting the results of its review.

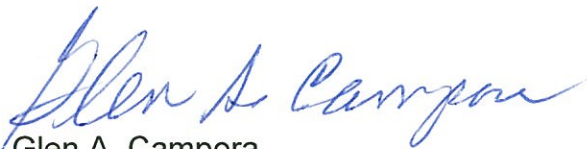
The Department is pleased to find the adopted housing element in full compliance with State housing element law (GC, Article 10.6). The Department's review found the adopted housing element to be substantially the same as the revised draft element the Department's September 24, 2014 review determined met statutory requirements.

The element demonstrates adequate sites to accommodate the City's regional housing need for lower-income households. The element includes Programs H-D-2-a and H-D-2-b that commit the City to adopt and implement an Affordable Housing Overlay Zone Combining District (AHO) by February 2, 2018 to accommodate at least 93 units for lower-income household. The City must monitor and report on the results of this and other programs through the annual progress report, required pursuant to GC Section 65400.

Please note the City now meets specific requirements for several State and Regional funding programs designed to reward local governments for compliance with State housing element law. For example, the Housing Related Parks Program includes housing element compliance as a threshold requirement. Please see the Department's website for specific information about these and other State funding programs at http://www.hcd.ca.gov/hpd/hrc/plan/he/loan_grant_hcompi011708.pdf

The Department appreciates the hard work and dedication Curtis Banks, Community Development Director, and Leslie Carmichael, Consulting Planner, provided in preparation of the housing element. The Department wishes Foster City success in implementing its element and looks forward to following its progress through the General Plan annual progress reports pursuant to GC Section 65400. If the Department can provide assistance in implementing the element, please contact Greg Nickless, of our staff, at (916) 274-6244.

Sincerely,



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Assistant Deputy Director

cc: Curtis Banks, Community Development Director