



# *City of Grover Beach*

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## **City of Grover Beach General Plan Updates**

The City is working on updates to our General Plan, including:

- The **Land Use Element** that provides a guide to where and how development can occur within the city and sets Goals, Policies, and Implementation Actions for residential, commercial, industrial, open space, and public uses. This includes individual property owner requests for changes in the General Plan. The Public Review Draft of the Land Use Element and the Master Environmental Impact Report are currently available for review. The draft plan incorporates the Consensus Vision from community workshops held several years ago, as well as community workshops held in 2008 and 2009. Staff and the City's consultants will be reviewing the comments that are received to prepare the **Public Hearing Draft** to be presented first to the Planning Commission. The Commission will then make recommendations to the City Council. A **Public Hearing** will be scheduled in November 2009 to receive further community input.
- The **Housing Element** sets out Goals, Policies, and Programs that the City will undertake to ensure an adequate supply of sound housing that is affordable to all residents. This plan must be updated every five years. The Public Review Draft was completed in May and submitted to the State Department of Housing and Community Development for approval. The draft plan includes new requirements set by state legislation, including provisions for emergency shelters, supportive and transitional housing, and how the City will meet its fair share of the County's regional housing demand for very-low, low- and moderate-income housing.

The City received initial comments from the State and has incorporated the proposed changes into a second Public Review Draft (dated August 2009), which is currently available for public comment. This document is under a second review by the State for compliance. The City has also prepared a Negative Declaration which documents that there will be no significant impacts from the adoption of the Housing Element. The City anticipates holding a Public Hearing before the Planning Commission in October 2009.

For more information, please see the Community Development Department page of the City website at [www.grover.org/commdev.htm](http://www.grover.org/commdev.htm). The City encourages the community to participate in the update process. The City has a mailing list to keep interested citizens and businesses informed of progress, public workshops, and public hearings on General Plan updates. To be included on this mailing list, please contact the Community Development Department at (805) 473-4530 or send an e-mail to [commdev@grover.org](mailto:commdev@grover.org).

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