

City of Garden Grove Housing Project

RELOCATION PLAN

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INTRODUCTION

The City of Garden Grove (City) will be demolishing a single-family residence located at 12371 Harbor Boulevard, Garden Grove, CA. (Site). The Site is currently improved with one, three-bedroom single-family residence (SFR) with an attached garage. The dwelling is currently occupied by one household that will need to be permanently relocated.

Due to the home being in disrepair, the household will be permanently relocated and the house will be demolished. The City will be utilizing City General funds to demolish the existing residence. There is no specific Project planned at this time. The City may plan to develop the Site in the future with federal or state public funding. The City has reviewed the Plan and found it consistent with the local housing element.

The City has retained Overland, Pacific & Cutler, LLC (OPC), a division of TranSystems, to prepare a Relocation Plan and to provide relocation assistance to the impacted household. This Plan conforms to California Relocation Assistance Law, Government Code Section 7260, et seq. (Law), the Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Guidelines adopted by the Department of Housing and Community Development as in Title 25, California Code of Regulations Section 6000, et seq. (Guidelines) and SB 330/SB 8 and AB 1482, as applicable.

As of the date of this Plan, the Project would cause the permanent displacement of one household that would be eligible for relocation assistance. The needs and characteristics of the permanent displacees are to provide assistance to each affected person and are general subjects of this Relocation Plan (Plan).

This Plan is organized in five sections:

- 1. Project description (**SECTION I**);
- 2. Assessment of the relocation needs of persons subject to displacement (**SECTION II**);
- 3. Assessment of available replacement housing units within proximity to the Project site (SECTION III);
- 4. Description of relocation program (SECTION IV);
- 5. Description of outreach efforts, Project timeline and budget (SECTION V).

One-for-One Replacement Unit Requirement

The Housing Crisis Act of 2019 (SB 330) and SB 8 dictates replacement requirements for certain "protected units". Protected Units include a variety of different scenarios: rent controlled units, units occupied by low-income tenants, units with low-income rent levels, units where an Ellis Act eviction has taken place in the last 10 years, and units with BMR rents instituted as part of a deed restriction or covenant.

Developers are required to replace all units fitting these descriptions as part of any development on a site with existing housing. All Protected Units that existed on site within the last five years must be replaced with equivalent sized units in the new development.

Existing tenants to be permanently displaced from a Protected Unit must be offered the Right of First Refusal as follows:

A right of first refusal for a comparable dwelling unit available in the new development affordable to the household at an affordable rent or affordable housing cost based on household income.

And finally, existing tenants to be permanently displaced must be provided with relocation assistance as required under the CRAL and Guidelines.

I. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

A. REGIONAL LOCATION

The Project site is located in the city of Garden Grove within Orange County, north of Santa Ana and Costa Mesa, and just south of Anaheim. The property is easily accessible from Business Interstate 5 and Highway 22. Surrounding communities include Anaheim Resort, Edna Park, and Colonia Manzanilla (*Figure 1: Regional Project Location*).

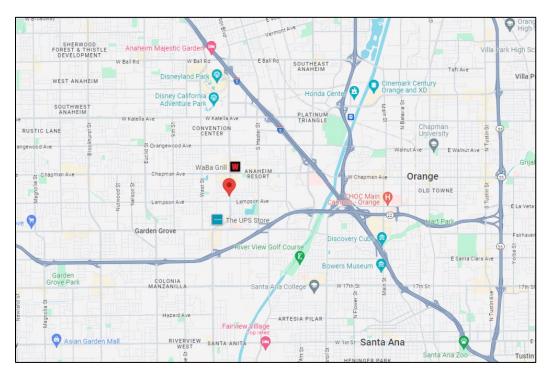


Figure 1: Regional Project Location

B. PROJECT SITE LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION

The Project site is located at 12371 Harbor Blvd, Garden Grove, CA 92840, generally bordered by Lampson Avenue, South Harbor Boulevard, and Twintree Avenue. The site consists of one parcel (0.14 acres) and currently has one, 987 square foot single-family dwelling with attached garage (*Figure 2: Project Site Location*). The surrounding neighborhood includes other single-family dwellings, businesses, and vacant land. The site is within proximity of medical centers, a pharmacy, employment opportunities, grocery stores, public transportation and city parks. The three-bedroom house is currently occupied by one household consisting of two tenants.





Figure 2: Project Site Location

II. ASSESSMENT OF RELOCATION NEEDS

A. SURVEY METHOD

An individual interview with the affected household was conducted by OPC staff in July 2024. Inquiries made of the residential occupants concerned household size and composition, income, monthly rent, length of occupancy, ethnicity, home language, physical disabilities, special relocation needs, and replacement housing preferences.

B. TENANT DATA

1. Current Occupants

There is one household to be permanently relocated for the Project that is eligible for relocation assistance and benefits. The household occupies a three-bedroom, two-bathroom house and consists of two adults and no minors. The household currently pays \$1,100 per month in rent, plus utilities.

2. Replacement Housing Needs

Replacement housing needs, as expressed in this plan, are defined by the total number of required replacement units and distribution of those units by bedroom size. The projected number of required units by bedroom size is calculated by comparing current data for household size with the City's replacement housing occupancy standards. These standards, generally, allow for up to two persons in a studio unit, three persons in a one-bedroom unit, five persons in a two-bedroom unit, seven persons in a three-bedroom unit and nine or more persons in a four-bedroom unit.

Based on available tenant data, the unit is not over-crowded. The replacement unit required for the household to be displaced is one three-bedroom single-family home. Replacement housing referrals will be in similar neighborhoods as the existing site with comparable access to community amenities and resources.

The Project site is within a densely populated residential and mixed-use area with retail shopping, personal services, restaurants, medical facilities, parks, schools, public facilities, social services, and public transportation.

3. Income

Verbal income data was provided by the household during the individual interview in July 2024, although this information is subject to change based on verified documentation. According to income standards for Orange County (**Exhibit A**) adjusted for family size as published by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), the household qualifies as Low Income (31% - 50% AMI).

