

**CITY PLANNING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2021 after 8:30 a.m.
(via TELECONFERENCE)**

**Meeting presentation will be made available here (<https://tinyurl.com/CPC10-14-21>) by Tuesday, October 12, 2021
Compliant Day of Submissions will be added to this drive as they are received**

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POLICY FOR DESIGNATED PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS:

In accordance with Government Code Section 54953, subsections (e)(1) and (e)(3), and in light of the State of Emergency proclaimed by the Governor on March 4, 2020 relating to COVID-19 and ongoing concerns that meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees and/or that the State of Emergency continues to directly impact the ability of members to meet safely in person, the City Planning Commission's October 14, 2021 meeting will be conducted via telephone and/or videoconferencing.

CITY PLANNING COMMISSION MEETINGS CAN BE LISTENED TO BY DIALING (213) 621-2489 OR (818) 904-9450.

**YOU CAN ALSO VIEW THE MEETING ONLINE VIA ZOOM AT: (<https://planning-lacity-org.zoom.us/j/85984699942>)
AND USE MEETING ID: 849 6500 5926 AND MEETING PASSCODE: 377316.**

Members of the public who wish to participate in the meeting and offer public comment to the City Planning Commission, can either access the link located above or call **(213) 338-8477** or **(669) 900-9128** and use **Meeting ID No. 849 6500 5926** and then press #. Press # again when prompted for participant ID. You may use **Meeting Passcode: 377316**.

Pursuant to the Commission's general operating procedures, the Commission at times must necessarily limit the speaking times of those presenting testimony on either side of an issue that is designated as a public hearing item. In all instances, however, equal time is allowed for presentation of pros and cons of matters to be acted upon.

Written submissions are governed by Rule 4.3 of the City Planning Commission Rules and Operating Procedures which are posted online at <https://planning.lacity.org>, by selecting "About", "Commissioners", "City Planning Commission", and "Operating Procedures". However, please see revised submission guidelines below which have been modified in order to accommodate the conduct of the meeting telephonically.

Initial Submissions, not limited as to volume, must be received by the Commission Executive Assistant no later than by 4:00 p.m. on the Monday prior to the week of the Commission meeting. Materials must be emailed to cpc@lacity.org. **Secondary Submissions** in response to a Staff Recommendation Report or additional comments must be received electronically no later than 48-hours before the Commission meeting. Submissions shall not exceed ten (10) pages, including exhibits, and must be submitted electronically to cpc@lacity.org. Photographs do not count toward the page limitation. **Day of Hearing Submissions** within 48 hours of the meeting, up to and including the day of the meeting are limited to 2 pages plus accompanying photographs and must be submitted electronically to cpc@lacity.org. Submissions that do not comply with these rules will be stamped "**File Copy. Non-Complying Submission.**" Non-complying submissions will be placed into the official case file, but they will not be delivered to or considered by the Commission, and will not be included in the official administrative record for the item at issue.

The Commission may RECONSIDER and alter its action taken on items listed herein at any time during this meeting or during the next regular meeting, in accordance with the Commission Rules and Operating Procedures and provided that the Commission retains jurisdiction over the case. If a Commission meeting is canceled or adjourned due to lack of quorum, all remaining agenda items shall be continued to the next regular meeting or beyond as long as the continuance is within the legal time limits of the case or cases.

Requests for reasonable modification or accommodation from individuals with disabilities, consistent with the Americans with Disabilities Act can be made by contacting the Commission Executive Assistant at (213) 978-1299 or by email at cpc@lacity.org no later than three working days (72 hours) prior to the meeting. For Telecommunication Relay Services for the hearing impaired, please see the information located on the last page of this agenda.

If you challenge these agenda items in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing agenzized here, or in written correspondence on these matters delivered to this agency at or prior to the public hearing.

If you seek judicial review of any decision of the City pursuant to California Code of Civil Procedure Section 1094.5, the petition for writ of mandate pursuant to that section must be filed no later than the 90th day following the date on which the City's decision became final pursuant to California Code of Civil Procedure Section 1094.6. There may be other time limits which also affect your ability to seek judicial review.

Agendas and Adopted Minutes are available on line at <http://planning.lacity.org>, by selecting "About", "Commissions, Boards & Hearings", filter by "City Planning Commission". For additional information regarding the format of this telephonic public meeting, please visit our website at <http://planning.lacity.org>.

If you would like to receive a determination letter for any item on today's agenda, please email your request to cpc@lacity.org. Please include your contact information (email or mailing address) and the case number associated with the item.

Información en español acerca de esta junta puede ser obtenida llamando al (213) 978-1300. Servicios de traducción al español están disponibles, de ser solicitados con un mínimo de 72 horas de anticipación, en todas las juntas de la comisión.

1. **[DETERMINATION TO CONTINUE HOLDING MEETINGS VIA TELECONFERENCE](#)**

Motion Required. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e)(1)(B)-(C), determination that due to COVID-19 State of Emergency, meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees, and possible Commission action.

