



September 13, 2021

City of Alameda Planning Board
2263 Santa Clara Avenue, Room 190
Alameda, CA 94501

Subject: Proposed revisions to Second Draft Alameda General Plan (Item 7-A on Planning Board's 9-13-21 agenda) - -AAPS comments

Dear Planning Board members,

The Alameda Architectural Preservation Society (AAPS) would like to thank staff for retaining the existing General Plan provisions described in Item 4 of our July 25, 2021 letter (attached) in the proposed September 13, 2021 revisions (staff report Exhibit 2). We urge the Planning Board to recommend that the City Council include these provisions as part of its adoption of the new General Plan.

We also thank staff for advising us that staff will be presenting additional changes to the September 13 revisions responding to Items 1 and 2 of our July 25 letter (including related provisions in the attachment to that letter) to the Planning Board at the Board's September 13 meeting.

However, staff is not prepared to make the changes recommended in Item 3 of our July 25 letter and on page 1 of the letter attachment concerning Article 26, including the reference to the 1968 California Fair Housing Act. We therefore ask the Planning Board to direct staff to include these changes, which are intended to ensure that the General Plan's history of Article 26 is complete and removes the incorrect implication that Article 26 was in response to the Fair Housing Act. See Item 3 of our July 25 letter for further discussion of this.

Finally, we would like to thank the Planning Board for all of your hard work on the General Plan and your support of many of the AAPS recommendations.

Thank you for the ongoing opportunities to comment. Please contact me at (510) 523-0411 or cbuckleyAICP@att.net if you would like to discuss these comments.

Sincerely,

Christopher Buckley, Chair
Preservation Action Committee
Alameda Architectural Preservation Society

Attachment: July 25, 2021 AAPS letter and attachment

cc: Mayor and City Councilmembers (by electronic transmission)
Historical Advisory Board (by electronic transmission)
Andrew Thomas and Allen Tai, Planning, Building and Transportation Department (by electronic transmission)
AAPS Board and Preservation Action Committee (by electronic transmission)