4. Ethnicity/Language

The Project residents' ethnicities include Black/African American. Each of the residents speak, read, and understand English, therefore no translation is required.

5. Senior/Handicapped Households

Both household occupants are senior residents (62 years or older) and one of the occupants is disabled.

If specific special needs are identified when the project occupants are ultimately displaced, appropriate steps will be taken to accommodate those needs and to locate or modify suitable replacement housing. Mobility challenges will be addressed as it relates to replacement housing, including the need for a first-floor unit or unit in a building with an elevator, as well as potentially identifying an ADA compliant unit ADA, if applicable.

6. Preferred Relocation Area

The Project household expressed a desire to remain in Garden Grove or within the County due to the proximity to relatives. Specifically, the household indicated they would accept replacement housing in Buena Park, Cypress, and Stanton.

III. RELOCATION RESOURCES

A. METHODOLOGY

For residential housing, a resource survey was conducted to identify available rental units within a five-mile radius from the Project site. The following sources were utilized:

- -- Classified rental listings from local newspapers and For Rent publications
- -- Internet sources of rental opportunities

B. REPLACEMENT HOUSING AVAILABILITY

1. Residential Rental Housing

The replacement housing survey considered available three-bedroom single-family residences for rent in Garden Grove and in proximity to the Project site as of the date of this Plan. This data is summarized in **Table 1** below.

Table 1: Availability and Cost of Replacement Rental Housing		
Bedrooms	3BR	
# Found (# Need)	6 (1)	
Rent Range	\$3,200 - \$4,000	
Median Rent	\$3,650	

The available units identified were in residential and mixed-use neighborhoods and within five miles of restaurants, retail stores, medical facilities, social services, public transportation, parks, schools and opportunities for employment.

The median rent amount shown in the table is among the figures used to make benefit and budget projections for the Plan. This amount is, naturally, subject to change according to the market rates prevailing at the time of displacement.

2. Summary

Considering the above-described availability of replacement housing resources gathered, it appears there are an adequate number of comparable replacement housing for the residential occupants.

While adequate replacement resources exist for the tenants, based on survey results of rental opportunities and the tenants' current rent, the tenants may have an increase in monthly rent. Possible increases, if any, will be met through The City of Garden Grove's obligation under the relocation regulations, including Last Resort Housing (LHR) requirements. (See Section IV, E).

C. RELATED ISSUES

1. Concurrent Residential Displacement

There are no known public projects anticipated in the Project area that will cause significant displacements during the timeframe of anticipated Project displacements in late 2024. <u>No residential displacee will be required to move without both adequate notice and access to available, comparable, affordable, decent, safe and sanitary housing.</u>

IV. THE RELOCATION PROGRAM

The City's Relocation Program is designed to minimize hardship, be responsive to unique Project circumstances, emphasize maintaining personal contact with all affected individuals, consistently apply all regulatory criteria to formulate eligibility and benefit determinations and conform to all applicable requirements. The relocation program to be implemented by the City will conform with the standards and provisions of the Law and Guidelines identified previously.

The City has retained Overland, Pacific & Cutler, LLC (OPC), a division of TranSystems, a multilingual consulting firm, to administer the Relocation Program for the permanent displacees. OPC has worked on more than 5,000 public acquisition and relocation projects for the past 46 years. Experienced City officials will monitor the performance of OPC and be responsible to approve or disapprove OPC recommendations concerning eligibility and benefit determinations and interpretations of the City's policy.

OPC staff will be available to assist any relocated person and/or household with questions about the relocation process, relocation counseling and/or assistance in relocating. Relocation staff can be contacted as follows:

Phone: (800) 400-7356

Hours: 8:00 am to 5:00 pm Monday through Friday and are available via voicemail and/or

cellular phones after hours.

Office Address: 5000 Airport Plaza Drive, Suite 250, Long Beach, CA 90815.

Eligible individuals, who need to permanently move from their existing home, will receive relocation assistance. The relocation program consists of two principal components: advisory assistance and financial assistance (Relocation Benefits).

A. ADVISORY ASSISTANCE

Advisory assistance services are intended to:

- inform displacees about the relocation program
- help in the process of finding appropriate replacement accommodations
- facilitate claims processing
- maintain a communication link with the City
- coordinate the involvement of outside service providers

To follow through on the advisory assistance component of the relocation program and assure that the City of Garden Grove meets its obligations under the law, OPC staff will perform the following functions:

1. Distribute appropriate written information concerning the relocation program;

- 2. Inform eligible project occupants of the nature of, and procedures for, obtaining available relocation assistance and benefits (Exhibit B);
- 3. Determine the needs of each displace eligible for assistance;
- 4. Provide the residential displacees with at least three referrals to comparable replacement housing within a reasonable time prior to displacement. *Generally, a comparable replacement dwelling must satisfy the following criteria:*
 - (a) The unit is decent, safe and sanitary electrical, plumbing and heating systems are in good repair no major, observable hazards or defects. The unit is adequate in size and is comparable to the displaced dwelling with respect to number of rooms, habitable living space and type and quality of construction, but not lesser in rooms or living space as necessary to accommodate the displaced person. The unit is functionally equivalent, including pprincipal features.
 - (b) The unit is located in an area not subjected to unreasonable adverse environmental conditions from either natural, or man-made sources, and not generally less desirable with respect to public utilities, transportation, public and commercial facilities, including schools and municipal services and reasonably accessible to the displaced person's place of employment.
 - (c) The unit is available both on the private market and to all persons regardless of race, color, sex, marital status, religion or, national origin.
 - (d) The monthly rental rate is within the financial means of the displaced residential tenant.
- 5. Maintain an updated database of available housing resources, and distribute referral information to displacees for the duration of the Project;
- 6. Provide transportation to the residential displacee, if necessary, to inspect replacement sites within the local area;
- 7. Inspect replacement housing to assure it meets decent, safe and sanitary standards as described in State Relocation Regulations;
- 8. Supply information concerning state programs and other governmental programs providing assistance to displaced persons;
- 9. Assist eligible occupants in the preparation, and submission, of relocation assistance claims;
- 10. Provide additional reasonable services necessary to successfully relocate occupants;
- 11. Make benefit determinations and payments in accordance with applicable law and City's adopted relocation guidelines;

