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SPECIAL MEETING

COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

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Tuesday, February 23, 2021

9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

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- 16. Hon. Rose Espinoza**
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- 17. Hon. Margaret Finlay**
Duarte, RC District 35
- 18. Hon. Alex Fisch**
Culver City, RC District 41
- 19. Hon. Mark Henderson**
Gardena, RC District 28
- 20. Hon. Peggy Huang**
TCA Representative
- 21. Hon. Cecilia Hupp**
Brea, OCCOG
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- 26. Hon. Anni Marshall**
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- 27. Hon. Andrew Masiel**
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- 32. George Nava**
Brawley, ICTC
- 33. Hon. Kim Nguyen**
Garden Grove, RC District 18
- 34. Hon. Trevor O'Neil**
Anaheim, RC District 19
- 35. Hon. Ed Paget**
Needles, SBCTA
- 36. Hon. Sunny Park**
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- 37. Hon. Michael Posey**
Huntington Beach, RC District 64
- 38. Hon. Misty Perez**
Port Hueneme, Pres. Appt. (Member at Large)
- 39. Hon. Jan Pye**
Desert Hot Springs, CVAG
- 40. Hon. Nithya Raman**
Los Angeles, RC District 51
- 41. Hon. Rita Ramirez**
Victorville, RC District 65
- 42. Hon. Rex Richardson**
Long Beach, RC District 29
- 43. Hon. Sonny Santa Ines**
Bellflower, GCCOG
- 44. Hon. Nicholas Schultz**
Burbank, AVCJPA
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- 48. Hon. Mark Waronek**
Lomita, SBCCOG

- 49. Hon. Acquanetta Warren**
Fontana, SBCTA

- 50. Hon. Christi White**
Murrieta, WRCOG

- 51. Hon. Tony Wu**
West Covina, SGVCOG

- 52. Hon. Frank Zerunyan**
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COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE AGENDA

Southern California Association of Governments
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Tuesday, February 23, 2021
9:30 AM

The Community, Economic and Human Development Committee may consider and act upon any of the items on the agenda regardless of whether they are listed as Information or Action items.

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE *(The Honorable Jorge Marquez, Chair)*

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

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REVIEW AND PRIORITIZE AGENDA ITEMS

CONSENT CALENDAR

Approval Item

1. Minutes of the February 4, 2021 Meeting

ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

2. Proposed Final 6th Cycle RHNA Allocation Plan
(Ma'Ayn Johnson, Housing Program Manager)

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Review and recommend that the Regional Council adopt the Final RHNA Allocation Plan as part of a public hearing to take place on March 4, 2021.

3. Report on RHNA Process and Consideration of Resolution
(Kome Ajise, Executive Director)

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RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Review and recommend that the Regional Council adopt a resolution to direct SCAG to:

1. Continue supporting local jurisdictions with their Housing Element development through Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) grant programs;
2. Engage with the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) to ensure clear understanding of challenges faced by local jurisdictions and that all development opportunities are fully considered;
3. Encourage HCD to pursue activities as part of a reform committee established under Assembly Bill (AB) 101 including and holding hearings in the SCAG region and inviting participation and input from stakeholders, particularly local jurisdictions which filed appeals; and
4. Work with the State Legislature to pursue legislative changes to State housing law to allow for more flexibility for housing element development and implementation.

CHAIR'S REPORT

(The Honorable Jorge Marquez, Chair)

STAFF REPORT

(K = , SCAG Staff)

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

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February 23, 2021

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING
COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT (CEHD) COMMITTEE
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2021**

THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE (CEHD). A VIDEO AND AUDIO RECORDING OF THE FULL MEETING IS AVAILABLE AT: <http://scag.iqm2.com/Citizens/>

The Community, Economic and Human Development (CEHD) Committee of the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) held its regular meeting telephonically and electronically given public health directives limiting public gatherings due to COVID-19 and in compliance with the Governor’s recent Executive Order N-29-20. A quorum was present.

Members Present

Hon. Jorge Marquez, Chair	<i>Covina</i>	District 33
Hon. Frank Yokoyama, Vice Chair	<i>Cerritos</i>	District 23
Hon. Adele Andrade-Stadler	<i>Alhambra</i>	District 34
Hon. David Avila	<i>Yucaipa</i>	SBCTA
Hon. Megan Beaman Jacinto	<i>Coachella</i>	District 66
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Hon. Jed Leano	<i>Claremont</i>	SGVCOG
Hon. Patricia Lock Dawson	<i>Riverside</i>	District 68

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Hon. Bill Miranda	<i>Santa Clarita</i>	SFVCOG
Hon. John Mirisch	<i>Beverly Hills</i>	Pres. Appt., Member-at-Large
Hon. George Nava	<i>Brawley</i>	ICTC
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Hon. Tony Wu	<i>West Covina</i>	SGVCOG
Hon. Frank Zerunyan	<i>Rolling Hills Estates</i>	SBCCOG

Members Not Present

Hon. Al Austin, II	<i>Long Beach</i>	GCCOG
Hon. Rose Espinoza	<i>La Habra</i>	OCCOG
Hon. Holly Mitchell		Los Angeles County
Hon. Anni Marshall	<i>Avalon</i>	GCCOG
Hon. Sunny Park	<i>Buena Park</i>	OCCOG
Hon. Nithya Raman	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 51
Hon. Rita Ramirez	<i>Victorville</i>	District 65
Hon. Rex Richardson	<i>Long Beach</i>	District 29

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Honorable Jorge Marquez, called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. and asked Councilmember Paula Devine, Glendale, District 42, to lead in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Chair Marquez opened the public comment period and asked anyone on their computers to speak by using the “raised hands” function on the computer and/or wait for SCAG staff to announce their name or phone number. Additionally, public comments received via email to CEHDPublicComment@scag.ca.gov after 5pm the previous night would be announced and included as part of the official record of the meeting.

Member of the public, Holly Osborne, Redondo Beach, expressed opposition to the official RHNA allocation numbers.

Chair Marquez closed the public comment period.

REVIEW AND PRIORITIZE AGENDA ITEMS

Chair Marquez announced that due to speaker availability, Agenda Items 4 and 5 would be reprioritized.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Approval Item

1. Minutes of the January 7, 2021 Meeting

Receive and File

2. Resolution for SCAG to Bridge the Digital Divide in Underserved Communities

A MOTION was made (Finlay) to approve the Consent Calendar. Motion was SECONDED (Bucknum) and passed by the following roll call votes:

AYES: ANDRADE-STADLER, AVILA, BETTS, BUCKNUM, CARROLL, DE RUSE, DEVINE, DIXON, FINLAY, FISCH, HUANG, HUPP, KELLY, LEANO, LOCK DAWSON, MAGANA, MARQUEZ, MEISTER, MIRANDA, MIRISCH, NAVA, NGUYEN, O’NEIL, PAGET, PYE, SHAPIRO, SHEVLIN, WARONEK, WARREN, WHITE, WU, YOKOYAMA AND ZERUNYAN (33).

