



Q&A: Clean Up Green Up



Q: What is the intent of the Clean Up Green Up (CUGU) initiative?

The intent of CUGU is to lessen cumulative health impacts from incompatible land uses in communities affected by a concentration of environmental hazards. This will be accomplished through new regulations in the Planning and Zoning Code and the Building Code. These new regulations will be augmented by the appointment of an Ombudsperson (pending budget approval). The intent of the Ombudsperson is to support existing businesses in complying with current environmental regulations. The position will also assist new and existing businesses to utilize funding and incentive programs that promote "greener" business practices and help businesses keep up with changing regulations. The Ombudsperson will work to improve visibility, accessibility, successful enrollment, and participation in such programs. Specific roles include: education and outreach, collaboration, industry-specific facilitation, identifying funding opportunities, and establishing metrics for participating businesses.

Q: What are the components of the CUGU Ordinance?

1. A Supplemental Use District (SUD) for portions of the Arleta-Pacoima, Boyle Heights, and Wilmington-Harbor City Community Plan Areas

The CUGU SUD will create new development standards for three geographies. These development standards address features such as: site planning, setbacks, enclosures, landscape buffers, etc. The development standards will apply to certain new construction, additions, and major improvement projects as well as changes of use.

2. Additional Code Standards

The Ordinance also includes a new Conditional Use for asphalt manufacturing and refinery facilities, as well as an expanded notification requirement for new surface mining operations within the Planning and Zoning Code. Citywide Building Code changes will proceed on a separate but parallel process lead by the Department of Building and Safety.

Q: Will there be a change to any zoning?

Yes, there will be a change to the zoning within the three new CUGU SUD boundaries. The zone change will trigger the CUGU SUD development standards, but will not change the allowable uses or density of the current zone.

Q: What happens next?

The public is invited to attend, listen, speak and submit comments on the proposed zoning code amendments at any of the following three public hearings:

Boyle Heights	Wilmington	Pacoima/Sun Valley
Boyle Heights Technology Youth Center, 1600 East 4th St.	Wilmington Senior Center, 1371 Eubank Ave.	Pacoima City Hall, 13520 Van Nuys Blvd., Suite 209
Mon., June 8, 2015 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.	Mon., June 15, 2015 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.	Mon., June 22, 2015 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

The last day to submit written comments is July 13th, 2015. The City Planning Commission hearing is scheduled for *August 13, 2015* in Room 350 City Hall, 200 N. Spring St. Los Angeles, CA 90012 (additional comments will be accepted at that time).

Q: Who can I contact for more information?

For more information on this zoning code amendment (case # CPC 2015-1462-CA), or to submit written comments, please contact Hagu Solomon-Cary by email of phone at hagu.solomon-cary@lacity.org or at (213) 978-1394.