- 12. Assure that no occupant is required to move without a minimum of 90 days written notice to vacate;
- 13. Inform all persons subject to displacement of the City's policies with regard to eviction and property management;
- 14. Establish and maintain a formal grievance procedure for use by displaced persons seeking administrative review of City's decisions with respect to relocation assistance; and
- 15. Provide assistance that does not result in different or separate treatment based on or due to an individual's sex, marital status, race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, physical handicap, sexual orientation, and domestic partnership status.

B. RELOCATION BENEFITS

Specific eligibility requirements and benefit plans will be detailed on an individual basis with the households. In the course of personal follow-up visits, the households will be counseled as to available options and the consequences of any choice with respect to financial assistance.

Relocation benefits will be provided in accordance with the provisions of the applicable Relocation Law and Guidelines and City rules, regulations and procedures pertaining thereto. Benefits will be paid to eligible displaced persons upon submission of required claim forms and documentation in accordance with the City's normal administrative procedures.

The City will process advance payment requests to mitigate hardships for tenants who do not have access to sufficient funds to pay move-in costs such as first month's rent and/or security deposits. Approved requests will be processed expeditiously to help avoid the loss of desirable, appropriate replacement housing.

1. Residential Moving Expense Payments

All eligible residential occupants to be permanently relocated will be eligible to receive a payment for moving expenses. Moving expense payments will be made based upon the actual cost of a professional move, a self-move payment not to exceed the approved move bid by a professional mover or a fixed payment based on a room-count schedule, or a combination of options.

a. Actual Cost (Professional Move)

Displacees may elect to have a licensed professional mover perform the move. The actual cost of the moving services, based on at least two acceptable bids, will be compensated by City in the form of a direct payment to the moving company upon presentation of an invoice. Transportation costs are limited to a distance of 50 miles in either case. In addition to the actual move, costs associated with utility re-connections (i.e., gas, water, electricity, telephone, and cable, if any), are eligible for reimbursement.

b. Fixed Payment (based on Room Count Schedule)

An occupant may elect to receive a fixed payment for moving expenses which is based on the number of rooms occupied in the displacement dwelling or ancillary structures on the property. In this case, the person to be relocated takes full responsibility for the move. The fixed payment includes all utility connections as described in (a), above.

The current schedule for fixed moving payments is set forth in Table 2 following:

TABLE 2: Schedule of Fixed Moving Payments (effective as of August 2021)				
Unfurnish	Unfurnished Dwelling			
One room	\$780			
Two rooms	\$1,000			
Three rooms	\$1,250			
Four rooms	\$1,475			
Five rooms	\$1,790			
Six rooms	\$2,065			
Seven rooms	\$2,380			
Eight rooms	\$2,690			
each additional room	\$285			
Furnished Dwelling				
First Room	\$510			
Each additional room	\$100			

2. Rental Assistance for Tenant Occupants Who Choose to Rent

To be eligible to receive the rental assistance benefits, a displaced tenant household has to rent or purchase and occupy a decent, safe, and sanitary replacement dwelling within one year from the date they move from the displacement dwelling.

Based upon the available data regarding Project displacees, the displaced households may qualify for, and may be eligible to apply for, relocation benefits under the State Regulations, including rental assistance.

Except in the case of Last Resort Housing situations, payments to households under the State Regulations will be payable over a 42-month period and limited to a maximum of \$5,250 as stated under State guidelines. The assistance to be offered within this program is explained in detail in the informational brochure that will be provided to each household (**Exhibit B**).

Table 3 on the following page portrays **an example** of a benefits determination under State Regulations:

TABLE 3: Example Computation of Rental Assistance Payments					
1. Old Rent \$650 Old Rent and Utilities					
	or				
2. Ability to Pay	\$700	30% of the Adjusted, Monthly, Gross Household Income*			
3. Lesser of lines 1 or 2	\$650	Base Monthly Rental			
Subtracted From:					
4. Actual New Rent	\$750	Actual New Rent and Utilities			
	or				
5. Comparable Rent	\$775	Determined by City (includes utilities)			
6. Lesser of lines 4 or 5	\$750				
7. Yields Monthly Need:	\$100	Subtract line 3 from line 6			
Rental Assistance	\$4,200	Multiply line 7 by 42 months			

^{*}Gross adjusted income means the total amount of annual income of a household less the following: (1) a deduction for each dependent in excess of three; (2) a deduction of 10% of total income for the elderly or disabled head of household; (3) a deduction for recurring extraordinary medical expenses defined for this purpose to mean medical expenses in excess of 3% of total income, where not compensated for, or covered by insurance or other sources; (4) a deduction of reasonable amounts paid for the care of children or sick or incapacitate family members when determined to be necessary to employment of head of household or spouse, except that the amount shall not exceed the amount of income received by the person who would not otherwise be able to seek employment in the absence of such care.

Rental Assistance payment amounts are equal to 42 times the difference between the base monthly rent and the lesser of:

- (i) The monthly rent and estimated average monthly cost of utilities for a comparable replacement dwelling; or
- (ii) The monthly rent and estimated average monthly cost of utilities for the decent, safe, and sanitary replacement dwelling actually occupied by the displaced person.