NOES: NONE (0).

ABSTAIN: CLARK, POSEY, SOBEL, SPEAKE (4).

INFORMATION ITEMS

3. Emerging Mobility Patterns During COVID-19

Chair Marquez introduced Hannah Keyes, SCAG staff, who provided a brief introduction of the Emerging Mobility topic. Ms. Keyes introduced speaker Tiffany Chu, the CEO and co-founder of Remix, to provide a presentation that highlights the emerging neighborhood-centric mobility patterns seen during the COVID-19 pandemic, as it relates to key concepts of Connect SoCal.

Ms. Chu's presentation, titled "Emerging Mobility Patterns During COVID-19: The Benefits of the 15-Minute City," addressed the core concepts of the 15-minute community and some key benefits of adopting this approach related to mobility and equity.

Several Committee members expressed support for the 15-minute community concept but also expressed concerns relating to other opportunities that could strengthen communities, including remote work, more green space, economic development, concentration of jobs near where people live, and concerns regarding how well this concept would incorporate with general plans within municipalities.

Chair Marquez thanked Ms. Chu for her presentation and stated that members may follow-up with Ms. Chu directly for any additional ideas and/or questions they may have.

4. Community Development Financial Institutions

Chair Marquez introduced Jenna Hornstock, one of SCAG's newest staff members. Ms. Hornstock provided a brief introduction of the presentation and introduced Catherine Berman, CEO and Co-founder of CNote, to provide an overview about CNote and its work with Community Development Financial Institutions (CDFIs).

Ms. Berman's presentation provided an overview of CNote and its work with community lenders. She discussed strategies for establishing, working, and partnering with CDFIs as a tailored resource tool to deliver financial resources and products to underserved communities, people, and businesses that lack access to financing.

Ms. Berman provided a brief explanation of CDFI business models, market types, investments, and strategies to provide economic growth opportunities, wealth creation, and equity in economically distressed communities.

Ms. Berman concluded with a comprehensive list of resources that can help provide additional information on CDFI programs and products.

Chair Marquez thanked Ms. Berman for her presentation and stated that members may follow-up with Ms. Berman directly if they have additional questions.

5. Regional Early Action Plan (REAP) Program Summary and Update

Chair Marquez introduced Ma'Ayn Johnson, SCAG staff, who provided historical background and a brief overview of the REAP program and its framework. Ms. Johnson continued with an update on the RHNA Methodology and Allocations, and the 2020 housing element, and timelines.

Ms. Johnson introduced Jenna Hornstock and Lyle Janicek, SCAG staff, and stated that they would provide summaries and updates on key topics for the current and future REAP program implementation and activities.

Ms. Hornstock's presentation included highlights of some of the key REAP program areas implemented to date, including but not limited to: Partnerships & Outreach, Regional Housing Policy Solutions, Sustainable Communities Integration (SCS), and Next Steps.

Mr. Janicek provided detailed updates for the 2020 Sustainable Communities Programs - Housing and Sustainable Development programs, Transit Oriented Development Work Program and Partnerships, Key Dates and Timelines.

SCAG staff responded to comments and questions expressed by Committee members, including questions regarding the availability of obtaining designs and cost estimates for dwelling units, and a request for staff to streamline their efforts during the housing grants application process. Staff concurred and noted that information regarding cost estimates would be sent to the members.

The comprehensive staff report along with the PowerPoint presentation was included in the agenda packet.

6. SoCal Greenprint Update

Chair Marquez introduced India Brookover, SCAG staff, to provide an update on the SoCal Greenprint development process. Ms. Brookover provided background and a brief summary of the SoCal Greenprint initiative, which also worked with the Nature Conservancy in developing a strategic tool to serve as an online mapping resource to help users make better land use and transportation infrastructure decisions and support conservation investments based on the best available scientific data. Ms. Brookover's presentation included the following highlights:

- SoCal Greenprint with Connect SoCal and the Connect SoCal PEIR as an important strategy to meet conservation goals and support impact mitigation
- SoCal Greenprint alignment with other strategies and initiatives
- Targeted outreach with SoCal Greenprint stakeholders
- Key users of SoCal Greenprint and examples of how Greenprint can be used or implemented
- Synergy with SCAGs Housing Element Parcel Tool (HELPR)
- Project Timelines, Overview of Accomplishments in 2020 and Next Steps

Ms. Abigail Ramsden, Project Manager, Nature Conservancy, and SCAG staff responded to comments and questions expressed by Committee members, including questions regarding the incorporation of solar projects as part of the Greenprint program in the desert, as well as in habitat conservation areas.

In response to an inquiry regarding proposed projects in habitat areas, Ms. Ramsden stated that Greenprint can be used as an information sharing tool where users can generate a report in targeted areas to help evaluate where new and proposed projects may have an impact on the habitat. Sarah Jepson, Director of Planning, stated that SCAG has tools available that can help evaluate and review new projects that are being implemented within the region.

Chair Marquez thanked staff for the report and discussion.

The complete report with the PowerPoint presentation was included in the agenda packet

CHAIR'S REPORT

Chair Marquez thanked the CEHD members who served on the RHNA Appeals Board. Chair Marquez provided a summary of the appeals process and noted that the RHNA Appeals Board would meet one more time in mid-February to review the final determination of their appeal decisions and recommend the proposed Final RHNA Allocation Plan.

He noted the final allocation is planned for adoption at the Regional Council meeting on March 4. Lastly, he noted, to facilitate this process, a Special CEHD meeting on the Final RHNA Allocation Plan will be scheduled; he asked the CEHD members to lookout for the communication from staff.

Chair Marquez and the CEHD members recognized and welcomed incoming members to the CEHD Committee.



STAFF REPORT

Jonathan Hughes, SCAG staff, announced that the 2021 SCAG Sustainability Awards are in process and that nomi region. He asked the committee to submit their nominations by 11:59 p.m. on Friday, February 26, 2021.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

There were no future agenda items requested.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chair Marquez adjourned the CEHD Committee meeting at 11:12 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Carmen Summers
Community, Economic and Human Development Committee Clerk

[MINUTES ARE UNOFFICIAL UNTIL APPROVED BY THE CEHD COMMITTEE]

