# South Los Angeles and Southeast Los Angeles Community Plans



Presentation to the City Planning Commission
June 22, 2017



### **Ambitious & Catalytic Plans**



- Revitalize underutilized corridors
- Direct smart growth near transit
- Incentivize Affordable and Mixed-Income Housing
- Protect residential neighborhoods
- Protect historic resources
- Address land use conflicts
- Preserve industrial land for jobs



### **Presentation Overview**

- City of LA General Plan
- Update Process
- Overview of the Proposed Plans
- Implementation
- Recommended Revisions
- Next Steps





# City of LA General Plan



### City of Los Angeles General Plan

- All California municipalities are required to keep their General Plans up to date.
- 7 Elements are required, including Land Use, Housing, Circulation and Noise.
- LA's General Plan contains 11 Elements.
  - The Framework Element is unique to the City of LA.

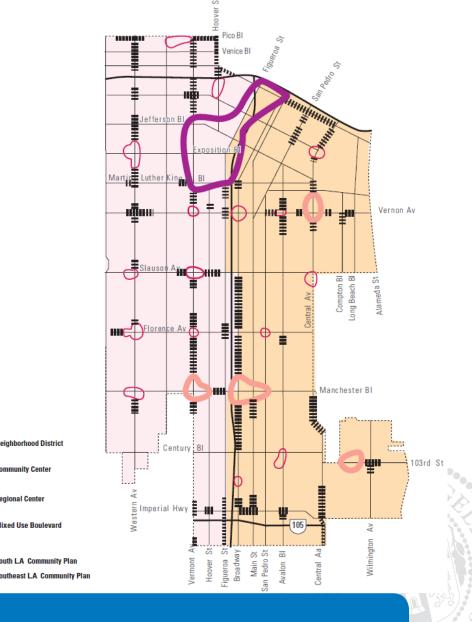






### **Framework Guiding Principles**

- Citywide context for the update of community plans.
- Contains guiding principles for all community plans.
- Hierarchy of commercial areas:
  - Neighborhood District
  - Community Center
  - Regional Center
  - Mixed-Use Boulevard



### **Land Use Element**



- **35 Community Plans** comprise the City's Land Use Element.
- Considered the "blueprint" guiding development for an area of the City.
- Strikes a balance amongst community desires for the community plan areas.
- Community Plans are updated periodically.

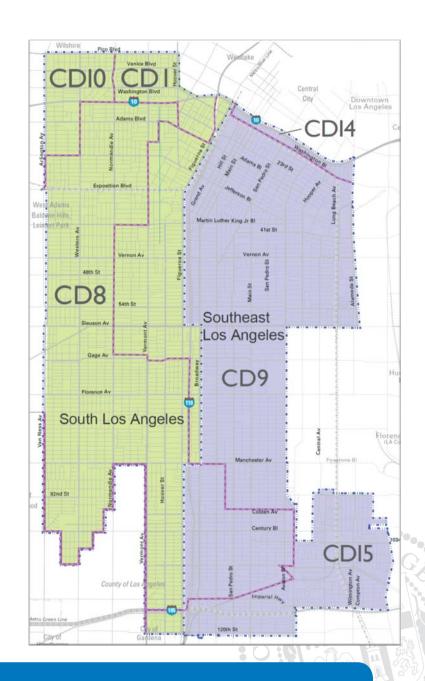
### **Plan Area Context**

### **South Los Angeles**

- **15.4** square miles
- 270,354 population (2010 Census)
- **5** Council Districts
- 10 Neighborhood Councils

### **Southeast Los Angeles**

- **15.7** square miles
- **278,337** population (2010 Census)
- 4 Council Districts
- 10 Neighborhood Councils



## **Update Process**





### **Community Engagement**

- Extensive Outreach: Over 200 community meetings held since 2008.
- Community Plan Advisory Committees (CPACs): Initiated in 2008.
- Joint Open House/Public Hearings: December 3 and 6, 2016 -Draft Plans were presented to the community for review and feedback.
- Online: Plan websites, Facebook pages, and Virtual Open House