The base monthly rent for the displacement dwelling is the lesser of:

- (i) The average monthly cost for rent and utilities at the displacement dwelling for a reasonable period prior to displacement, as determined by the City; or
- (ii) Thirty percent (30%) of the displaced person's average, monthly gross household income if the amount is classified as low-income. If a displacee refuses to provide appropriate evidence of income or is a dependent, the base monthly rent

shall be determined to be the average monthly cost for rent and utilities at the displacement dwelling; or

(iii) The total of the amount designated for shelter and utilities if receiving a welfare assistance payment from a program that designated the amounts for shelter and utilities

3. Downpayment Assistance to Tenants Who Choose to Purchase

The displaced household may opt to apply the entire benefit amount for which they are eligible toward the purchase of a replacement unit (Guidelines 49 CFR 24.402(b)).

Residential tenants, who are otherwise eligible to receive the Rental Assistance Payment described above, may choose to receive a lump sum payment equal to forty-two months of rental subsidy (including Last Resort Housing benefits) to purchase a new home.

A displaced household, who chooses to utilize up to the full amount of their rental assistance eligibility (including any Last Resort benefits) to purchase a home, will have the funds deposited in an open escrow account, provided that the entire amount is used for the downpayment and eligible, incidental costs associated with the purchase of a decent, safe, and sanitary replacement home. A provision shall be made in the escrow arrangements for the prompt return of City funds, in the event escrow should fail to close within a reasonable period of time.

Final determination about the type of relocation benefits and assistance for which the household is eligible will be determined upon verification of the household's occupants, ages, length of occupancy and income.

C. PROGRAM ASSURANCES AND STANDARDS

Adequate funds are available to relocate the displaced household. Relocation assistance services will be provided to ensure that displacement does not result in different or separate treatment of households based on race, nationality, color, religion, national origin, sex, marital status, familial status, disability or any other basis protected by the federal Fair Housing Amendments Act, the Americans with Disabilities Act, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, the California Fair Employment & Housing Act, and the Unruh Act, as well as any other arbitrary or unlawful discrimination.

D. GENERAL INFORMATION REGARDING THE PAYMENT OF RELOCATION BENEFITS

Claims and supporting documentation for relocation benefits must be filed with the City no later than 18 months after the date of displacement.

The procedure for the preparation and filing of claims and the processing and delivery of payments will be as follows:

- 1. Claimant(s) will provide all necessary documentation to substantiate eligibility for assistance;
- 2. OPC and City staff will review all necessary documentation including, but not limited to, scopes-of-service, invoices, lease documents and escrow material before reaching a determination as to which expenses are eligible for compensation;
- 3. Required claim forms will be prepared by OPC staff and presented to the claimant for review. Signed claims and supporting documentation will be returned to relocation staff and submitted to the City;
- 4. The City will review and approve claims for payment, or request additional information;
- 5. The City will issue benefit checks to be disbursed to the claimants via personal delivery;
- 6. Final payments to residential displaces will be issued after confirmation that the Project premises have been completely vacated, and actual residency at the replacement unit is verified;
- 7. Receipts of payment and all claim material will be maintained in the relocation case file.

E. LAST RESORT HOUSING

Based on data derived from the Project site occupants and costs of replacement housing resources, it is anticipated that "comparable replacement housing" may not be available as required for the households. Specifically, for renters, when the computed replacement housing assistance eligibility exceeds \$5,250 or replacement dwelling monthly rental costs (including utilities and other reasonable recurring expenses) exceeds 30% of the person's average monthly income, Last Resort Housing will have to be provided.

Therefore, if the Project is to go forward, the City will authorize its funds or funds authorized for the Project to provide housing of last resort. Funds will be used to make payments in excess of the monetary limit specified in the statute (\$5,250); hence, satisfying the requirement that "comparable replacement housing" is available.

A displaced tenant household will be entitled to consideration for supplementary benefits in the form of Last Resort Housing assistance when the computed replacement housing assistance eligibility exceeds \$5,250 or replacement dwelling monthly rental costs (including utilities and other reasonable recurring expenses) exceed 30% of the person's average monthly income (financial means) or when a tenant fails to meet the 90-day occupancy requirement and comparable replacement rental housing is not available within the displaced person's financial means. Calculations of Last Resort rental assistance benefits for tenants who fail to meet the 90-day occupancy requirement will be based solely on household income. Non-90-day qualifiers must meet basic eligibility requirements applied to all other displacees.

Recipients of Last Resort rental assistance, who intend to purchase rather than re-rent replacement housing, will have the right to request a lump sum payment of all benefits in the form of downpayment assistance. Tenant households receiving periodic payments will have the option to request a lump sum payment of remaining benefits to assist with the purchase of a decent, safe and sanitary dwelling.

F. RELOCATION TAX CONSEQUENCES

In general, relocation payments are not considered income for the purpose of Division 2 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, which has been redesignated as the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (Title 26, U. S. Code), or for the purpose of determining the eligibility or the extent of eligibility of any person for assistance under the Social Security Act (42 U. S. Code 301 et seq.) or the Personal Income Tax Law, Part 10 (commencing with Section 17001) of the Revenue and Taxation Code, or the Bank and Corporation Tax Law, Part II (commencing with Section 23001) of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code. The above statement on tax consequences is not intended as tax advice by the City or OPC. Displacees are responsible for consulting with their own tax advisors concerning the tax consequences of relocation payments.

V. ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

A. NOTICES

Each notice, which the City is required to provide to a Project site occupant, shall be personally delivered or sent by certified or registered first-class mail, return receipt requested and documented in the case file. Each notice will be written in plain, understandable language. Each notice will indicate the name and telephone number of a person who may be contacted for answers to questions or other needed help.

There are three principal notices to be issued under the State Relocation Regulations:

- 1) Information Statement
- 2) Notice of Relocation Eligibility
- 3) Ninety-Day Vacate Notice

The Informational Statement is intended to provide potential relocatees with a general written description of the City's relocation program and basic information concerning benefits, conditions of eligibility, noticing requirements and appeal rights (**Exhibit B**). The Information Statement will be provided to the Project household as early as feasible.