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CEHD Members

2020-2021

MEMBERS	CITY	Representing	2020-2021												Total Mtgs Attended To Date		
			JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY			
Andrade-Stadler, Adele	Alhambra	District 34											1				1
Austin, Al	Long Beach	GCCOG															0
Avila, David	Yucaipa	SBCTA						1			1	1					3
Beaman Jacinto, Megan	Coachella	District 66	1			1		1			1	1					5
Betts, Russell	Desert Hot Springs	President's Appointment										1					1
Boyles, Drew	El Segundo	District 40						1	1			1					3
Bucknum, Wendy	Mission Viejo	District 13	1			1	1	1			1	1					6
Carrillo, Juan	Palmdale	District 43					1	1			1	1					4
Carroll, Michael, C.	Irvine	District 14				1		1			1	1					4
Clark, Letitia	Tustin	District 15										1					1
DeRuse, Steve	La Mirada	District 31	1			1	1	1			1	1					6
Devine, Paula	Glendale	District 42	1			1						1					3
Dixon, Diane	Newport Beach	District 15										1					1
Espinoza, Rose	La Habra	OCCOG	1														1
Finlay, Margaret	Duarte	District 35	1			1	1	1			1	1					6
Fisch, Alex	Culver City	District 41									1	1					2
Henderson, Mark	Gardena	District 28	1			1	1				1	1					5
Huang, Peggy	Yorba Linda	TCA	1			1	1	1			1	1					6
Hupp, Cecilia	Brea	OCCOG	1			1	1	1			1	1					6
Kelly, Kathleen	Palm Desert	District 2	1			1	1	1			1	1					6
Leano, Jed	Claremont	SGVCOG	1			1	1	1			1	1					6
Lock Dawson, Patricia	Riverside	District 68										1					1
Magana, Marisela	Perris	District 69					1				1	1					3
Marquez, Jorge, Chair	Covina	District 33	1			1	1	1			1	1					6
Marshall, Anni	Avalon	GCCOG				1	1	1			1						4
Masiel, Andrew		Tribal Govt Regl Planning Rep	1								1	1					3
Meister, Lauren	West Hollywood	WCCOG	1			1	1	1			1	1					6
Miranda, Bill	Santa Clarita	SFVCOG	1			1	1	1			1	1					6
Mirisch, John	Beverly Hills	President's Appointment	1			1	1	1			1	1					6
Mitchell, Holly		Los Angeles County															
Nava, George	Brawley	ICTC									1	1					2
Nguyen, Kim	Garden Grove	District 18	1			1	1	1			1	1					6
O'Neil, Trevor	Anaheim	District 19	1			1	1	1			1	1					6
Paget, Ed	Needles	SBCTA					1	1				1					3
Park, Sunny	Buena Park	OCCOG	1			1											2
Perez, Misty	Port Hueneme	President's Appointment										1					1
Posey, Michael	Huntington Beach	District 64						1				1					2
Pye, Jan	Desert Hot Springs	CVAG	1			1	1	1			1	1					6
Raman, Nithya	Los Angeles	District 51									1						1
Ramirez, Rita	Victorville	District 65	1					1									2
Richardson, Rex	Long Beach	District 29	1			1	1	1									4
Santa Ines, Sonny	Bellflower	GCCOG				1	1	1			1	1					5
Shapiro, David	Calabasas	District 44	1			1	1	1			1	1					6
Shevlin, Becky	Monrovia	SGVCOG				1	1	1			1	1					5
Sobel, Andy	Santa Paula	VCOG										1					1
Speake, Wes	Corona	WRCOG										1					1
Waronek, Mark	Lomita	SBCCOG	1			1	1	1			1	1					6
Warren, Acquanetta	Fontana	SBCTA	1			1	1	1				1					5
Christi White	Murrieta	WRCOG									1	1					2
Wu, Tony	West Covina	SGVCOG	1			1	1					1					4
Yokoyama, Frank, Vice Chair	Cerritos	District 23	1			1	1	1			1	1					6
Zerunyan, Frank	Rolling Hills Estates	SBCCOG	1			1	1	1			1	1					6

Attachment: CEHD Attendance Sheet - February 4, 2021 (Minutes of the February 4, 2021 Meeting)



AGENDA ITEM 2
REPORT

Southern California Association of Governments
Remote Participation Only
February 23, 2021

To: Community, Economic and Human Development Committee
(CEHD)

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S
APPROVAL**

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Subject: Proposed Final 6th Cycle RHNA Allocation Plan

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Review and recommend that the Regional Council adopt the Final RHNA Allocation Plan as part of a public hearing to take place on March 4, 2021.

STRATEGIC PLAN:

This item supports the following Strategic Plan Goal 2: Advance Southern California's policy interests and planning priorities through regional, statewide, and national engagement and advocacy.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Staff issues herein for the CEHD Committee's review the proposed Final Allocation Plan for the 6th cycle RHNA ("Final RHNA Allocation Plan" or "Final Plan"), which represents the projected housing need for each city and unincorporated county area in the SCAG region for the October 2021-October 2029 housing element planning period. The proposed Final RHNA Allocation Plan was developed from the Draft RHNA Allocation Plan, distributed on September 11, 2020, and revised based upon the results of the appeals process that concluded on January 25, 2021, including the final determinations made by the RHNA Subcommittee, which final determinations were ratified by the RHNA Subcommittee on February 16, 2021. The Final RHNA Allocation Plan was reviewed and recommended to the CEHD Committee by the RHNA Appeals Board at its February 16, 2021 meeting for further recommendation of adoption as part of a public hearing by the Regional Council to be held at its March 4, 2021 meeting. Following adoption of the Final RHNA Allocation Plan by the Regional Council, SCAG will submit the Final RHNA Allocation Plan to the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) for approval.

BACKGROUND:

A. Summary of 6th Cycle RHNA process

The California Legislature developed the Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) process [codified at Government Code Section 65580 *et seq.* (the "RHNA statute")] in 1977 to address the

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serious affordable housing shortage in California. Over the years, the housing element laws, including the RHNA process, have been revised to address the changing housing needs in California. As of the last revision, the Legislature has declared that:

- (a) The availability of housing is of vital statewide importance, and the early attainment of decent housing and a suitable living environment for every Californian, including farmworkers, is a priority of the highest order.
- (b) The early attainment of this goal requires the cooperative participation of government and the private sector in an effort to expand housing opportunities and accommodate the housing needs of Californians of all economic levels.
- (c) The provision of housing affordable to low- and moderate-income households requires the cooperation of all levels of government.
- (d) Local and state governments have a responsibility to use the powers vested in them to facilitate the improvement and development of housing to make adequate provision for the housing needs of all economic segments of the community.
- (e) The Legislature recognizes that in carrying out this responsibility, each local government also has the responsibility to consider economic, environmental, and fiscal factors and community goals set forth in the general plan and to cooperate with other local governments and the state in addressing regional housing needs.
- (f) Designating and maintaining a supply of land and adequate sites suitable, feasible, and available for the development of housing sufficient to meet the locality's housing need for all income levels is essential to achieving the state's housing goals and the purposes of this article. (Cal. Govt. Code § 65580).

