

CHAPTER 290

GOVERNMENT - LOCAL

SENATE BILL 24-174

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AN ACT

CONCERNING STATE SUPPORT FOR SUSTAINABLE AFFORDABLE HOUSING, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** part 37 to article 32 of title 24 as follows:

PART 37
HOUSING NEEDS PLANNING

24-32-3701. Definitions. AS USED IN THIS PART 37, UNLESS THE CONTEXT OTHERWISE REQUIRES:

(1) "ACCESSIBLE HOUSING" OR "ACCESSIBLE UNIT" MEANS HOUSING THAT SATISFIES THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE FEDERAL "FAIR HOUSING ACT", 42 U.S.C. SEC. 3601 ET SEQ., AS AMENDED, AND INCORPORATES UNIVERSAL DESIGN.

(2) "DEPARTMENT" MEANS THE DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL AFFAIRS.

(3) "DIRECTOR" MEANS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL AFFAIRS.

(4) "DISPLACEMENT" MEANS:

(a) THE INVOLUNTARY RELOCATION OF RESIDENTS, PARTICULARLY LOW-INCOME

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RESIDENTS, OR LOCALLY OWNED COMMUNITY SERVING BUSINESSES AND INSTITUTIONS DUE TO:

(I) INCREASED REAL ESTATE PRICES OR RENTS, PROPERTY REHABILITATION, REDEVELOPMENT, DEMOLITION, OR OTHER ECONOMIC FACTORS;

(II) PHYSICAL CONDITIONS RESULTING FROM NEGLECT AND UNDERINVESTMENT THAT RENDER A RESIDENCE UNINHABITABLE; OR

(III) PHYSICAL DISPLACEMENT WHEREIN EXISTING HOUSING UNITS AND COMMERCIAL SPACES ARE LOST DUE TO PROPERTY REHABILITATION, REDEVELOPMENT, OR DEMOLITION; OR

(b) INDIRECT DISPLACEMENT RESULTING FROM CHANGES IN NEIGHBORHOOD POPULATION, IF, WHEN LOW-INCOME HOUSEHOLDS MOVE OUT OF HOUSING UNITS, THOSE SAME HOUSING UNITS DO NOT REMAIN AFFORDABLE TO OTHER LOW-INCOME HOUSEHOLDS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD, OR DEMOGRAPHIC CHANGES THAT REFLECT THE RELOCATION OF EXISTING RESIDENTS FOLLOWING WIDESPREAD RELOCATION OF THEIR COMMUNITY AND COMMUNITY SERVING ENTITIES.

(5) "DIVISION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT" MEANS THE DIVISION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN THE DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL AFFAIRS CREATED IN SECTION 24-32-103.

(6) "DWELLING UNIT" MEANS A SINGLE UNIT PROVIDING COMPLETE INDEPENDENT LIVING FACILITIES FOR ONE OR MORE INDIVIDUALS, INCLUDING PERMANENT PROVISIONS FOR COOKING, EATING, LIVING, SANITATION, AND SLEEPING.

(7) "LOCAL GOVERNMENT" MEANS A HOME RULE, TERRITORIAL, OR STATUTORY COUNTY, CITY AND COUNTY, CITY, OR TOWN.

(8) "MAJOR TRANSIT STOP" MEANS A STATION FOR BOARDING AND EXITING GENERAL PUBLIC PASSENGER RAIL, INCLUDING COMMUTER RAIL AND LIGHT RAIL, OR A STOP ON A BUS ROUTE WITH A SERVICE FREQUENCY OF FIFTEEN MINUTES OR LESS FOR EIGHT HOURS OR MORE ON WEEKDAYS, EXCLUDING SEASONAL SERVICE.

(9) "MULTIFAMILY RESIDENTIAL HOUSING" MEANS A BUILDING OR GROUP OF BUILDINGS ON A LOT WITH FIVE OR MORE SEPARATE DWELLING UNITS.

(10) "NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER" MEANS AN AREA THAT MEETS THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

(a) ALLOWS A REASONABLE NET HOUSING DENSITY WITHIN ZONING THAT SUPPORTS MIXED-USE PEDESTRIAN-ORIENTED NEIGHBORHOODS, THE DEVELOPMENT OF REGULATED AFFORDABLE HOUSING, AND INCREASED PUBLIC TRANSIT RIDERSHIP, AS APPLICABLE;

(b) USES AN EFFICIENT DEVELOPMENT REVIEW PROCESS FOR MULTIFAMILY RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT ON PARCELS IN THE AREA THAT ARE NO LARGER THAN A SIZE DETERMINED BY THE DEPARTMENT; AND

(c) INCLUDES ASPECTS OF MIXED-USE PEDESTRIAN-ORIENTED NEIGHBORHOODS, AS DETERMINED BY CRITERIA ESTABLISHED BY THE DEPARTMENT.

(11) "PUBLIC FACILITIES" MEANS PUBLIC STREETS, ROADS, HIGHWAYS, SIDEWALKS, STREET- AND ROAD-LIGHTING SYSTEMS, TRAFFIC SIGNALS, DOMESTIC WATER SYSTEMS, STORM AND SANITARY SEWER SYSTEMS, PARKS AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES, BUILDINGS USED IN THE PROVISION OF PUBLIC SERVICES, AND SCHOOLS.

(12) "PUBLIC SERVICES" MEANS FIRE PROTECTION AND SUPPRESSION, LAW ENFORCEMENT, PUBLIC HEALTH, EDUCATION, RECREATION, ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, STORMWATER MANAGEMENT, WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT, PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION, PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE MAINTENANCE, WATER, SOCIAL SERVICES, AND OTHER SERVICES TRADITIONALLY PROVIDED BY GOVERNMENT.

(13) "REGION" OR "REGIONAL" MEANS A DEFINED GEOGRAPHIC AREA CONSISTING OF TERRITORY FROM MORE THAN ONE LOCAL GOVERNMENT WITH A SUBSTANTIAL INTERCONNECTION IN COMMUTING PATTERNS, ECONOMY, WORKFORCE, TRANSPORTATION AND TRANSIT SYSTEMS, PUBLIC SERVICES, COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST, OR OTHER FACTORS RELATED TO POPULATION AND HOUSING.

(14) "REGIONAL ENTITY" MEANS A COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS, A PUBLIC ENTITY FORMED BY THE VOLUNTARY AGREEMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTS IN THE REGION, OR A REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION.

(15) "REGULATED AFFORDABLE HOUSING" MEANS AFFORDABLE HOUSING THAT:

(a) HAS RECEIVED LOANS, GRANTS, EQUITY, BONDS, OR TAX CREDITS FROM ANY SOURCE TO SUPPORT THE CREATION, PRESERVATION, OR REHABILITATION OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING THAT, AS A CONDITION OF FUNDING, ENCUMBERS THE PROPERTY WITH A RESTRICTED USE COVENANT OR SIMILAR RECORDED AGREEMENT TO ENSURE AFFORDABILITY, OR HAS BEEN INCOME-RESTRICTED UNDER A LOCAL INCLUSIONARY ZONING ORDINANCE OR OTHER REGULATION OR PROGRAM;

(b) RESTRICTS OR LIMITS MAXIMUM RENTAL OR SALE PRICE FOR HOUSEHOLDS OF A GIVEN SIZE AT A GIVEN AREA MEDIAN INCOME, AS ESTABLISHED ANNUALLY BY THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT; AND

(c) ENSURES OCCUPANCY BY LOW- TO MODERATE-INCOME HOUSEHOLDS FOR A SPECIFIED PERIOD DETAILED IN A RESTRICTIVE USE COVENANT OR SIMILAR RECORDED AGREEMENT.

(16) "SINGLE-UNIT DETACHED DWELLING" MEANS A DETACHED BUILDING WITH A SINGLE DWELLING UNIT LOCATED ON A SINGLE LOT.

(17) "SUPPORTIVE HOUSING" OR "SUPPORTIVE UNIT" MEANS A COMBINATION OF HOUSING AND SERVICES INTENDED AS A COST-EFFECTIVE WAY TO HELP PEOPLE LIVE MORE STABLE, PRODUCTIVE LIVES, AND TYPICALLY COMBINES AFFORDABLE HOUSING WITH INTENSIVE COORDINATED SERVICES TO HELP PEOPLE MAINTAIN STABLE HOUSING AND RECEIVE APPROPRIATE HEALTH CARE.

(18) "UNIVERSAL DESIGN" MEANS ANY DWELLING UNIT DESIGNED AND CONSTRUCTED TO BE SAFE AND ACCESSIBLE FOR ANY INDIVIDUAL REGARDLESS OF AGE OR ABILITIES.

(19) "VISITABLE HOUSING" OR "VISITABLE UNIT" MEANS A DWELLING UNIT THAT A PERSON WITH A DISABILITY CAN ENTER, MOVE AROUND THE PRIMARY ENTRANCE FLOOR OF, AND USE THE BATHROOM IN.

24-32-3702. Housing needs assessment methodology - statewide housing needs assessment - displacement risk guidance. (1) (a) NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 31, 2024, THE DIRECTOR SHALL DEVELOP REASONABLE METHODOLOGIES FOR CONDUCTING STATEWIDE, REGIONAL, AND LOCAL HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENTS. THE METHODOLOGIES DESCRIBED IN THIS SUBSECTION (1)(a) MUST ESTABLISH BASELINE STANDARDS THAT SEEK TO PRODUCE ACCURATE DATA FOR INTERNAL STATE AGENCY PLANNING AND GRANT PROGRAMS AND EFFICIENTLY PROCURE DATA FOR USE BY REGIONS AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS FOR PLANNING PURPOSES, BUT MUST ALSO BE DESIGNED TO MINIMIZE THE FISCAL BURDEN ON LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND REGIONAL ENTITIES CONDUCTING HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENTS. IN DEVELOPING THE METHODOLOGIES AND GUIDANCE DESCRIBED IN THIS SECTION, THE DIRECTOR SHALL CONSULT WITH LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND EXPERTS IN PLANNING AND ZONING, AFFORDABLE HOUSING, DISABILITY RIGHTS, HOMELESSNESS RESOLUTION AND PREVENTION, TENANTS' RIGHTS, EXPERTS WITH DEMONSTRATED EXPERIENCE IN CONDUCTING HIGH-QUALITY HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENTS AND ENGAGEMENT OF UNDERREPRESENTED COMMUNITIES, AND OTHER FIELDS FOCUSED ON HOUSING NEEDS PLANNING. PRIOR TO FINALIZING THE ASSESSMENT METHODOLOGY AND DISPLACEMENT RISK MITIGATION STRATEGIES DIRECTORY CREATED PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-32-3706(4), THE DIVISION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT SHALL ENGAGE IN TARGETED OUTREACH WITH FOCUS GROUPS FOR HISTORICALLY UNDERCONSULTED AND DISPROPORTIONATELY IMPACTED STAKEHOLDERS, RESIDENTS, AND BUSINESSES TO IDENTIFY THE PRIMARY REASONS FOR DISPLACEMENT INCLUDED AMONG THOSE IDENTIFIED IN SECTION 24-32-3701(4).

(b) NO LATER THAN NOVEMBER 30, 2027, AND EVERY SIX YEARS THEREAFTER, THE DIRECTOR SHALL CONDUCT A STATEWIDE HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT THAT ANALYZES EXISTING AND FUTURE STATEWIDE HOUSING NEEDS. THE DIRECTOR SHALL PUBLISH A REPORT BASED ON THE STATEWIDE HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT AND REGIONAL AND LOCAL HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENTS ACCEPTED BY THE DEPARTMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-32-3703(3) OR 24-32-3704(3) THAT IDENTIFIES CURRENT HOUSING STOCK AND ESTIMATES THE NUMBER AND TYPE OF DWELLING UNITS NEEDED TO ACCOMMODATE FUTURE HOUSING NEEDS OF THE STATE BASED ON POPULATION CHANGE PROJECTIONS. THE REPORT SHALL CATEGORIZE STATEWIDE HOUSING NEEDS BY HOUSEHOLD SIZE; HOUSEHOLD TYPE, INCLUDING ACCESSIBLE, VISITABLE, SUPPORTIVE, FOR-SALE, AND RENTAL HOUSING; AND INCOME LEVELS, INCLUDING EXTREMELY LOW-, VERY LOW-, LOW-, MODERATE-, AND MIDDLE-INCOME HOUSEHOLDS AS DESIGNATED BY THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT.