2. **DIRECTOR'S REPORT AND COMMISSION BUSINESS**

- Update on City Planning Commission Status Reports and Active Assignments
- Legal actions and issues update
- Other Items of Interest
- Advance Calendar
- Commission Requests

3. **NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL PRESENTATION**

Presentation by Neighborhood Council representatives on any Neighborhood Council resolution, or community impact statement filed with the City Clerk, which relates to any agenda item listed or being considered on this agenda. The Neighborhood Council representative shall provide the Board or Commission with a copy of the Neighborhood Council's resolution or community impact statement by email to cpc@lacity.org. At the Chair's discretion, presentations of Neighborhood Councils on any matter listed on the agenda for this Commission meeting may be taken at the time the agenda item is taken for consideration.

4. **GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT**

The Commission shall provide an opportunity in open meetings for the public to address it **on non-agenda items**, for a cumulative total of up to thirty (30) minutes, on items of interest to the public that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Commission.

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5. **RECONSIDERATIONS**

- a. **MOTIONS TO RECONSIDER** - The Commission may make a motion to reconsider a Commission Action on any agenda items from its previous meeting, consistently with the Commission Rule 8.3, provided the Commission retains jurisdiction over the matter.
- b. **MERITS OF ANY ITEM THE COMMISSION HAS VOTED TO RECONSIDER** – If a majority of the Commission has approved a motion to reconsider a Commission Action, the Commission may address the merits of the original Commission Action.

6. **CONSENT CALENDAR (No Items)**

Consent Calendar items are considered to be not controversial and will be treated as one agenda item. The Consent Calendar will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless the item is removed from the Consent Calendar, in which event the item will be considered as time allows on the regular agenda.

7. **CPC-2020-1365-GPA**
CPC-2021-5499-GPA

Council District: All
**Last Day to Act: 01-12-22

CEQA: ENV-2020-6762-EIR; SCH. NO. 2021010130
Plan Area: Citywide

PUBLIC HEARINGS – Completed September 21, 2021 and September 22, 2021

LIMITED PUBLIC HEARING REQUIRED

PROJECT SITE: Citywide

PROPOSED PROJECT:

An update to the City of Los Angeles General Plan consisting of the 2021-2029 Housing Element, Safety Element Update, and amendments to the Health Element (Plan for a Healthy Los Angeles).

2021-2029 Housing Element

The Housing Element is one of the eight State-mandated elements of the General Plan and identifies the City’s housing conditions and needs, establishes the goals, objectives, and policies that are the foundation of the City’s housing strategy, and provides an array of programs to increase housing production, minimize displacement, provide greater access to opportunity and assist vulnerable populations. California law requires local governments to adopt land use plans and regulatory systems that provide opportunities for, and do not unduly constrain, housing development; implement programs to maintain and monitor existing and future housing stock, and update the Housing Element every eight years. The Housing Element Update will revise existing and establish new citywide priorities, policies, goals, and programs for the City to accommodate the City’s required housing needs allocation as determined by the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) and the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) in the Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA). A new requirement of Housing Element law also requires a fair housing analysis to address, combat, and relieve disparities resulting from past patterns of segregation to foster more inclusive communities.

The Project involves State-mandated updates to accommodate the RHNA allocation through the year 2029, as established by SCAG. Under the RHNA allocation, the City is required to provide the zoned capacity to accommodate the development of at least 456,643 residential units using various land use planning strategies to plan for all income groups. The Housing Element Update includes revisions and additions to the goals, objectives, policies and implementation programs. The Housing Element Update also includes a Rezoning Program to create needed housing capacity for any identified shortfall in order to reach the required RHNA allocation and associated buffer by October 2024, as described in Chapter 4 of the draft Housing Element. A draft of the Housing Element is available as Exhibit B of the Staff Report.

Safety Element

The Safety Element is one of the eight State-mandated elements of the General Plan and identifies the City's policy approach to preventing, responding to and recovering from disaster events. Recent State legislation that triggers the review and update of the Safety Element upon the update to the Housing Element. While the Housing Element is undergoing a comprehensive update, the update to the Safety Element is limited to targeted amendments that ensure consistency with legislative mandates. Through this update the City has integrated additional policy and program language to elevate the priorities of addressing climate change, particularly those related to wildfire and flooding, and advancing equity. Much of this language is drawn from existing City of Los Angeles plans, including the Green New Deal, Resilient Los Angeles and the 2018 Local Hazard Mitigation Plan. The background chapters of the document have been updated to reflect current disaster management practices. A draft of the Safety Element is available as Exhibit G of the Staff Report..

Health Element

The Health and Wellness Element, or Plan for a Healthy Los Angeles, is the General Plan Element that contains the majority of the City's environmental justice policies and programs, while environmental justice is also addressed in both the Housing and Safety Element updates, and other General Plan Elements. The City will make a targeted amendment to the Plan for a Healthy Los Angeles to clarify the City's compliance with a state requirement for an environmental justice element in accordance with SB 1000. A listing of amendments to the Health Element is available as Exhibit J of the Staff Report.

