

# ANNUAL REPORT 2018

LOS ANGELES CITY PLANNING DEPARTMENT



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## message from the mayor

*Eric Garcetti*

Dear Friends,

Angelenos know that confronting our greatest economic and social challenges requires immediate action and a long-term plan, which is why all of us are standing united to end the most urgent moral and humanitarian crisis of our time: homelessness.

Thanks to the hard work of our City Planning Department, this past year we saw new projects break ground and new policies emerge that are helping to ensure every Angeleno has a roof over their head and a pillow under it. From enacting the Permanent Supportive Housing and Motel Conversion Ordinances to being on track to meet our goal of permitting 100,000 housing units by 2021, we are using every available resource to connect all Angelenos with a place to call home.

I am proud to share these accomplishments in the City Planning Department's Annual Report. As we begin a new year bright with opportunity, I am confident that working together we will build an even stronger, more equitable Los Angeles — a City of opportunity for all.

Sincerely,



Eric Garcetti  
Mayor

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## message from the director of planning

Vince Bertoni

Dear Colleagues and Friends,

The City of Los Angeles continues to build on its goal of being a more sustainable and livable city for all Angelenos, and our accomplishments over the past year have brought us closer to achieving that vision.

In 2018, the City Planning Department moved forward a number of important initiatives. From adopting new housing policies to advancing key development projects, the Department's dedicated and passionate staff are planning for a City of four million people and 469 square miles, with a geography as unique and varied as the people who live in and visit the City.

While there is still plenty of work for us to do, this Annual Report speaks to the milestones we've met — including our outreach efforts to reach a broader cross-section of our communities. As we reflect on the past year, we are reminded of our shared work in making Los Angeles a world-class city for all Angelenos and approach 2019 with that continued sense of purpose.

Sincerely,



Vince Bertoni  
Director of Planning

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# creating housing opportunities for all angelenos

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## mayoral housing goal

Cities across the nation are experiencing a housing shortage, with the lack of supply adding constraints to job growth and economic opportunities. In response, the City Planning Department has come forward with innovative proposals to increase housing production.

Mayor Eric Garcetti launched a citywide campaign in 2013 to permit 100,000 units of new housing by 2021. He also issued an executive directive calling on City departments to streamline the entitlement process for all housing developments, with special attention to projects with targeted levels of affordable units.

The City Planning Department has assisted the Mayor in this undertaking — advancing programs that have incentivized housing opportunities for middle-income and working class families. These strategies have collectively resulted in 91,030 new units of permitted housing since July 2013, of which 21,368 were permitted in 2018.



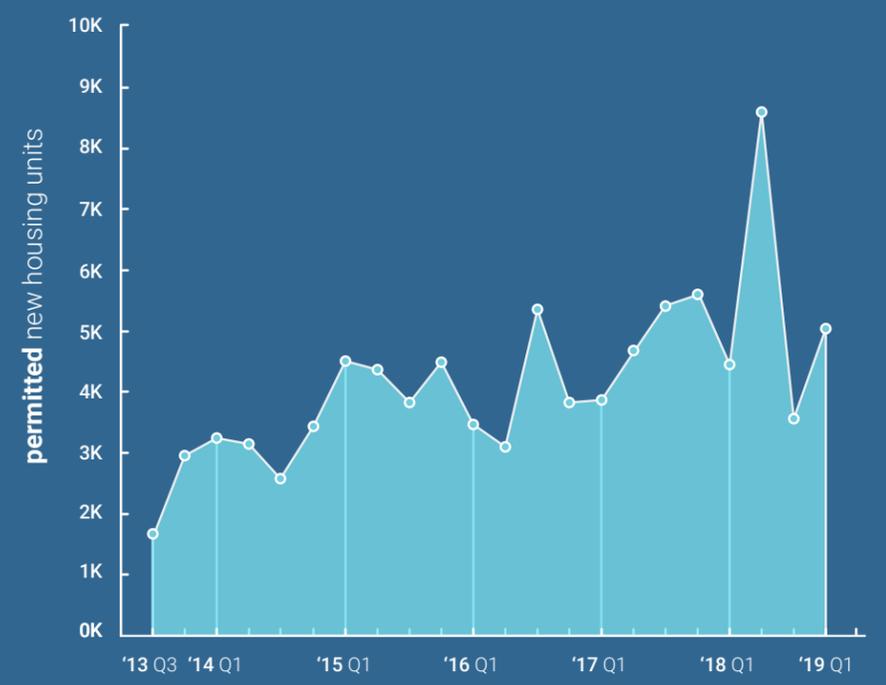
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## the path to 100,000 new housing units

### 100,000 Housing Units by 2021

The City is 93% of the way towards meeting its goal of permitting 100,000 new housing units by 2021. There have been 91,030 new units of housing permitted since July 2013. On average, 4,138 units have been permitted each quarter since July 2013 — exceeding the Mayor's quarterly goal of 3,125.



calendar year quarterly numbers

source: department of building and safety

## transit oriented communities incentive program

The Transit Oriented Communities (TOC) Incentives program has increased housing production across the City. Thirty percent of the total number of housing units proposed in 2018 – 8,184 out of 27,366 units – were filed under this program.

The TOC program provides development incentives to residential and mixed-use housing projects located near high quality transit, in exchange for a percentage of onsite affordable housing. Of the total number of affordable housing units proposed in 2018, nearly 47% – 1,381 out of 2,942 – were the result of this program. The largest share of the overall number of proposed affordable housing units were reserved for Extremely Low Income (ELI) households. These are households earning \$29,050 or less for a family of four.

In creating the TOC program, the City Planning Department prioritized housing opportunities for families who are rent-burdened and at the greatest risk of becoming homeless. The development incentives and streamlined approval process available to projects that qualify under the TOC program have helped produce more housing units, including much needed affordable housing.