(c) THE METHODOLOGY FOR CONDUCTING A REGIONAL HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT MUST INCLUDE METHODS FOR A REGIONAL ENTITY TO:

(I) ESTIMATE EXISTING HOUSING STOCK IN THE REGION AND IN EACH LOCAL JURISDICTION THAT FORMS THE REGION;

(II) ESTIMATE HOUSING NEEDS IN THE REGION AND EACH LOCAL GOVERNMENT'S JURISDICTION THAT FORMS THE REGION, SORTED BY INCOME LEVEL AND DWELLING TYPE, INCLUDING ACCESSIBLE UNITS, SUPPORTIVE UNITS, FOR-SALE UNITS, AND RENTAL UNITS;

(III) ESTIMATE THE NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS IN THE REGION AND EACH LOCAL GOVERNMENT'S JURISDICTION THAT FORMS THE REGION;

(IV) ESTIMATE THE NUMBER OF JOBS IN THE REGION AND EACH LOCAL GOVERNMENT'S JURISDICTION THAT FORMS THE REGION, SORTED BY ANNUAL SALARY AND WAGE;

(V) ESTIMATE AN ALLOCATION OF HOUSING NEEDS IDENTIFIED IN SUBSECTION (1)(c)(II) OF THIS SECTION TO EACH LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN THE REGION OR CONTRIBUTING TO HOUSING NEEDS IN THE REGION BASED ON THE NUMBER OF JOBS AND EACH LOCAL GOVERNMENT'S DEPENDENCE ON JOBS IN THE REGION, AMONG OTHER FACTORS, TO PROMOTE A BALANCE OF JOBS AT ALL SALARY LEVELS AND HOMES AFFORDABLE TO PERSONS IN THE REGION HOLDING JOBS AT ALL INCOME LEVELS IN THE REGION;

(VI) IDENTIFY AREAS AT ELEVATED RISK OF DISPLACEMENT IN THE REGION AND EACH LOCAL GOVERNMENT'S JURISDICTION THAT FORMS THE REGION;

(VII) ESTIMATE THE WATER SUPPLY NEEDS FOR THE DWELLING UNITS IDENTIFIED IN SUBSECTIONS (1)(c)(I) AND (1)(c)(II) OF THIS SECTION USING PER CAPITA WATER USE RATES IDENTIFIED IN CONSULTATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES; AND

(VIII) ASSESS MARKET LIMITATIONS ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF FOR-SALE MULTIFAMILY RESIDENTIAL HOUSING IN THE REGION.

(d) THE METHODOLOGY FOR CONDUCTING A LOCAL HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT MUST INCLUDE METHODS AND ACCEPTABLE PUBLICLY AVAILABLE DATA SOURCES FOR A LOCAL GOVERNMENT TO:

(I) ESTIMATE EXISTING HOUSING STOCK IN THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT'S JURISDICTION;

(II) ESTIMATE HOUSING NEEDS WITHIN THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT'S JURISDICTION, SORTED BY INCOME LEVEL AND DWELLING TYPE, INCLUDING ACCESSIBLE UNITS, VISITABLE UNITS, SUPPORTIVE UNITS, FOR-SALE UNITS, AND RENTAL UNITS;

(III) ESTIMATE THE NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS IN THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT'S JURISDICTION;

(IV) ESTIMATE THE NUMBER OF JOBS IN THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT'S JURISDICTION SORTED BY ANNUAL SALARY AND WAGE;

(V) INCORPORATE A PORTION OF HOUSING NEEDS IDENTIFIED IN ANY APPLICABLE STATE AND REGIONAL HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT FOR THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT, AS APPROPRIATE, BASED ON THE NUMBER OF JOBS AND EACH LOCAL GOVERNMENT'S DEPENDENCE ON JOBS IN THE REGION, AMONG OTHER FACTORS, TO PROMOTE A BALANCE OF JOBS AT ALL SALARY LEVELS AND HOMES AFFORDABLE TO PERSONS IN THE REGION HOLDING JOBS AT ALL INCOME LEVELS;

(VI) IDENTIFY AREAS AT ELEVATED RISK OF DISPLACEMENT IN THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT'S JURISDICTION;

(VII) ESTIMATE WATER SUPPLY NEEDS FOR THE DWELLING UNITS IDENTIFIED IN SUBSECTIONS (1)(d)(I) AND (1)(d)(II) OF THIS SECTION USING PER CAPITA WATER USE RATES IDENTIFIED IN CONSULTATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES; AND

(VIII) ASSESS MARKET LIMITATIONS ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF HOUSING IN THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT'S JURISDICTION.

(e) THE METHODOLOGIES FOR REGIONAL AND LOCAL HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENTS MUST INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:

(I) A REQUIREMENT THAT HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENTS INCLUDE RECOMMENDED POLICY AND PROGRAMMATIC RESPONSES TO THE FINDINGS OF THE HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT, INCLUDING THE ASSESSMENT OF DISPLACEMENT RISK; AND

(II) GUIDANCE REGARDING HOUSING ACTION PLANS CREATED PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-32-3705, INCLUDING THE INCLUSION OF RECOMMENDATIONS FOR HOUSING ACTION PLANS IN HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENTS AND THE SEQUENCING OF HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENTS AND HOUSING ACTION PLANS.

(2) THE METHODOLOGIES FOR ESTIMATING HOUSING NEEDS IN HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENTS MUST BE BASED ON THE FOLLOWING BASELINE COMPONENTS FOR EACH REGION AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT:

(a) EXISTING AND PROJECTED HOUSING SHORTAGES AND SURPLUSES FOR DIFFERENT HOUSEHOLD TYPES AND INCOME LEVELS, INCLUDING EXTREMELY LOW-, VERY LOW-, LOW-, MODERATE-, AND MIDDLE-INCOME HOUSEHOLDS AS DESIGNATED BY THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT;

(b) EXISTING HOUSING DIVERSITY AND STOCK;

(c) CURRENT JOBS BY INCOME LEVEL;

(d) CURRENT MEDIAN INCOME;

(e) POPULATION CHANGE PROJECTIONS, JOB GROWTH PROJECTIONS, AND DEMOGRAPHIC TRENDS FORECASTED BY THE STATE DEMOGRAPHY OFFICE;

(f) POPULATION AND DEMOGRAPHICS;

(g) MEASURES OF LOCAL RESOURCES DEDICATED TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING;

(h) VACANCY RATES;

(i) MEASURES OF HOMELESSNESS AND HOUSING INSTABILITY; AND

(j) THE JOB-HOUSING BALANCE, INCLUDING THE AVAILABILITY OF HOUSING FOR LOW-INCOME WORKERS.

(3) NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 31, 2024, THE DIRECTOR SHALL DEVELOP GUIDANCE FOR REGIONS AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO CONDUCT A DISPLACEMENT RISK ASSESSMENT. IN DEVELOPING THE GUIDANCE, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL INCLUDE METHODS, WITH VARIATIONS FOR DIFFERENT LOCAL CONTEXTS INCLUDING THE SIZE AND RESOURCE LEVELS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTS, FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO USE TO:

(a) GATHER FEEDBACK THROUGH COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT;

(b) IDENTIFY INFORMATION FROM NEIGHBORHOOD-LEVEL EARLY DISPLACEMENT WARNING AND RESPONSE SYSTEMS OR, IF THOSE SYSTEMS ARE UNAVAILABLE, IDENTIFY THE BEST AVAILABLE LOCAL, REGIONAL, STATE, OR FEDERAL DATA THAT CAN BE ANALYZED TO IDENTIFY RESIDENTS AT ELEVATED DISPLACEMENT RISK, WHICH MAY INCLUDE:

(I) THE PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLDS THAT ARE EXTREMELY LOW-, VERY LOW-, AND LOW-INCOME, AS DESIGNATED BY THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT;

(II) THE PERCENTAGE OF RESIDENTS WHO ARE RENTERS;

(III) THE PERCENTAGE OF COST-BURDENED HOUSEHOLDS, DEFINED AS HOUSEHOLDS THAT SPEND MORE THAN THIRTY PERCENT OF THE HOUSEHOLD'S INCOME ON HOUSING NEEDS;

(IV) THE NUMBER OF ADULTS WHO ARE TWENTY-FIVE YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER AND HAVE NOT EARNED AT LEAST A HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA;

(V) THE PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLDS IN WHICH ENGLISH IS NOT THE PRIMARY SPOKEN LANGUAGE;

(VI) THE NUMBER OF SINGLE HEADS OF HOUSEHOLD WITH CHILDREN UNDER EIGHTEEN YEARS OF AGE;

(VII) DATA REGARDING RENTS OR HOME VALUES THAT ARE INCREASING AT A SUBSTANTIALLY HIGHER RATE THAN ADJACENT NEIGHBORHOODS IN THE REGION OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT'S JURISDICTION;

(VIII) DATA REGARDING NEIGHBORHOODS WITH HIGH VOLUME OF SALES OF OWNER-OCCUPIED OR INVESTOR-OWNED HOUSING;

(IX) DATA REGARDING INCREASED SALES AND USE TAXES GENERATED FROM COMMERCIAL AND RETAIL ACTIVITY;

(X) DATA REGARDING BUSINESS CLOSURES; AND

(XI) THE PERCENTAGE OF HOUSING STOCK BUILT PRIOR TO 1970;

(c) IDENTIFY THE LOCATION OF MANUFACTURED HOME PARKS;

(d) IDENTIFY AREAS THAT QUALIFY AS DISADVANTAGED AS DETERMINED WITH THE CLIMATE AND ECONOMIC JUSTICE SCREENING TOOL DEVELOPED BY THE COUNCIL ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY IN THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES; AND

(e) IDENTIFY AREAS THAT WILL EXPERIENCE INCREASED ZONING CAPACITY ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2025.

(4) ANY METHODOLOGY OR GUIDANCE DEVELOPED BY THE DIRECTOR PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION MUST PERMIT THE SUBSTITUTION OF AN ASSESSMENT OF HOUSING NEEDS OR DISPLACEMENT RISK CONDUCTED PURSUANT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF ANY OTHER FEDERAL OR STATE LAW OR REGULATION.

24-32-3703. Local housing needs assessments - procedure - exempt local governments. (1) (a) NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 31, 2026, EACH LOCAL GOVERNMENT SHALL CONDUCT AND PUBLISH A LOCAL HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT THAT CONFORMS TO THE METHODOLOGY FOR CONDUCTING LOCAL HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENTS DEVELOPED BY THE DIRECTOR PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-32-3702 (1)(d) FOR THE TERRITORY COVERED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT'S MASTER PLAN.

(b) A HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT CONDUCTED BY OR ON BEHALF OF A LOCAL GOVERNMENT AFTER JANUARY 1, 2022, QUALIFIES AS HAVING SATISFIED THE REQUIREMENT OF SUBSECTION (1)(a) OF THIS SECTION, IF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUBMITS THE ASSESSMENT TO THE DEPARTMENT NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 31, 2024, AND THE DEPARTMENT DETERMINES THAT THE MOST RECENT VERSION OF THE ASSESSMENT CONFORMS TO THE METHODOLOGY FOR CONDUCTING A REGIONAL HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT OR LOCAL HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-32-3702. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL REVIEW A HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT AND MAKE SUCH A DETERMINATION WITHIN NINETY DAYS OF A LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUBMITTING THE HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT TO THE DEPARTMENT.

(2) BEGINNING ON DECEMBER 31, 2026, A LOCAL GOVERNMENT SHALL COMPLETE A HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT NO LESS OFTEN THAN EVERY SIX YEARS, EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION.

(3) UPON CONDUCTING A LOCAL GOVERNMENT HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION, A LOCAL GOVERNMENT'S GOVERNING BODY SHALL CONSIDER THE LOCAL HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT AT A PUBLIC MEETING. WITHIN SIXTY DAYS OF CONSIDERING THE LOCAL HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT AT A PUBLIC MEETING, THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT SHALL SUBMIT THE HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT ALONG WITH ANY COMMENTS OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT'S GOVERNING BODY TO THE DEPARTMENT. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL

NOT ACCEPT A HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT FROM A LOCAL GOVERNMENT THAT DOES NOT INCLUDE THE ELEMENTS LISTED IN SECTION 24-32-3702 (1)(d)(I) THROUGH (VI) AND DEMONSTRATE CONSIDERATION OF THE BASELINE COMPONENTS LISTED IN SECTION 24-32-3702 (2). THE DEPARTMENT SHALL NOTIFY A LOCAL GOVERNMENT IF IT DOES NOT ACCEPT AN ASSESSMENT. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL POST THE HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT ON ITS WEBSITE AFTER ACCEPTING THE ASSESSMENT.

(4) A LOCAL GOVERNMENT IS EXEMPT FROM THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION IF:

(a) THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT PARTICIPATES IN THE CREATION OF A REGIONAL HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-32-3704 THAT IS UPDATED NO LESS OFTEN THAN EVERY SIX YEARS, PROVIDED THAT, TO BE EXEMPT FROM THE REQUIREMENT TO CONDUCT AND PUBLISH A LOCAL HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT BY DECEMBER 31, 2026, THE REGIONAL HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT MUST BE COMPLETED BY DECEMBER 31, 2026; OR

(b) THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT HAS A POPULATION OF LESS THAN ONE THOUSAND, OR HAS EXPERIENCED A NEGATIVE POPULATION CHANGE OF AT LEAST ONE PERCENT IN THE MOST RECENT DECENNIAL CENSUS, UNLESS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT RECEIVES FUNDING TO CONDUCT A LOCAL HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT FROM THE DEPARTMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-32-3710.

(5) (a) POPULATION AND OTHER DATA BY WHICH A LOCAL GOVERNMENT IS DETERMINED TO BE SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION MUST BE DETERMINED TWO YEARS PRIOR TO THE DATE THAT THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT IS REQUIRED TO COMPLETE A HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION.

(b) FOR THE PURPOSES OF BOTH THIS SECTION AND SECTION 24-32-3705, A COUNTY'S POPULATION INCLUDES ONLY THE POPULATION WITHIN A COUNTY'S UNINCORPORATED TERRITORY.

24-32-3704. Regional housing needs assessments. (1) A REGIONAL ENTITY MAY CONDUCT AND PUBLISH A REGIONAL HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT THAT CONFORMS TO THE METHODOLOGY FOR CONDUCTING REGIONAL HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENTS DEVELOPED BY THE DIRECTOR PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-32-3702 (1)(c) FOR THE TERRITORY COVERED BY THE MASTER PLAN OF ANY LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN THE REGION.

