



STAFF REPORT
1/18/2023

TO: Planning Commission Chair and Commissioners

FROM: Gabriel Perez, Development Services Director

SUBJECT: City of Coachella 6th Cycle Housing Element – Continue to date uncertain

SPECIFICS: General Plan Amendment No. 21-02 and Environmental Assessment No. 22-03 for consideration of the City of Coachella 6th Cycle Housing Element

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Planning Commission continue consideration of the City of Coachella 6th Cycle Housing Element to a date uncertain. A draft of the Housing Element Update has been prepared and the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) recently provided second round comments to staff in December 2022. Staff is working to address HCD comments in the Housing Element and will need to submit a new draft to HCD for a third round of review.

BACKGROUND:

The City of Coachella Development Services Department has prepared the 6th Cycle Housing Element to comply with State requirements to address existing and future housing needs for persons of all economic groups in the City of Coachella. The Housing Element is a tool for use by community members and public officials in understanding and meeting the housing needs in Coachella. The current draft of the Coachella Housing Element is posted on the City's website <https://www.coachellahousingelement.com/>.