



SAN DIEGO HOUSING COMMISSION REPORT IDENTIFIES PROPOSED ACTIONS TO MEET THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO'S 10-YEAR HOUSING NEEDS

The report will help the City establish realistic, achievable housing production goals

SAN DIEGO, CA – The City of San Diego can create enough additional housing to meet its need for 150,000 – 220,000 housing units over the next 10 years if the majority of the proposals in a new San Diego Housing Commission (SDHC) report are implemented.

SDHC developed the report, [*Addressing the Housing Affordability Crisis: San Diego Housing Production Objectives 2018-2028*](#), in collaboration with City Councilmembers Scott Sherman and David Alvarez, Chair and Vice Chair, respectively, of the City Council's Smart Growth & Land Use Committee. The report will be presented to the Committee today.

“This report, for the first time reveals researched housing goals by community that must be reached in order to solve our region's housing crisis. Talk is cheap; we can now measure our success and hold ourselves accountable in achieving housing affordability in our region,” Councilmember Sherman said.

SDHC's report provides important data that will help the City of San Diego establish realistic and achievable housing goals.

“The findings of this report send a clear message: We should care more about building homes for regular San Diegans than building luxury mansions for the wealthy. I look forward to working on implementing its recommendations, such as setting housing production goals and improving our inclusionary housing ordinance to produce more affordable housing,” Councilmember Alvarez said.

SDHC engaged a global policy and research consultant to conduct the study of the City's overall housing production needs, its current supply, and its available space to build additional homes.

“The good news is that the study we are announcing today found that the City has the ability to meet its housing needs over the next 10 years. Our new report identifies the five main sources of these potential new housing units—as well as actions that can be taken to expedite housing production,” said SDHC President & CEO Richard C. Gentry.

This new report is the next step in a process that SDHC started nearly two years ago when it published its report, [*Addressing the Housing Affordability Crisis: An Action Plan for San Diego*](#), which included 11 recommended actions at the local, state and federal level to reduce costs and increase housing production. To date, action has been taken on nine of those 11 recommendations.

Setting annual housing production goals was the first of the 11 recommendations in that report.

SDHC's new report identifies:

- Available land where it is possible to build housing now;
- Allowable land uses that can create options for the development of additional housing;
- Opportunities to improve the development process to make it easier for developers to find the resources they need to create housing; and
- Geospatial analysis of the opportunities to create housing in specific neighborhoods.

The five main sources of potential additional housing units over the next 10 years:

- Rezoning to increase density around transit opportunity areas: 47,000-146,000 units
- Redeveloping underutilized parcels of land: 56,000-73,000 units
- Adapting disused industrial zones and City sites: 11,000-20,000 units
- Infilling vacant lots: 5,000-6,000 units
- Utilizing detached Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs): 2,700-5,500 units
- Total: 121,700-250,500 units

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