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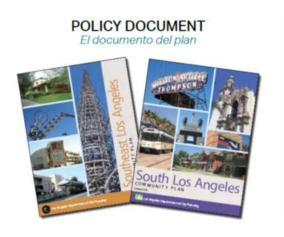
# Overview of the Proposed Plans





### **Community Plan Components**

- Policy Document:
  - Goals, policies and programs
  - Design Guidelines Appendix
- General Plan Land Use Map
- Land Use and Zone Changes
- Community Plan Implementation Overlay Districts (CPIOs)





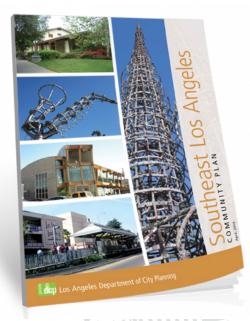


### **Policy Documents**

#### Six Chapters

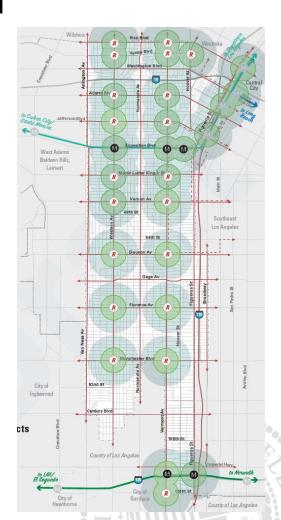
- 1: Introduction and Orientation
- 2: Community Background
- **3:** Land Use and Urban Design
- **4:** Mobility
- **5:** Community Facilities and Infrastructure
- **6:** Implementation
- Appendix A: Public Outreach Process
- Appendix B: Design Guidelines



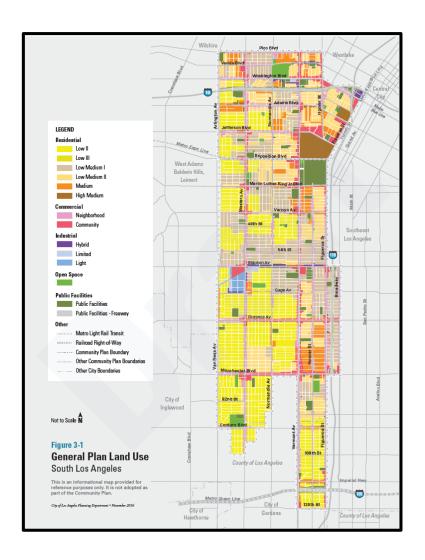


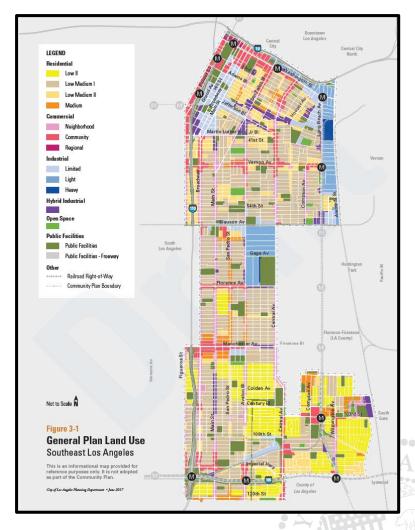
### **Overarching Themes**

- Revitalize Corridors and Protect Neighborhood Character
- Establish Transit-Oriented District Plans
- Preserve Viable Industrial Land for Emerging Job-Generating Uses
- Resolve Residential-Industrial Land Use Conflicts
- Increase Housing Opportunities
- Create Healthy and Sustainable Communities



### **General Plan Land Use Maps**





### **Vision Statements**

"South Los Angeles is a **diverse community** that embraces its **history**, fosters **sustainable** neighborhoods, and promotes **economic viability for everyone**."

