



CITY of CALABASAS

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION AGENDA REPORT

DATE: APRIL 21, 2022

TO: MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION

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SUBJECT: GENERAL PLAN UPDATE –SAFETY ELEMENT

**MEETING
DATE:** APRIL 25, 2022

SUMMARY RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Public Safety Commission receive and file this report. There will not be a presentation included in this item.

BACKGROUND:

Every city and county in California must prepare, adopt and implement a General Plan, which establishes overall goals and policies for future growth of the jurisdiction. As set out in the California Government Code, a city's General Plan must include a Housing Element, Circulation Element and Safety Element among seven mandatory elements. For Cities located within the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) area, the Housing Element is required to be updated every eight years to address regional housing needs.

On October 13, 2021, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2021-1755 updating the Housing Element and Land Use Element of the 2030 General Plan,

and on March 30, 2022 the City Council re-adopted the 2021 – 2029 housing Element with several revisions, as necessary to address four concerns expressed by the California Department of housing and Development (HCD).

In accordance with state law, the Safety Element of the General Plan must be updated when the Housing Element is updated in order to address Climate Change, emergency evacuations and wildfire.

On February 28, 2022, the Public Safety Commission held a joint public meeting with the Traffic and Transportation Commission to discuss updates to the Circulation and Safety Elements of the 2030 General Plan. After a presentation provided by the General Plan Update team, Commissioners asked questions and provided comments to staff. Subsequent to the meeting, the Public Safety Commission members provided follow-up comments in writing to staff. To address the written comments received from the Public Safety Commission members, staff made corresponding amendments to the draft updated Safety Element (see Attachment 1).

DISCUSSION/ANALYSIS:

With input from both Commissions, the updated draft Circulation Element and the updated draft Safety Element are now ready to proceed to the next steps, which include submittal to state agencies for review, and public hearings by both the Planning Commission and City Council. The City Council is responsible for final adoption.

FISCAL IMPACT/SOURCE OF FUNDING:

Preparation of updates to the General Plan had been anticipated, and the necessary funding was included in the adopted 2020 - 2021 and 2021 - 2022 City budgets.

REQUESTED ACTION:

Staff recommends that the Public Safety Commission receive and file this report.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Attachment 1: Public Safety Commissioner Comments and Staff responses
- Attachment 2: Draft 2022 General Plan Safety Element with updates highlighted