A Notice of Relocation Eligibility (NOE) will be distributed to each residential relocatee. The NOE to the residential relocatee contains a determination of eligibility for relocation assistance and a computation of maximum entitlements based on information provided by the affected household and the analysis of comparable replacement properties identified by relocation staff (**Exhibit C**). The Notice of Eligibility will be issued as early as feasible.

No lawful occupant will be required to move without having received at least 90 days advance written notice of the earliest date by which the move will be necessary (**Exhibit D**). The 90-day vacate notice will either state a specific date as the earliest date by which the occupant may be required to move or state that the occupant will receive a further notice indicating, at least 60 days in advance, the specific date of the required move. The 90-day notice will not be issued to any residential displacee before a comparable replacement dwelling has been made available.

In addition to the three principal notices, OPC staff will issue timely written notification in the form of a Reminder Notice, which discusses the possible loss of rights and sets the expiration date for the loss of benefits to those persons who:

- 1) are eligible for monetary benefits,
- 2) have moved from the acquired property, and
- 3) have not filed a claim for benefits.

A Reminder Notice will be issued to all non-responsive relocatees no later than within the last six months prior to the filing expiration date.

B. PRIVACY OF RECORDS

All information obtained from displacees is considered confidential and will not be shared without the consent of the displacee or the City. City staff will comply with federal regulations concerning the safeguarding of relocation files and their contents.

C. GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES

A person who is dissatisfied with a determination as to eligibility for benefits, a payment amount, the failure to provide comparable housing, or the City's property management practices may file a Relocation Assistance Appeal Form or any other written form of appeal with the City and have the right of administrative review. The City's appeal policies will follow the standards described in Article 5, Section 6150 et seq., Title 25, Chapter 6, State of California, Department of Housing and Community Development Program guidelines.

Requests for administrative review and informal hearings will be directed to the City's Housing Manager. All requests for review will receive written responses from the City within three weeks of their receipt. If an informal appeal is denied, appellants will be entitled to file a written request for a formal hearing before an impartial and independent hearing officer.

The appellant does not have to exhaust administrative remedies first; the appeal/grievance can either go directly to the City, directly to HCD or directly to the Court. Any person and/or organization directly affected by the relocation plan may petition the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD), located at 2020 West El Camino Ave., Sacramento, CA 95833 to review the relocation plan.

More detail concerning the appeals process will be provided upon request. Appellants will retain their appeal rights for up to 18 months following the date of displacement from the Project premises or receipt of final payment for relocation benefits, whichever is later.

D. EVICTION POLICY

- 1. Eviction may cause the forfeiture of a displacee's right to relocation assistance or benefits. Relocation records will be documented to reflect the specific circumstances surrounding any eviction action.
- 2. Eviction may be undertaken for one, or more of the following reasons:
 - (a) Failure to pay rent, except in those cases where the failure to pay is due to City's failure to keep the premises in habitable condition; is the result of harassment or retaliatory action; or, is the result of discontinuation, or a substantial interruption of services;
 - (b) Performance of a dangerous, and/or illegal act in the unit;
 - (c) A material breach of the rental agreement, and failure upon notification to correct said breach within 30 days of Notice;
 - (d) Maintenance of a nuisance, and failure to abate such nuisance upon notification within a reasonable time following Notice;

- (e) Refusal to accept one of a reasonable number of offers of replacement dwellings; and/or,
- (f) A requirement under State, or local law or emergency circumstances that cannot be prevented by reasonable efforts on the part of the City.

E. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

As the process for considering the Project moves forward, the City will observe the following protocol:

- 1. Provide affected tenants with full and timely access to documents relevant to the relocation program.
- 2. Encourage meaningful participation in reviewing the relocation plan and monitoring the relocation assistance program; including the Project area occupants, neighborhood groups and community organizations forming a relocation committee, <u>if applicable</u>;
- 3. Provide technical assistance necessary to interpret elements of the Relocation Plan and other pertinent materials;
- 4. Issue a general notice concerning the availability of the Plan for public review, as required, 30 days prior to its proposed approval; and
- 5. Include written or oral comments concerning the Plan as an attachment (**Exhibit E**) when it is forwarded to the local governing body for approval.

F. PROJECTED DATE OF DISPLACEMENT

The City anticipates the date specific Vacate Notices will be issued to the Project occupants in **September 2024**, with the Site being vacant by end of **December 2024**.

G. ESTIMATED RELOCATION COSTS

The total budget <u>estimate</u> for relocation-related payments for this Project, including a 10% contingency, is \$131,000 (rounded). This is an estimate only and not a statement of actual entitlement for the tenants.

The estimated relocation budget does not include any payments related to property acquisition. In addition, the budget does not consider the cost of any services necessary to implement the Plan and complete the relocation element of the Project.

If the Project is implemented, and circumstances arise that should change either the number of residential occupants and/or the amount of relocation benefits' entitlements estimated, the City will authorize any additional funds that may need to be appropriated. The City pledges to appropriate, on a timely basis, the funds necessary to ensure the successful completion of the Project, including funds necessary for LRH as indicated in Section IV, E, of this Plan to meet its obligation under the relocation regulations.

EXHIBIT A

HUD INCOME LIMITS – ORANGE COUNTY

The following figures are approved by the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for use in the **County of Orange** to define and determine housing eligibility by income level.

Area Median - \$129,000

Persons/Household	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Very Low	55,250	63,100	71,050	78,900	85,250	91,550	97,850	104,150
Extremely Low	33,150	37,900	42,650	47,350	51,150	54,950	58,750	62,550
Low	88,400	101,000	113,650	126,250	136,350	146,450	156,550	166,650

Figures are per the Department of Housing and Urban Development (California), **updated in April 2024.**

EXHIBIT B RESIDENTIAL INFORMATIONAL BROCHURE

Relocation Assistance Informational Statement for Families and Individuals

(CA State)

<u>Displacing Agency:</u>

<<NAME>>

Project Name:

<<NAME>>

<u>Displacing Agency Representative:</u> << NAME>>

Informational Statement Content:

- 1. General Information
- 2. Assistance in Locating a Replacement Dwelling
- 3. Moving Benefits
- 4. Replacement Housing Payment Tenants and Certain Others
- 5. Section 8 Tenants
- 6. Replacement Housing Payment Homeowners
- 7. Qualification for and Filing of Relocation Claims
- 8. Last Resort Housing Assistance
- 9. Rental Agreement
- 10. Evictions
- 11. Appeal Procedures Grievance
- 12. Tax Status of Relocation Benefits
- 13. Non-Discrimination and Fair Housing
- 14. Additional Information and Assistance Available

Spanish speaking agents are available. Si necesita esta información en español, por favor llame a su agente.

