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August 18, 2021

Christopher W. Boyd, City Manager City of Citrus Heights 6360 Fountain Square Drive Citrus Heights, CA, 95621

Dear Christopher W. Boyd:

RE: Citrus Heights' 6th Cycle (2021-2029) Adopted Housing Element

Thank you for submitting the City of Citrus Heights' (City) housing element adopted May 27, 2021 and received for review on May 28, 2021. Pursuant to Government Code section 65585, subdivision (h), the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) is reporting the results of its review.

HCD is pleased to find the adopted housing element in full compliance with State Housing Element Law (Article 10.6 of the Gov. Code). The adopted element addresses the statutory requirements described in HCD's May 11, 2021 review.

Some general plan element updates are triggered by housing element adoption. HCD reminds the City to consider timing provisions and welcomes the opportunity to provide assistance. For information, please see the Technical Advisories issued by the Governor's Office of Planning and Research at: <u>http://opr.ca.gov/docs/OPR Appendix C final.pdf</u> and <u>http://opr.ca.gov/docs/Final 6.26.15.pdf</u>.

Several federal, state, and regional funding programs consider housing element compliance as an eligibility or ranking criteria. For example, the CalTrans Senate Bill (SB) 1 Sustainable Communities grant; the Strategic Growth Council and HCD's Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities programs; and HCD's Permanent Local Housing Allocation consider housing element compliance and/or annual reporting requirements pursuant to Government Code section 65400. With a compliant housing element, the City meets housing element requirements for these and other funding sources.

HCD appreciates the dedication that Planning Manager Casey Kempenaar and Assistant Planner Eric Singer provided throughout the course of the housing element update. Their hard work and commitment to the update is truly a display of Christopher W. Boyd, City Manager Page 2

commendable public service and commitment to Citrus Heights. HCD wishes the City success in implementing its housing element and looks forward to following its progress through the General Plan annual progress reports pursuant to Government Code section 65400. If HCD can provide assistance in implementing the housing element, please contact Hillary Prasad, of our staff, at <u>Hillary.Prasad@hcd.ca.gov</u>.

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Shannan West Land Use & Planning Unit Chief