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Mr. David Biggs, City Manager  
City of Hercules  
111 Civic Drive  
Hercules, CA 94547

Dear Mr. Biggs:

**RE: Hercules' 5<sup>th</sup> Cycle (2015-2023) Adopted Housing Element**

Thank you for submitting the City of Hercules' housing element adopted April 14, 2015 which was received for review on April 17, 2015. Pursuant to Government Code (GC) Section 65585(h), the Department is reporting the results of its review.

The Department is pleased to find the adopted housing element in full compliance with State housing element law (GC, Article 10.6). The adopted element was found to be substantially the same as the revised draft element the Department's February 23, 2015 review determined met statutory requirements.

Please note the City of Hercules now meets specific requirements for several State and Regional funding programs designed to reward local governments for compliance with State housing element law. For example, the Housing Related Parks Program includes housing element compliance as a threshold requirement. Please see the Department's website for specific information about these and other State funding programs at [http://www.hcd.ca.gov/hpd/hrc/plan/he/loan\\_grant\\_hecompl011708.pdf](http://www.hcd.ca.gov/hpd/hrc/plan/he/loan_grant_hecompl011708.pdf).

The Department, throughout the course of the housing element review process, appreciates the assistance provided by Ms. Holly Smyth, Planning Director; and the City's consultants, Ms. Veronica Tam; Mr. Scott Davidson; and Mr. Bill Trimble. The Department wishes the City of Hercules success in implementing its housing element and looks forward to following its progress through the General Plan annual progress reports pursuant to GC Section 65400. If the Department can assist in implementing the housing element, please contact Robin Huntley, of our staff, at (916) 263-7422.

Sincerely,

Glen A. Campora  
Assistant Deputy Director