In accordance with the RHNA statute, SCAG has been engaged in the development of the 6th cycle RHNA Plan for the past few years. Specifically, the 6th cycle RHNA began in October 2017, when SCAG staff began surveying each of the region's jurisdictions on its population, household, and employment projections as part of a collaborative process to develop the Integrated Growth Forecast, which would be used for all regional planning efforts including the 2020-2045 Connect SoCal Plan, or Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS). These surveys continued through October 2018. During this time, SCAG staff engaged in extensive communication and data sharing with each jurisdiction in the SCAG region, including in-person meetings, to ensure the highest participation in gathering local input.

Beginning in October 2018, the RHNA Subcommittee held regular monthly meetings to discuss the RHNA process, policies, and methodology, and to provide recommended actions to the CEHD Committee. In August 2019, SCAG received its RHNA determination from HCD. HCD determined a range of housing needs totaling 1,344,740 units for the SCAG region for the projection period between June 30, 2021 and October 15, 2029. In September 2019, SCAG formally objected to the

regional determination, and after review and consideration, HCD provided a final regional determination of 1,341,827 in October 2019. SCAG is required to maintain the regional total need throughout the RHNA process.

On July 22, 2019, the RHNA Subcommittee recommended the release of the proposed RHNA Allocation Methodology to the CEHD Committee. The CEHD Committee reviewed, discussed, and further recommended the proposed methodology to the Regional Council, which approved the proposed methodology for release and distribution on August 1, 2019. During the 30-day public comment period, SCAG met with interested jurisdictions and stakeholders to present the proposed methodology, answer questions, and collect input. This included four public hearings to collect verbal and written comments, which were held on August 15, 20, 22, and 27, 2019, and a public information session, which was held on August 29, 2019.

On September 25, 2019, SCAG staff held a public workshop on a Draft RHNA Methodology that was developed as a result of the comments received on the proposed RHNA Methodology. On October 7, 2019, the RHNA Subcommittee voted to recommend the Draft RHNA Methodology, following a substitute motion that changed certain aspects of the Methodology, which failed to receive a majority vote. On October 21, 2019, the CEHD Committee voted to further recommend that the Regional Council approve the Draft RHNA Methodology recommended by the RHNA Subcommittee.

SCAG staff received several requests from SCAG Regional Councilmembers and Policy Committee members in late October and early November 2019 to consider and review an alternative RHNA methodology, which was based on the methodology proposed as part of the substitute motion that failed at the October 7, 2019 RHNA Subcommittee meeting. The staff report of the recommended Draft Methodology and an analysis of the alternative Methodology were posted online on November 2, 2019. Both the recommended and alternative methodologies were presented by SCAG staff at the Regional Council on November 7, 2019. Following extensive debate and public comment, SCAG's Regional Council voted to approve the alternative methodology as the Draft RHNA Methodology on November 7, 2019, and provide it to HCD for review.

On January 13, 2020, HCD found that the Draft RHNA Methodology furthers the five statutory objectives of RHNA. On March 5, 2020, again following extensive debate and public comment, the Regional Council voted to approve the Draft RHNA Methodology as the Final RHNA Methodology. Following the adoption of the Final RHNA Methodology, the Regional Council decided to delay full adoption of Connect SoCal for 120 days in order to assess the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on the Connect SoCal growth forecast. SCAG adopted Connect SoCal on September 3, 2020, including its growth forecast. SCAG released its Draft RHNA allocations to local jurisdictions on or about September 11, 2020.

The Regional Council adopted the 6th Cycle Appeals Procedures (“Appeals Procedures”) on May 7, 2020 (updated September 3, 2020). The Appeals Procedures outlines the procedures and bases for an appeal and was provided to all jurisdictions and posted on SCAG’s website. The period to file appeals commenced on September 11, 2020 and per State housing law, local jurisdictions and HCD were permitted to file appeals until October 26, 2020.

Fifty-two (52) appeals were filed by jurisdictions with respect to forty-nine (49) jurisdictions’ RHNA allocations by the October 26, 2020 deadline. Of the appeals filed, two were withdrawn at the request of the jurisdictions who filed them (City of West Hollywood and City of Calipatria). A public hearing was held over eight sessions scheduled on January 6, 8, 11, 13, 15, 19, 22, and 25, at which the RHNA Appeals Board heard appeals filed on forty-seven (47) jurisdictions and made decisions to approve, partially approve, or deny the appeals. Of the appeals reviewed, RHNA Appeals Board granted two partial appeals (1) The County of Riverside was granted a 215 unit reduction and (2) the City of Pico Rivera was granted 2,917 unit reduction for the reasons stated in the final written determinations for those appeals. As provided in the RHNA statute and the adopted Appeals Procedures, the successfully appealed units must be proportionally reallocated back to the SCAG region. As provided in the adopted RHNA Subcommittee Charter and adopted Appeals Procedures, the RHNA Appeals Board was delegated by the Regional Council to review and make the final decisions regarding appeals. The final determinations on the appeals made by the RHNA Subcommittee are final and are not subject to any further review of the CEHD Committee or the Regional Council. The RHNA Appeals Board ratified their final written determinations on the appeals at its February 16, 2021 meeting.

Per Government Code Section 65584.05(f), the total number of successfully appealed units, or 3,132 units resulting from the final determinations for the appeals filed by the City of Pico Rivera and Riverside County, have been reallocated proportionally back to the region. Per the adopted RHNA Appeals Guidelines, proportional distribution is based on the share of regional need after the appeals are determined and prior to the required redistribution. Below is a sample calculation of how this was applied to determine a jurisdiction’s total proposed final RHNA allocation.

Example City: City A (no appeal granted)

Draft RHNA allocation	4,275 units
Share of regional draft RHNA allocation (percentage)	0.32%
Formula to determine share of regional distribution	0.32% x 3,132 units
Share of regional redistribution (units)	=10 units



Additionally, SCAG is required to maintain the regional determination of 1,341,827 by each of the four RHNA income categories. Due to differences among SCAG counties for income category thresholds, a normalization adjustment was applied to the proposed final RHNA allocation for the region to ensure that the income categories by county maintained the regional income categories. While some adjustments were made from this normalization procedure, this application is consistent with the adopted RHNA Methodology and was also used to calculate the draft RHNA allocation.

B. Summary of 6th Cycle Proposed Final RHNA

Pursuant to Government Code Section 65584.05(g), SCAG is required to adopt a Final RHNA Allocation Plan which fully allocates the regional share of statewide housing need and has taken into account all appeals.

Staff has developed the proposed Final RHNA Allocation Plan, which represents the proposed regional total housing need and its allocation by income category, for all the cities and unincorporated counties (see attachment). According to the proposed Final RHNA Allocation Plan, the regional total housing need for the projection period between June 30, 2021 and October 15, 2029 is 1,341,827 units, which is the same total as the regional determination provided by HCD in October 2019. The proposed Final RHNA Allocation Plan is also consistent with the number of units for each income category as identified by HCD in their regional determination.