(2) UPON CONDUCTING A REGIONAL HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION, A REGIONAL ENTITY SHALL PROVIDE THE REGIONAL HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT TO EACH LOCAL GOVERNMENT INCLUDED IN THE REGION. WITHIN SIXTY DAYS OF RECEIVING THE REGIONAL HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT, A LOCAL GOVERNMENT'S GOVERNING BODY SHALL REVIEW THE ASSESSMENT AT A PUBLIC MEETING AND SHALL SUBMIT COMMENTS TO THE REGIONAL ENTITY.

(3) WITHIN SIXTY DAYS OF RECEIVING THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTS' COMMENTS ON THE REGIONAL HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (2) OF THIS

SECTION, A REGIONAL ENTITY SHALL SUBMIT THE HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT ALONG WITH THE COMMENTS OF EACH LOCAL GOVERNMENT TO THE DEPARTMENT. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL NOT ACCEPT A HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT FROM A REGIONAL ENTITY THAT DOES NOT INCLUDE THE ELEMENTS LISTED IN SECTION 24-32-3702 (1)(c)(I) THROUGH (VI) AND DEMONSTRATE CONSIDERATION OF THE BASELINE COMPONENTS LISTED IN SECTION 24-32-3702 (2). THE DEPARTMENT SHALL NOTIFY A REGIONAL ENTITY IF IT DOES NOT ACCEPT AN ASSESSMENT. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL POST THE HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT ON ITS WEBSITE AFTER ACCEPTING THE ASSESSMENT.

24-32-3705. Housing action plan. (1) (a) By January 1, 2028, and no less than every six years thereafter, a local government shall make a housing action plan, which plan is subject to approval by the governing body following a public hearing. A housing action plan must be responsive to an accepted housing needs assessment and demonstrate the local government's commitment to address demonstrated housing needs and guides the local government in developing legislative actions, promoting regional coordination, and informing the public of the local government's efforts to address housing needs in the local government's jurisdiction.

(b) The requirements of this section only apply to a local government that has a population of:

(I) Five thousand or more; or

(II) One thousand or more and either participated in a regional housing needs assessment or would have been deemed, as of January 1, 2024, to be a rural resort community as defined in section 29-32-101 (10).

(c) The requirements of this section do not apply to a local government that has experienced a negative population change of at least one percent in the most recent decennial census.

(2) A local government shall make a housing action plan through an inclusive process with public outreach and engagement throughout the process, including outreach to and engagement of communities at risk of displacement and consideration for participation by persons unable to attend meetings in person or at the local government's regular meeting times. A housing action plan must consider any applicable housing needs assessments, applicable regional and local plans, and any available assessments of the adequacy of public services and public facilities in the local government's jurisdiction. A proposed housing action plan must be posted publicly on a local government's website at least thirty days before the public hearing on the plan.

(3) A housing action plan must include the following baseline components:

(a) A summary report of the local government's progress towards addressing the findings of the applicable housing needs assessment within

THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT'S JURISDICTION. THE SUMMARY REPORT MUST INCLUDE THE NUMBER OF DWELLING UNITS CONSTRUCTED OR PERMITTED IN THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT'S JURISDICTION DURING THE PRECEDING SIX YEARS, IF SUCH INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE.

(b) A DESCRIPTION OF HOW THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT'S HOUSING ACTION PLAN ADDRESSES THE ALLOCATION OF REGIONAL HOUSING NEEDS TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN ANY APPLICABLE REGIONAL HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT;

(c) AN ASSESSMENT OF THE EFFECT OF EXISTING ZONING AND DENSITY PERMITTED IN THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT'S JURISDICTION ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE NUMBER AND TYPES OF DWELLING UNITS IDENTIFIED IN THE APPLICABLE HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT;

(d) A PLAN TO PROMOTE THE EQUITABLE AND EFFICIENT DEVELOPMENT OF THE NUMBER AND TYPES OF DWELLING UNITS IDENTIFIED THROUGH ANY APPLICABLE HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT AS NECESSARY TO SATISFY HOUSING NEEDS IN THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT'S JURISDICTION AT DIFFERENT INCOME LEVELS, INCLUDING EXTREMELY LOW-, VERY LOW-, MODERATE-, AND MIDDLE-INCOME HOUSEHOLDS AS DESIGNATED BY THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, SUBJECT TO THE AVAILABILITY OF ADEQUATE PUBLIC FACILITIES, PUBLIC SERVICES, AND WATER SUPPLY;

(e) LOCALLY-APPROPRIATE GOALS, STRATEGIES, AND ACTIONS FOR PROMOTING THE PRODUCTION AND PRESERVATION OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AND REGULATED AFFORDABLE HOUSING, INCLUDING AT LEAST TWO STRATEGIES INCLUDED IN THE STANDARD AFFORDABILITY STRATEGIES DIRECTORY DESCRIBED IN SECTION 24-32-3706 (1) AND ONE STRATEGY INCLUDED IN THE LONG-TERM AFFORDABILITY STRATEGIES DIRECTORY DESCRIBED IN SECTION 24-32-3706 (2) THAT ARE SELECTED TO ADDRESS THE DEMONSTRATED HOUSING NEEDS IN THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT'S JURISDICTION AND ARE SUITABLE FOR THE JURISDICTION OR, IF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT PARTICIPATED IN A REGIONAL HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT, THE DEMONSTRATED HOUSING NEEDS OF THE APPLICABLE REGION AND ANY REGIONAL HOUSING NEEDS ALLOCATED TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT;

(f) A NARRATIVE ANALYSIS OF ANY AREA OR COMMUNITY THAT THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT HAS IDENTIFIED AS BEING AT ELEVATED RISK OF DISPLACEMENT AND A PLAN TO MITIGATE DISPLACEMENT IN THAT AREA OR COMMUNITY, INCLUDING THE IDENTIFICATION OF AT LEAST ONE DISPLACEMENT MITIGATION STRATEGY INCLUDED IN THE DISPLACEMENT RISK MITIGATION STRATEGIES DIRECTORY DESCRIBED IN SECTION 24-32-3706 (4) THAT THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT SELECTS TO ADDRESS THE FINDINGS OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT'S NARRATIVE ANALYSIS AND IS SUITABLE FOR THE JURISDICTION;

(g) A PLAN FOR THE LEGISLATIVE CONSIDERATION FOR ADOPTION OF THE STRATEGIES IDENTIFIED IN SUBSECTIONS (3)(e) AND (3)(f) OF THIS SECTION;

(h) ANY RECOMMENDED CHANGES TO LOCAL LAWS AFFECTING ZONING AND DENSITY IN THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT'S JURISDICTION BEFORE THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CONDUCTS THE NEXT HOUSING ACTION PLAN;

(i) AN ANALYSIS OF OPPORTUNITIES TO ACHIEVE THE DEVELOPMENT OF HIGHER-DENSITY AND REGULATED AFFORDABLE HOUSING WITHIN A REASONABLE DISTANCE OF MAJOR TRANSIT STOPS IN THE JURISDICTION;

(j) A NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF THE PUBLIC OUTREACH AND ENGAGEMENT PROCESS FOR THE HOUSING ACTION PLAN; AND

(k) A DESCRIPTION OF OPPORTUNITIES FOR INTERGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION TO ADDRESS LOCAL AND REGIONAL HOUSING NEEDS AND ANY SUCH INTERGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION EFFORTS UNDERTAKEN BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

(4) WITHIN SIXTY DAYS OF APPROVAL BY THE GOVERNING BODY, THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT SHALL SUBMIT THE HOUSING ACTION PLAN DEVELOPED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (3) OF THIS SECTION TO THE DEPARTMENT AND, IF APPLICABLE, TO THE REGIONAL ENTITY THAT CONDUCTED A REGIONAL HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT THAT APPLIES TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL NOT ACCEPT A HOUSING ACTION PLAN THAT DOES NOT INCLUDE THE COMPONENTS REQUIRED BY SECTION 24-32-3705 (3). THE DEPARTMENT SHALL NOTIFY A LOCAL GOVERNMENT IF IT DOES NOT ACCEPT A HOUSING ACTION PLAN. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL POST THE HOUSING ACTION PLAN ON THE DEPARTMENT'S WEBSITE AFTER ACCEPTING THE PLAN.

(5) A LOCAL GOVERNMENT THAT ADOPTED A PLAN THAT SUBSTANTIALLY MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF SUBSECTION (3) OF THIS SECTION AND WAS THE SUBJECT OF A PUBLIC HEARING HELD NO EARLIER THAN JANUARY 1, 2024, AND NO LATER THAN JULY 1, 2024, IS NOT REQUIRED TO CONDUCT A HOUSING ACTION PLAN UNTIL FIVE YEARS AFTER THE DATE OF THE ADOPTION OF THE PLAN THAT SUBSTANTIALLY MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF SUBSECTION (3) OF THIS SECTION, NOTWITHSTANDING SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION.

(6) THREE YEARS AFTER ADOPTING A HOUSING ACTION PLAN, A LOCAL GOVERNMENT SHALL REPORT PROGRESS TO THE DEPARTMENT REGARDING THE ADOPTION OF ANY STRATEGIES OR CHANGES TO LOCAL LAWS IDENTIFIED IN THE HOUSING ACTION PLAN OR THE MOST RECENT UPDATED HOUSING ACTION PLAN. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL NOT ACCEPT SUCH A PROGRESS REPORT, IF THE REPORT DOES NOT DEMONSTRATE THAT THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ADOPTED THE STRATEGIES AND CHANGES TO LOCAL LAWS IDENTIFIED IN THE HOUSING ACTION PLAN OR THE MOST RECENT UPDATED HOUSING ACTION PLAN, UNLESS THE DEPARTMENT DETERMINES THAT THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT HAS BOTH MADE A GOOD FAITH EFFORT TO ADOPT THESE STRATEGIES OR CHANGES TO LOCAL LAW AND HAS PROVIDED THE DEPARTMENT WITH A PLAN FOR THE ADOPTION OF ALTERNATIVE STRATEGIES OR CHANGES TO LOCAL LAWS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SECTION.

(7) A LOCAL GOVERNMENT MAY UPDATE A HOUSING ACTION PLAN AT ANY TIME BY FOLLOWING THE PROCESS IN SUBSECTION (2) OF THIS SECTION. A LOCAL GOVERNMENT SHALL SUBMIT ANY UPDATE TO A HOUSING ACTION PLAN TO THE DEPARTMENT AND, IF APPLICABLE, A REGIONAL ENTITY AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (4) OF THIS SECTION. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL NOT ACCEPT ANY UPDATE THAT WOULD RESULT IN A HOUSING ACTION PLAN THAT DOES NOT INCLUDE THE COMPONENTS REQUIRED BY SECTION 24-32-3705 (3). THE DEPARTMENT SHALL NOTIFY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT IF IT DOES NOT ACCEPT AN UPDATE. THE

DEPARTMENT SHALL POST THE UPDATE ON ITS WEBSITE, AFTER ACCEPTING THE UPDATE.

(8) POPULATION BY WHICH A LOCAL GOVERNMENT IS DETERMINED TO BE SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION MUST BE DETERMINED TWO YEARS PRIOR TO THE DATE THAT THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT IS REQUIRED TO COMPLETE A HOUSING ACTION PLAN PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION.

24-32-3706. Directories of housing and land use strategies - development of housing and increasing housing affordability - displacement impact mitigation.

(1) NO LATER THAN JUNE 30, 2025, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL DEVELOP A STANDARD AFFORDABILITY STRATEGIES DIRECTORY THAT INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING STRATEGIES:

(a) IMPLEMENTING A LOCAL INCLUSIONARY ZONING ORDINANCE THAT CONSIDERS LOCAL HOUSING MARKET CONDITIONS THAT IS CRAFTED TO SUBSTANTIALLY INCREASE AFFORDABLE HOUSING INCLUDING REGULATED AFFORDABLE HOUSING PRODUCTION AND COMPLIES WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 29-20-104 (1)(e.5) AND (1)(e.7);

(b) ADOPTING A LOCAL LAW OR PLAN TO LEVERAGE PUBLICLY OWNED, SOLD, OR MANAGED LAND FOR REGULATED AFFORDABLE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT;

(c) CREATING OR EXPANDING A PROGRAM TO SUBSIDIZE OR OTHERWISE REDUCE IMPACT FEES OR OTHER SIMILAR DEVELOPMENT CHARGES FOR REGULATED AFFORDABLE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT;

(d) ESTABLISHING A DENSITY BONUS PROGRAM THAT GRANTS INCREASED FLOOR AREA RATIO, DENSITY, OR HEIGHT OF REGULATED AFFORDABLE HOUSING UNITS;

(e) CREATING A PROGRAM TO PRIORITIZE AND EXPEDITE DEVELOPMENT APPROVALS FOR REGULATED AFFORDABLE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT, EXCEPT THAT IF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT HAS DONE SO PURSUANT TO SECTION 29-32-105 (2), THIS STRATEGY DOES NOT COUNT AS AN ELIGIBLE STANDARD AFFORDABILITY STRATEGY FOR PURPOSES OF SECTION 29-32-3705 (3)(e);

(f) CREATING OR EXPANDING A PROGRAM TO SUBSIDIZE OR OTHERWISE REDUCE PERMIT FEES OTHER THAN IMPACT FEES OR SIMILAR DEVELOPMENT CHARGES FOR REGULATED AFFORDABLE HOUSING;

(g) ENACTING LOCAL LAWS THAT INCENTIVIZE THE CONSTRUCTION AND PRESERVATION OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING UNITS DESIGNED TO SERVE RESIDENTS FACING PARTICULAR CHALLENGES SECURING AFFORDABLE HOUSING, INCLUDING ACCESSIBLE AND VISITABLE UNITS AND MULTI-BEDROOM UNITS; AND

(h) ANY OTHER STRATEGY DESIGNATED BY THE DEPARTMENT THAT OFFERS A COMPARABLE IMPACT ON LOCAL HOUSING AFFORDABILITY.