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### Measure JJJ

In November 2016, voters from the City of Los Angeles approved Measure JJJ – a local ballot initiative that instituted new labor and affordable housing requirements for residential projects seeking certain planning entitlements. Measure JJJ also instructed the City Planning Department to create the Transit Oriented Communities (TOC) Incentives program to encourage the development of more affordable housing within a half mile of transit.

## number of TOC housing units proposed

quarter	market rate	restricted affordable	total
Q1	1,035	274	1,309
Q2	1,622	271	1,893
Q3	2,120	541	2,661
Q4	2,026	295	2,321
<b>total</b>	6,803	1,381	8,184



## accessory dwelling units

Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) accounted for nearly 20% of all housing permits issued – 4,280 – in calendar year 2018. The scarcity of vacant lots and rising housing costs have made ADUs an attractive alternative for households who cannot afford to buy a single-family home or rent in many single-family neighborhoods.

Recent changes to State law in 2016 have made it easier to build ADUs, as well as to convert or repurpose existing space into an ADU. As a result, the number of ADU permit applications filed in the City of Los Angeles has increased, resulting in a total of 5,429 proposed new units of housing this year.

### Accessory Dwelling Units

An Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) is a self-contained housing unit located on the same property as a single-family home. By design, it is more affordable to build and rent because it does not involve the purchase of land or major new infrastructure.



## ADU permit applications filed

building type	total
new construction	1,039
addition	1,963
conversion	2,427
<b>total</b>	<b>5,429</b>



**19%**  
of ADUs  
*are new ground-up construction*



**42%**  
increase  
*in ADU permits filed from 2017 to 2018*

source: department of building and safety

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## housing progress report

In July, the City Planning Department released its first quarterly Housing Progress Report, as part of a broader effort to increase data transparency and analysis around policy outcomes. These reports provide an overview of the City’s comprehensive efforts to incentivize the production of market rate and affordable housing.

The initial report featured the housing results of Measure JJJ and the Transit Oriented Communities (TOC) Incentives program through June 30, 2018. The most recent issue expanded its coverage to also reflect data on Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs), Unapproved Dwelling Units (UDUs), and the Density Bonus program.

Future reports will reflect additional updates on the latest housing and development trends. This information will continue to be made available on the Department’s website and on social media.

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total number of  
housing units proposed



*\* This number refers to projects requesting planning entitlements.*



## unapproved dwelling units

status	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	total
applications filed	42	41	43	39	<b>165</b>
applications approved	30	36	30	33	<b>129</b>
final planning sign-off	11	6	5	11	<b>33</b>

The **Unpermitted Dwelling Unit Ordinance** allows for unpermitted units in multi-family buildings to be legalized — provided that life and safety conditions are met and at least one affordable unit is offered for each legalized unit. This program was implemented in May 2017.

## strategies for change

The City of Los Angeles has taken innovative steps to provide housing opportunities for families and individuals experiencing homelessness. In 2018, the City Council adopted new legislation designed to house the most vulnerable and at-risk populations – ranging from homeless families and youth to veterans.

These efforts were led by the City Planning Department, which worked closely with the City Council in developing these new land use policies. Among the ordinances adopted in 2018 was legislation to streamline the production of permanent supportive housing – reducing the time it takes to secure planning approvals from a matter of years to months. The City also adopted updated regulations to allow existing, underutilized motels and hotels to be temporarily used for transitional and supportive housing.

These initiatives build upon the recent efforts of the Mayor and City Council to leverage local funds to finance the construction of additional supportive housing projects with onsite services.

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The **Interim Motel Conversion** ordinance allows owners to utilize rooms in underutilized motels to temporarily house individuals and families experiencing homelessness.



The **Permanent Supportive Housing** ordinance standardizes the criteria and process for both the review and approval of new supportive housing projects.



2018 homeless count  
in the city of los angeles



source: los angeles homelessness services authority (LAHSA)

according to the los angeles homeless services authority (LAHSA), there are more people being placed into housing than ever before.



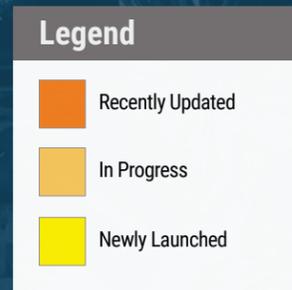
## newly launched community plan updates

During the summer, the City Planning Department launched updates to nine new community plans including two in the Harbor, three in the Southeast Valley, and four in the Westside. In total, there are 16 community plan updates underway, covering 180 square miles – 40% of the entire City. The work program is part of an expanded citywide effort to update all 35 community plans by the end of 2024.

The City of Los Angeles is organized into 35 community plan areas. They provide tailored strategies and neighborhood specific regulations to facilitate and guide development. In order to balance the need for jobs and housing with neighborhood preservation, the plans reflect a variety of priorities that are of importance to each community.

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## community liaison program

In February, the City Planning Department formed a Community Liaison Program to improve communications across Los Angeles’s diverse neighborhoods, and provide community members with a direct point of contact for planning-related policies and issues. In addition to elevating the profile of the Department, the three planners assigned to this program have assisted with citywide outreach and developing new strategies for public engagement.

Throughout the year, the Community Liaisons hosted a variety of citywide trainings and workshops for local schools, neighborhood councils, small business owners, and other members of the public. Their work has broadened the reach of the Department and allowed neighborhoods to be more involved in the planning process.

In April, the Community Liaisons launched a monthly newsletter – *Community Corner* – to report on key planning policies and activities in a way that is both easy to understand and access. The *Community Corner* has become the Department’s primary resource for communicating with, engaging, and educating the general public.

### Community Liaisons

The Community Liaisons are planners that serve as the public’s primary points of contact for the City Planning Department. In 2018, Fabiola Inzunza, Isaiah Ross, and Dylan Sittig joined the External Affairs Unit to spearhead the creation of this new program. They each bring with them a wealth of knowledge, having worked in various divisions of the Department administering long range plans and development projects.