The proposed Final RHNA Allocation Plan has been developed by SCAG staff based on the final determinations rendered by the RHNA Subcommittee's in considering the appeals filed and the required reallocation of successfully appealed units. The proposed Final RHNA Allocation Plan was



reviewed and recommended to the CEHD Committee by the RHNA Appeals Board at its February 16, 2021 meeting for further recommendation of adoption as part of a public hearing by the Regional Council to be held at its upcoming March 4, 2021 meeting.

Following the adoption of the Final Plan by the Regional Council, SCAG will submit the Final Plan to HCD. HCD will review the Final RHNA Allocation Plan and determine within 30 days its consistency with the existing and projected housing need for the region.

Once the Final RHNA Allocation Plan is adopted by SCAG, jurisdictions in the SCAG region must complete and adopt their local housing element update based on respective comments and findings by HCD. The deadline for the jurisdictions to adopt their 6th cycle local housing element is October 15, 2021.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Work associated with this item is included in the current FY 2020-21 Overall Work Program (300-4872Y0.02: Regional Housing Needs Assessment).

ATTACHMENT(S):

1. Proposed Final Allocation Plan

SCAG 6TH CYCLE PROPOSED FINAL RHNA ALLOCATION

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ALLOCATION BY COUNTY

	Total	Very-low income	Low income	Moderate income	Above moderate income
Imperial	15,993	4,671	2,357	2,198	6,767
Los Angeles	812,060	217,273	123,022	131,381	340,384
Orange	183,861	46,416	29,242	32,546	75,657
Riverside	167,351	41,995	26,473	29,167	69,716
San Bernardino	138,110	35,667	21,903	24,140	56,400
Ventura	24,452	5,774	3,810	4,525	10,343
TOTAL	1,341,827	351,796	206,807	223,957	559,267

ALLOCATION BY Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) SUBREGIONS

REAP Subregion	Total	Very-low income	Low income	Moderate income	Above moderate income
CVAG	31,619	6,204	4,664	5,561	15,190
Gateway Cities COG	71,678	20,029	10,391	10,822	30,436
Imperial County	15,993	4,671	2,357	2,198	6,767
Las Virgenes-Malibu COG	933	362	199	183	189
Los Angeles City	456,643	115,978	68,743	75,091	196,831
North Los Angeles County	15,663	4,001	2,129	2,332	7,201
Orange County COG	183,861	46,416	29,242	32,546	75,657
San Bernardino COG/SBCTA	138,110	35,667	21,903	24,140	56,400
San Fernando Valley COG	34,023	9,850	5,588	5,614	12,971
San Gabriel Valley COG	89,616	25,208	13,400	14,074	36,934
South Bay Cities COG	34,179	10,221	5,236	5,539	13,183
Uninc. Los Angeles County	90,052	25,648	13,691	14,180	36,533
Uninc. Riverside County	40,647	10,371	6,627	7,347	16,302
Ventura COG	24,452	5,774	3,810	4,525	10,343
Westside Cities COG	19,273	5,976	3,645	3,546	6,106
Western Riverside COG	95,085	25,420	15,182	16,259	38,224

ALLOCATION BY LOCAL JURISDICTION

County	Jurisdiction	Total	Very-low income	Low income	Moderate income	Above- moderate income
Imperial	Brawley city	1426	399	210	202	615
Imperial	Calexico city	4868	1279	655	614	2320
Imperial	Calipatria city	151	36	21	16	78
Imperial	El Centro city	3442	1001	490	462	1489
Imperial	Holtville city	171	41	33	26	71

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ALLOCATION BY LOCAL JURISDICTION

County	Jurisdiction	Total	Very-low income	Low income	Moderate income	Above-moderate income
Imperial	Imperial city	1601	704	346	294	257
Imperial	Unincorporated Imp	4301	1203	596	580	1922
Imperial	Westmorland city	33	8	6	4	15
Los Angeles	Agoura Hills city	318	127	72	55	64
Los Angeles	Alhambra city	6825	1774	1036	1079	2936
Los Angeles	Arcadia city	3214	1102	570	605	937
Los Angeles	Artesia city	1069	312	168	128	461
Los Angeles	Avalon city	27	8	5	3	11
Los Angeles	Azusa city	2651	760	368	382	1141
Los Angeles	Baldwin Park city	2001	576	275	263	887
Los Angeles	Bell city	229	43	24	29	133
Los Angeles	Bell Gardens city	503	100	29	72	302
Los Angeles	Bellflower city	3735	1015	488	553	1679
Los Angeles	Beverly Hills city	3104	1008	680	602	814
Los Angeles	Bradbury city	41	16	9	9	7
Los Angeles	Burbank city	8772	2553	1418	1409	3392
Los Angeles	Calabasas city	354	132	71	70	81
Los Angeles	Carson city	5618	1770	913	875	2060
Los Angeles	Cerritos city	1908	679	345	332	552
Los Angeles	Claremont city	1711	556	310	297	548
Los Angeles	Commerce city	247	55	22	39	131
Los Angeles	Compton city	1004	235	121	131	517
Los Angeles	Covina city	1910	614	268	281	747
Los Angeles	Cudahy city	393	80	36	53	224
Los Angeles	Culver City city	3341	1108	604	560	1069
Los Angeles	Diamond Bar city	2521	844	434	437	806
Los Angeles	Downey city	6525	2079	946	915	2585
Los Angeles	Duarte city	888	269	145	137	337
Los Angeles	El Monte city	8502	1797	853	1233	4619
Los Angeles	El Segundo city	492	189	88	84	131
Los Angeles	Gardena city	5735	1485	761	894	2595
Los Angeles	Glendale city	13425	3439	2163	2249	5574
Los Angeles	Glendora city	2276	735	386	388	767
Los Angeles	Hawaiian Gardens ci	331	61	44	46	180
Los Angeles	Hawthorne city	1734	445	204	249	836
Los Angeles	Hermosa Beach city	558	232	127	106	93
Los Angeles	Hidden Hills city	40	17	8	9	6
Los Angeles	Huntington Park city	1605	264	196	243	902
Los Angeles	Industry city	17	6	4	2	5
Los Angeles	Inglewood city	7439	1813	955	1112	3559
Los Angeles	Irwindale city	119	36	11	17	55
Los Angeles	La Cañada Flintridge	612	252	135	139	86

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ALLOCATION BY LOCAL JURISDICTION