(2) ON OR BEFORE JUNE 30, 2025, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL DEVELOP A LONG-TERM AFFORDABILITY STRATEGIES DIRECTORY THAT INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING STRATEGIES:

(a) ESTABLISHING A DEDICATED LOCAL REVENUE SOURCE FOR REGULATED AFFORDABLE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT, SUCH AS INSTITUTING A LINKAGE FEE ON MARKET RATE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT TO SUPPORT NEW, REGULATED AFFORDABLE HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS;

(b) REGULATING SHORT-TERM RENTALS, SECOND HOMES, OR OTHER UNDERUTILIZED OR VACANT UNITS IN A WAY, SUCH AS VACANCY FEES FOR UNDERUTILIZED UNITS, THAT PROMOTES A SUBSTANTIAL INCREASE IN THE USE OF LOCAL HOUSING STOCK FOR LOCAL HOUSING NEEDS;

(c) MAKING A COMMITMENT TO AND REMAINING ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE FUNDING PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 32 OF THIS TITLE 29;

(d) AMENDING ZONING ORDINANCES THAT ALLOW THE CONSTRUCTION OF SINGLE-UNIT DETACHED DWELLINGS TO ALLOW EITHER ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS OR DUPLEXES, TRIPLEXES, QUADPLEXES, AND TOWNHOMES IN A SUBSTANTIAL PORTION OF THE JURISDICTION;

(e) AMENDING LOCAL LAWS TO ESTABLISH THE USE OF ADMINISTRATIVE PROCESSES FOR THE REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF HOUSING DEVELOPMENT THAT DO NOT INCLUDE A REQUIREMENT OF A PUBLIC HEARING;

(f) INCENTIVIZING OR CREATING A DEDICATED LOCAL PROGRAM THAT FACILITATES INVESTMENT IN LAND BANKING OR COMMUNITY LAND TRUSTS;

(g) ESTABLISHING AN AFFORDABLE HOMEOWNERSHIP STRATEGY SUCH AS:

(I) ESTABLISHING A RIGHT OF FIRST REFUSAL PROGRAM OR PROGRAMS THAT TRANSITION EXISTING HOUSING STOCK TO REGULATED AFFORDABLE HOUSING;

(II) INCENTIVIZING AFFORDABLE CONDOMINIUM DEVELOPMENTS;

(III) ACQUIRING OR PRESERVING DEED RESTRICTIONS ON CURRENT HOUSING UNITS;

(IV) ESTABLISHING AN INCENTIVE PROGRAM TO ENCOURAGE REALTORS TO WORK WITH LOW-INCOME AND MINORITY PROSPECTIVE HOME BUYERS; OR

(V) ESTABLISHING AN AFFORDABLE RENT-TO-OWN PROGRAM; AND

(h) ANY OTHER STRATEGY DESIGNATED BY THE DEPARTMENT THAT OFFERS A COMPARABLE IMPACT ON LOCAL HOUSING AFFORDABILITY.

(3) A LOCAL GOVERNMENT MAY SUBMIT AN EXISTING OR PROPOSED LOCAL LAW OR PROGRAM, IN A FORM AND MANNER DETERMINED BY THE DEPARTMENT, TO THE DEPARTMENT, AND THE DEPARTMENT MAY DETERMINE THAT THE ADOPTION OF THAT LOCAL LAW OR PROGRAM QUALIFIES AS AN AFFORDABILITY STRATEGY FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, SO LONG AS THE LOCAL LAW OR PROGRAM SUPPORTS EQUAL OR GREATER HOUSING AFFORDABILITY AND ACCESSIBILITY AS THE STRATEGIES DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTIONS (1) AND (2) OF THIS SECTION.

(4) NO LATER THAN JUNE 30, 2025, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL DEVELOP A DISPLACEMENT RISK MITIGATION STRATEGIES DIRECTORY. THE DIRECTORY MUST INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING STRATEGIES:

(a) CREATING A LOCALLY FUNDED AND ADMINISTERED RENTAL AND MORTGAGE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM;

(b) CREATING AN EVICTION AND FORECLOSURE NO-COST LEGAL REPRESENTATION PROGRAM;

(c) ESTABLISHING A HOUSING COUNSELING AND NAVIGATION PROGRAM OR FUNDING A COMMUNITY-BASED HOUSING COUNSELING AND NAVIGATION PROGRAM;

(d) CREATING A PROPERTY TAX AND DOWN PAYMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM;

(e) DEVELOPING A PROGRAM TO OFFER TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS TO DEVELOP INDEPENDENT COMMUNITY LAND TRUSTS;

(f) PRIORITIZING LOCAL MONEY TOWARD REGULATED AFFORDABLE HOUSING UNIT PRESERVATION OR IMPLEMENTING OR CONTINUING DEED RESTRICTIONS FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING UNITS;

(g) REQUIRING MULTIFAMILY DEVELOPERS BUILDING IN AREAS IDENTIFIED AS BEING AT RISK OF DISPLACEMENT TO CREATE A COMMUNITY BENEFITS AGREEMENT WITH AFFECTED POPULATIONS WITHIN ONE-QUARTER MILE OF THE DEVELOPMENT THAT THE MULTIFAMILY DEVELOPER IS BUILDING;

(h) PROVIDING A PRIORITIZATION POLICY FOR CURRENT RESIDENTS IN THIRTY PERCENT OF ANY NEW MULTIFAMILY DEVELOPMENT; AND

(i) OTHER STRATEGIES IDENTIFIED BY THE DEPARTMENT THAT PROVIDE DISPLACEMENT MITIGATION THAT IS EQUIVALENT TO THE OTHER STRATEGIES DESCRIBED IN THIS SUBSECTION (4).

(5) A LOCAL GOVERNMENT MAY SUBMIT AN EXISTING OR PROPOSED LOCAL LAW OR PROGRAM, IN A FORM AND MANNER DETERMINED BY THE DEPARTMENT, TO THE DEPARTMENT, AND THE DEPARTMENT MAY DETERMINE THAT THE ADOPTION OF THE LOCAL LAW OR PROGRAM QUALIFIES AS A DISPLACEMENT RISK MITIGATION STRATEGY FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, SO LONG AS THE LOCAL LAW OR PROGRAM SUPPORTS EQUAL OR GREATER MITIGATION OF DISPLACEMENT RISK AS THE STRATEGIES DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (4) OF THIS SECTION.

(6) NOTWITHSTANDING THE ABSENCE OF SPECIFIC AUTHORIZATION IN ANY OTHER LAW, A LOCAL GOVERNMENT HAS THE AUTHORITY TO ENACT ORDINANCES OR RESOLUTIONS TO ADOPT AND IMPLEMENT THE STRATEGIES IDENTIFIED IN THIS SECTION.

24-32-3707. Statewide strategic growth report. (1) NO LATER THAN OCTOBER 31, 2025, THE DIRECTOR SHALL SUBMIT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY A STATEWIDE STRATEGIC GROWTH REPORT. THE REPORT MUST SUPPLEMENT THE STATEWIDE

CLIMATE PREPAREDNESS STRATEGIC PLAN AND ROADMAP PUBLISHED PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-38.8-103 AND ANY OTHER CURRENT REPORT OF A STATE AGENCY OR TASK FORCE ADDRESSING THE MATTERS COVERED IN THIS SECTION.

(2) THE STRATEGIC GROWTH REPORT DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION MUST:

(a) INCLUDE AN ANALYSIS OF POLICY-DRIVEN LAND USE SCENARIOS, INCLUDING A STRATEGIC GROWTH SCENARIO, AND EXAMINE THE IMPACTS OF THESE SCENARIOS ON THE COST AND AVAILABILITY OF HOUSING, INFRASTRUCTURE, CLIMATE AND AIR QUALITY, WATER SUPPLY, TRANSPORTATION AND TRANSIT, PARKS AND OPEN SPACE, RESOURCE LANDS, WILDFIRE RISK, AND CRITICAL AREAS;

(b) INCLUDE AN ANALYSIS OF THE IMPACT OF EXISTING STATE POLICIES AND PROGRAMS ON LAND USE DEVELOPMENT PATTERNS AND THE ENCOURAGEMENT OF SPRAWL;

(c) CONSIDER THE CONTEXT OF DIFFERENT REGIONS AND COMMUNITIES ACROSS THE STATE, EMPOWER AND PROMOTE LOCAL INITIATIVES AND IDEAS THAT LEAD TO STRATEGIC GROWTH, AND RECOGNIZE THAT ALL COMMUNITIES HAVE UNIQUE NEEDS THAT OFTEN CALL FOR ADDITIONAL FLEXIBILITY WHEN APPLYING STRATEGIC GROWTH GOALS, ESPECIALLY COMMUNITIES OUTSIDE OF METROPOLITAN AREAS AND COMMUNITIES VULNERABLE TO DISPLACEMENT; AND

(d) INCLUDE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR STATE LEGISLATION AND LOCAL LAWS, TO ENCOURAGE ENVIRONMENTALLY AND FISCALLY SUSTAINABLE GROWTH, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO ECONOMIC INCENTIVES, FINANCING TOOLS, ACCESS CHARGES, URBAN GROWTH AREAS, THREE MILE PLANS, TRANSFER OF DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS, ANNEXATION, AND SPECIAL DISTRICTS.

(3) IN DEVELOPING THE STRATEGIC GROWTH REPORT DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION, THE DIRECTOR SHALL CONSULT WITH STATE AGENCIES AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS WITH FUNCTIONS OR JURISDICTION REGARDING THE MATTERS COVERED IN THIS SECTION AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS, REGIONAL PLANNING AGENCIES, WATER PROVIDERS, UTILITY PROVIDERS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ENTITIES, AND EXPERTS IN FIELDS RELATED TO STRATEGIC GROWTH.

24-32-3708. Natural land and agricultural interjurisdictional opportunities report. (1) NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 31, 2025, THE DIRECTOR, IN CONSULTATION WITH RELEVANT STATE AGENCIES INCLUDING THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, THE DIVISION OF PARKS AND WILDLIFE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, THE OUTDOOR RECREATION INDUSTRY OFFICE IN THE OFFICE OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND THE COLORADO TOURISM OFFICE, SHALL DEVELOP AND PUBLISH A NATURAL LAND AND AGRICULTURAL INTERJURISDICTIONAL OPPORTUNITIES REPORT THAT MUST INCLUDE:

(a) OPPORTUNITIES FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATIONS TO ACHIEVE CONNECTIVITY TO OPEN SPACE, WILDLIFE HABITAT, AND OTHER PRIORITY LANDSCAPES;

(b) OPPORTUNITIES FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND METROPOLITAN PLANNING

ORGANIZATIONS TO ACHIEVE THE PRESERVATION OF AGRICULTURAL LAND, HISTORIC AND CULTURAL RESOURCES, URBAN PARKS AND GREEN SPACES, EXURBAN OPEN SPACES, RECREATIONAL RESOURCES, WILDLIFE HABITATS, AND ECOSYSTEMS WITH THE GREATEST NEED FOR CONSERVATION AND MITIGATION OF HAZARDS; AND

(c) BEST PRACTICES, TOOLS, AND RESOURCES RELATED TO SUBSECTIONS (1)(a) AND (1)(b) OF THIS SECTION.

(2) THE NATURAL LAND AND AGRICULTURAL INTERJURISDICTIONAL OPPORTUNITIES REPORT MUST INTEGRATE AND INCLUDE INFORMATION FROM RELEVANT STATE, REGIONAL, AND LOCAL PLANS THAT ADDRESS THE SUBJECT MATTERS IDENTIFIED IN SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION.

24-32-3709. Technical assistance. (1) THE DIVISION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT SHALL PROVIDE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE, MATERIALS, BRIEFINGS, CONSULTING SERVICES, TEMPLATES, TOOLS, TRAININGS, WEBINARS, OR OTHER GUIDANCE TO ASSIST LOCAL GOVERNMENTS IN:

(a) ESTABLISHING REGIONAL ENTITIES THAT PROMOTE STATEWIDE COVERAGE OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTS BY HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENTS WITHOUT UNNECESSARY DUPLICATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONDUCTING REGIONAL HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENTS AND DISPLACEMENT RISK ASSESSMENTS;

(b) CREATING HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENTS PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 24-32-3703 AND 24-32-3704;

(c) CONDUCTING A DISPLACEMENT RISK ANALYSIS WITH A STATE-CREATED TOOL;

(d) IDENTIFYING AND IMPLEMENTING STRATEGIES, INCLUDING IN THE DIRECTORIES DESCRIBED IN SECTION 24-32-3706;

(e) MAKING AND ADOPTING A HOUSING ACTION PLAN IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 24-32-3705;

(f) ENACTING LAWS AND POLICIES PURSUANT TO ACCEPTED HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENTS AND ACCEPTED HOUSING ACTION PLANS THAT ENCOURAGE THE DEVELOPMENT OF A RANGE OF HOUSING TYPES, INCLUDING REGULATED AFFORDABLE HOUSING, OR MITIGATE THE IMPACT OF DISPLACEMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 24-32-3706; AND

(g) CREATING STRATEGIC GROWTH ELEMENTS IN MASTER PLANS AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 30-28-106 (3)(a.5)(III) OR SECTION 31-23-206 (1.5)(d).