**Community Liaisons (L-R)**  
Isaiah Ross, Fabiola Inzunza, Dylan Sittig

### Council Liaison

In October 2018, City Planner Jenna Monterrosa joined the External Affairs Unit to oversee the newly-formed Community Liaison program. In her new role, she also handles the Department’s legislative affairs. Jenna has more than 13 years of planning experience with the Department. Most recently, she helped manage project applications within the Expedited Processing Section.



**Jenna Monterrosa**  
City Planner

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## planning 101 trainings

In 2018, the City Planning Department held a series of trainings to shed light on the development process. The trainings were well attended and increased community participation on a variety of planning related topics – supporting both outreach and engagement.

Nearly 35% of the attendees were affiliated with a neighborhood council, with an additional 15% each representing business and community organizations. Almost 85% of the participants who responded to the evaluation survey rated the overall training *Excellent* or *Good* – commenting in particular how they liked the online tutorial, caliber of the content, and level of access to Department staff.

There were seven trainings held throughout the City during the months of April and May. The training were organized in collaboration with the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment.



more than

450

community members attended the trainings

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## neighborhood councils and community organizations

The City Planning Department incorporated innovative outreach strategies to increase public participation over the last year. Through partnerships with community and neighborhood groups, the Department has increased the involvement of local stakeholders in the planning process.

Community-based organizations, neighborhood councils, and small businesses are among the broad spectrum of the public the Department reaches on a regular basis — bringing new voices and perspectives to the table.

### Congress of Neighborhoods

The Congress of Neighborhoods brings together the City's 99 neighborhood councils for a day of networking and education. In September, the City Planning Department partnered with the Congress of Neighborhoods to develop two workshops on housing and development review.



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## small lot ordinance and design guidelines

In April, the City Planning Department made refinements to the Small Lot Subdivision ordinance to further improve the compatibility of small lot homes with the character of the surrounding neighborhood. New design standards were developed as part of the update to this ordinance to establish a defined set of rules that would be enforced through an administrative process.

As a result, the Department will be better equipped to address the physical design of small lot homes — providing enhancements to the overall building, along with improved regulations to govern access and landscaping.

The City originally established the Small Lot Subdivision ordinance in 2005 to allow for the construction of free-standing single-family homes or attached townhouses in multi-family and commercial parts of Los Angeles. Small lot homes have expanded homeownership opportunities by maximizing the use of existing space to offer a smart-growth alternative to the traditional single-family home.



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### Key Provisions



#### Design Standards

*Incorporated as part of the enhanced review process, new requirements to address building design, pedestrian connectivity, and landscaping requirements.*



#### Map Standards

*Developed improved standards to regulate common access walkways, vehicular guest parking, onsite trash pick-up, and open space easements.*



#### Eligible Zones

*Restricted new small lot homes from being built in certain residential zones to preserve the character of lower density neighborhoods.*



#### Lot Coverage

*Reduced the maximum lot coverage of small lot subdivisions to 75% of any property to minimize the footprint and massing.*



#### Setbacks

*Increased the required setbacks of subdivisions, aligning front yard setback requirements with underlying zoning regulations.*

## historic cultural monuments

In 2018, the City Council established 23 new Historic Cultural Monuments (HCMs), increasing the citywide total to 1,176. These new HCMs represent buildings and monuments that are tied to a specific time, place, or event in Los Angeles's history. Through the HCM designation process, the City is able to showcase the rich diversity of its historic resources, including its architecturally significant buildings and places of social importance.

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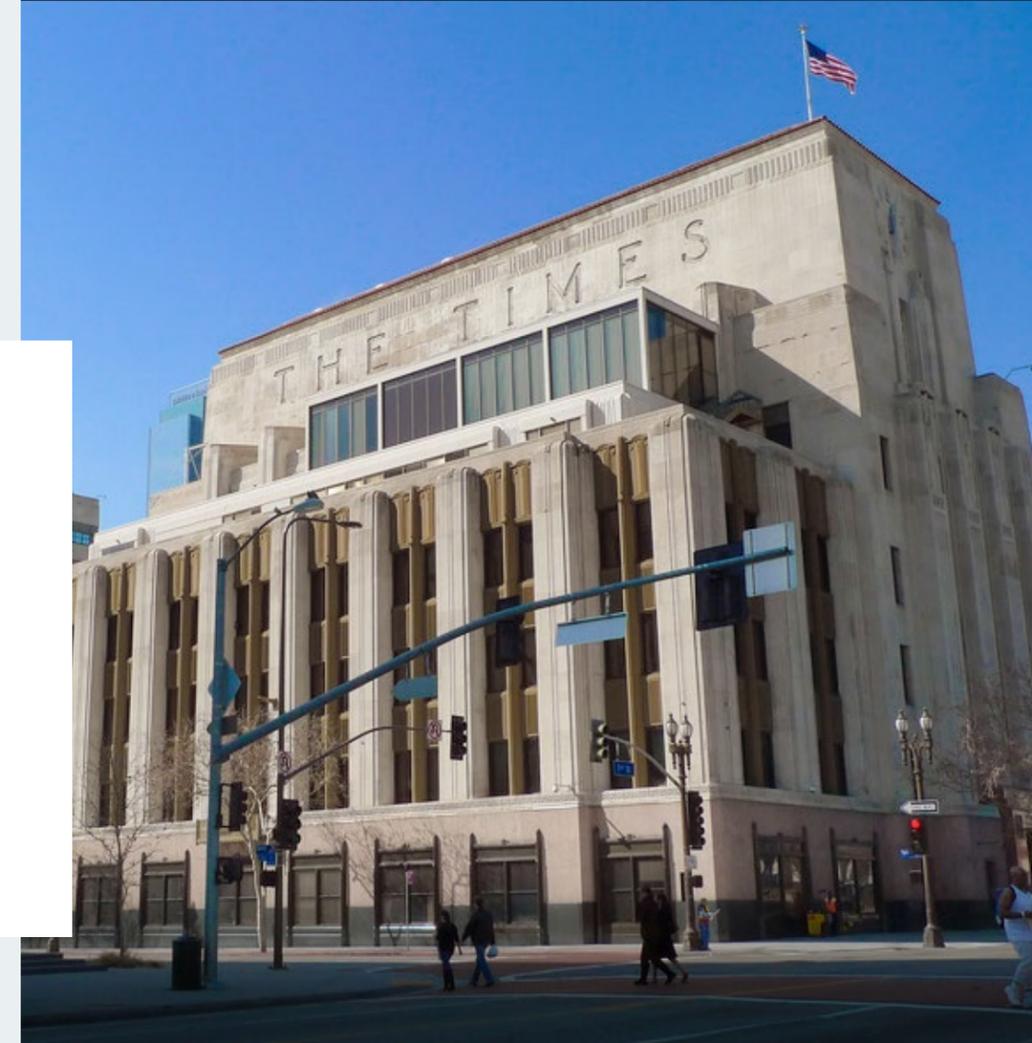
### CBS Television City