County	Jurisdiction	Total	Very-low income	Low income	Moderate income	Above-moderate income
Los Angeles	La Habra Heights city	172	78	35	31	28
Los Angeles	La Mirada city	1962	634	342	320	666
Los Angeles	La Puente city	1929	544	275	275	835
Los Angeles	La Verne city	1346	414	239	223	470
Los Angeles	Lakewood city	3922	1296	637	653	1336
Los Angeles	Lancaster city	9023	2224	1194	1328	4277
Los Angeles	Lawndale city	2497	732	311	371	1083
Los Angeles	Lomita city	829	239	124	128	338
Los Angeles	Long Beach city	26502	7141	4047	4158	11156
Los Angeles	Los Angeles city	456643	115978	68743	75091	196831
Los Angeles	Lynwood city	1558	377	139	235	807
Los Angeles	Malibu city	79	28	19	17	15
Los Angeles	Manhattan Beach cit	774	322	165	155	132
Los Angeles	Maywood city	365	55	47	55	208
Los Angeles	Monrovia city	1670	519	262	254	635
Los Angeles	Montebello city	5186	1314	707	777	2388
Los Angeles	Monterey Park city	5257	1324	822	848	2263
Los Angeles	Norwalk city	5034	1546	759	658	2071
Los Angeles	Palmdale city	6640	1777	935	1004	2924
Los Angeles	Palos Verdes Estates	199	82	44	48	25
Los Angeles	Paramount city	364	92	43	48	181
Los Angeles	Pasadena city	9429	2747	1662	1565	3455
Los Angeles	Pico Rivera city	1024	299	146	149	430
Los Angeles	Pomona city	10558	2799	1339	1510	4910
Los Angeles	Rancho Palos Verdes	639	253	139	125	122
Los Angeles	Redondo Beach city	2490	936	508	490	556
Los Angeles	Rolling Hills city	45	20	9	11	5
Los Angeles	Rolling Hills Estates c	191	82	42	38	29
Los Angeles	Rosemead city	4612	1154	638	686	2134
Los Angeles	San Dimas city	1248	384	220	206	438
Los Angeles	San Fernando city	1795	461	273	284	777
Los Angeles	San Gabriel city	3023	846	415	466	1296
Los Angeles	San Marino city	397	149	91	91	66
Los Angeles	Santa Clarita city	10031	3397	1734	1672	3228
Los Angeles	Santa Fe Springs city	952	253	159	152	388
Los Angeles	Santa Monica city	8895	2794	1672	1702	2727
Los Angeles	Sierra Madre city	204	79	39	35	51
Los Angeles	Signal Hill city	517	161	78	90	188
Los Angeles	South El Monte city	577	131	64	70	312
Los Angeles	South Gate city	8282	2136	994	1173	3979
Los Angeles	South Pasadena city	2067	757	398	334	578
Los Angeles	Temple City city	2186	630	350	369	837

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County	Jurisdiction	Total	Very-low income	Low income	Moderate income	Above-moderate income
Los Angeles	Torrance city	4939	1621	846	853	1619
Los Angeles	Unincorporated Los	90052	25648	13691	14180	36533
Los Angeles	Vernon city	9	5	4	0	0
Los Angeles	Walnut city	1293	427	225	231	410
Los Angeles	West Covina city	5346	1653	850	865	1978
Los Angeles	West Hollywood city	3933	1066	689	682	1496
Los Angeles	Westlake Village city	142	58	29	32	23
Los Angeles	Whittier city	3439	1025	537	556	1321
Orange	Aliso Viejo city	1195	390	214	205	386
Orange	Anaheim city	17453	3767	2397	2945	8344
Orange	Brea city	2365	669	393	403	900
Orange	Buena Park city	8919	2119	1343	1573	3884
Orange	Costa Mesa city	11760	2919	1794	2088	4959
Orange	Cypress city	3936	1150	657	623	1506
Orange	Dana Point city	530	147	84	101	198
Orange	Fountain Valley city	4839	1307	786	834	1912
Orange	Fullerton city	13209	3198	1989	2271	5751
Orange	Garden Grove city	19168	4166	2801	3211	8990
Orange	Huntington Beach ci	13368	3661	2184	2308	5215
Orange	Irvine city	23610	6396	4235	4308	8671
Orange	La Habra city	804	192	116	130	366
Orange	La Palma city	802	224	140	137	301
Orange	Laguna Beach city	394	118	80	79	117
Orange	Laguna Hills city	1985	568	353	354	710
Orange	Laguna Niguel city	1207	348	202	223	434
Orange	Laguna Woods city	997	127	136	192	542
Orange	Lake Forest city	3236	956	543	559	1178
Orange	Los Alamitos city	769	194	119	145	311
Orange	Mission Viejo city	2217	674	401	397	745
Orange	Newport Beach city	4845	1456	930	1050	1409
Orange	Orange city	3936	1067	604	677	1588
Orange	Placentia city	4374	1231	680	770	1693
Orange	Rancho Santa Marga	680	209	120	125	226
Orange	San Clemente city	982	282	164	188	348
Orange	San Juan Capistrano	1054	270	173	183	428
Orange	Santa Ana city	3095	586	362	523	1624
Orange	Seal Beach city	1243	258	201	239	545
Orange	Stanton city	1231	165	145	231	690
Orange	Tustin city	6782	1724	1046	1132	2880
Orange	Unincorporated Ora	10406	3139	1866	2040	3361
Orange	Villa Park city	296	93	60	61	82
Orange	Westminster city	9759	1881	1473	1784	4621

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County	Jurisdiction	Total	Very-low income	Low income	Moderate income	Above-moderate income
Orange	Yorba Linda city	2415	765	451	457	742
Riverside	Banning city	1673	317	193	280	883
Riverside	Beaumont city	4210	1229	721	723	1537
Riverside	Blythe city	494	82	71	96	245
Riverside	Calimesa city	2017	495	275	379	868
Riverside	Canyon Lake city	129	43	24	24	38
Riverside	Cathedral City city	2549	540	353	457	1199
Riverside	Coachella city	7886	1033	999	1367	4487
Riverside	Corona city	6088	1752	1040	1096	2200
Riverside	Desert Hot Springs c	3873	569	535	688	2081
Riverside	Eastvale City	3028	1145	672	635	576
Riverside	Hemet city	6466	812	732	1174	3748
Riverside	Indian Wells city	382	117	81	91	93
Riverside	Indio city	7812	1793	1170	1315	3534
Riverside	Jurupa Valley City	4497	1207	749	731	1810
Riverside	La Quinta city	1530	420	269	297	544
Riverside	Lake Elsinore city	6681	1878	1099	1134	2570
Riverside	Menifee city	6609	1761	1051	1106	2691
Riverside	Moreno Valley city	13627	3779	2051	2165	5632
Riverside	Murrieta city	3043	1009	583	545	906
Riverside	Norco city	454	145	85	82	142
Riverside	Palm Desert city	2790	675	460	461	1194
Riverside	Palm Springs city	2557	545	408	461	1143
Riverside	Perris city	7805	2030	1127	1274	3374
Riverside	Rancho Mirage city	1746	430	318	328	670
Riverside	Riverside city	18458	4861	3064	3139	7394
Riverside	San Jacinto city	3392	800	465	560	1567
Riverside	Temecula city	4193	1359	801	778	1255
Riverside	Unincorporated Rive	40647	10371	6627	7347	16302
Riverside	Wildomar city	2715	798	450	434	1033
San Bernardino	Adelanto city	3763	394	566	651	2152
San Bernardino	Apple Valley town	4290	1086	600	747	1857
San Bernardino	Barstow city	1520	172	228	300	820
San Bernardino	Big Bear Lake city	212	50	33	37	92
San Bernardino	Chino city	6978	2113	1284	1203	2378
San Bernardino	Chino Hills city	3729	1388	821	789	731
San Bernardino	Colton city	5434	1318	668	906	2542
San Bernardino	Fontana city	17519	5109	2950	3035	6425
San Bernardino	Grand Terrace city	630	189	92	106	243
San Bernardino	Hesperia city	8155	1921	1231	1409	3594
San Bernardino	Highland city	2513	619	409	471	1014
San Bernardino	Loma Linda city	2051	523	311	352	865

