Roll Call - Chair: Andrea Lucas; Commissioners: Carla Hansen, Michael Iswalt, Bill Kuhlman, Lisa Motoyama and Tim Pine.

1. Comments from the Public
   Baker Lyon of Resources for Community Development addressed the Commission regarding the Ohlone Gardens project.

2. Commissioner Communication/Conflict of Interest Disclosure
   Commissioner Iswalt disclosed that his spouse submitted a comment letter regarding the Housing Element.

3. Study Session - Draft 2015-2023 Housing Element Update
   Applicant: City of El Cerrito, Community Development Department
   Location: Citywide

   Housing Program Manager, Hilde Myall presented the staff report and answered questions from the Commission.

   The following members of the public addressed the Commission:
   BJ Thorsnes, 608 Everett St
   Woody Karp, Eden Housing
   Anne Hersch, 5611 MacDonald Ave
   Tom Panas, 7345 Fairmount Ave
   Nick Arzio, 10026 San Pablo Ave
   Jeffrey Levin, 1504 Lexington Ave, East Bay Housing Organizations

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The Commission gave staff input on the Draft Housing Element. The Commission suggested that City staff evaluate the possibility of changing the parking requirement for accessory living units and of implementing voluntary residential design guidelines.

Motion to recommend that the City Council authorize submittal of the Draft Housing Element to the State Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) for State-level review as required per Government Code Section 65300: Kuhlman, 2nd: Pine.

Vote:
Ayes: Hansen, Iswalt, Kuhlman, Lucas, Motoyama, Pine
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

4. **Staff Communications**
Staff announced that the Planning Commission will present their annual work plan to the City Council on February 3. Staff updated the Commission regarding changes on the City Council and upcoming agenda items.

5. **Adjournment**
9:38 p.m.