LOS ANGELES CITY PLANNING

FACT SHEET

Redevelopment Plan Procedures Reinstatement Ordinance

Summary

The Redevelopment Plan Procedures Reinstatement Ordinance will amend the Processes and Procedures Ordinance (Ordinance No. 187,712) to reinstate Section 11.5.14 (Redevelopment Plan Procedures) in Chapter 1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) and remove references to the Chinatown and North Hollywood Redevelopment Plans that have expired. The Processes and Procedures Ordinance, adopted in 2022, amended Chapter 1 of the LAMC and established Chapter 1A of the LAMC to reorganize the administrative processes and procedures related to zoning and land use entitlements. As part of this comprehensive update, Section 11.5.14 Redevelopment Plan Procedures were inadvertently removed from Chapter 1 of the LAMC. The proposed ordinance is a technical and administrative correction to reinstate Section 11.5.14 in Chapter 1 of LAMC and does not propose any policy changes.

Background

The Redevelopment Plan Procedures (Ordinance No. 186,325) were originally adopted in Fall 2019 by the City Council to effectuate the transfer of the land use related plans and functions of the former Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA/LA) to the City of Los Angeles (City). Since the transfer of the land use authorities, City Planning staff oversee the review and approval of projects related to land use within adopted Redevelopment Plan areas in the City. The reinstatement of Section 11.5.14 in Chapter 1 of LAMC will ensure that the City continues to have authority in the implementation of the Redevelopment Plan Procedures in Ordinance No.186,325. The dissolution of the former CRA/LA under Assembly Bill (AB)x1 26 took effect on February 1, 2012. While ABx1 26 dissolved redevelopment agencies, thereby eliminating redevelopment agencies' economic and financing tools, it did not abolish the Redevelopment Project Areas or eliminate the associated Redevelopment Plans. These Redevelopment Plans remain in effect until their respective expiration dates. The Redevelopment Plans are scheduled to expire over the next decade with the last sunset date being November 2033. Since the adoption of Redevelopment Plan Procedures in 2019, two Redevelopment Plans have expired: North Hollywood (February 2021) and Chinatown (January 2022). As such, references to these two Redevelopment Plans are proposed to be removed from the proposed Redevelopment Plan Procedures Reinstatement Ordinance.

Public Participation and Next Steps

As part of the adoption process, Planning staff released a draft proposed ordinance on October 2, 2023 for public comment. Additionally, staff will be holding virtual office hours on October 10th and 12th for those seeking more information or have questions on the proposed ordinance. If interested, please sign-up for a time slot <u>here</u>.

A public hearing will be held in conjunction with the City Planning Commission's (CPC) consideration of the proposed ordinance on October 26, 2023. Public comment may be submitted to Planning staff for consideration as part of staff's Recommendation Report to the CPC until October 12, 2023 at 4 p.m. Comments may be submitted to Roberto Luna at roberto.luna@lacity.org. Any comments thereafter must be sent directly to the CPC via cpc@lacity.org. The meeting agenda will be provided no later than 72 hours before the CPC meeting at Planning4LA.org/hearings and will include instructions for submitting comments directly to the CPC.