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Mr. Kelly Broughton, Director  
Development Services  
City of San Diego  
1222 First Avenue, MS 413  
San Diego, CA 92101-4101

Dear Mr. Broughton:

**RE: Review of the City of San Diego's Draft Housing Element**

Thank you for submitting San Diego's draft housing element received for review on September 17, 2012 and providing revisions on November 6 and 7, 2012. The draft housing element was submitted for the 5th planning cycle and covers the 2013-2021 planning period.

Government Code (GC) 65585(b) requires the Department of Housing and Community Development (Department) to review draft housing elements and report its findings to the locality. The Department's review was facilitated by communications with Mr. Brian Schoenfisch, Housing Element Project Manager.

The Department has determined the draft element addresses statutory requirements of State housing element law (Article 10.6 of the Government Code). The element will comply with the law when adopted and submitted to the Department for final approval pursuant to GC 65585(g). The Department's finding was based on, among other things, the identification of adequate sites to accommodate the City's regional housing need allocation for lower-income households.

For your information, Senate Bill 375 (Chapter 728, Statutes of 2008) amended State housing law adding GC 65588(e)(4) regarding timely adoption of the housing element. Localities on an 8-year planning period that do not adopt the housing element within 120 calendar days from the statutory due date (April 30, 2013 for SANDAG localities) are required to revise the housing element every four years until adopting at least two consecutive revisions by the statutory deadline. For more information on housing element adoption requirements, please visit the Department's website at: [http://www.hcd.ca.gov/hpd/hrc/plan/he/he\\_review\\_adoptionsteps110812.pdf](http://www.hcd.ca.gov/hpd/hrc/plan/he/he_review_adoptionsteps110812.pdf)

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The Department appreciates the efforts of Brian Schoenfisch in updating the housing element and looks forward to receiving the adopted housing element. If you have any questions or need additional technical assistance, please contact Robin Huntley, of our staff, at (916) 323-3175.

Sincerely,



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