(2) IN DETERMINING TO WHOM IT WILL PROVIDE ASSISTANCE PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION, THE DIVISION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT SHALL PRIORITIZE REQUESTS FOR TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE RELATED TO:

(a) CONDUCTING REGIONAL HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENTS, IF THE DEPARTMENT DETERMINES THAT THE REGIONAL ENTITY MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION AND THE ASSESSMENT WOULD PROMOTE STATEWIDE COVERAGE OF LOCAL

GOVERNMENTS BY HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENTS WITHOUT UNNECESSARY DUPLICATION;

(b) CONDUCTING HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENTS AND CREATING HOUSING ACTION PLANS CONTEMPORANEOUSLY; AND

(c) ENACTING LAWS AND POLICIES TO PRESERVE OR CREATE REGULATED AFFORDABLE HOUSING, MITIGATE DISPLACEMENT, OR INCREASE OPPORTUNITIES FOR MULTIFAMILY RESIDENTIAL HOUSING NEAR MAJOR TRANSIT STOPS.

(3)(a) IN ASSISTING LOCAL GOVERNMENTS PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION, THE DIVISION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT SHALL PROVIDE FUNDING THROUGH EITHER A GRANT PROGRAM, THE PROVISION OF CONSULTANT SERVICES, OR BOTH DIRECTLY TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS OR THROUGH A REGIONAL ENTITY AND SHALL PRIORITIZE FUNDING AND GRANT PROGRAMS ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, SO LONG AS DOING SO IS NOT INCONSISTENT WITH FEDERAL OR STATE LAW.

(b) ANY CONSULTANT RETAINED BY THE DEPARTMENT TO PROVIDE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION RELATING TO HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENTS AND HOUSING ACTION PLANS SHALL HAVE DEMONSTRATED EXPERIENCE CONDUCTING HIGH-QUALITY HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENTS AND STRATEGIC HOUSING PLANS AND ENGAGING UNDERREPRESENTED COMMUNITIES, RESIDENTS, AND WORKERS WITH DISPROPORTIONATE HOUSING NEEDS AND CHALLENGES.

(c) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL REQUIRE, AS A CONDITION OF ANY FUNDING AWARDED TO A LOCAL GOVERNMENT TO CONDUCT HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENTS OR CREATE HOUSING ACTION PLANS PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION, THAT:

(I) UNLESS NO SUCH PERSON IS AVAILABLE, ANY PERSON PROVIDING SERVICES TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT THAT WILL BE FUNDED BY THE AWARD MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF SUBSECTION (3)(b) OF THIS SECTION; AND

(II) THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT USE A PORTION OF THE FUNDS AWARDED BY THE DEPARTMENT TO CONDUCT HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENTS OR CREATING HOUSING ACTION PLANS PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION TO ENGAGE UNDERREPRESENTED AND UNDERRECOGNIZED COMMUNITIES.

(4) BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2025, AND EVERY YEAR THEREAFTER, THE DIVISION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT SHALL PROVIDE A REPORT ON THE ASSISTANCE REQUESTED BY LOCAL GOVERNMENTS PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION, WHETHER OR NOT ADEQUATE STATE FUNDING IS AVAILABLE TO PROVIDE THE ASSISTANCE REQUESTED BY LOCAL GOVERNMENTS, AND ANY ADDITIONAL RESOURCES THAT THE DIVISION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT OR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS HAVE IDENTIFIED THAT WOULD ASSIST LOCAL GOVERNMENTS IN IDENTIFYING AND IMPLEMENTING LAWS AND POLICIES THAT WOULD INCREASE THE AVAILABILITY OF HOUSING IN COLORADO.

(5) (a) THE DIVISION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT SHALL SERVE AS A CLEARING HOUSE, FOR THE BENEFIT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND REGIONAL ENTITIES, OF INFORMATION RELATING TO THIS PART 37 AND SHALL REFER LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO STATE AND FEDERAL RESOURCES AND APPROPRIATE DEPARTMENTS OR AGENCIES

OF THE STATE OR FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FOR ADVICE, ASSISTANCE, OR AVAILABLE SERVICES RELATING TO THIS PART 37.

(b) THE DIVISION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT SHALL IDENTIFY OPPORTUNITIES FOR, ENCOURAGE, AND, WHEN SO REQUESTED, ASSIST COOPERATIVE EFFORTS AMONG LOCAL GOVERNMENTS IN SOLVING COMMON PROBLEMS RELATED TO POPULATION CHANGE AND THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS PART 37.

(c) THE DEPARTMENT MAY ATTEMPT TO MEDIATE DISPUTES BETWEEN LOCAL GOVERNMENTS REGARDING THE ENACTMENT OF LOCAL LAWS OR POLICIES RELATED TO THE CREATION OF HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENTS AND HOUSING ACTION PLANS PURSUANT TO THIS PART 37, INTERJURISDICTIONAL COORDINATION OR DISPUTES REGARDING THE DEVELOPMENT OF LAND FOR RESIDENTIAL USES, INCLUDING REGULATED AFFORDABLE HOUSING USES AND THE PROVISION OF WATER AND SEWER SERVICES, AND ANYTHING ELSE COVERED BY THIS PART 37 OR REFER LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO THE LIST OF MEDIATORS MAINTAINED PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-32-3209 TO ASSIST IN THE RESOLUTION OF SUCH DISPUTES.

(6)(a) THE HOUSING NEEDS PLANNING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FUND IS CREATED IN THE STATE TREASURY. THE FUND CONSISTS OF GIFTS, GRANTS, AND DONATIONS CREDITED TO THE FUND AND ANY OTHER MONEY THAT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY MAY APPROPRIATE OR TRANSFER TO THE FUND. THE STATE TREASURER SHALL CREDIT ALL INTEREST AND INCOME DERIVED FROM THE DEPOSIT AND INVESTMENT OF MONEY IN THE HOUSING NEEDS PLANNING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FUND TO THE FUND.

(b) MONEY IN THE HOUSING NEEDS PLANNING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FUND IS CONTINUOUSLY APPROPRIATED TO THE DEPARTMENT FOR THE PURPOSES OF PROVIDING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND IMPLEMENTING A GRANT PROGRAM PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION.

(c)(I) ON JULY 1, 2024, THE STATE TREASURER SHALL TRANSFER TO THE HOUSING NEEDS PLANNING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FUND:

(A) NOTWITHSTANDING THE ALLOCATION OF FUNDS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 39-29-110, OR ANY OTHER LAW TO THE CONTRARY, TEN MILLION FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS FROM THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT SEVERANCE TAX FUND CREATED IN SECTION 39-29-110; AND

(B) NOTWITHSTANDING THE ALLOCATION OF FUNDS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 34-63-102, OR ANY OTHER LAW TO THE CONTRARY, FOUR MILLION FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS FROM THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT MINERAL IMPACT FUND CREATED IN SECTION 34-63-102 (5).

(II) THIS SUBSECTION (6)(c) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025.

24-32-3710. Prioritization for conformity with planning expectations. (1) ON OR AFTER DECEMBER 1, 2027, ANY GRANT PROGRAM ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT, THE COLORADO ENERGY OFFICE, THE OFFICE OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT, OR THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL AND ADMINISTRATION THAT AWARDS GRANTS TO

COUNTIES AND MUNICIPALITIES FOR THE PRIMARY PURPOSE OF SUPPORTING LAND USE PLANNING OR HOUSING, EXCLUDING LAND USE PLANNING OR HOUSING PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 32 OF TITLE 29, MUST, SO LONG AS DOING SO IS NOT INCONSISTENT WITH FEDERAL LAW OR THE STATE CONSTITUTION, INCLUDE PRIORITIZATION CRITERIA THAT CONSIDER WHETHER:

(a) A CURRENT LOCAL OR REGIONAL HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT HAS BEEN COMPLETED FOR THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND HAS BEEN ACCEPTED BY THE DEPARTMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-32-3703 OR 24-32-3704;

(b) A HOUSING ACTION PLAN HAS BEEN ADOPTED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND ACCEPTED BY THE DEPARTMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-32-3705;

(c) A REPORT HAS BEEN SUBMITTED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND ACCEPTED BY THE DEPARTMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-32-3705 (6); AND

(d) THE MASTER PLAN FOR THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT INCLUDES A WATER SUPPLY ELEMENT AND STRATEGIC GROWTH ELEMENT AS DESCRIBED IN SECTIONS 30-28-106 (3)(a.5) AND 31-23-206 (1.5).

(2) IN CONSIDERING AWARDING A GRANT TO A LOCAL GOVERNMENT THAT IS NOT SUBJECT TO ANY OF THE PROVISIONS IDENTIFIED IN THE PRIORITIZATION CRITERIA DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL TREAT THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT AS IF IT HAS SATISFIED THE PRIORITIZATION CRITERIA IN SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION.

24-32-3711. Neighborhood centers - grant program prioritization. (1) ON OR BEFORE JUNE 30, 2025, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ADOPT REASONABLE CRITERIA FOR THE DESIGNATION OF NEIGHBORHOOD CENTERS IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 24-32-3701 (10), INCLUDING CRITERIA FOR VARYING REGIONAL CONTEXTS. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL DESIGN THE CRITERIA ADOPTED PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION (1) TO MINIMIZE THE FISCAL BURDEN ON LOCAL GOVERNMENTS. THE CRITERIA ADOPTED BY THE DEPARTMENT PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION (1) MUST NOT:

(a) LIMIT OR RESTRICT THE AUTHORITY OF A LOCAL GOVERNMENT, INCLUDING AUTHORITY RELATING TO ZONING, REGULATION OF THE USE OF LAND, AND THE IMPOSITION OF FEES, CHARGES, AND TAXES, NOTWITHSTANDING THE EXERCISE OF THAT AUTHORITY TO ESTABLISH A NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER; OR

(b) REQUIRE THE MODIFICATION OF A CHARTER ADOPTED PURSUANT TO ARTICLE XX OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION.

(2) A LOCAL GOVERNMENT MAY DESIGNATE A NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION AND SUBMIT A REPORT TO THE DEPARTMENT IN A FORM AND MANNER DETERMINED BY THE DEPARTMENT. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL NOT ACCEPT A REPORT DESIGNATING A NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER THAT DOES NOT COMPLY WITH THE CRITERIA ADOPTED BY THE DEPARTMENT. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL NOTIFY A LOCAL GOVERNMENT IF IT DOES NOT ACCEPT THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT'S REPORT.

(3) AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2026, EXCLUDING GRANT PROGRAMS GOVERNED BY ARTICLE 32 OF TITLE 29, THE DEPARTMENTS, OFFICES, AND AGENCIES IDENTIFIED IN

SECTION 24-32-3710 SHALL UPDATE GRANT AWARD CRITERIA TO INCLUDE CONSIDERATION AND PRIORITIZATION OF, TO THE EXTENT CONSISTENT WITH THE PURPOSE OF THE GRANT PROGRAM AND ANY APPLICABLE PROVISION OF FEDERAL LAW OR THE STATE CONSTITUTION, PROJECTS THAT MEET ONE OF THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

(a) THE PROJECT IS IN OR SUPPORTS A NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER DESIGNATED IN A REPORT ACCEPTED BY THE DEPARTMENT PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (2) OF THIS SECTION; OR

(b) THE PROJECT CONCERNS AN AREA THAT WOULD NOT MEET THE CRITERIA FOR DESIGNATION AS A NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER.

SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 30-28-106, **amend** (1); **repeal and reenact, with amendments**, (3)(a); and **add** (3)(a.3), (3)(a.5), (3)(a.7), (3)(a.9), and (8) as follows:

30-28-106. Master plan - definition. (1) It is the duty of a county planning commission to make and adopt a master plan for the physical development of the unincorporated territory of the county, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE COUNTY COMMISSION HAVING JURISDICTION THEREOF. When a county planning commission decides to adopt a master plan, the commission shall conduct public hearings, after notice of such public hearings has been published in a newspaper of general circulation in the county in a manner sufficient to notify the public of the time, place, and nature of the public hearing, prior to final adoption of a master plan in order to encourage public participation in and awareness of the development of such plan and shall accept and consider oral and written public comments throughout the process of developing the plan.

(3) (a) THE MASTER PLAN OF A COUNTY OR REGION, WITH THE ACCOMPANYING MAPS, PLATS, CHARTS, AND DESCRIPTIVE AND EXPLANATORY MATTER, MUST SHOW THE COUNTY OR REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION'S RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE TERRITORY COVERED BY THE MASTER PLAN. THE MASTER PLAN OF A COUNTY OR REGION IS AN ADVISORY DOCUMENT TO GUIDE LAND DEVELOPMENT DECISIONS; HOWEVER, THE MASTER PLAN OR ANY PART THEREOF MAY BE MADE BINDING BY INCLUSION IN THE COUNTY'S OR REGION'S ADOPTED SUBDIVISION, ZONING, PLATTING, PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT, OR OTHER SIMILAR LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS AFTER SATISFYING NOTICE, DUE PROCESS, AND HEARING REQUIREMENTS FOR LEGISLATIVE OR QUASI-JUDICIAL PROCESSES AS APPROPRIATE.

