# SB 9 Draft Ordinance Discussion Calabasas Planning Commission May 19, 2022

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## SB 9 Overview

#### SB 9 Urban Lot Splits

- Adds Government Code § 66411.7 to the Subdivision Map Act
- Ministerially approves splitting a single parcel into two in single-family residential zones

#### SB 9 Ministerial Design Review

- Adds Government Code § 65852.21 to the Planning & Zoning Law
- Ministerially approves development of up to two new units meeting certain standards in single-family residential zones (includes adding one SB 9-compliant unit to existing SFR)

# Eligible Sites (SB 9) Urban Lot Splits & Ministerial Design Review

- Applies to only single-family residential zones
  - RS (Residential, Single-Family)
  - RR (Rural Residential)
  - RC (Rural Community)
- Does not apply to Commercial or Multi-Family Residential
- Lot cannot have been previously split under SB 9 – once only
- Can build SB 9 units w/o lot split
   → Ministerial Design Review either route



### Anti-Displacement Rules



- SB 9 blocked if project requires demolition or alteration of a housing unit:
  - Subject to a recorded covenant, ordinance, or law that restricts rent to affordable housing levels;
  - Subject to rent or price controls;
  - Occupied by a tenant (not owner) in the last 3 years; or
  - Removed from the rental market under the Ellis Act within the last 15 years.

# Development Standards (SB 9) Urban Lot Splits

#### Floor Area

• Max 800 square feet per unit

#### Density

- Max two units per two new parcels
- Max four units total on original parcel

#### Lot Size

- The resulting lots must be at least 1,200 square feet, which means the lot to be split must be at least 2,400 square feet
- New parcel may not be smaller than 40% of the lot area of the original parcel



## Development Standards: (SB 9) Urban Lot Splits

#### Design Standards

• Must comply with standards for underlying zone (height, slope, lot coverage etc.)

#### Setbacks

- City cannot impose new/more extensive setbacks for existing structure in same location with same dimensions
- Otherwise setbacks of up to four feet from side and rear lot lines

#### Fire Safety Standards

- Must comply with Fire Code and have one-hour fire wall/automatic fire sprinkler system
- 10 feet of separation between buildings to prevent spread of fire



# Development Standards: SB 9 Units (Non Lot-Split)

#### Floor Area

Max 800 square feet per unit

#### Density

Max two units per parcel

#### Lot Size

Governed by underlying zoning



### Development Standards: SB 9 Units (Non-Lot Split)

#### Height

 SB 9 is silent as to height – proposed ordinance ties back to existing zone

#### Parking

- City can require off-street parking of up to one space per unit, unless located within ½ mile of
  - a high—quality transit corridor,
  - within one block of a car share location



# SB 9 HOA Exemption

- SB 9 does not address mandatory HOAs
- HOAs can exempt themselves from SB 9 through CC&Rs
- HOAs will need to confirm/add language to CC&Rs to prohibit lot split
- City has provided notice to HOAs regarding their authority



## SB 10 Overview

### SB 10 "Light Touch Density Act"

 Allows, <u>but does not require</u>, a City to up-zone a transit rich or urban infill site for up to 10 residential units and bypass CEQA

#### SB 10 Protection of Open Space

 Any open space, resource protected area cannot be upzoned (Measures D and O)

# Proposed SB 10 Policy Declaration

 Ordinance would expressly declare that City is declining to exercise the upzoning authority provided by SB 10

# Charter City Lawsuit

- Redondo Beach, Torrance, Carson, and Whittier have sued the State challenging SB 9
- Calabasas is not a charter City, so City Attorney's Office anticipates limited impact of lawsuit on City
- City Attorney's Office continues to monitor lawsuit & other potential challenges



# Next Steps

- Provide Direction to Staff
  - Any suggested changes to ordinance?
- If directed, ordinance will have to go through public hearings at Planning Commission, then back to City Council
  - Exempt from CEQA by SB 9



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