Informational Statement for Families and Individuals

(CA State)

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

The dwelling in which you now live will be removed by the City. If and when the project proceeds, and it is necessary for you to move from your dwelling, you may be eligible for certain benefits. You will be notified in a timely manner as to the date by which you must move. Please read this information, as it will be helpful to you in determining your eligibility and the amount of the relocation benefits you may receive under the state law. You will need to provide adequate and timely information to determine your relocation benefits. The information is voluntary, but if you don't provide it, you may not receive the benefits, or it may take longer to pay you. We suggest you save this informational statement for reference.

The City has retained the professional firm of **Overland, Pacific & Cutler, LLC (OPC)** to provide relocation assistance to you. The firm is available to explain the program and benefits. Their address and telephone number is listed on the cover.

PLEASE DO NOT MOVE PREMATURELY. THIS IS NOT A NOTICE TO VACATE YOUR DWELLING. However, if you desire to move sooner than required, you must contact your agent at OPC so you will not jeopardize any benefits. This is a general informational brochure only and is not intended to give a detailed description of either the law or regulations pertaining to the City's relocation assistance program.

Please continue to pay your rent to the City, otherwise you may be evicted and jeopardize the relocation benefits to which you may be entitled to receive.

2. ASSISTANCE IN LOCATING A REPLACEMENT DWELLING

The City, through its representatives, will assist you in locating a comparable replacement dwelling by providing referrals to appropriate and available housing units. You are encouraged to actively seek such housing yourself.

When a suitable replacement dwelling unit has been found, your relocation agent will carry out an inspection and advise you as to whether the dwelling unit meets decent, safe and sanitary housing requirements. A decent, safe and sanitary housing unit provides adequate space for its occupants, proper weatherproofing and sound heating, electrical and plumbing systems. Your new dwelling must pass inspection before relocation assistance payments can be authorized.

3. MOVING BENEFITS

If you must move as a result of displacement by the City, you will receive a payment to assist in moving your personal property. The actual, reasonable and necessary expenses for moving your household belongings may be determined based on the following methods:

- A Fixed Moving Payment based on the number of rooms you occupy (see below); or
- A payment for your <u>Actual Reasonable Moving and Related Expenses</u> based on at least two written estimates and receipted bills; **or**
- A combination of both (in some cases).

For example, you may choose a Self-Move, receiving a payment based on the Fixed Residential Moving Cost Schedule shown below, plus contract with a professional mover to transport your grand piano

and /or other items that require special handling. In this case, there may be an adjustment in the number of rooms which qualify under the Fixed Residential Moving Cost Schedule.

A. Fixed Moving Payment (Self-Move)

A Fixed Moving Payment is based upon the number of rooms you occupy and whether or not you own your own furniture. The payment is based upon a schedule approved by the Developer, and ranges, for example, from \$510.00 for one furnished room to \$2,690.00 for eight rooms in an unfurnished dwelling. (For details see the table). Your relocation agent will inform you of the amount you are eligible to receive, if you choose this type of payment.

If you select a fixed payment, you will be responsible for arranging for your own move, and the City will assume no liability for any loss or damage of your personal property. A fixed payment also includes utility hook-ups and other related moving fees.

Fixed Moving Sch	edule			
CALIFORNIA (Effective	ve 2021)			
Occupant Owns Fur	niture:			
1 room	\$780			
2 rooms	\$1,000			
3 rooms	\$1,250			
4 rooms	\$1,475			
5 rooms	\$1,790			
6 rooms	\$2,065			
7 rooms	\$2,380			
8 rooms	\$2,690			
Each additional room	\$285			
Occupant does NOT Own				
Furniture:				
1 room	\$510			
Each additional room	\$100			

B. Actual Moving Expense (Professional Move)

If you wish to engage the services of a licensed commercial mover and have the City pay the bill, you may claim the ACTUAL cost of moving your personal property up to 50 miles. Your relocation agent will inform you of the number of competitive moving bids (if any) which may be required and assist you in developing a "mover" scope of services for City approval.

4. REPLACEMENT HOUSING PAYMENT - TENANTS AND CERTAIN OTHERS

You may be eligible for a payment of up to \$5,250.00 to assist you in renting or purchasing a comparable replacement dwelling. In order to qualify, you must either be a tenant who has occupied the present dwelling for at least 90 days prior to the initiation of negotiations or an owner who has occupied the present dwelling between 90 and 180 days prior to the initiation of negotiations.

A. **Rental Assistance.** If you qualify, and **wish to rent** your replacement dwelling, your maximum rental assistance benefits will be based upon the difference over a forty-two (42) month period between the rent you must pay for a comparable replacement dwelling and the lesser of your current rent and estimated utilities or thirty percent (30%) of your gross monthly household income. You will be required to provide your relocation agent with monthly rent and household income verification prior to the determination of your eligibility for this payment.

- OR -

B. **Down-payment Assistance.** If you qualify and **wish to purchase** a home as a replacement dwelling, you can apply up to the total amount of your rental assistance payment towards the down-payment and non-recurring incidental expenses. Your relocation agent will clarify procedures necessary to apply for this payment.

Where a tenant is sharing a dwelling with an owner-occupant and paying the owner-occupant rent for the privilege, the tenant shall not be entitled to more than one-half of the rental assistance otherwise payable.