(a.3) (I) THE COUNTY OR REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION SHALL FOLLOW THE PROCEDURES IN SECTION 24-32-3209. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, ANY SPECIAL DISTRICT THAT SUPPLIES WATER TO THE AREA COVERED BY THE MASTER PLAN IS A NEIGHBORING JURISDICTION AS DEFINED IN SECTION 24-32-3209 (1)(h).

(II) IN ADOPTING OR AMENDING A MASTER PLAN, THE COUNTY OR REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION SHALL CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING, WHERE APPLICABLE OR APPROPRIATE, AND ANY OTHER INFORMATION DEEMED RELEVANT BY THE COUNTY OR REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION:

(A) THE APPLICABLE HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENTS PUBLISHED PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 24-32-3702 (1)(b), 24-32-3703, AND 24-32-3704;

(B) THE STATEWIDE STRATEGIC GROWTH REPORT CREATED PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-32-3707;

(C) THE NATURAL LAND AND AGRICULTURAL OPPORTUNITIES REPORT PUBLISHED PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-32-3708; AND

(D) THE COLORADO WATER PLAN ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 37-60-106.3.

(a.5) THE MASTER PLAN MUST INCLUDE:

(I) A NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF THE PROCEDURE USED FOR THE DEVELOPMENT AND ADOPTION OF THE MASTER PLAN, INCLUDING A SUMMARY OF ANY OBJECTIONS TO THE MASTER PLAN MADE BY NEIGHBORING JURISDICTIONS AS DEFINED IN SECTION 24-32-3209 (1)(h) AND A DESCRIPTION OF THE RESOLUTION OR OUTCOME OF THE OBJECTIONS;

(II) (A) A WATER SUPPLY ELEMENT DEVELOPED IN CONSULTATION WITH ENTITIES THAT SUPPLY WATER FOR USE WITHIN THE COUNTY OR REGION TO ENSURE COORDINATION ON WATER SUPPLY AND FACILITY PLANNING. NOTHING IN THIS SECTION REQUIRES THE PUBLIC DISCLOSURE OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION RELATED TO WATER SUPPLY OR FACILITIES.

(B) THE WATER SUPPLY ELEMENT MUST ESTIMATE A RANGE OF WATER SUPPLIES AND FACILITIES NEEDED TO SUPPORT THE POTENTIAL PUBLIC AND PRIVATE DEVELOPMENT DESCRIBED IN THE MASTER PLAN, AND INCLUDE WATER CONSERVATION POLICIES, TO BE DETERMINED BY THE COUNTY OR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS WITHIN A REGION, WHICH MAY INCLUDE GOALS SPECIFIED IN THE COLORADO WATER PLAN ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 37-60-106.3 AND POLICIES TO IMPLEMENT WATER CONSERVATION AND OTHER COLORADO WATER PLAN GOALS AS A CONDITION OF DEVELOPMENT APPROVAL, FOR SUBDIVISIONS, PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENTS, SPECIAL USE PERMITS, AND ZONING CHANGES.

(C) A COUNTY OR REGION WITH A MASTER PLAN THAT INCLUDES A WATER SUPPLY ELEMENT SHALL ENSURE THAT ITS MASTER PLAN INCLUDES WATER CONSERVATION POLICIES AT THE FIRST AMENDING OF THE MASTER PLAN, BUT NOT LATER THAN JULY 1, 2025.

(D) NOTHING IN THIS SUBSECTION (3)(a.5)(II) SUPERSEDES, ABROGATES, OR OTHERWISE IMPAIRS THE ALLOCATION OF WATER PURSUANT TO THE STATE CONSTITUTION OR ANY OTHER PROVISION OF LAW, THE RIGHT TO BENEFICIALLY USE WATER PURSUANT TO DECREES, CONTRACTS, OR OTHER WATER USE AGREEMENTS, OR THE OPERATION, MAINTENANCE, REPAIR, REPLACEMENT, OR USE OF ANY WATER FACILITY.

(E) THE DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL AFFAIRS MAY HIRE AND EMPLOY ONE FULL-TIME EMPLOYEE TO PROVIDE EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES AND ASSISTANCE TO A COUNTY OR REGION THAT INCLUDES WATER CONSERVATION POLICIES IN THE WATER SUPPLY ELEMENTS OF MASTER PLANS AS REQUIRED BY THIS SUBSECTION (3)(a.5)(II).

(III) A STRATEGIC GROWTH ELEMENT THAT INTEGRATES ELEMENTS OF THE MASTER PLAN TO DISCOURAGE SPRAWL AND PROMOTE THE DEVELOPMENT OR REDEVELOPMENT OF VACANT AND UNDERUTILIZED PARCELS IN URBAN AREAS TO ADDRESS THE DEMONSTRATED HOUSING NEEDS OF THE COUNTY OR REGION AND MITIGATE THE NEED FOR EXTENSION OF INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC SERVICES TO DEVELOP NATURAL AND AGRICULTURAL LANDS FOR RESIDENTIAL USES. THE STRATEGIC GROWTH ELEMENT MUST INCLUDE:

(A) A DESCRIPTION OF EXISTING AND POTENTIAL POLICIES AND TOOLS TO PROMOTE STRATEGIC GROWTH AND PREVENT SPRAWL;

(B) AN ANALYSIS OF VACANT AND UNDERUTILIZED SITES THAT IDENTIFIES VACANT, PARTIALLY VACANT, AND UNDERUTILIZED LAND NEAR EXISTING OR PLANNED TRANSIT OR JOB CENTERS THAT COULD BE USED FOR INFILL DEVELOPMENT, REDEVELOPMENT, AND NEW DEVELOPMENT OF HOUSING; ASSESSES THE GENERAL FEASIBILITY OF THE DEVELOPMENT OR REDEVELOPMENT OF SUCH SITES FOR RESIDENTIAL USE BASED ON EXISTING AND NEEDED INFRASTRUCTURE, TRANSPORTATION CAPACITY, ACCESS TO PUBLIC TRANSIT, AND PUBLIC FACILITIES AND SERVICES TO SERVE SUCH SITES; DESCRIBES THE PUBLIC BENEFITS OF THE DEVELOPMENT OR REDEVELOPMENT OF SUCH SITES TO THE COUNTY OR REGION AS AN ALTERNATIVE TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF PREVIOUSLY UNDEVELOPED NATURAL OR AGRICULTURAL LAND; AND IN A MANNER THAT IS CONSISTENT WITH THE MASTER PLAN, DESIGNATES SUCH SITES FOR WHICH DEVELOPMENT OR REDEVELOPMENT IS DEEMED TO BE GENERALLY FEASIBLE FOR FUTURE USES THAT INCLUDE RESIDENTIAL USES IN A MANNER THAT ADDRESSES THE DEMONSTRATED HOUSING NEEDS OF THE COUNTY OR REGION AT ALL INCOME LEVELS; AND

(C) AN ANALYSIS OF UNDEVELOPED SITES THAT IDENTIFIES PREVIOUSLY UNDEVELOPED PARCELS THAT ARE NOT ADJACENT TO DEVELOPED LAND, INCLUDING EXISTING NATURAL AND AGRICULTURAL LAND, UNDER CONSIDERATION FOR FUTURE DEVELOPMENT, AND, FOR A COUNTY OR REGION IN A METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION ESTABLISHED UNDER THE "FEDERAL TRANSIT ACT OF 1998," 49 U.S.C. SEC. 5301 ET SEQ., AS AMENDED, LAND OUTSIDE OF CENSUS URBAN AREAS AS DEFINED BY THE UNITED STATES BUREAU OF THE CENSUS; ASSESSES THE GENERAL FEASIBILITY OF THE DEVELOPMENT OF SUCH SITES FOR RESIDENTIAL USE BASED ON EXISTING AND NEEDED INFRASTRUCTURE, TRANSPORTATION CAPACITY, ACCESS TO PUBLIC TRANSIT, AND PUBLIC FACILITIES AND SERVICES TO SERVE SUCH SITES; AND DESCRIBES THE LONG-TERM FISCAL IMPACT TO THE COUNTY OR REGION OF THE CONSTRUCTION, OWNERSHIP, MAINTENANCE, AND REPLACEMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC FACILITIES AND THE PROVISION OF PUBLIC SERVICES TO SERVE DEVELOPMENT OF SUCH SITES;

(IV) THE MOST RECENT HOUSING ACTION PLAN OR PLANS ADOPTED BY THE COUNTY OR MUNICIPALITIES WITHIN THE REGION PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-32-3705; AND

(V) FOR A MASTER PLAN BY A REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION, THE MOST RECENT VERSION OF THE MASTER PLAN REQUIRED BY SECTION 31-12-105 (1)(e) BY EACH MUNICIPALITY THAT IS PART OF THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION AND A DESCRIPTION OF HOW EACH JURISDICTION WILL INTEGRATE THAT PLAN INTO THE MASTER PLAN.

(a.7) (I) A COUNTY OR REGION WITH A MASTER PLAN SHALL ENSURE THAT ITS MASTER PLAN INCLUDES A WATER SUPPLY ELEMENT AND A STRATEGIC GROWTH ELEMENT AS REQUIRED BY SUBSECTION (3)(a.5) OF THIS SECTION AT THE FIRST AMENDING OF THE MASTER PLAN THAT OCCURS ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2026, BUT NOT LATER THAN DECEMBER 31, 2026. THE MASTER PLAN OF A COUNTY OR REGION ADOPTED OR AMENDED AFTER DECEMBER 31, 2026, MUST INCLUDE A WATER SUPPLY ELEMENT AND STRATEGIC GROWTH ELEMENT AS REQUIRED BY SUBSECTION (3)(a.5) OF THIS SECTION. THE COUNTY OR REGION MUST UPDATE THE WATER SUPPLY ELEMENT AND STRATEGIC GROWTH ELEMENT NO LESS FREQUENTLY THAN EVERY FIVE YEARS.

(II) A COUNTY OR REGION WITH A MASTER PLAN IS NOT REQUIRED TO INCLUDE A STRATEGIC GROWTH ELEMENT, IF THE COUNTY OR REGION HAS NOT RECEIVED FUNDING TO INCLUDE THE STRATEGIC GROWTH ELEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-32-3710 AND EITHER:

(A) HAS A POPULATION OF TWENTY THOUSAND OR LESS IN THE COUNTY'S UNINCORPORATED TERRITORY AND HAS EXPERIENCED NEGATIVE POPULATION CHANGE IN THE MOST RECENT DECENNIAL CENSUS; OR

(B) HAS A POPULATION OF FIVE THOUSAND OR LESS IN THE COUNTY'S UNINCORPORATED TERRITORY.

(a.9) THE MASTER PLAN MAY INCLUDE, WHERE APPLICABLE OR APPROPRIATE:

(I) THE GENERAL LOCATION, CHARACTER, AND EXTENT OF EXISTING, PROPOSED, OR PROJECTED STREETS OR ROADS, RIGHTS-OF-WAY, VIADUCTS, BRIDGES, WATERWAYS, WATERFRONTS, PARKWAYS, HIGHWAYS, MASS TRANSIT ROUTES AND CORRIDORS, AND ANY TRANSPORTATION PLAN PREPARED BY ANY METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION THAT COVERS ALL OR A PORTION OF THE COUNTY OR REGION AND THAT THE COUNTY OR REGION HAS RECEIVED NOTIFICATION OF OR, IF THE COUNTY OR REGION IS NOT LOCATED IN AN AREA COVERED BY A METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION, ANY TRANSPORTATION PLAN PREPARED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION THAT THE COUNTY OR REGION HAS RECEIVED NOTIFICATION OF AND THAT APPLIES TO THE COUNTY OR REGION;

(II) THE GENERAL LOCATION OF PUBLIC PLACES OR FACILITIES, INCLUDING PUBLIC SCHOOLS; CULTURALLY, HISTORICALLY, OR ARCHAEOLOGICALLY SIGNIFICANT BUILDINGS, SITES, AND OBJECTS; PLAYGROUNDS, FORESTS, RESERVATIONS, SQUARES, PARKS, AIRPORTS, AVIATION FIELDS, MILITARY INSTALLATIONS; AND OTHER PUBLIC WAYS, GROUNDS, OPEN SPACES, TRAILS, AND DESIGNATED FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL WILDLIFE AREAS. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, "MILITARY INSTALLATION" HAS THE SAME MEANING AS SPECIFIED IN SECTION 29-20-105.6 (2)(b).