REQUESTED ACTIONS:

Actions for the 2021-2029 update to the Housing Element of the General Plan and the updates to the Safety Element and the Health Element:

1. Conduct a limited public hearing on the Proposed Plans, as described in this Staff Recommendation Report;
2. Approve the Staff Recommendation Report as the Commission Report;
3. Approve and Recommend that the City Council adopt the Findings in the Staff Recommendation Report, and direct staff to prepare the Final EIR, Environmental Impact Report (EIR) Findings, a Statement of Overriding Considerations, and a Mitigation Monitoring Program (MMP) for City Council consideration;
4. Find the City Planning Commission has reviewed the Draft EIR (City EIR No. ENV-2020-6762-EIR and State Clearinghouse No. 2021010130), as shown in Exhibit N; and
5. Recommend the City Council adopt the Resolution in Exhibit M to certify the EIR, adopt EIR Findings and a Statement of Overriding Considerations, and adopt a Mitigation Monitoring Program; or in the alternative, if the Resolution to certify the EIR has been adopted in a prior action by the City Council and the Housing Element Update and/or the Safety Element Update and/or the Health Element Update has been approved, find, as applicable, that the Housing Element Update and/or the Safety Element Update and/or the Health Element Update, was considered in the EIR and pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Sections 15162 and 15164, no subsequent EIR or supplemental EIR, or addendum is required.

Action for the 2021-2029 Housing Element Update of the General Plan:

6. Approve and Recommend that the Mayor approve and the City Council adopt the Resolution in Exhibit A to amend the Housing Element of the General Plan, as shown in Exhibit B; and
7. Authorize the Director of Planning to present the Resolution (Exhibit A) and General Plan Amendment (Exhibit B) to the Mayor and City Council, in accordance with City Charter Section 555 and LAMC Section 11.5.6.

Action for the Update to the Safety Element and the Health Element of the General Plan:

8. Approve and Recommend that the Mayor approve and the City Council adopt the attached Resolution in Exhibit F to amend the General Plan as follows:
 - a. Amend the Safety Element, as shown in Exhibit G, including incorporation by reference of the Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP) and subsequent updates, as shown in Exhibit H; and
 - b. Amend the Health Element, as shown in Exhibit J; and
9. Authorize the Director of Planning to present the Resolution (Exhibit F) and General Plan Amendments (Exhibits G and J) to the Mayor and City Council, in accordance with City Charter Section 555 and LAMC Section 11.5.6.

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The next meeting of the City Planning Commission
will be held at **8:30 a.m.** on **Thursday, October 21, 2021**

**Pursuant to Mayor Garcetti's Emergency Order issued on March 21, 2020, which was subsequently extended on April 17, 2020, the time to act on this item has been tolled for the duration of the local emergency period. Please note that other State law provisions may also apply.

Notice to paid Representatives:

If you are compensated to monitor, attend, or speak at this meeting, City law may require you to register as a lobbyist and report your activity. See Los Angeles Municipal Code §§ 48.01 et seq. More information is available at ethics.lacity.org/lobbying. For assistance, please contact the Ethics Commission at (213) 978-1960.

Reasonable Accommodations Consistent with Federal and State Law

As a covered entity under Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act, the City of Los Angeles does not discriminate on the basis of disability and, upon request, will provide reasonable accommodations to ensure equal access to its programs, services and activities. Sign language interpreters, assistive listening devices, or other auxiliary aids and/or services may be provided upon request. To ensure availability, your request should be received no later than three working days (72 hours) in advance of the need. For more information please call the Commission Executive Assistant at (213) 978-1299 or by e-mail at cpc@lacity.org.

Telecommunication Relay Services

Telephone communication is one of the most important forms of communication in society today. Due to advancements in technology, telephone devices have evolved with new services and capabilities. Individuals who are deaf and hard of hearing, and individuals with a speech disability are following these trends and are rapidly migrating to more advanced telecommunications methods, both for peer-to-peer and third-party telecommunications relay service (TRS) communications.

Telecommunications Relay Service is a telephone service that allows persons with hearing or speech disabilities to place and receive telephone calls. TRS is available in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and the U.S. territories for local and/or long distance calls. TRS providers - generally telephone companies - are compensated for the costs of providing TRS from either a state or a federal fund. There is no cost to the TRS user.

What forms of TRS are available? There are several forms of TRS, depending on the particular needs of the user and the equipment available: TRS includes: Text to Voice TIY-Based TRS; Speech-to-Speech Relay Service; Shared

Non-English Language Relay Service; Captioned Telephone Relay Service; Internet Protocol Relay Service; and Video Relay Service. Please visit this site for detail descriptions, <https://www.fcc.gov/consumers/guides/telecommunications-relay-service-trs>.

Don't hang up! Some people hang up on TRS calls because they think the CA is a telemarketer. If you hear, "Hello. This is the relay service..." when you pick up the phone, please don't hang up! You are about to talk, through a TRS provider, to a person who is deaf, hard-of-hearing, or has a speech disability.

For more information about FCC programs to promote access to telecommunications services for people with disabilities, visit the FCC's Disability Rights Office website.