RESOLUTION NO. 2024-28

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ALTOS TO COMPLY WITH THE STATE HOUSING LAWS

WHEREAS, the San Francisco region has the highest housing costs in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the Bay Area produced less than 30% of the need for low- and moderate-income housing units from 2007-2014, and is on track to similarly underproduce low-income units during the 2015-2023 time period; and

WHEREAS, there are limited funding sources available to secure land for the construction of low- and moderate-income housing; and

WHEREAS, public lands can play a critical role in increasing the supply of land for affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, accessory dwelling units (ADUs) and junior accessory dwelling units (JADUs) provide an important option to increase the availability and affordability of housing, especially in existing, lower density neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, density bonuses are an effective tool to increase the financial feasibility of housing and incentivize the creation of affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission adopted Resolution No. 4505, outlining the programming policy and project selection criteria for the One Bay Area Grant Program (OBAG 3), including certain requirements to access these funds.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Los Altos, State of California, as follows:

That the City of Los Altos agrees to comply with the terms of Surplus Land Act (California Government Code § 54220 et seq.), as exists now or may be amended in the future, including, but not limited to, AB 1255 (Rivas, 2019), which requires jurisdictions to compile and report annually an inventory of surplus lands to the California Department of Housing and Community Development; and.

That the City of Los Altos agrees to comply with state laws related to ADUs and JADUs, as it exists now or may be amended in the future, including, but not limited to California Government Code §§ 65852.150, 65852.2, 65852.22, et seq. and California Health & Safety Code §§ 17980.12; and

That the City of Los Altos agrees to comply with state Density Bonus Law (California Government Code § 65915 et seq.), as exists now or may be amended in the future; and

That the City of Los Altos warrants and represents that is in compliance with the aforementioned state housing laws and there are no claims, actions, suits, or proceedings pending to the best of the City of Los Altos' knowledge, alleging violations of the state housing laws by the City of Los Altos.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Los Altos at a meeting thereof on the 14th day of May, 2024 by the following vote:

AYES: Dailey, Fligor, Lee Eng, Meadows, Weinberg

NOES: ABSENT: ABSTAIN:

Sonathan D. Weinberg, MAYOR

Attest:

Melissa Thurman, MMC,

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