(III) THE GENERAL LOCATION AND EXTENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES, TERMINALS, CAPITAL FACILITIES, AND TRANSFER FACILITIES, WHETHER PUBLICLY OR PRIVATELY OWNED, FOR WATER, LIGHT, POWER, SANITATION, TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNICATION, HEAT, AND OTHER PURPOSES AND ANY PROPOSED OR PROJECTED NEEDS FOR CAPITAL FACILITIES AND UTILITIES, INCLUDING THE PRIORITIES, ANTICIPATED COSTS, AND FUNDING PROPOSALS FOR SUCH FACILITIES AND UTILITIES;

(IV) THE ACCEPTANCE, WIDENING, REMOVAL, EXTENSION, RELOCATION, NARROWING, VACATION, ABANDONMENT, MODIFICATION, OR CHANGE OF USE OF ANY OF THE PUBLIC WAYS, RIGHTS-OF-WAY, INCLUDING THE COORDINATION OF SUCH RIGHTS-OF-WAY WITH THE RIGHTS-OF-WAY OF OTHER COUNTIES, REGIONS, OR MUNICIPALITIES, GROUNDS, OPEN SPACES, BUILDINGS, PROPERTIES, UTILITIES, OR TERMINALS REFERRED TO IN SUBSECTIONS (3)(a.5)(II)(C), (3)(a.9)(I), (3)(a.9)(II), AND (3)(a.9)(III) OF THIS SECTION;

(V) METHODS FOR ASSURING ACCESS TO APPROPRIATE CONDITIONS FOR SOLAR, WIND, OR OTHER ALTERNATIVE ENERGY SOURCES, INCLUDING GEOTHERMAL ENERGY USED FOR WATER HEATING OR SPACE HEATING OR COOLING IN A SINGLE BUILDING, FOR SPACE HEATING FOR MORE THAN ONE BUILDING THROUGH A PIPELINE NETWORK, OR FOR ELECTRICITY GENERATION;

(VI) THE GENERAL CHARACTER, LOCATION, AND EXTENT OF COMMUNITY CENTERS, TOWNSITES, HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS, WHETHER PUBLIC OR PRIVATE; THE EXISTING, PROPOSED, OR PROJECTED LOCATION OF RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOODS AND SUFFICIENT LAND FOR FUTURE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT FOR THE EXISTING AND PROJECTED ECONOMIC AND OTHER NEEDS OF ALL CURRENT AND ANTICIPATED RESIDENTS OF THE COUNTY OR REGION; AND URBAN CONSERVATION OR REDEVELOPMENT AREAS. IF A COUNTY OR REGION HAS ENTERED INTO A REGIONAL PLANNING AGREEMENT, THE AGREEMENT MAY BE INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE INTO THE MASTER PLAN.

(VII) THE GENERAL LOCATION AND EXTENT OF FORESTS, AGRICULTURAL AREAS, FLOOD CONTROL AREAS, AND OPEN DEVELOPMENT AREAS FOR PURPOSES OF CONSERVATION, FOOD AND WATER SUPPLY, SANITARY AND DRAINAGE FACILITIES, FLOOD CONTROL, OR THE PROTECTION OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT;

(VIII) A LAND CLASSIFICATION AND UTILIZATION PROGRAM;

(IX) PROJECTIONS OF POPULATION CHANGE AND HOUSING NEEDS TO ACCOMMODATE THE PROJECTED POPULATION FOR SPECIFIED INCREMENTS OF TIME. THE COUNTY OR REGION MAY BASE THESE PROJECTIONS UPON DATA FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL AFFAIRS AND UPON THE COUNTY'S OR REGION'S LOCAL OBJECTIVES.

(X) THE LOCATION OF AREAS CONTAINING STEEP SLOPES, GEOLOGICAL HAZARDS, ENDANGERED OR THREATENED SPECIES, WETLANDS, FLOODPLAINS, FLOODWAYS, AND FLOOD RISK ZONES, HIGHLY ERODIBLE LAND OR UNSTABLE SOILS, AND WILDFIRE HAZARDS. FOR PURPOSES OF DETERMINING THE LOCATION OF SUCH AREAS, THE PLANNING COMMISSION SHOULD CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING SOURCES FOR GUIDANCE:

(A) THE COLORADO GEOLOGICAL SURVEY FOR DEFINING AND MAPPING GEOLOGICAL HAZARDS;

(B) THE UNITED STATES FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR AND THE PARKS AND WILDLIFE COMMISSION CREATED IN SECTION 33-9-101 FOR LOCATING AREAS INHABITED BY ENDANGERED OR THREATENED SPECIES;

(C) THE UNITED STATES ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS AND THE UNITED STATES FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE NATIONAL WETLANDS INVENTORY FOR DEFINING AND MAPPING WETLANDS;

(D) THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY FOR DEFINING AND MAPPING FLOODPLAINS, FLOODWAYS, AND FLOOD RISK ZONES;

(E) THE NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOR DEFINING AND MAPPING UNSTABLE SOILS AND HIGHLY ERODIBLE LAND; AND

(F) THE COLORADO STATE FOREST SERVICE FOR LOCATING WILDFIRE HAZARD AREAS.

(8) A COUNTY OR REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION SHALL SUBMIT THE MASTER PLAN AND ANY SEPARATELY APPROVED WATER SUPPLY ELEMENT AND STRATEGIC GROWTH ELEMENT TO THE DIVISION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN THE DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL AFFAIRS. THE DIVISION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT SHALL REVIEW MASTER PLANS AND MAY PROVIDE COMMENTS TO THE COMMISSION.

SECTION 3. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 31-23-206, **repeal and reenact, with amendments**, (1); and **add** (1.3), (1.5), (1.7), (1.9), and (8) as follows:

31-23-206. Master plan. (1) IT IS THE DUTY OF THE COMMISSION TO MAKE AND ADOPT A MASTER PLAN FOR THE PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT OF THE MUNICIPALITY, INCLUDING ANY AREAS OUTSIDE ITS BOUNDARIES, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE GOVERNMENTAL BODY HAVING JURISDICTION THEREOF, THAT IN THE COMMISSION'S JUDGMENT BEAR RELATION TO THE PLANNING OF THE MUNICIPALITY. THE MASTER PLAN OF A MUNICIPALITY IS AN ADVISORY DOCUMENT TO GUIDE LAND DEVELOPMENT DECISIONS; HOWEVER, THE MASTER PLAN OR ANY PART THEREOF MAY BE MADE BINDING BY INCLUSION IN THE MUNICIPALITY'S ADOPTED SUBDIVISION, ZONING, PLATTING, PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT, OR OTHER SIMILAR LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS AFTER SATISFYING NOTICE, DUE PROCESS, AND HEARING REQUIREMENTS FOR LEGISLATIVE OR QUASI-JUDICIAL PROCESSES AS APPROPRIATE. THE MASTER PLAN, WITH THE ACCOMPANYING MAPS, PLATS, CHARTS, AND DESCRIPTIVE MATTER, MUST SHOW THE COMMISSION'S RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE MUNICIPALITY AND OUTLYING AREAS.

(1.3) (a) WHEN A COMMISSION DECIDES TO ADOPT A MASTER PLAN, THE COMMISSION SHALL CONDUCT PUBLIC HEARINGS, AFTER NOTICE OF SUCH PUBLIC HEARINGS HAS BEEN PUBLISHED IN A NEWSPAPER OF GENERAL CIRCULATION IN THE MUNICIPALITY IN A MANNER SUFFICIENT TO NOTIFY THE PUBLIC OF THE TIME, PLACE, AND NATURE OF THE PUBLIC HEARING, PRIOR TO FINAL ADOPTION OF A MASTER PLAN IN ORDER TO ENCOURAGE PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN AND AWARENESS OF THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE MASTER PLAN AND SHALL ACCEPT AND CONSIDER ORAL AND WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENTS THROUGHOUT THE PROCESS OF DEVELOPING THE MASTER PLAN.

(b) THE COMMISSION SHALL FOLLOW THE PROCEDURES IN SECTION 24-32-3209. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, ANY SPECIAL DISTRICT THAT SUPPLIES WATER TO

THE AREA COVERED BY THE MASTER PLAN IS A NEIGHBORING JURISDICTION AS DEFINED IN SECTION 24-32-3209 (1)(h).

(c) FOR ANY MASTER PLAN ADOPTED AFTER JANUARY 1, 2026, THE COMMISSION SHALL CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING, WHERE APPLICABLE OR APPROPRIATE, AND ANY OTHER INFORMATION DEEMED RELEVANT BY THE COMMISSION:

(I) THE APPLICABLE HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENTS PUBLISHED PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-32-3702 (1)(b), 24-32-3703, OR 24-32-3704;

(II) THE STATEWIDE STRATEGIC GROWTH REPORT CREATED PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-32-3707;

(III) THE NATURAL LAND AND AGRICULTURAL OPPORTUNITIES REPORT PUBLISHED PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-32-3708; AND

(IV) THE COLORADO WATER PLAN ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 37-60-106.3.

(1.5) THE MASTER PLAN MUST INCLUDE:

(a) A NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF THE PROCEDURE USED FOR THE DEVELOPMENT AND ADOPTION OF THE MASTER PLAN, INCLUDING A SUMMARY OF ANY OBJECTIONS TO THE MASTER PLAN MADE BY NEIGHBORING JURISDICTIONS PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-32-3209 AND A DESCRIPTION OF THE RESOLUTION OR OUTCOME OF THE OBJECTIONS;

(b) THE MOST RECENT VERSION OF THE MASTER PLAN REQUIRED BY SECTION 31-12-105 (1)(e) OR A SIMILAR MASTER PLAN FOR AREAS OF POTENTIAL GROWTH WITHIN THREE MILES OF THE MUNICIPALITY'S EXISTING BOUNDARIES AND A DESCRIPTION OF HOW THE MUNICIPALITY INTENDS TO INTEGRATE THAT PLAN INTO THE MASTER PLAN;

(c) (I) A WATER SUPPLY ELEMENT DEVELOPED IN CONSULTATION WITH ENTITIES THAT SUPPLY WATER FOR USE WITHIN THE MUNICIPALITY TO ENSURE COORDINATION ON WATER SUPPLY AND FACILITY PLANNING. NOTHING IN THIS SECTION REQUIRES THE PUBLIC DISCLOSURE OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION RELATED TO WATER SUPPLY OR FACILITIES.

(II) THE WATER SUPPLY ELEMENT MUST:

(A) ESTIMATE A RANGE OF WATER SUPPLIES AND FACILITIES NEEDED TO SUPPORT THE POTENTIAL PUBLIC AND PRIVATE DEVELOPMENT DESCRIBED IN THE MASTER PLAN; AND

(B) INCLUDE WATER CONSERVATION POLICIES, TO BE DETERMINED BY THE MUNICIPALITY, WHICH MAY INCLUDE GOALS SPECIFIED IN THE COLORADO WATER PLAN ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 37-60-106.3 AND POLICIES TO IMPLEMENT WATER CONSERVATION AND OTHER COLORADO WATER PLAN GOALS AS A CONDITION OF DEVELOPMENT APPROVAL, INCLUDING SUBDIVISIONS, PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENTS, SPECIAL USE PERMITS, AND ZONING CHANGES.

(III) A MUNICIPALITY WITH A MASTER PLAN THAT INCLUDES A WATER SUPPLY ELEMENT SHALL ENSURE THAT ITS MASTER PLAN INCLUDES WATER CONSERVATION POLICIES AT THE FIRST AMENDING OF THE MASTER PLAN, BUT NOT LATER THAN JULY 1, 2025;

(IV) NOTHING IN THIS SUBSECTION (1.5)(c) SUPERSEDES, ABROGATES, OR OTHERWISE IMPAIRS THE ALLOCATION OF WATER PURSUANT TO THE STATE CONSTITUTION OR ANY OTHER PROVISION OF LAW, THE RIGHT TO BENEFICIALLY USE WATER PURSUANT TO DECREES, CONTRACTS, OR OTHER WATER USE AGREEMENTS, OR THE OPERATION, MAINTENANCE, REPAIR, REPLACEMENT, OR USE OF ANY WATER FACILITY; AND

(V) THE DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL AFFAIRS MAY HIRE AND EMPLOY ONE FULL-TIME EMPLOYEE TO PROVIDE EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES AND ASSISTANCE TO MUNICIPALITIES THAT INCLUDE WATER CONSERVATION POLICIES IN THE WATER SUPPLY ELEMENTS OF MASTER PLANS AS REQUIRED BY THIS SUBSECTION (1.5)(c).

(d) A STRATEGIC GROWTH ELEMENT THAT INTEGRATES ELEMENTS OF THE MASTER PLAN TO DISCOURAGE SPRAWL AND PROMOTE THE DEVELOPMENT OR REDEVELOPMENT OF VACANT AND UNDERUTILIZED PARCELS IN URBAN AREAS TO ADDRESS THE MUNICIPALITY'S DEMONSTRATED HOUSING NEEDS AND MITIGATE THE NEED FOR EXTENSION OF INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC SERVICES TO DEVELOP NATURAL AND AGRICULTURAL LANDS FOR RESIDENTIAL USES. THE STRATEGIC GROWTH ELEMENT MUST INCLUDE:

(I) A DESCRIPTION OF EXISTING AND POTENTIAL POLICIES AND TOOLS TO PROMOTE STRATEGIC GROWTH AND PREVENT SPRAWL;

(II) AN ANALYSIS OF VACANT AND UNDERUTILIZED SITES THAT:

(A) IDENTIFIES VACANT, PARTIALLY VACANT, AND UNDERUTILIZED LAND NEAR EXISTING OR PLANNED TRANSIT OR JOB CENTERS THAT COULD BE USED FOR INFILL DEVELOPMENT, REDEVELOPMENT, AND NEW DEVELOPMENT OF HOUSING;

(B) ASSESSES THE GENERAL FEASIBILITY OF THE DEVELOPMENT OR REDEVELOPMENT OF SUCH SITES FOR RESIDENTIAL USE BASED ON EXISTING AND NEEDED INFRASTRUCTURE, TRANSPORTATION CAPACITY, ACCESS TO PUBLIC TRANSIT, AND PUBLIC FACILITIES AND SERVICES TO SERVE SUCH SITES;

(C) DESCRIBES THE PUBLIC BENEFITS OF THE DEVELOPMENT OR REDEVELOPMENT OF SUCH SITES TO THE MUNICIPALITY AS AN ALTERNATIVE TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF PREVIOUSLY UNDEVELOPED NATURAL OR AGRICULTURAL LAND; AND

(D) IN A MANNER THAT IS CONSISTENT WITH THE MASTER PLAN, DESIGNATES SUCH SITES FOR WHICH DEVELOPMENT OR REDEVELOPMENT IS DEEMED TO BE GENERALLY FEASIBLE FOR FUTURE USES THAT INCLUDE RESIDENTIAL USES IN A MANNER THAT ADDRESSES THE MUNICIPALITY'S DEMONSTRATED HOUSING NEEDS AT ALL INCOME LEVELS; AND

(III) AN ANALYSIS OF UNDEVELOPED SITES THAT:

(A) IDENTIFIES PREVIOUSLY UNDEVELOPED PARCELS THAT ARE NOT ADJACENT TO DEVELOPED LAND, INCLUDING EXISTING NATURAL AND AGRICULTURAL LAND, UNDER CONSIDERATION FOR FUTURE DEVELOPMENT, AND, FOR A MUNICIPALITY IN A METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION ESTABLISHED UNDER THE "FEDERAL TRANSIT ACT OF 1998," 49 U.S.C. SEC. 5301 ET SEQ., AS AMENDED, LAND OUTSIDE OF CENSUS URBAN AREAS AS DEFINED BY THE UNITED STATES BUREAU OF THE CENSUS;

(B) ASSESSES THE GENERAL FEASIBILITY OF THE DEVELOPMENT OF SUCH SITES FOR RESIDENTIAL USE BASED ON EXISTING AND NEEDED INFRASTRUCTURE, TRANSPORTATION CAPACITY, ACCESS TO PUBLIC TRANSIT, AND PUBLIC FACILITIES AND SERVICES TO SERVE SUCH SITES; AND

(C) DESCRIBES THE LONG-TERM FISCAL IMPACT TO THE MUNICIPALITY OF THE CONSTRUCTION, OWNERSHIP, MAINTENANCE, AND REPLACEMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC FACILITIES AND THE PROVISION OF PUBLIC SERVICES TO SERVE DEVELOPMENT OF SUCH SITES; AND

(e) THE MOST RECENT HOUSING ACTION PLAN ADOPTED BY THE MUNICIPALITY PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-32-3705.

