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Ms. Janet Keeter, City Manager
City of Orinda
22 Orinda Way
Orinda, CA 94563

Dear Ms. Keeter:

RE: City of Orinda's 5th Cycle (2015-2023) Adopted Housing Element

Thank you for submitting the City of Orinda's housing element adopted April 21, 2015 that was received for review on May 1, 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 17, 2015 review determined met statutory requirements.

Please note the City of Orinda now meets specific requirements for State and Regional funding programs designed to reward local governments for compliance with State housing element law. For example, the Department's Housing Related Parks Program includes housing element compliance as a threshold requirement. Please see the Department's website for specific information about this and other State funding programs at http://www.hcd.ca.gov/hpd/hrc/plan/he/loan_grant_hcompl011708.pdf.

The Department appreciates the dedication and hard work Mr. Emmanuel Ursu, Planning Director, Ms. Jennifer Gastelum and Ms. Courtney Wood, PMC, provided throughout the course of the housing element review. The Department wishes Orinda 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 provide additional assistance in implementing the housing element, please contact Robin Huntley, of our staff, at (916) 263-7422.

Sincerely,

Glen A. Campora
Assistant Deputy Director