South Los Angeles CPAC

"By emphasizing its rich cultural and architectural history and its diverse and empowered population, the Southeast Los Angeles Community Plan encourages responsible development that enhances the quality of life for residents, creates healthy and sustainable neighborhoods and promotes business development that serves the needs of the community."

Southeast Los Angeles CPAC

## Implementation





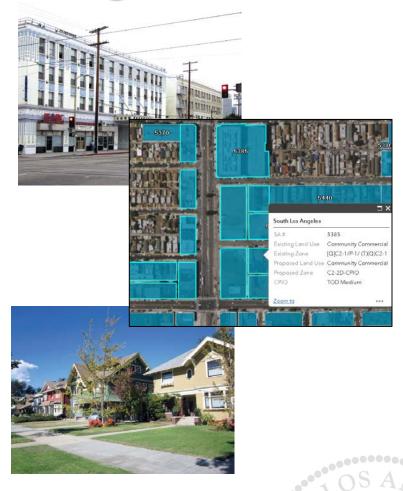
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#### PROACTIVE CHANGES:

- Direct future growth to select commercial corridors and near transit.
- Apply design and use regulations.

#### PROTECTION AREAS:

- Transition non-viable industrial areas to an appropriate land use and zone.
- Idenify neighborhood conservation areas.
- CLEAN-UP: Correct inconsistencies in land use and zoning.



### **CPIO Districts**

#### USE REGULATIONS:

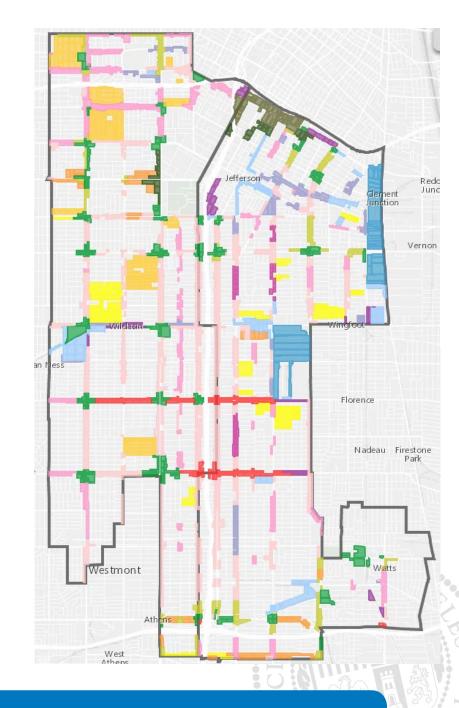
- Restrictions Prohibited in some areas, distance separation requirement in others.
- Incentives Bonus FAR, Height, Density, and/or parking reductions.

#### DEVELOPMENT AND DESIGN STANDARDS:

Including Transitional Height requirements.



- ADMINISTRATIVE CLEARANCE
  - DESIGN GUIDELINES



### **CPIO Subareas**



TOD SUBAREAS

INDUSTRIAL SUBAREAS

RESIDENTIAL SUBAREAS





Foster commercial revitalization and provide a diversity of commercial goods and services.

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- Low
- Medium
- High
- Regional

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- Prohibit auto-oriented uses in TODs

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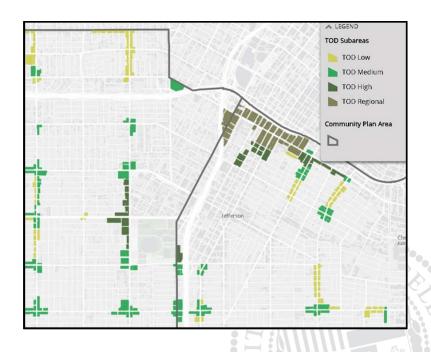
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# **Corridors & TOD Design Standards**



