

RESOLUTION NO. 19-1064

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PLEASANTON SUPPORTING THE TRI-VALLEY CITIES HOUSING AND POLICY FRAMEWORK AS A SUPPLEMENT TO THE TRI-VALLEY CITIES LEGISLATIVE FRAMEWORK ON HOUSING MATTERS

WHEREAS, in 2017 the Tri-Valley cities of Dublin, Livermore, Pleasanton, and San Ramon and the Town of Danville (collectively known as the “Tri-Valley Cities”) acknowledge the importance of collaborating on a legislative advocacy framework, which resulted in the development of the Tri-Valley Cities Legislative Framework; and

WHEREAS, the Tri-Valley Cities recognize and respect the local needs and character of each community, and have a shared interest in maintaining local control of decision-making related to all aspects of the management of each jurisdiction, including but not limited to financial, land use and development, and growth-related matters; and

WHEREAS, in January of 2017, the State of California published a report titled “California’s Housing Future: Opportunities and Challenges,” which documented the negative consequences of the historic underproduction of housing in California, including an increasing affordability gap, falling rates of homeownership, disproportionate rates of homelessness, and issues such as urban sprawl and traffic congestion. Collectively, these issues have been identified by legislators as part of a statewide “housing crisis”; and

WHEREAS, in September of 2017, California Governor Jerry Brown signed into law the “Housing Package” consisting of 15 new bills focused on funding, permit streamlining, and increased enforcement and accountability for local governments with respect to implementation of the Housing Element; and

WHEREAS, in 2018, State legislators approved, and the Governor signed into law several additional housing bills; and

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission formed the Committee to House the Bay Area (CASA) to address the housing challenges in the Bay Area; and

WHEREAS, in December 2018 the Committee to House the Bay Area released an ambitious 10-point plan, known as the CASA Compact, to serve as state legislative research data for future housing legislation; and

WHEREAS, the State’s focus on the affordable housing challenges is likely to continue for the foreseeable future with new legislation that will impact local jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, the Tri-Valley Cities recognize the substantial challenge of providing adequate and affordable housing opportunities in the region, and the shared responsibility of all communities across the State to help address these needs; and

WHEREAS, there is a unique opportunity for the Tri-Valley Cities to work together, to develop a collaborative response to influence legislative efforts at the State towards outcomes that address housing needs, while respecting community character and desire for local control of decision making; and

WHEREAS, the Tri-Valley Cities affirm their interest in and commitment to shaping housing policy outcomes in a constructive manner, through a proactive and nuanced approach to advocacy and engagement on the topic of housing that will result in better outcomes for the region and the individual communities; and

WHEREAS, the Tri-Valley Cities have developed the Tri-Valley Cities Housing and Policy Framework to provide additional depth to the Tri-Valley Cities Legislative Framework in the area of housing; and

WHEREAS, the Tri-Valley Cities Housing and Policy Framework provides a comprehensive statement of the Tri-Valley cities legislative approach, reflecting the following Key Themes:

- Balanced Solutions – Housing, Jobs, and Transportation;
- Provide, Promote, and Protect Affordability;
- Context Sensitive Housing;
- Infrastructure and Services; and
- Funding and Resources; and

WHEREAS, the Key Themes are topic areas where there is consensus among the Tri-Valley Cities, and which can be used to inform, influence, respond, and advocate, on the topic of housing at the local, regional and State level; and

WHEREAS, the overall approach identifies and addresses common areas of concern, while recognizing that each city can and will continue to pursue individual areas of interest that are specific to their community's needs; and

WHEREAS, on February 27, 2019, the Tri-Valley Mayors and Councilmembers met to discuss the Tri-Valley Cities Housing and Policy Framework; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of Pleasanton met on March 5, 2019 to consider and discuss the Tri-Valley Cities Housing and Policy Framework;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PLEASANTON DOES HEREBY RESOLVE, DECLARE, DETERMINE AND ORDER THE FOLLOWING:

SECTION 1. The Tri-Valley Cities Housing and Policy Framework is hereby supported as supplemental material to the existing Tri-Valley Cities Legislative Framework on matters related to housing legislation.

SECTION 2. The Tri-Valley Cities may from time-to-time revisit the Tri-Valley Cities Housing and Policy Framework to ensure that the approaches and topics discussed within the report remain relevant and appropriate.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of Pleasanton at a regular meeting held on March 5, 2019.

I, Karen Diaz, City Clerk of the City of Pleasanton, California, certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the City Council at a regular meeting held on the 5th day of March 2019, by the following vote:

Ayes:	Councilmembers Brown, Narum, Pentin, Testa, Mayor Thorne
Noes:	None
Absent:	None
Abstain:	None


Karen Diaz, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Daniel G. Sodergren, City Attorney