

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-__

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ALTOS
REPEALING IN ITS ENTIRETY THE LOYOLA CORNERS SPECIFIC PLAN,
CHAPTER 14.42 OF THE LOS ALTOS MUNICIPAL CODE, AND CITY COUNCIL
RESOLUTION NO. 2017-41 AND REINSTATING THE UNDERLYING ZONING
DISTRICTS TO ALL EFFECTED PARCELS TO IMPLEMENT PROGRAM 1.E OF
THE SIXTH CYCLE HOUSING ELEMENT UPDATE**

WHEREAS, the City Council is empowered pursuant to Article XI, Section 7 of the California Constitution to make and enforce within the City all local, police, sanitary, and other ordinances and regulations not in conflict with general laws; and

WHEREAS, on January 24, 2023, the City Council approved the City’s Sixth Cycle Housing Element Update; and

WHEREAS, the City Council held a duly noticed public hearing on November 14, 2023, and November 28, 2023; and

WHEREAS, Program 1.E of the Housing Element Update calls for Update of the Loyola Corners Specific Plan; and

WHEREAS, Program 1.E of the Housing Element Update requires the City of Los Altos to rescind and revert to underlying zoning districts to facilitate housing production; and

WHEREAS, Program 1.E of the Housing Element Update requires the City of Los Altos repeal all conflicting land use regulations present in the Loyola Corner area; and

WHEREAS, Program 1.E of the Housing Element Update requires the City of Los Altos repeal all land use regulations that are in opposition to Housing law; and

WHEREAS, the City Council repeals in its entirety the Loyola Corners Specific Plan; and

WHEREAS, Upon repeal of the Loyola Corners Specific Plan all effected parcels shall return to the underlying zoning districts as identified on the adopted City of Los Altos Zoning Map; and

WHEREAS, the City Council repeals in its entirety City Council Resolution 2017-41 which enacted development standards which violate the Housing Crisis Act and are not enforceable; and

WHEREAS, the City Council repeals in its entirety Chapter 14.42 – LC/SPZ Loyola Corners Specific Plan Zone District; and

WHEREAS, this Ordinance is exempt from environmental review pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of the State Guidelines implementing the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970, as amended; and

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Los Altos does hereby ordain as follows:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 14.42 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE. Chapter 14.42 of the Los Altos Municipal Code are hereby amended as set forth in Appendix A to this Ordinance, underline indicating addition, and strikethrough indicating deletion.

SECTION 2. CONSTITUTIONALITY; AMBIGUITIES. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions hereof. Any ambiguities in the Los Altos Municipal Code created by this Ordinance shall be resolved by the Director of Development Services, in their reasonable discretion, after consulting the City Attorney.

SECTION 3. PUBLICATION. This Ordinance shall be published as provided in Government Code Section 36933.

SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Ordinance shall be effective upon the commencement of the thirty-first day following the adoption hereof.

The foregoing Ordinance was duly and properly introduced at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Los Altos held on __, 2023, and was thereafter, at a regular meeting held on __, 2023, passed and adopted by the following vote:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT:
ABSTAIN:

Sally Meadows, MAYOR

Attest:

Melissa Thurman, MMC, CITY CLERK

APPENDIX A
AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTER 14.42