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SCAG 6TH CYCLE DRAFT RHNA ALLOCATION BASED ON RC-APPROVED FINAL RHNA METHODOLOGY

ALLOCATION BY LOCAL JURISDICTION

County	Jurisdiction	Total	Very-low income	Low income	Moderate income	Above-moderate income
San Bernardino	Montclair city	2593	698	383	399	1113
San Bernardino	Needles city	87	10	11	16	50
San Bernardino	Ontario city	20854	5640	3286	3329	8599
San Bernardino	Rancho Cucamonga	10525	3245	1920	2038	3322
San Bernardino	Redlands city	3516	967	615	652	1282
San Bernardino	Rialto city	8272	2218	1206	1371	3477
San Bernardino	San Bernardino city	8123	1415	1097	1448	4163
San Bernardino	Twentynine Palms ci	1047	231	127	185	504
San Bernardino	Unincorporated San	8832	2179	1360	1523	3770
San Bernardino	Upland city	5686	1584	959	1013	2130
San Bernardino	Victorville city	8165	1735	1136	1504	3790
San Bernardino	Yucaipa city	2866	708	493	511	1154
San Bernardino	Yucca Valley town	750	155	117	145	333
Ventura	Camarillo city	1376	353	244	271	508
Ventura	Fillmore city	415	73	61	72	209
Ventura	Moorpark city	1289	377	233	245	434
Ventura	Ojai city	53	13	9	10	21
Ventura	Oxnard city	8549	1840	1071	1538	4100
Ventura	Port Hueneme city	125	26	16	18	65
Ventura	San Buenaventura (V)	5312	1187	865	950	2310
Ventura	Santa Paula city	657	102	99	121	335
Ventura	Simi Valley city	2793	749	493	518	1033
Ventura	Thousand Oaks city	2621	735	494	532	860
Ventura	Unincorporated Ven	1262	319	225	250	468

Attachment: Proposed Final Allocation Plan (Proposed Final 6th Cycle RHNA Allocation Plan)



AGENDA ITEM 3
REPORT

Southern California Association of Governments
Remote Participation Only
February 23, 2021

To: Community, Economic and Human Development Committee
(CEHD)

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S
APPROVAL**

From: Ma'Ayn Johnson, Regional Planner Specialist,
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Subject: Report on RHNA Process and Consideration of Resolution

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Review and recommend that the Regional Council adopt a resolution to direct SCAG to:

1. Continue supporting local jurisdictions with their Housing Element development through Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) grant programs;
2. Engage with the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) to ensure clear understanding of challenges faced by local jurisdictions and that all development opportunities are fully considered;
3. Encourage HCD to pursue activities as part of a reform committee established under Assembly Bill (AB) 101 including and holding hearings in the SCAG region and inviting participation and input from stakeholders, particularly local jurisdictions which filed appeals; and
4. Work with the State Legislature to pursue legislative changes to State housing law to allow for more flexibility for housing element development and implementation.

STRATEGIC PLAN:

This item supports the following Strategic Plan Goal 2: Advance Southern California's policy interests and planning priorities through regional, statewide, and national engagement and advocacy.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

At the request of the RHNA Subcommittee/RHNA Appeals Board Chair, SCAG staff has developed a draft resolution highlighting some of the concerns raised during the 6th cycle RHNA Appeals and providing direction on next steps for SCAG to pursue to improve upon the RHNA process and support local jurisdictions in updating their housing elements to meet their 6th cycle RHNA allocation. The resolution is recommended to the CEHD Committee for the committee to recommend adoption by the Regional Council on March 4, 2021.

OUR MISSION

To foster innovative regional solutions that improve the lives of Southern Californians through inclusive collaboration, visionary planning, regional advocacy, information sharing, and promoting best practices.

OUR VISION

Southern California's Catalyst for a Brighter Future

OUR CORE VALUES

Be Open | Lead by Example | Make an Impact | Be Courageous

BACKGROUND:

The 6th cycle Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA), which covers the planning period between October 2021 through October 2029, is a complex process to determine housing need for each individual jurisdiction in the SCAG region. Several issues have been raised during the RHNA process, particularly during the Appeals process, and elected officials, jurisdictions, and stakeholders have shared concerns and potential strategies to address these issues.

To address these issues and explore various strategies, at the request of the RHNA Subcommittee/RHNA Appeals Board Chair, SCAG staff has developed a draft resolution on how these issues should be addressed:

Continue supporting local jurisdictions with their Housing Element development through Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) grant programs

Several programs are currently underway through SCAG's REAP program to support the acceleration of housing production at the subregional and local level. A total of \$23 million has been set aside to fund projects at the subregional partner level to support housing element preparation and implementation by local jurisdictions, and other related activities. Allocation of funding is determined by the RHNA allocation. In addition, data platforms and other technical assistance will continue to be developed to assist local jurisdictions to update housing elements and related housing planning efforts to meet their 6th cycle RHNA allocation.

Engage with the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) to ensure clear understanding of challenges faced by local jurisdictions and that all development opportunities are fully considered

Given land-use constraints and the scale of additional growth many jurisdictions must plan to accommodate, the region will only be successful in meeting its housing planning obligations if new and innovative approaches for accommodating growth are fully considered by HCD in exercising its discretion in the site identification process. Through the administrative process, SCAG will collaborate with HCD and local jurisdictions to assess the production potential of innovative solutions and maximize opportunities for inclusion in site inventories. Several SCAG studies are currently underway, including an ADU assessment, to ensure that regional context and data inform local planning assumptions. Other ways to address local constraints include certifying HCD-pre-approved data sets that can be used as part of the site identification process as part of a streamlined review of sites, similar to the current pre-approved housing need data sets, while still meeting the requirements of State housing law. SCAG will continue to work with HCD to ensure other innovations in housing planning and programs are fully considered.