In June, City Council designated the CBS Television City complex an Historic Cultural Monument. The 25-acre site was built in 1952 in the style of mid-century modern architecture. It was the first large-scale facility in the nation to have been built to meet the modern needs of television programming.



### Los Angeles Times Mirror Square

In December, City Council designated the original 1935 Times Mirror Square building and the 1948 addition as an Historic Cultural Monument. These buildings were commissioned by Henry Chandler to serve as the headquarters for the Times Mirror Company — the parent company of the *Los Angeles Times*.



## historic context statements

The City Planning Department completed two new historic context statements (HCSs): *Asian Americans in Los Angeles* and *Women's Rights in Los Angeles*. Both HCSs identified places associated with significant individuals, organizations, and social movements in the City. In cataloging these sites, the Department has highlighted new citywide resources from Los Angeles's past that can be preserved for future generations to experience.

The *Asian Americans in Los Angeles* HCS explored sites of significance to Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Filipino, and Thai Americans from the days of their immigration and settlement to the formation of the Asian American movement in the 1960s and 1970s.

The *Women's Rights in Los Angeles* HCS detailed the role local women played in the nationwide suffrage movement of the late 19th century through the feminist movement of the 1960s and 1970s.

### Historic Context Statements

Historic Context Statements (HCS) identify important themes in Los Angeles's history. Themes may relate to development patterns and trends, as well as certain architectural, social, cultural, and ethnic considerations. In Los Angeles, the HCSs are organized into nine broad themes that span a period of time from 1780 to 1980 and are specific to its historic evolution.

### Putting Angelenas on the Map

The Department collaborated with Mayor Eric Garcetti's Gender Equity team to kick off the *Putting Angelenas On the Map* initiative, which addresses the lack of female representation on the names of the City's landmarks, streets, statutes, and buildings. In March, a community outreach and research event was held at the Center for the Advancement of Women at Mount Saint Mary's University.



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## HPOZ board consolidation

The City Planning Department has made improvements to the management and administration of Historic Preservation Overlay Zones (HPOZ). During the summer of 2018, the Department completed a significant reorganization of the HPOZ program, allowing for multiple historic districts to share a single seven-member board. These boards review applications for proposed projects seeking to alter the exterior of properties located within an HPOZ.

The number of HPOZs increased by threefold in the last two decades, from eight to 35 local districts. This revised board structure has allowed for a more equitable distribution of the workload across the City.

Ranging in size from neighborhoods of approximately 50 parcels to a geographic area that encompasses more than 4,000 properties, HPOZs foster a sense of identity among their residents by bringing neighborhoods together around a common source of pride: the history and architecture of the district.

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### Historic Preservation Overlay Zones

An Historic Preservation Overlay Zone (HPOZ) is a designated district in the City that contains structures, landscaping, natural features, or sites having historic, architectural, cultural, or aesthetic significance. While most HPOZs are primarily comprised of residential structures, several of them also include a mix of single-family and multi-family housing, along with some commercial and industrial properties.

### Newly Combined HPOZ Boards



Harvard Heights and  
Western Heights



Carthay Circle, South Carthay,  
and Carthay Square



Banning Park and Vinegar Hill



Sunset Square and Spaulding Square



Wilshire Park, Windsor Village, Country  
Club Park, and Oxford Square



Lincoln Heights and El Sereno  
Berkshire Craftsman District



Hollywood Grove, Whitley Heights,  
and Melrose Hill



Van Nuys, Stonehurst, and  
Balboa Highlands

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## new hires and promotions

In 2018, the City Planning Department hired 58 new employees and promoted another 57 — making it the largest planning department in the nation with 371 employees. The new hires have supported ongoing outreach efforts, as well as enhanced project planning services at the Development Services Centers.



