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January 22, 2023

Re: Agenda Item # 3 – Sixth Cycle Housing Element 2023-2031

Dear Mayor Meadows and Members of the Los Altos City Council:

The LWV was pleased to see that at its January 10<sup>th</sup> meeting the Council was supportive of the language we suggested for Program 1.H: Facilitate housing on City-owned sites and Program 2.C Assist in securing funding for affordable housing projects by waiving City fees. We urge the Council to formally adopt the Housing Element presented by Staff. We are optimistic that the Revised 6<sup>th</sup> Cycle Housing Element will be substantially compliant with State law and will provide a roadmap for production of much-needed housing in Los Altos.

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January 22, 2023

Dear Mayor Meadows and Councilmembers,

Thank you for your hard work as well as that of the Staff to ensure that our Housing Element fulfills the requirements from the State and creates a plan for our city for development. We urge you to adopt the update to the Housing Element, which will allow submission to HCD before the deadline of January 31st.

The process to update the Housing Element, which of course started more than a year ago with a different Council and many different staff members, has been thorough. We have observed the coordination, collaboration, and much detail-oriented work to create the current document. At LAAHA we are excited about the document that has been created. It lays out a plan for the future of development in our city that will allow more housing, particularly more housing of various types and various costs.

There is still much work ahead and an ambitious timeline to complete it, but we look forward to developments in the next 8 years that lead to continued vibrancy in Los Altos. Please adopt the Housing Element and let's get on with the work.

Respectfully, LAAHA Steering Committee