5. SECTION 8 TENANTS

When you do move, you may be eligible to transfer your Section 8 eligibility to a replacement site. In such cases, a comparable replacement dwelling will be determined based on your family composition at the time of displacement and the current housing program criteria. This may not be the size of the unit you currently occupy. Your relocation agent will provide counseling and other advisory services along with moving benefits.

6. RESERVED

7. QUALIFICATION FOR, AND FILING OF, RELOCATION CLAIMS

To qualify for a Replacement Housing Payment, you must rent or purchase and occupy a comparable replacement unit **within one year from the following**:

- For a tenant, the date you move from the displacement dwelling.
- For an owner-occupant, the latter of:
 - **a.** The date you receive final payment for the displacement dwelling, or, in the case of condemnation, the date the full amount of estimated just compensation is deposited in court, **or**
 - **b.** The date you move from the displacement dwelling.

All claims for relocation benefits must be filed with the City **within eighteen (18) months** from the date on which you receive final payment for your property, or the date on which you move, whichever is later.

8. LAST RESORT HOUSING ASSISTANCE

If comparable replacement dwellings are not available when you are required to move, or if replacement housing is not available within the monetary limits described above, the City will provide Last Resort Housing assistance to enable you to rent or purchase a replacement dwelling on a timely basis. Last Resort Housing assistance is based on the individual circumstances of the displaced person. Your relocation agent will explain the process for determining whether or not you qualify for Last Resort assistance.

If you are a tenant, and you choose to purchase rather than rent a comparable replacement dwelling, the entire amount of your rental assistance and Last Resort eligibility must be applied toward the down-payment and eligible incidental expenses of the home you intend to purchase.

9. RESERVED

10. EVICTIONS

Any person, who occupies the real property and is not in unlawful occupancy, is presumed to be entitled to relocation benefits. Except for the causes of eviction set forth below, no person lawfully occupying property to be purchased by the Agency will be required to move without having been provided with at least 90 days written notice from the Agency. Eviction will be undertaken only in the event of one or more of the following reasons:

• Failure to pay rent; except in those cases where the failure to pay is due to the lessor's failure to keep the premises in habitable condition, is the result of harassment or retaliatory action or is the

result of discontinuation or substantial interruption of services;

- Performance of dangerous illegal act in the unit;
- Material breach of the rental agreement and failure to correct breach within the legally prescribed notice period;
- Maintenance of a nuisance and failure to abate within a reasonable time following notice;
- Refusal to accept one of a reasonable number of offers of replacement dwellings; or
- The eviction is required by State or local law and cannot be prevented by reasonable efforts on the part of the public entity.

11. APPEAL PROCEDURES - GRIEVANCE

Any person aggrieved by a determination as to eligibility for, or the amount of, a payment authorized by the City's Relocation Assistance Program may have the appeal application reviewed by the City in accordance with its appeals procedure. Complete details on appeal procedures are available upon request from the City.

12. TAX STATUS OF RELOCATION BENEFITS

California Government Code Section 7269 indicates no relocation payment received shall be considered as income for the purposes of the Personal Income Tax Law, Part 10 (commencing with Section 170 01) of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, or the Bank and Corporation Tax law, Part 11 (commencing with Section 23001) of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code. Furthermore, federal regulations (49 CFR Part 24, Section 24.209) also indicate that no payment received under this part (Part 24) shall be considered as income for the purpose of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, which has been redesignated as the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. No federal dollars are anticipated for this project. Therefore, federal regulations may not apply and the IRS may consider relocation payments as income. The preceding statement is not tendered as legal advice in regard to tax consequences, and displacees should consult with their own tax advisor or legal counsel to determine the current status of such payments.

(IRS Circular 230 disclosure: To ensure compliance with requirements imposed by the IRS, we inform you that any tax advice contained in this communication (including any attachments) was not intended or written to be used, and cannot be used, for the purpose of (i) avoiding tax-related penalties under the Internal Revenue Code or (ii) promoting marketing or recommending to another party any matters addressed herein)

13. NON-DISCRIMINATION AND FAIR HOUSING

No person shall on the grounds of race, color, national origin or sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under the City's relocation assistance program pursuant to Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, and other applicable state and federal anti-discrimination and fair housing laws. You may file a complaint if you believe you have been subjected to discrimination. For details contact the City.

14. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE

Those responsible for providing you with relocation assistance hope to assist you in every way possible to minimize the hardships involved in relocating to a new home. Your cooperation will be helpful and greatly appreciated. If you have any questions at any time during the process, please do not hesitate to contact your relocation agent at OPC.

EXHIBIT C NOTICE OF ELIGBILITY

Notice of Eligibility

<<DATE>>

<<NAME>>

<<ADDRESS>>

Dear <<NAME>>:

<<NAME>> (called here "<<NAME>>") is proceeding with the project known as the **<<NAME>>** located at **<<ADDRESS>>**.

You will not be required to move without at least 90 days advance written notice of the day by which you must vacate. However, you can contact us at any time for assistance with your move and to receive the benefits for which you are eligible.

<u>This is a notice of eligibility for relocation assistance.</u> You are eligible for relocation assistance and benefits under the City's Relocation Assistance Program.

When you do move, you may receive assistance under the California Code of State Regulations Title 25, Division 1, Chapter 6 (Title 25).

Additional information about your benefits was previously provided to you in the Informational Statement. You are eligible to receive the following benefits:

- 1. **RELOCATION ADVISORY ASSISTANCE** provided by Overland, Pacific & Cutler, LLC (TRANSYSTEMS), a professional firm hired by the <<NAME>> to provide relocation assistance to you, such as referrals to replacement housing and help with filing for benefits.
- 2. **MOVING EXPENSES**: You will receive a payment to assist in moving your personal property. You may select one of the following payments:

A. <u>Under Title 25</u>

- 1. A <u>Fixed Moving Payment</u> based on the number of rooms you occupy (from Informational Statement). Your entitlement under this option for ___ rooms is **\$_____; or**
- 2. A payment for your <u>Actual Reasonable Moving and Related Expenses</u> based on at least two written estimates and receipted bills; **or**
- 3. A combination of both (in some cases).
- 3. **REPLACEMENT HOUSING ASSISTANCE:** You are eligible for a replacement housing payment to rent or purchase a replacement home. The payment will be based on several factors, including the cost of a "comparable replacement dwelling" and your average household income.