Encourage HCD to pursue activities as part of a reform committee established under Assembly Bill 101 (AB 101) including and holding hearings in the SCAG region and inviting participation and input from stakeholders, particularly local jurisdictions which filed appeals

SCAG will engage HCD to discuss the complex challenges faced by local jurisdictions and pursue activities as part of a reform committee established by AB 101. AB 101 requires HCD to collaborate with the Office of Planning and Research (OPR) to develop a recommended improved RHNA process and methodology that “promotes and streamlines housing development and substantially addresses California’s housing shortage” by December 31, 2022. As part of this process, HCD is required to engage in stakeholder participation. During the appeals process, it was clear that many local jurisdictions are frustrated by the RHNA process and the limited ability for SCAG under the RHNA statutes to consider the unique constraints of each jurisdiction such as wildfire, coastal, and other high risk zones and as well as economic development issues, i.e., one size does not fit all. Furthermore, it was suggested that the bases for appeal were too limited. These jurisdictions should have the opportunity to raise their issues with HCD. SCAG will encourage HCD to hold hearings related to reform in the SCAG region.

Work with the State Legislature to pursue legislative changes to State housing law to allow for more flexibility for housing element development and implementation

Based on concerns raised during the 6th cycle RHNA, SCAG staff will work with the State Legislature to pursue legislative changes to State housing law. Issues raised include trade and transfer of RHNA units, extending deadlines, and RHNA methodology and appeal constraints.

At their February 16, 2021 meeting, the RHNA Subcommittee/RHNA Appeals Board recommended the draft resolution be presented to the CEHD Committee at its special February 23, 2021 meeting for consideration and recommendation to the Regional Council. Pending action by the CEHD Committee, the resolution will be recommended to the Regional Council for adoption at its March 4, 2021 meeting.

In addition to these actions, and based on feedback from the RHNA Subcommittee/RHNA Appeals Board, SCAG will aim to enhance communication for the Connect SoCal and RHNA plans with the county transportation commissions (CTC), policymakers and stakeholders to strengthen the integration of regional land-use, transportation and housing planning and policies. This will include more clearly communicating how transit assumptions for long-range transportation planning can influence RHNA allocations, including high quality transit areas (HQTA).

FISCAL IMPACT:

Work associated with this item is included in the current FY 2020-21 Overall Work Program (300-4872Y0.02: Regional Housing Needs Assessment).

ATTACHMENT(S):

1. Draft Resolution - RHNA Reform



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A RESOLUTION OF THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS (SCAG) TO PURSUE IMPROVEMENTS TO THE REGIONAL HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT (RHNA) PROCESS AND CONTINUE SUPPORT FOR LOCAL JURISDICTIONS IN DEVELOPING AND IMPLEMENTING THEIR 6TH CYCLE RHNA HOUSING ELEMENTS

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WHEREAS, SCAG is the largest Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) in the United States covering six counties (Imperial, Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino and Ventura), and serving 19 million people pursuant to 23 USC § 134 et seq. and 49 USC § 5303 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, as the region's council of governments, SCAG is responsible for allocating the state-determined regional housing need to all local jurisdictions within the SCAG region in accordance with state housing law, a process known as the development of the RHNA; and

WHEREAS, SCAG's Regional Council delegated to the SCAG RHNA Subcommittee, whose members are comprised of elected officials from each of the respective six (6) counties within the SCAG region, the authority to provide policy direction throughout the 6th cycle RHNA process and to provide recommendations to the SCAG Community Economic and Human Development (CEHD) Committee; and

WHEREAS, the RHNA Appeals Board reviewed, discussed and considered the Fifty-two (52) appeals that were filed by jurisdictions on the draft RHNA allocations of forty-nine (49) jurisdictions by the October 26, 2020 deadline. Of the appeals filed, two were withdrawn at the request of the jurisdictions who filed them (City of West Hollywood and City of Calipatria). Over the eight public hearing sessions scheduled on January 6, 8, 11, 13, 15, 19, 22, and 25, the RHNA Appeals Board heard appeals filed on forty-seven (47) jurisdictions and made decisions to approve, partially approve, or deny the request; and

WHEREAS, of the appeals reviewed, the RHNA Appeals Board granted two partial approvals. The County of Riverside was granted a 215 unit reduction and the City of Pico Rivera was granted 2,917 unit reduction. Per State housing law and the adopted Appeals Procedures, the successfully appealed units were proportionally reallocated back to the SCAG region; and

WHEREAS, during the appeals process, jurisdictions raised many reasonable concerns regarding the regional housing need determination (RHNA Determination or Regional Determination) by the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) and their ability to meet their housing elements; and

Attachment: Draft Resolution - RHNA Reform (Report on RHNA Process and Consideration of Resolution)

WHEREAS, State law (Government Code Section 65580 *et seq.*) defines a process for HCD development of RHNA Determination; and

WHEREAS, SCAG does not believe HCD followed this process, and on or about September 18, 2019, SCAG submitted its objection to HCD's initial RHNA determination of 1,344,740 total units among four income categories for the SCAG region for 2021-2029. SCAG objected primarily on the grounds that (1) HCD did not base its determination on SCAG's Connect SoCal growth forecast; (2) HCD compared household overcrowding and cost-burden rates in the SCAG region to national averages rather than to rates in comparable regions; and (3) HCD used unrealistic comparison points to evaluate healthy market vacancy. SCAG proposed an alternative RHNA determination of 823,808 units; and

WHEREAS, on or about October 15, 2019, after consideration of SCAG's objection, HCD issued its Final RHNA Determination of a minimum of 1,341,827 total units among four income categories for the 6th cycle projection period June 30, 2021-October 15, 2029; and

WHEREAS, SCAG is committed to addressing the housing crisis in the State and recognizes that the RHNA is an important tool to address this crisis; and

WHEREAS, SCAG is committed to executing its responsibilities under the RHNA statute (Government Code Section 65580 *et seq.*), including adopting a Final RHNA Allocation Plan that furthers the objectives set forth in Government Code Section 65584(d) and allocates the Final RHNA Determination; and

WHEREAS, SCAG is concerned that by setting the Regional Determination so high, jurisdictions will not be able to fulfill their obligations and will be penalized in a way that only hurts jurisdictions' ability to build housing; and

WHEREAS, during the appeals process, the RHNA Appeals Board heard many other concerns about legitimate constraints that were not addressed by the Regional Determination or the RHNA methodology, which were outside of planning factors articulated in the RHNA statute such as wildfire and other high risk zones, flooding risk caused by dams, ingress and egress issues caused by limited and narrow roadways, as well as economic development issues, limited bases for appeal, etc.; and

WHEREAS, SCAG has determined that jurisdictions need continued support by the State as well as flexibility to meet their housing element requirements; and

WHEREAS, SCAG is committed to helping jurisdictions update their housing elements through Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) grant programs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Regional Council of the Southern California Association of Governments as follows:

1. SCAG shall continue supporting local jurisdictions with their Housing Element development through Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) grant programs; and

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PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the Regional Council of the Southern California Association of Governments at its regular meeting this 4th day of March, 2021.

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