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### New Deputy Directors

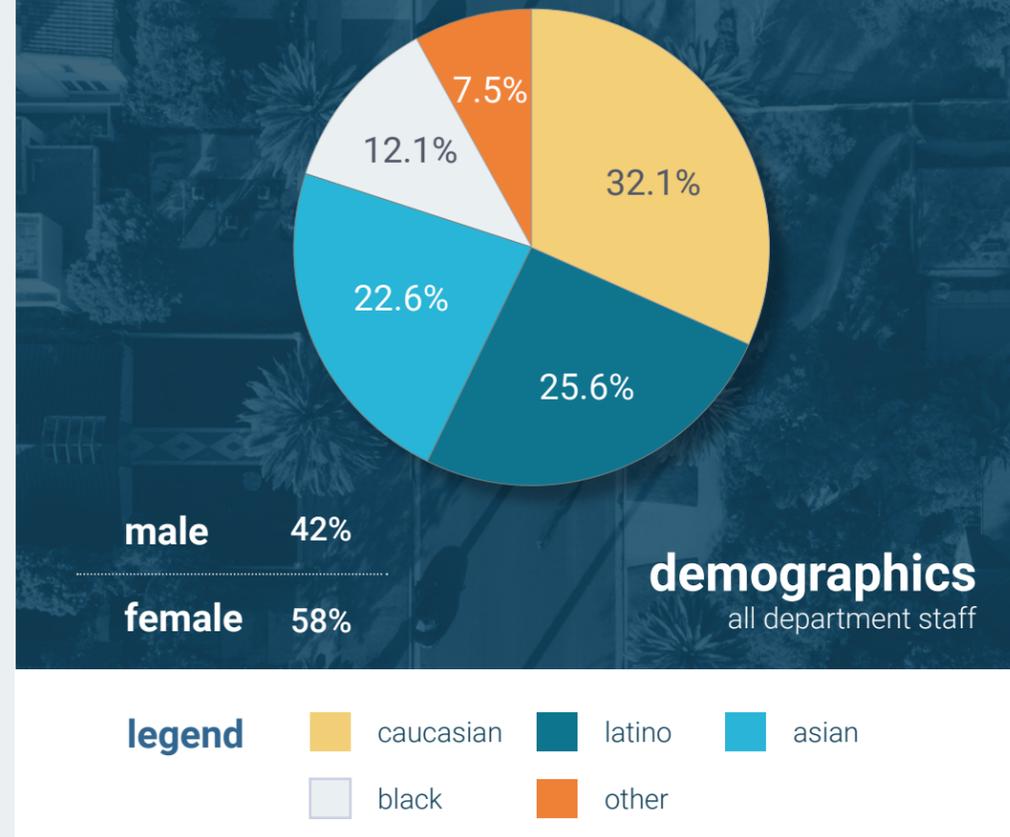
In November, the City Planning Department announced the appointment of three new Deputy Directors after conducting a nationwide search. Two of these appointments filled existing vacancies, while the third appointment filled a new position created by the Mayor and City Council to manage the expanded community plan program.

Shana Bonstin, Arthi Varma, and Tricia Keane were selected to oversee the Community Planning, Citywide Planning, and Resource Management Bureaus, respectively. They each have an extensive background in planning and prior work experience in the City of Los Angeles.

Accompanying this announcement is a series of shifts to the Department's reporting structure that will improve intradepartmental operations and offer additional support to manage the increasing workload and priorities of the Mayor, City Council, and Department.

## diversity and demographics

The City Planning Department is committed to fostering a diverse work environment that fairly represents the City of Los Angeles and the contributions of its employees. The Department is comprised of a majority of female employees, as well as a workforce that represents major ethnic groups across Los Angeles. The continued commitment to diversity is reflected in the Department's new hires, of which 29% are Latino, 18% are Asian, 16% are Black, and 7% identified as other, while the remaining 30% are Caucasian.



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### Equity in Employment

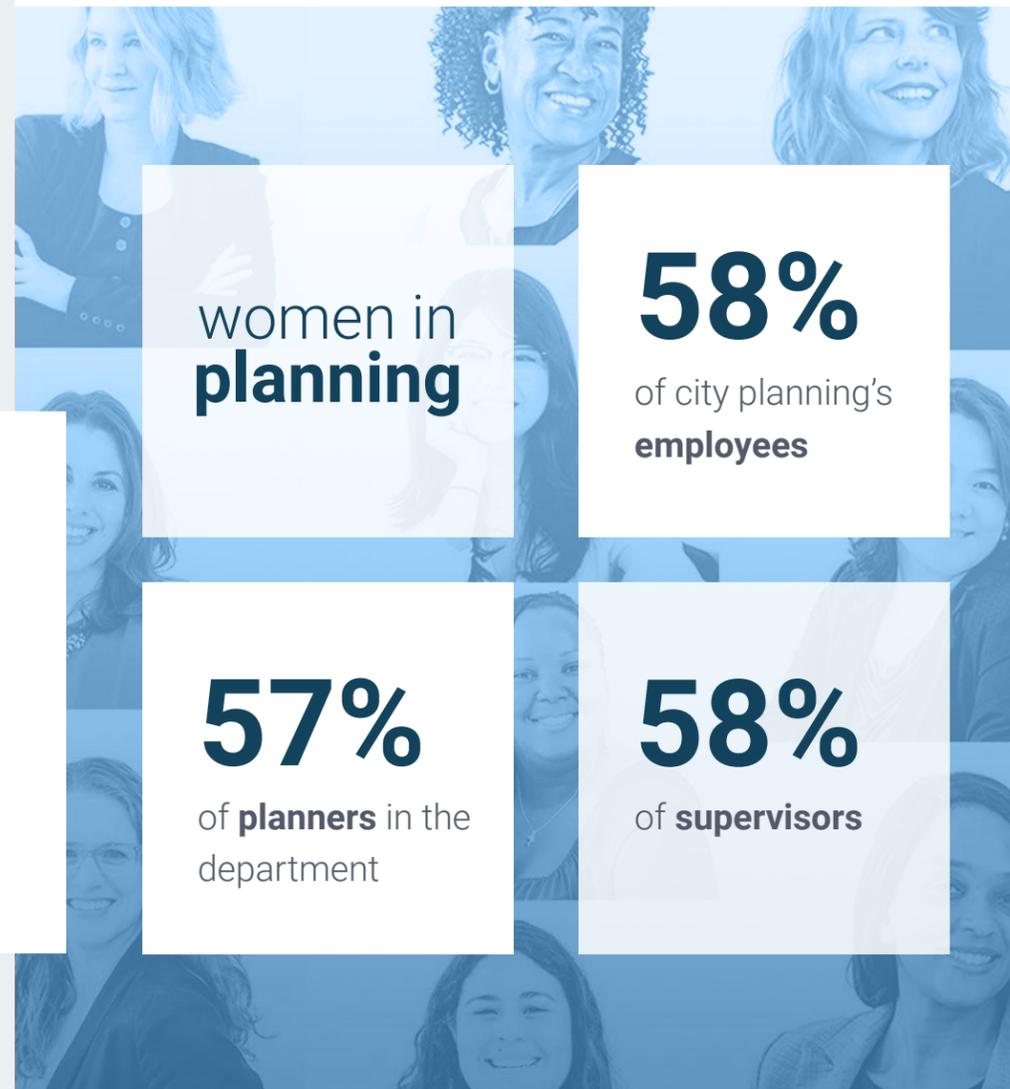
Gender equity and diversity have been a central focus of Mayor Eric Garcetti's administration. In 2015, the Mayor issued an executive directive calling upon the general managers and heads of City departments to join forces in promoting gender parity and equity in the workforce.

