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The Housing Element is one of the required "elements" or chapters of the City's General Plan, and is an important tool the City uses to plan for the existing and future housing needs of the community. The City's current Housing Element was adopted in 2001 and is in the process of being updated.

Following a public process that involved two community and stakeholder workshops, the City prepared a preliminary draft of the 2006-2014 Housing Element. The preliminary draft was submitted to the State Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) for review May 5, 2008. By law, HCD is required to provide comments to the City within 60 days. Upon receiving HCD comments, the preliminary draft will be revised and a public-review draft will be completed. The City will release the Draft Housing Element and the accompanying environmental review document for a 30-day public review period. Following the 30-day public review period, Planning Commission and City Council hearings will be scheduled, where the Housing Element will be adopted.