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Mr. Matt Rodriguez, City Manager
City of San Pablo
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Dear Mr. Rodriguez:

RE: City of San Pablo's 5th Cycle (2015-2023) Adopted Housing Element

Thank you for submitting San Pablo's element adopted April 6, 2015 which was received for review on April 15, 2015. The Department also received Ordinance No.1502 (adopted May 18, 2015) on May 19, 2015 to amend zoning to permit emergency shelters without discretionary action pursuant to Government Code (GC) Section 65583(a)(4). Pursuant to GC Section 65585(h), the Department is reporting the results of its review. The review was expedited to facilitate meeting funding criteria for the One Bay Area Grant Program.

The Department is pleased to find the adopted housing element in full compliance with State element law (GC, Article 10.6). The adopted housing element was found to be substantially the same as the revised draft element the Department's February 26, 2015 review found in compliance. Also, in adopting Ordinance 1502 (Emergency Shelters), San Pablo met the requirement described in the Department's prior review.

Please note the City of San Pablo now meets specific requirements for State and Regional funding programs designed to reward local governments for compliance with State housing element law. For example, the Department's Housing Related Parks Program includes housing element compliance as a threshold requirement. Please see the Department's website for specific information about this and other State funding programs at http://www.hcd.ca.gov/hpd/hrc/plan/he/loan_grant_hcompl011708.pdf.

The Department appreciates the effort and cooperation provided by Mr. Rod Simpson, Assistant Planner, throughout the course of the housing element review. The Department wishes San Pablo success in implementing its housing element and looks forward to following its progress through the General Plan annual progress reports pursuant to GC Section 65400. If the Department can provide assistance in implementing the element, please contact Mario Angel, of our staff, at (916) 263-7442.

Sincerely,

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