women in  
**planning**

**58%**  
of city planning's  
employees

**57%**  
of **planners** in the  
department

**58%**  
of **supervisors**



## staff training

The City Planning Department held a number of internal trainings for its employees over the course of the year, comprising 32 training sessions covering 19 unique topics. Trainings ranged from *Ethics for the Planning Civil Servant* and *The Art and Science of Creating a Positive Work Environment* to *CEQA 101* and *Zoning Basics*.

These trainings have kept employees current with the latest trends, technologies, and best practices – making available a total of 72.25 continuing education credits for planners with American Institute of Certified Planners (AICP) accreditation from the American Planning Association.



### Design Review Board Training

In addition to internal trainings, the City Planning Department facilitates an educational curriculum for members of the general public. These trainings can be for small business owners or members of boards and commissions.

In May, the Department hosted two training sessions for the City's 13 Design Review Boards (DRBs), unveiling new measures aimed at improving project outcomes and the administration of DRB meetings.

The DRB program was established in 1996 to help achieve the stated design goals of various communities across the City of Los Angeles.

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## environmental review

An unprecedented 105 Environmental Impact Reports (EIR) were in progress in 2018 – a 47% increase compared to 2017. The City Planning Department completed and released draft or final EIRs for 32 projects that together totaled more than 9,845 housing units, 5,065 hotel rooms, and 2,475,000 square feet of commercial and office space.

These projects have generated significant investment in the local economy – increasing housing supply, employment opportunities, and tourism. In Los Angeles, EIRs have played an important role in identifying viable project alternatives that have made it possible for these catalytic projects to be built.

To manage the increased workload, the Department has begun to standardize the environmental documents for project EIRs. These changes will result in a clearer set of rules to ensure overall consistency and quality control in how project EIRs are prepared.



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### The EIR Roadmap

The makings of an EIR involve extensive work and collaboration between the applicant, environmental consultant team, and the City in reviewing and preparing the necessary components of an EIR.



1

#### applicant

submits Initial Study.



2

#### public notice

is released to announce a scoping meeting and comment period.



3

#### applicant/consultant team

produce technical reports, and prepare EIR for review.



4

#### department review

inspects, edits, and prepares Draft EIR for public circulation.



5

#### draft EIR

is released for a 45-day public review and comment period.



6

#### final EIR

is prepared and released.

## deep counter services

The public counters at the Development Services Centers (DSCs) are the first point of consultation for most project applications. In addition to the traditional counter functions, the Metro/Downtown DSC offers a specialized set of services at the *Deep Counter* that extend beyond what is offered at the other DSCs. These tailored services were established to provide additional technical expertise as well as resources to ensure compliance with specific conditions of approval.

In 2018, the City Planning Department began a series of proactive inspections to better monitor alcohol permits for restaurants and bars. These inspections have provided neighborhoods with greater assurances – correcting minor violations before they escalate to a nuisance.

The *Deep Counter* also includes other services beyond issuance of alcohol conditional use permits – including, the review of affordable housing applications, the evaluation of wireless telecommunication facilities, and the processing of technical maps.

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### Housing Services Unit

*Reviews applications for affordable housing projects, ranging from statewide to local incentive programs.*



### Map Processing Services Unit

*Processes lot line adjustments and private street dedications.*



### Wireless and Telecommunications Unit

*Evaluates wireless facilities applications to verify compliance with local zoning and federal regulations.*



### Beverage and Entertainment Streamlined (BESt) Unit

*Handles case intake and project sign-offs for stand-alone alcohol sales and live entertainment conditional use permits.*

#### Tour for City Council Staff

In May, the City Planning Department provided City Council staff with a tour of the Metro/Downtown Development Services Center. The half-day event showcased the different functions at the public counter, including the *Deep Counter*.



## office relocations to figueroa plaza

In April, the Department’s Major Projects Section, Urban Design Studio, and Historic Resources Division relocated from City Hall to the Metro/Downtown Development Services Center (DSC) located at Figueroa Plaza. Collocating these planning operations has improved customer services at the public counters – saving applicants a trip to City Hall for certain planning sign-offs and consultation services.

These moves highlight the City Planning Department’s continued efforts to improve accessibility and client services – whether it’s for a business owner seeking guidance on a project or a resident requesting information on a land use policy.



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incorporating technology into planning

## technological enhancements

The City Planning Department has made information more easily available to the public through the use of technology. These improvements have enhanced customer service and information sharing.

The Department upgraded in 2018 the Planning Toolkit for iPhone and Android devices. Users can now use their mobile device to look up wait times or schedule an appointment at one of the public counters at the Development Services Centers (DSCs).

A backend system was also developed to synchronize and migrate information from the data entry system to Zoning Information and Map Access System (ZIMAS). This new system has made it possible for the Department to automate the monthly refresh to ZIMAS, resulting in information that is up-to-date for external use.