A. Replacement Housing Assistance Under Title 25

If you choose assistance under the State Regulations and rent replacement housing, you may file a claim for a **RENTAL ASSISTANCE** payment, equal to the difference between the monthly rent and utilities necessary to rent a comparable replacement dwelling (as determined by <<NAME>>) and the base monthly rent, multiplied by 42 months.

A study was completed to determine the cost of a <u>comparable replacement dwelling</u> for eligib occupants most nearly representative of your current dwelling. The study indicated that the dwelling located at < <address>> with a monthly rent and estimated utilities of \$ (reports for the following of formula and utilities of formula for the following of formula for the following of formula for the following for eligible occupants most nearly representative of formula for eligible occupants for eligible occupants most nearly representative of formula for eligible occupants for eligible</address>
Base monthly rent is defined as the lesser of:
(1) \$, which represents the average monthly rent (\$) and average monthly utilities (\$) at your displacement dwelling (if you are paying little or no renthe amount is based on the economic rental value of your dwelling); or
(2) \$, which represents thirty (30) percent of your gross monthly adjusted household income (If "N/A", income was not used in the calculation because it has been determined the income information provided was insufficient evidence of income.)
Based on the above, your base monthly rent amount is \$ and your maximum rent assistance payment is calculated below:

	Maximum Rental Assistance Payment Calculat	tion
1	Comparable Dwelling Cost	\$
2	Base Monthly Rent	\$
3	Monthly Difference (Line 1 minus Line 2)	\$
4	Maximum payment (difference times 42 months)	\$

Your actual payment depends on the cost of the replacement dwelling you decide to rent. If you rent and occupy a replacement dwelling that rents for less than the comparable dwelling, your rental assistance payment will be based on the actual cost of your replacement dwelling. If you rent and occupy a replacement dwelling that rents for **more** than the comparable dwelling, your rental assistance payment will be limited by the cost of the comparable dwelling.

If you BUY replacement housing (Downpayment Assistance)

If you have received any amount as rental supplements, then those amounts will be deducted from all eligible down payment calculations. Let us know if you would prefer to buy a replacement home, and we will help you find such housing.

To be eligible for a replacement housing payment described above, you must rent or purchase and occupy a decent, safe and sanitary replacement dwelling within 12 months, as well as file claims for replacement housing or moving payments within 18 months from the date you move from your displacement dwelling. Failure to occupy the replacement dwelling or to submit claims within the above time limits could result in loss of moving and/or replacement housing benefits.

You do not have to accept any dwelling referred to you by <<NAME>>. You may choose your own replacement, but to qualify for relocation assistance payments it must first be inspected to assure that it meets the "decent, safe and sanitary" standards. For this reason, **DO NOT MOVE from your home and DO NOT CONTRACT to rent or purchase a replacement dwelling without first contacting your relocation agent**. The "decent, safe and sanitary" inspection is **not** a substitute for a professional housing inspection.

The Relocation Assistance Program is very complex. It is important that you carefully read and understand the matters explained in this notice and in the Informational Statement which was provided to you.

Any person aggrieved by a determination as to eligibility for, or the amount of, a payment authorized by <<NAME>> Relocation Assistance Program may have the appeal application reviewed by <<NAME>> in accordance with its appeals procedure. Complete details on appeal procedures are available upon request from your relocation agent.

If at any time you have questions or need assistance, please contact your relocation agent:

<<AGENT NAME>>
5000 Airport Plaza Drive, Suite 250
Long Beach, CA 90815
(800) 400-7356

Sincerely,

ACKNOWLEDGMENT BY OCCUPANTS I was personally contacted by the Relocation Agent for < <name>>. I have been given a copy of this</name>					
notice and I have had the available		•			
the Relocation Agent will be availab		questions arise or a			
Name:	Signature:		Date:		
I (We) elect to receive relocation by	I (We) elect to receive relocation benefits under the State Regulations. I understand my State benefits				
include a Notice of Eligibility and Conditional Entitlement Letter (NOE) that states a maximum relocation					
benefit payment of \$	RAP and \$	FMP.			
		Б.			
		Date:			
Signature:					

EXHIBIT D

NOTICE TO VACATE

90-Day Notice to Vacate

<<DATE>>

<<NAME>>

<<ADDRESS>>

Dear <<NAMES>>:

<<NAME>> (called here the "<<NAME>>") acquired the property which you occupy at <<ADDRESS>> (called here the "Premises"). <<NAME>> has now determined that it will be necessary for you to vacate the Premises.

Notice is hereby given that <<NAME>> elects to terminate your tenancy beginning <<DATE>> and ending <<DATE>>, and you are hereby to quit and deliver up possession of the property you occupy on or before <<DATE>>. If you do not vacate the Premises by that date, <<NAME>> will initiate legal proceedings to recover possession of the Premises, along with any rents and damages.

During this period, **TranSystems** will be available to provide assistance with referrals to replacement sites, coordination with movers and other vendors, the processing of relocation benefit claim forms, and other tasks to help facilitate your relocation. Please contact your relocation agent listed below if you have any questions regarding this notice or the relocation process. Upon vacating your unit, you are responsible for removing all of your personal property, delivering the Premises in satisfactory condition and turning in the keys to your relocation agent.

Sincerely,

	Delivered on/by://
Received by	
X Recipient's Signature	Posted on/by:/
	Mailed/receipt received on:/

EXHIBIT E PUBLIC COMMENTS & RESPONSES