ADU Project in Talmadge Shows Affordable Bonus Program's Potential for Adding Housing

I enjoyed touring the first project to be completed under the City’s density bonus Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) program, which allows for the construction of multiple ADUs (granny flats) on single-family lots provided half of them are restricted to moderate-income residents. This project has transformed the property from having just one single family house to homes for six households.

In addition to the original family home, the property now has a studio and four one-bedroom apartments onsite.

This is a great example of the gentle density that will help us get more homes in neighborhoods that are served by transit. Projects like this provide more housing for San Diegans of all income levels at a time when it’s critically needed in our city.

We have a major shortage of homes, and it’s driving up rents and home prices to levels fewer and fewer people can afford. Our economy and quality of life suffer when San Diegans are forced to move to more affordable cities. I'm committed to tackling this shortage from every conceivable angle, and this is one of them. I’d also like to note that this project is beautiful - a huge improvement aesthetically from what it was before. And now five additional households have a place to call home.