CITY OF CALISTOGA PLANNING COMMISSION RESOLUTION PC 2009-03

A RESOLUTION FORWARDING A RECOMMENDATION TO THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE APPROVAL OF A WORK PROGRAM TO UPDATE THE HOUSING ELEMENT OF THE CITY'S GENERAL PLAN.

WHEREAS, the City of Calistoga is required by State law to prepare and adopt a General Plan for the long-term physical growth and development of the City; and

WHEREAS, the Housing Element is one of seven State mandated elements to be included in the General Plan; and

WHEREAS, the City's current Housing Element was adopted in the middle of the previous State planning period of 1999 to 2006; and

WHEREAS, the State Department of Housing and Community Development has established a new State planning period (2007 to 2014) and is requiring all local governments within the regional jurisdiction of the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) to update their Housing Elements by June 30, 2009; and

WHEREAS, staff has prepared a work program for updating the Housing Element in accordance with the statutory requirements of Housing Element law; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission considered the work program at its regular meeting on January 14, 2009, and prior to making its recommendation to the City Council, received written and oral reports by the staff, and received public testimony; and

WHEREAS, this action is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under Section 15061(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Calistoga Planning Commission that, with the recommendations noted below, the proposed work program is forwarded to the City Council with a recommendation for approval.

- 1. As part of the housing needs assessment, the work program should include an analysis of the relationship between hourly employment and housing needs.
- As part of the housing needs assessment, the work program should include an analysis of the impact that second home ownership (part-time residents) and fractional ownership have on the City's ability to address its housing needs.
- 3. As part of the housing needs assessment, an effort should be made to identify "hidden" overcrowding conditions.
- 4. As part of the constraints analysis, the work program should include an evaluation of the ability of the City's current development standards to accommodate environmentally sensitive/sustainable design at all density levels.
- 5. A sub-committee should be formed to guide the Housing Element Update program. The sub-committee should include individuals from the general public. Commissioners Coates and Creager have been designated to serve as the Planning

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47	Commission's representatives to the sub-committee should the City Council concu	
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50	PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED on January 14, 2009, by the following vote of	
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