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**RESIDENTS MAY VIEW SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL / PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING (RECORDED MARCH 23) FOR HOUSING ELEMENT UPDATE OVERVIEW
NEXT WORKSHOP - APRIL 6**

Chino Hills, CA – The Chino Hills City Council held a Special Council and Planning Commission Meeting to discuss the 6th Cycle update of the Housing Element for the City's General Plan on Tuesday, March 23 at 4:00 pm.

During the Special Meeting, City of Chino Hills Community Development Director Joann Lombardo provided a comprehensive overview of the State of California's Housing Element requirements and Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) process which the City is mandated to comply with. Through RHNA, the State has allocated over 1.3 million new housing units to be planned for across the southern California region to address the housing crisis and provide adequate housing for all economic segments of the community. Chino Hills has been allocated 3,729 total RHNA units which must be included in the Housing Element update.

Residents are encouraged to view a recording of the Special Meeting online at www.chinohills.org/HousingElementUpdate to learn more about the State's process and enforcement, the City's previous actions of submitting concerns and appeals of the RHNA; the legal penalties local governments face if they fail to comply; and a summary of public feedback and input collected and addressed in previous Workshops.

The City is encouraging the community to participate in a series of Workshops to provide input and feedback to ensure City Staff actively addresses comments and concerns as the process develops. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Workshops are being conducted via Zoom and the next workshop is scheduled for Tuesday, April 6 at 7:00 pm.

Written comments submitted by 5:30 pm on Tuesday, April 6 will be read into the record during the Workshop. Submit comments via email to communitydevelopment@chinohills.org. Participants on Zoom may provide verbal comments during the Workshop. Public comments are limited to three minutes or approximately 350 words. For additional information, please call (909) 364-2740.

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