

Capitola City Council

Agenda Report



Meeting: March 26, 2026

From: Community and Economic Development Department

Subject: Housing Element Annual Progress Report 2025

Recommended Action: Receive report and direct staff to submit the annual report to the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) by April 1, 2026.

Background: The Housing Element Annual Progress Report (APR) is a required submission to the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) that tracks the City's progress in implementing its Housing Element and meeting its Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) goals. The APR provides details on housing production, permit activity, and implementation of housing programs. The report is due to HCD and the Governor's Office of Planning and Research by April 1 each year.

Discussion: As part of Capitola's 6th Cycle Housing Element (2023–2031), the City has committed to various programs and policies to facilitate housing production, affordability, and preservation. The APR includes data on building permits issued, housing unit completions, and updates on housing programs. The report also helps ensure compliance with state housing laws and maintains eligibility for state funding opportunities.

Staff will present the highlights of the APR at the City Council meeting. The APR will be published as additional materials before the meeting. Upon Council's acceptance of this report, staff will submit the APR to HCD in compliance with state housing law.

Fiscal Impact: There is no fiscal impact associated with this presentation.

Alignment with 2025-2029 Strategic Plan Priority: Accountable Government; Attainable Housing; and Healthy Families, Community, and Environment.

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