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### Zoning Application

The Zoning Information and Map Access System (ZIMAS) is a web-based mapping tool that provides zoning and land use information for properties located in the City of Los Angeles. It was developed by the City Planning Department to assist policy makers and residents of Los Angeles in making better informed land use decisions. The search functionality of the site allows users to locate zoning requirements for specific properties by inputting basic information, like the street address or assessor parcel number.



## new web applications

In 2018, the City Planning Department launched two new Geographic Information Systems (GIS) applications: the *Entitlement Case Filings Map* and the *GeoPlanner*. These mapping applications have resulted in greater efficiencies and better data sharing.

The *Entitlement Case Filings Map* was launched in December to offer the public the ability to review project applications across the City in real time, providing greater access to information.

The Department also began using *GeoPlanner* for ArcGIS – a web-based planning tool, which has given planners the ability to leverage the capabilities of GIS to model data to clearly visualize trends and patterns to inform local land use considerations.

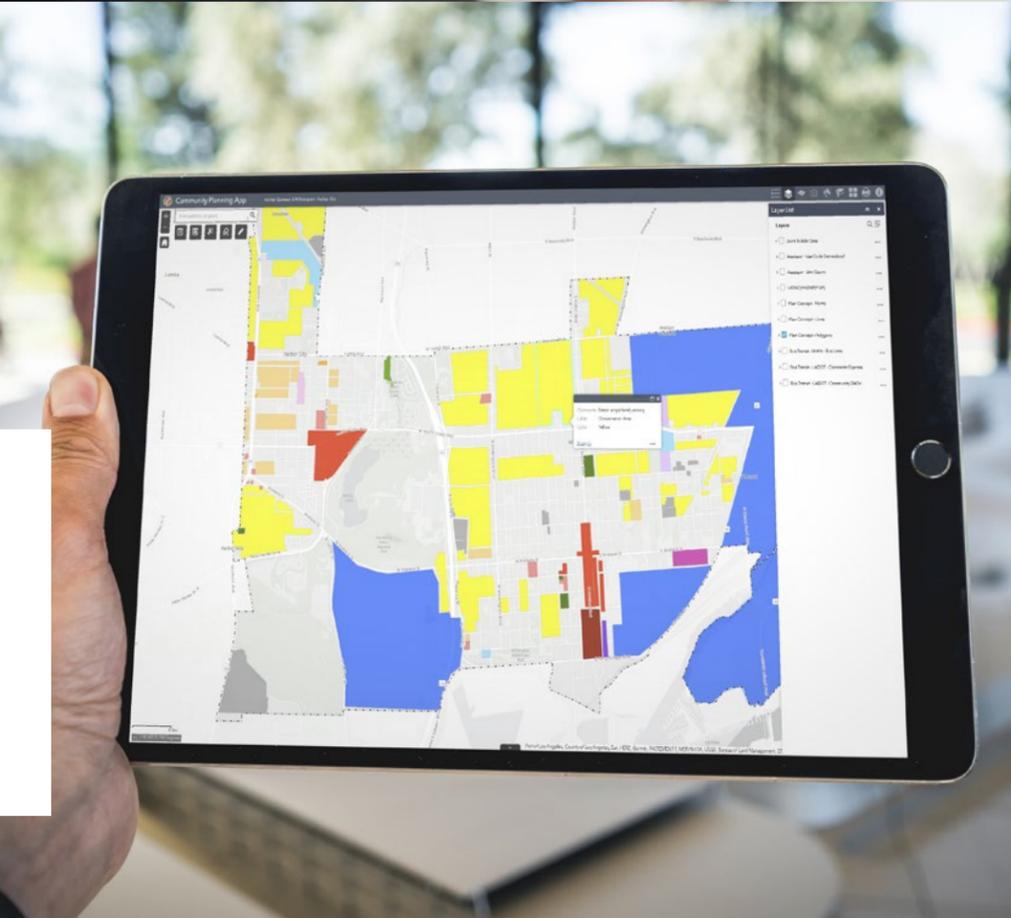
### Pinpointing Project Applications

This Entitlement Case Filings application displays discretionary entitlement case applications processed by the City Planning Department. With this new application, individuals can identify all cases that were filed with the Department over the last two months. Each project is depicted using a map marker to indicate its physical location within the City.



### 3D Design Mapping

The GeoPlanner application allows planners to use geospatial analysis to map scenario comparisons, assess site conditions, and evaluate and compare project alternatives.



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## awards

The City Planning Department continues to be at the forefront of innovative new practices, recognized by nationwide leaders in the planning profession for its cutting-edge policies.

In 2018, the Department was the recipient of numerous awards for its efforts in promoting sustainable and equitable land use policies.



### **Award of Excellence for Planning Agency**

**Los Angeles Department of City Planning**

American Planning Association, California Chapter

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### **Award of Excellence for Comprehensive Plan, Large Jurisdiction**

**South and Southeast Los Angeles Community Plans**

American Planning Association, California

Chapter and Local Section

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### **Award of Excellence for Advancing Diversity & Social Change**

**Cannabis Social Equity Program**

American Planning Association, California

Chapter and Local Section

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### **Transformative Climate Communities (TCC) Grant**