(1.7)(a) A MUNICIPALITY WITH A MASTER PLAN SHALL ENSURE THAT ITS MASTER PLAN INCLUDES A WATER SUPPLY ELEMENT AND STRATEGIC GROWTH ELEMENT AS REQUIRED BY SUBSECTION (1.5) OF THIS SECTION AT THE FIRST AMENDING OF THE MASTER PLAN THAT OCCURS ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2026, BUT NOT LATER THAN DECEMBER 31, 2026. THE MASTER PLAN OF A MUNICIPALITY ADOPTED OR AMENDED AFTER DECEMBER 31, 2026, MUST INCLUDE A WATER SUPPLY ELEMENT AND STRATEGIC GROWTH ELEMENT AS REQUIRED BY SUBSECTION (1.5) OF THIS SECTION. A MUNICIPALITY SHALL UPDATE THE WATER SUPPLY ELEMENT AND STRATEGIC GROWTH ELEMENT AS REQUIRED BY SUBSECTION (1.5) OF THIS SECTION NO LESS FREQUENTLY THAN EVERY FIVE YEARS.

(b) A MUNICIPALITY WITH A MASTER PLAN IS NOT REQUIRED TO INCLUDE A STRATEGIC GROWTH ELEMENT IF THE MUNICIPALITY HAS NOT RECEIVED FUNDING TO INCLUDE THE STRATEGIC GROWTH ELEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-32-3710 AND EITHER:

(I) HAS A POPULATION OF TWENTY THOUSAND OR LESS AND HAS EXPERIENCED NEGATIVE POPULATION CHANGE IN THE MOST RECENT DECENNIAL CENSUS; OR

(II) HAS A POPULATION OF TWO THOUSAND OR LESS.

(1.9) THE MASTER PLAN MAY INCLUDE, WHERE APPLICABLE OR APPROPRIATE:

(a) THE GENERAL LOCATION, CHARACTER, AND EXTENT OF EXISTING, PROPOSED, OR PROJECTED STREETS, ROADS, RIGHTS-OF-WAY, BRIDGES, WATERWAYS, WATERFRONTS, PARKWAYS, HIGHWAYS, MASS TRANSIT ROUTES AND CORRIDORS, AND ANY TRANSPORTATION PLAN PREPARED BY ANY METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION THAT COVERS ALL OR A PORTION OF THE MUNICIPALITY AND THAT THE MUNICIPALITY HAS RECEIVED NOTIFICATION OF OR, IF THE MUNICIPALITY IS NOT LOCATED IN AN AREA COVERED BY A METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION, ANY

TRANSPORTATION PLAN PREPARED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION THAT THE MUNICIPALITY HAS RECEIVED NOTIFICATION OF AND THAT COVERS ALL OR A PORTION OF THE MUNICIPALITY;

(b) THE GENERAL LOCATION OF PUBLIC PLACES OR FACILITIES, INCLUDING PUBLIC SCHOOLS, CULTURALLY, HISTORICALLY, OR ARCHAEOLOGICALLY SIGNIFICANT BUILDINGS, SITES, AND OBJECTS, PLAYGROUNDS, SQUARES, PARKS, AIRPORTS, AVIATION FIELDS, MILITARY INSTALLATIONS, AND OTHER PUBLIC WAYS, GROUNDS, OPEN SPACES, TRAILS, AND DESIGNATED FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL WILDLIFE AREAS. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, "MILITARY INSTALLATION" HAS THE SAME MEANING AS SPECIFIED IN SECTION 29-20-105.6 (2)(b).

(c) THE GENERAL LOCATION AND EXTENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES TERMINALS, CAPITAL FACILITIES, AND TRANSFER FACILITIES, WHETHER PUBLICLY OR PRIVATELY OWNED OR OPERATED, FOR WATER, LIGHT, SANITATION, TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNICATION, POWER, AND OTHER PURPOSES AND ANY PROPOSED OR PROJECTED NEEDS FOR CAPITAL FACILITIES AND UTILITIES, INCLUDING THE PRIORITIES, ANTICIPATED COSTS, AND FUNDING PROPOSALS FOR SUCH FACILITIES AND UTILITIES;

(d) THE ACCEPTANCE, REMOVAL, RELOCATION, WIDENING, NARROWING, VACATING, ABANDONMENT, MODIFICATION, CHANGE OF USE, OR EXTENSION OF ANY OF THE PUBLIC WAYS, RIGHTS-OF-WAY, INCLUDING THE COORDINATION OF SUCH RIGHTS-OF-WAY WITH THE RIGHTS-OF-WAY OF OTHER MUNICIPALITIES, COUNTIES, OR REGIONS, GROUNDS, OPEN SPACES, BUILDINGS, PROPERTY, UTILITY, OR TERMINALS REFERRED TO IN SUBSECTIONS (1.5)(c), (1.7)(a), AND (1.7)(b) OF THIS SECTION;

(e) A ZONING PLAN FOR THE CONTROL OF THE HEIGHT, AREA, BULK, LOCATION, AND USE OF BUILDINGS AND PREMISES. SUCH A ZONING PLAN MAY PROTECT AND ASSURE ACCESS TO APPROPRIATE CONDITIONS FOR SOLAR, WIND, OR OTHER ALTERNATIVE ENERGY SOURCES, INCLUDING GEOTHERMAL ENERGY USED FOR WATER HEATING OR SPACE HEATING OR COOLING IN A SINGLE BUILDING, FOR SPACE HEATING FOR MORE THAN ONE BUILDING THROUGH A PIPELINE NETWORK, OR FOR ELECTRICITY GENERATION; HOWEVER, REGULATIONS AND RESTRICTIONS OF THE HEIGHT, NUMBER OF STORIES, SIZE OF BUILDINGS AND OTHER STRUCTURES, AND THE HEIGHT AND LOCATION OF TREES AND OTHER VEGETATION SHALL NOT APPLY TO EXISTING BUILDINGS, STRUCTURES, TREES, OR VEGETATION EXCEPT FOR NEW GROWTH ON SUCH VEGETATION;

(f) THE GENERAL CHARACTER, LOCATION, AND EXTENT OF COMMUNITY CENTERS, HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS, WHETHER PUBLIC OR PRIVATE; THE EXISTING, PROPOSED, OR PROJECTED LOCATION OF RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOODS AND SUFFICIENT LAND FOR FUTURE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT FOR THE EXISTING AND PROJECTED ECONOMIC AND OTHER NEEDS OF ALL CURRENT AND ANTICIPATED RESIDENTS OF THE MUNICIPALITY; AND REDEVELOPMENT AREAS. IF A MUNICIPALITY HAS ENTERED INTO A REGIONAL PLANNING AGREEMENT, THE AGREEMENT MAY BE INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE INTO THE MASTER PLAN.

(g) A PLAN FOR THE EXTRACTION OF COMMERCIAL MINERAL DEPOSITS PURSUANT TO SECTION 34-1-304;

(h) A PLAN FOR THE LOCATION AND PLACEMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES THAT

FACILITATES THE PROVISION OF SUCH UTILITIES TO ALL EXISTING, PROPOSED, OR PROJECTED DEVELOPMENTS IN THE MUNICIPALITY;

(i) PROJECTIONS OF POPULATION CHANGE AND HOUSING NEEDS TO ACCOMMODATE THE PROJECTED POPULATION FOR SPECIFIED INCREMENTS OF TIME. THE MUNICIPALITY MAY BASE THESE PROJECTIONS UPON DATA FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL AFFAIRS AND UPON THE MUNICIPALITY'S LOCAL OBJECTIVES;

(j) THE AREAS CONTAINING STEEP SLOPES, GEOLOGICAL HAZARDS, ENDANGERED OR THREATENED SPECIES, WETLANDS, FLOODPLAINS, FLOODWAYS, AND FLOOD RISK ZONES, HIGHLY ERODIBLE LAND OR UNSTABLE SOILS, AND WILDFIRE HAZARDS. FOR PURPOSES OF DETERMINING THE LOCATION OF SUCH AREAS, THE PLANNING COMMISSION SHOULD CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING SOURCES FOR GUIDANCE:

(I) THE COLORADO GEOLOGICAL SURVEY FOR DEFINING AND MAPPING GEOLOGICAL HAZARDS;

(II) THE UNITED STATES FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR AND THE PARKS AND WILDLIFE COMMISSION CREATED IN SECTION 33-9-101 FOR LOCATING AREAS INHABITED BY ENDANGERED OR THREATENED SPECIES;

(III) THE UNITED STATES ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS AND THE UNITED STATES FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE NATIONAL WETLANDS INVENTORY FOR DEFINING AND MAPPING WETLANDS;

(IV) THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY FOR DEFINING AND MAPPING FLOODPLAINS, FLOODWAYS, AND FLOOD RISK ZONES;

(V) THE NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOR DEFINING AND MAPPING UNSTABLE SOILS AND HIGHLY ERODIBLE LAND; AND

(VI) THE COLORADO STATE FOREST SERVICE FOR LOCATING WILDFIRE HAZARD AREAS.

(8) THE COMMISSION SHALL SUBMIT THE MASTER PLAN AND ANY SEPARATELY APPROVED WATER SUPPLY ELEMENT AND STRATEGIC GROWTH ELEMENT TO THE DIVISION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN THE DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL AFFAIRS. THE DIVISION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT SHALL REVIEW MASTER PLANS AND MAY PROVIDE COMMENTS TO THE COMMISSION.

SECTION 4. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 38-33.3-106.5, **add** (6) as follows:

38-33.3-106.5. Prohibitions contrary to public policy - patriotic, political, or religious expression - public rights-of-way - fire prevention - renewable energy generation devices - affordable housing - drought prevention measures - child care - definitions. (6) (a) AN ASSOCIATION SHALL NOT PROHIBIT OR RESTRICT THE CONSTRUCTION OF ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS OR MIDDLE HOUSING IF THE ZONING LAWS OF THE LOCAL JURISDICTION WOULD OTHERWISE ALLOW SUCH USES ON A PROPERTY. THIS SUBSECTION (6)(a) APPLIES ONLY TO ANY DECLARATION RECORDED

ON OR AFTER JULY 1, 2024, OR IN ANY BYLAWS OR RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE ASSOCIATION ADOPTED OR AMENDED ON OR AFTER JULY 1, 2024, UNLESS THE DECLARATION, BYLAWS, OR RULES AND REGULATIONS CONTAINED SUCH A RESTRICTION AS OF THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SUBSECTION (6)(a).

(b) AS USED IN THIS SUBSECTION (6), UNLESS THE CONTEXT OTHERWISE REQUIRES:

(I) "ACCESSORY DWELLING UNIT" MEANS AN INTERNAL, ATTACHED, OR DETACHED DWELLING UNIT THAT IS LOCATED ON THE SAME LOT AS A PROPOSED OR EXISTING PRIMARY RESIDENCE.

(II) "MIDDLE HOUSING" MEANS A RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURE OR STRUCTURES THAT INCLUDE BETWEEN TWO AND FOUR SEPARATE DWELLING UNITS IN A STRUCTURE, A TOWNHOME BUILDING, OR A COTTAGE CLUSTER OF UP TO FOUR UNITS.

SECTION 5. Appropriation. For the 2024-25 state fiscal year, \$583,864 is appropriated to the office of the governor for use by the office of information technology. This appropriation is from reappropriated funds received from the department of local affairs from the housing needs planning technical assistance fund created in section 24-32-3709 (6)(a), C.R.S. To implement this act, the office may use this appropriation to provide information technology services for the department of local affairs.

SECTION 6. Safety clause. The general assembly finds, determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety or for appropriations for the support and maintenance of the departments of the state and state institutions.

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