

## LEGISLATIVE DIGEST

[General Plan - Repealing Ordinance No. 97-14 - Adoption of 2014 Housing Element]

**Ordinance amending the San Francisco General Plan by repealing the 2009 Housing Element (Ordinance No. 97-14), and adopting the 2014 Housing Element; and making findings, including environmental findings, and findings of consistency with the General Plan, and the eight priority policies of Planning Code, Section 101.1.**

### Existing Law

Currently, the Housing Element of the San Francisco General Plan is the 2009 Housing Element, adopted in June 2009 in Ordinance 108-11; and again in 2014 in Ordinance 97-14.

### Amendments to Current Law

This legislation would set aside Ordinance 97-14 which adopted the 2009 Housing Element, and adopt the 2014 Housing Element as the Housing Element for the San Francisco General Plan. The 2014 Housing Element updates and continues the policies and objectives of the 2009 Housing Element, and adds five new policies and several new implementation measures. In general, the policies contained in the 2014 Housing Element are intended to prioritize the creation of permanently affordable housing; recognize and preserve neighborhood character; integrate planning of housing, jobs, transportation and infrastructure; and maintain the City as a sustainable model of development.

### Background Information

The Housing Element of the San Francisco General Plan is a policy document that consists of goals and policies to guide the City and private developers in preserving, improving and providing housing to meet the projected housing needs of all economic segments of the community, as required under Government Code section 65580 et seq. ("State housing element law").

The current Housing Element of the San Francisco General Plan is known as the 2009 Housing Element, which was adopted by this Board in April 2011, and in June 2014, re-adopted it to comply with a court order. Under state law, California Government Code section 65588(a), each local government must review its housing element as frequently as appropriate to evaluate the goals, objectives, and policies of the housing element in contributing to the state housing goal; to review the effectiveness of the housing element in attainment of the community's housing goals and objectives; and to review the progress of the jurisdiction in implementing the housing element.

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The San Francisco Planning Commission proposes to update the 2009 Housing Element in compliance with state law, to be known as the “2014 Housing Element.” The 2014 Housing Element updates the Data and Needs Analysis of the 2009 Housing Element with more current data, includes all the policies and objectives found in the 2009 Housing Element with some minor changes, adds five new policies, and includes additional implementation measures.

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