**South L.A. Climate Commons Plan**

California Strategic Growth Council

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## financials

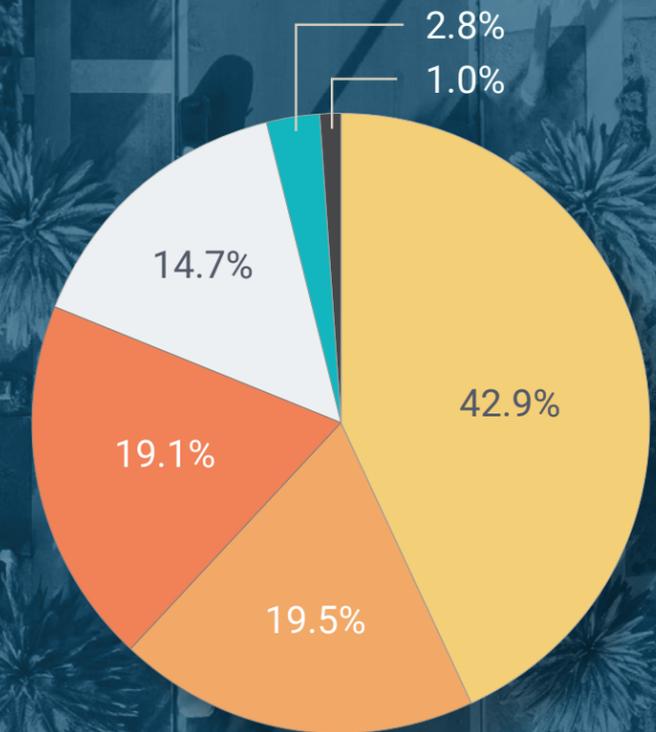
The Mayor and City Council approved a nearly \$10 billion spending plan for the City of Los Angeles's Fiscal Year 2018-19 budget. Nearly \$50 million of the adopted budget was allocated to the City Planning Department to support initiatives that build on Mayor Eric Garcetti's efforts to create a more equitable and resilient City.

Approximately \$3.7 million of the budget funded two new teams to update the City's 35 community plans. An additional \$1.2 million was reserved for continued funding of the public counter at the three Development Services Centers.

The ongoing funding of the Department, its core initiatives, and the 371 employees who plan for the City is critical to the success of important plans and policies that advance job and housing opportunities for all Angelenos.

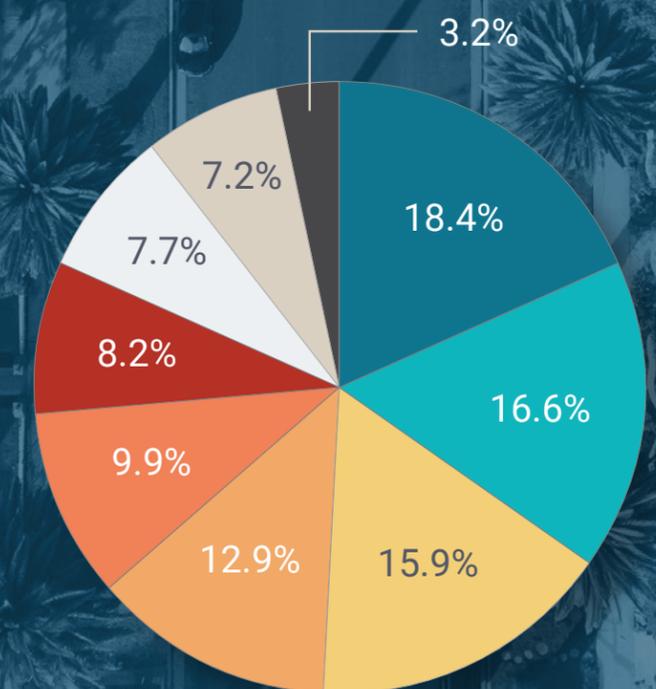
### Revenue

- Planning Case Processing Fund
- Long-Range Planning Fund
- General Fund
- City Planning Systems Development Fund
- Building and Safety Permit Enterprise Fund
- Other



### Expenditure

- Technology Support
- Geographic Project Planning
- Community Planning
- Development Services
- Major Projects and Project Plan Support
- General Administration and Support
- Citywide Planning
- Neighborhood Initiative and Transit Oriented Planning
- Historic Resources



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## elected officials

Eric Garcetti, Mayor

Mike Feuer, City Attorney

Ron Galperin, City Controller

Gilbert Cedillo, Council District 1

Paul Krekorian, Council District 2

Bob Blumenfield, Council District 3

David E. Ryu, Council District 4

Paul Koretz, Council District 5

Nury Martinez, Council District 6

Monica Rodriguez, Council District 7

Marqueece Harris-Dawson, Council District 8

Curren D. Price, Jr., Council District 9

Herb J. Wesson, Jr., Council District 10

Mike Bonin, Council District 11

Greig Smith, Council District 12

Mitch O'Farrell, Council District 13

Jose Huizar, Council District 14

Joe Buscaino, Council District 15



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## commissions

### **City Planning Commission**

Samantha Millman, President  
Vahid Khorsand, Vice President  
David H. Ambroz  
Caroline Choe  
Karen Mack  
Marc Mitchell  
Veronica Padilla-Campos  
Dana M. Perlman  
Vacant

### **Cultural Heritage Commission**

Richard Barron, President  
Gail Kennard, Vice President  
Pilar Buelna  
Diane Kanner  
Barry A. Milofsky

### **Area Planning Commissions**

#### **North Valley**

Eric Nam, President  
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Martina Diaz  
Yvette Lopez-Ledesma  
Vacant

#### **South Valley**

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Mark Dierking, Vice President  
Rebecca Beatty  
Raymond J. Bishop  
Anna Menedjian

#### **West Los Angeles**

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Lisa Waltz Morocco, Vice President  
Esther Margulies  
Heather Rozman  
Adele Yellin

#### **Central Los Angeles**

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Oliver Delgado, Vice President  
Jennifer Barraza Mendoza  
Ilissa Gold  
Nicholas Schultz

#### **East Los Angeles**

Helen Leung, President  
Patricia Alarcon, Vice President  
Christopher Arellano  
Donna Choi  
Teri Stein

#### **South Los Angeles**

Eric D. Bates, President  
Gail Willis, Vice President  
Antoinette Anderson  
Jaqueline Orozco  
Stevie Stern

#### **Harbor**

Esther Hatch, President  
Mona Sutton, Vice President  
James Dimon  
Mitchell Harmatz  
Alma Ortiz



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