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In 1975, the Legislature reaffirmed the unitary nature of the general plan by adding Government Code Section 65300.5:

In construing this article, the Legislature intends that the general plan and elements and parts thereof comprise and integrated, internally consistent and compatible statement of policies for the adopting agency.

Internal consistency of the Upland General Plan Elements is explained below.

LAND USE ELEMENT

This Element establishes guidance for the development of several other elements, including housing, circulation, scenic highways and open/space conservation. At the same time, the Land Use Element is prepared on the basis of technical and policy input of, in particular, the Seismic Safety/Safety Element and Open Space/Conservation Element.

HOUSING ELEMENT

This element is especially related to the Land Use Element. The provision for adequate housing sites (which is a required part of the Housing Element) is consistent with the residential designations of the Land Use Element.

CIRCULATION ELEMENT

The Circulation Element maintains a functional relationship with the Land Use, Scenic Highways and Noise Elements. The Land Use Element prescribes appropriate land uses which are compatible with the volumes and types of traffic projected for each corridor of the

transportation network. In a similar fashion, the Circulation Element's implementation measures are intended to reduce the adverse effects of vehicular traffic on the unique environmental character of the City, such as its residential and business land-use activities, as well as pedestrian safety.

The Circulation Element also assigns appropriate classifications for roadways which are deemed of local scenic interest in the Scenic Highways Element. Finally, more specific analyses undertaken in the Noise Element serve as input to both the Circulation and Land Use Elements, and reflect the City's effort to balance environmental considerations relating to ambient noise levels with sound land use and circulation planning principles of providing for a quiet and serene residential community with minimum restriction on citizen activity.

SCENIC HIGHWAYS ELEMENT

There is internal consistency between the Scenic Highways Element and the Land Use, Circulation and Open Space/Conservation Elements. An implementation measure included in the Scenic Highways Element is Resolution 2927 which amended the Land Use Element. That Resolution and amendment to the Land Use Element prescribes appropriate land uses for the Euclid Avenue scenic corridor. The Circulation Element proposes designations for the roadways of local scenic interest which are compatible with the intent of the Scenic Highways Element (i.e., arterial classification, right-of-way, etc.). Finally, the findings and recommendations of the Scenic Highways Element served as inputs to the considerations of the Open Space/Conservation Elements.

SEISMIC SAFETY/SAFETY ELEMENT

There is internal consistency between the Seismic Safety Element and Safety Element since the General Plan issues which are addressed by these elements are combined into a single document. This internal consistency is achieved with respect to background planning data,

appraisal of hazardous conditions, goals and objectives and, finally, implementation measures such as policies and regulatory tools.

Besides the above, the related issue of designating open space land for public health and safety (i.e., flood plains) is incorporated into both the Open Space Element and the Land Use Element. Each of these documents designates the flood plains as open space. In connection with airport safety, the clear zone is designated as "open space" by the zoning map of the City. The consistency between the Noise Element and airport safety is achieved by implementation measures where all buildings within the 65 CNEL must be attenuated to an interior level of 55 CNEL.

OPEN SPACE/CONSERVATION ELEMENT

Internal consistency between the Open Space Element and Conservation Element is achieved since they are combined into one document. The open space issue of "scenic highway corridors" is handled by the more focused Scenic Highways Element. Besides the foregoing, the existing and future parks designated by this combined element are consistent with those shown on the Land Use Element Map. Finally, this element includes an open space designation for the flood plain which is consistent with the one shown by the Land Use Element.

NOISE ELEMENT

Noise Element information is a continuing guideline for the Land Use Element. A land use/noise compatibility matrix is established for purposes of guiding land use decisions, both current and future. Once again, with regard to land use, the concept of a noise referral zone is suggested for future consideration. The measurement survey, contours, and recommended implementation measures all serve to guide the formulation of a more specific noise ordinance. Lastly, the Noise Element suggests and the Circulation Element incorporates

the idea that it may be useful to regulate traffic volume and limit the trucks on some roadways.