

Staff Report

TO: City Council

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SUBJECT: PLAN2025-0176 General Plan Annual Progress Report and General Plan

Chapter 12 Implementation Update

Description An update on the progress of implementing Chapter 12 of the 2024 Beaumont General Plan.

Background and Analysis:

State law requires each county and city to prepare and adopt a 20-year comprehensive and long-range general plan for its physical development (Government Code Section 65300). The General Plan has been called the "constitution" or "blueprint" for the City and offers a strong foundation for making future development decisions. In December 2016, the City Council awarded a contract for the proposed General Plan Update. On November 17, 2020, the City Council adopted the 2040 Beaumont General Plan.

The 2040 Beaumont General Plan complies with Government Code Section 65300 mentioned above and provides the City with a consistent land-use decision-making framework. The general plan and its maps, diagrams, goals, and policies form the basis for city zoning, subdivision, and public works actions. Under California law, no specific plan, area plan, zoning, subdivision map, nor public works project may be approved unless the City finds that it is consistent with the adopted general plan.

Chapter 12-Implementation (new chapter)

This chapter describes actions to implement the goals and policies of the General Plan. Generally, implementation actions are needed to direct City staff and decision makers, and execute specific policies within the General Plan, such as creating an ordinance or updating a master plan. This chapter also includes indicators to track the implementation of the General Plan over time.

"Although the General Plan is a living document, State law allows it to be updated to be refined over the coming decades. It encourages an annual review of the

implementation actions and recommends that the entire General Plan be thoroughly reviewed every five (5) years to ensure that it is still consistent with the community's goal." (2040 General Plan, Chapter 12, Page 298)

The 2024 General Plan Annual progress report is provided as Attachment A. Chapter 12 of the General Plan includes a table that identifies programmatic actions to be completed by the City. Each implementation program identifies the responsible City departments, level of priority and a suggested time frame. Staff included an additional column to provide updates.

Planning staff anticipates kicking off the five (5) year review process in the summer of 2025.

Fiscal Impact:

The cost to prepare this staff report is approximately \$700.

Recommended Action:

Receive and file.

Attachments:

- A. 2024 General Plan Annual Progress Report
- B. General Chapter 12 Implementation Table Updated