DISCUSSION POINT 1(A)

With Housing Elements, we examine regulatory constraints (e.g., zoning), market constraints (labor costs, etc.), and other key constraints to housing development.

- What do you think are the most important post-recession constraints to affordable housing development in West Sacramento?
DISCUSSION POINT 1 (B)

With Housing Elements, we examine regulatory constraints (e.g., zoning), market constraints (labor costs, etc.), and other key constraints to housing development.

• What can the City directly do to alleviate these constraints, and what should the City do in partnership with other agencies and organizations to remove barriers to affordable housing development?
DISCUSSION POINT 2

Past Housing Elements were developed during times of high housing demand and sometimes high relative costs:

• How should the City respond differently, in terms of policy and action, now that we are in the middle of a pandemic, and entering a housing crisis?
DISCUSSION POINT 3(A)

The City is updating the Housing Element at the same time the City is making revisions to the Mobility Element, the Safety Element, and revisions throughout the General Plan related to environmental justice, as well as developing a Resiliency and Climate Action Plan:

• In what ways should the City’s policies and implementation programs be structured to create synergy among the City’s goals in each of these areas?
DISCUSSION POINT 3(B)

The City is updating the Housing Element at the same time the City is making revision to the Mobility Element, the Safety Element, and revisions throughout the General Plan related to environmental justice, as well as developing a Resiliency and Climate Action Plan:

- Do you know of example communities that are successfully connecting their greenhouse gas reduction programs to their affordable housing programs, or their multi-modal mobility efforts to their environmental justice efforts?
DISCUSSION POINT 4

What do you think the top environmental justice concerns are for West Sacramento, and what should the City do to make improvements in the future in these areas?
DISCUSSION POINT 5

What are the best ways for the City to positively contribute toward historic injustices?

• Are there model communities in this area and, if so, what are they doing that is most impactful?
DISCUSSION POINT 6

Given finite resources available to the City, should the City accelerate the production of “affordable-by-design” housing in locations with supportive services? (if yes, what are some ways this can be done?)

• “Affordable-by-design” refers to units that are smaller, more efficient with space, or have fewer amenities (building in an affordable price by unit design)
DISCUSSION POINT 7

What are some of the main challenges with the housing experience in West Sacramento and how can we address these challenges?
DISCUSSION POINT 8

What are some potential strategies for maintaining housing affordability in West Sacramento and increasing the supply and variety of housing of affordable housing types as the City grows and attracts new businesses and workers?