

SEBASTOPOL PLANNING COMMISSION Regular Meeting - April 22, 2025

Regular Agenda Items



• 7.A. – Informational Item: Downtown Grant Update

• 7.B. – Informational Item: Housing Element Implementation

7.C. – Subcommittee Formation (Discussion and Direction)

Downtown Grant Update



Sustainable Transportation Grant (STG)

- o Cal Trans initiated project
- Awarded: August 2023 | Target completion: March 2026

Purpose	Enhance multimodal safety for the Downtown Core Area.
Funding	\$260,000 total . \$230,000 (Caltrans) and \$30,000 (local match).
Funding Source	Caltrans Sustainable Transportation Grant + local match from Traffic Impact Fees fund



Downtown Grant Update



Sustainable Transportation Grant (STG)

- Q1 2025 Updates
 - Gather input from Caltrans on prelim circulation options.
 - Circle back with stakeholders for additional input.
 - Community Meeting on May 22 (invitation to follow).

REIMAGINING THE CORE: Our Vision for Downtown Mobility & Vitality

The City is leading a study to lay the foundation for a safer, thriving, and more welcoming Downtown Sebastopol. Come be part of the vision!





Housing Element Implementation HCD Priorities

Priority Program	Deadline	Status
Program A-3.1; Objective	Due 2025	Completed 2023; additional
Design Standards	Duc 2020	updates needed.
Program A-3.3; Missing	Due 2028	Ongoing.
Middle Housing	Due 2020	
Drogrom A 2 4. Morkforce	Due 2024	Past Due. Implementation of
Program A-3.4; Workforce		PDA Grant will help complete
Housing Overlay Zone		this task.
Program A-3.5;		Past Due.
Opportunities for By Right	Due 2024	
Housing		



Housing Element Implementation HCD Priorities

Priority Program	Deadline	Status
Program A-4.2; Fee Mitigation and Transparency	Due 2029	Annual program/ongoing
Program B-1.2; Code Enforcement and Reasonable Accommodation Procedures	Due 2025	Ongoing.
Program D-2.2; Zoning Code Updates	Due 2023	Past Due.
Program D-4.1 ; Replacement Housing Requirement	Ongoing	Annual program/ongoing



Housing Element Implementation Status of Priority Development Grant Program

Priority Development Area Grant Program	Status
Purpose	Implements Housing Element HCD priorities.
Funding	\$190,000; ABAG to retain all but \$40,000 to cover cost of consultant/ABAG scope of work.
Funding Source	ABAG/MTC
Timeline	ABAG to issue RFP for Consultant Fall 2025. Project completion estimated by end of calendar year 2026.



Housing Element Implementation Other Program Updates

Program

Program A-1.1 No Net Loss of Residential Capacity to Accommodate RHNA

Program A-1.2 No Reduction of Density without Replacement Sites

Program A-1.3 Inventory Monitoring

Program A-2.1 Administrative List of Additional Sites

Program A-3.2 Support Efforts of Affordable Housing Developers

Program A-3.6 Encourage the Development of Accessory Dwelling Units

Program A-4.1 Density Bonus Incentives

Program A-4.3 Affordable Housing Funding

Program B-1.1 Monitor City Activities and Housing Program Implementation

Program B-2.1 Expedite Processing for Affordable Housing Projects

Program B-3.1 Monitor Housing Trends, Laws, and Issues



Housing Element Implementation Other Program Updates

Program

Program C-1.1 Safeguard Affordable Housing Inventory

Program C-2.1 Rehabilitation Assistance

Program C-3.1 Provide Information and Promote Energy Conservation

Program D-1.1 Administer Housing Services and Provide Outreach and Education

Program D-1.2 Proactive Outreach Program

Program D-2.1 Landlord Education

Program D-3.1 First Time Homebuyer Program and Affordable

Homeownership Resources

Subcommittee Formation

- Task List
 - Housing Element Implementation
 - Zoning Fix-It List
 - Opt-in to AB 1033



• Discussion and provide direction to staff.