# **TOC vs CPIO**

TOC Incentive Program (Draft Guidelines, March 2017)				CPIO Subareas where TOC Guidelines have been superceded*			
Low (Tier 1)	Medium (Tier 2)	High (Tier 3)	Regional (Tier 4)	TOD Low	TOD Medium	TOD High	TOD Regional
50% Increase	Bump up one zone (usually 100% increase)	No Limit (R1, RD, and R2 exempt)	No Limit (R1, RD, and R2 exempt)	R3> R4 (100% increase)	R3> R4 (100% increase)	R3> R4 (100% increase)	No Limit
11 ft. +	33%	50% +	75%	1 story	1 story	1 story	12 (additional w/ CUP)
DB*	CPIO**	CPIO**	N/A	yes	yes	yes	yes
0.5 per bedroom (AB 744)	0.5 per bedroom (AB 744)	0.5 per bedroom; 1 space max	0.2 per unit with car sharing and transit passes	25% as a 3rd parking option offered through CPIO.	50% as a 3rd parking option offered through CPIO.	50% as a 3rd parking option offered through CPIO.	50% as a 3rd parking option offered through CPIO.
50% increase	50%; at least 3.0	75%; at least 4.0	100%; at least 5.0	1.5:1 base; 2:1 Mixed-Income; 3:1 100% Affordable	1.5:1 base; 3:1 Mixed-Income and 100% Affordable	1.5:1 base; 3.5:1 Mixed-Income and 100% Affordable	2.25:1 base; 6:1 Mixed-Income and 100% Affordable



# **TOC Tiers**

### **Northern part of CPAs** Tier 4 Tier 3 Tier 2 Tier 1 West Compton Compton Area by Tiers (SqMi) 4 = 0.983 = 22.722 = 43.661 = 50.73

# **Parking Incentives**

Subareas: A: Neighborhood Serving Corridor, B: Parkway Corridor, C: General Corridor, D: Commercial-Only Corridor, E: TOD Low, F: TOD Medium, G: TOD High, H: TOD Regional Center

Subarea	Parking Standards			
A, C, D, E	Projects involving the establishment of Banks/Credit Unions, Drug Stores (Southeast only) Full-Service Grocery Stores, Federally Qualified Health Centers, Child Care, or Health Clubs may reduce the required parking for the Targeted Commercial Use by 25%.			
	Defer to underlying zoning for all other uses.			
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E	Projects involving the establishment of Mixed-Income or 100% Affordable Housing may choose to use either the parking options found in Density Bonus Ordinance, LAMC Section 12.22 A.25 or reduce the required parking for the entire Project by 25% as a third parking option.			
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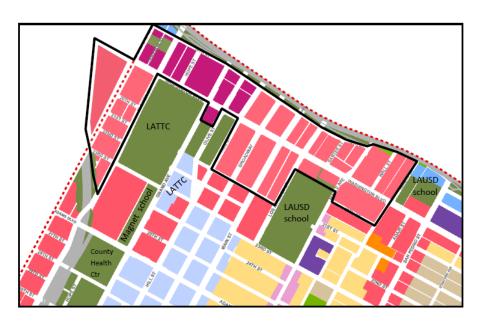


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### Washington Blvd.



**Existing Land Use** 



Proposed Land Use



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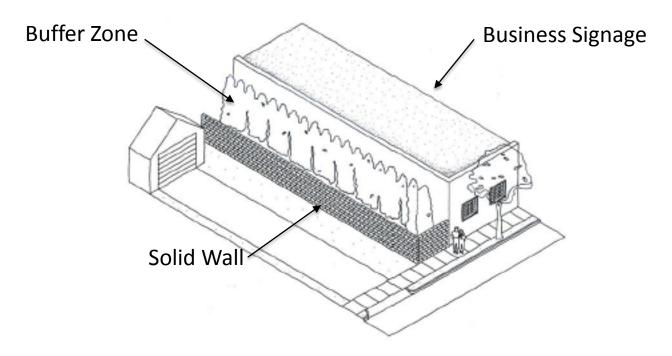
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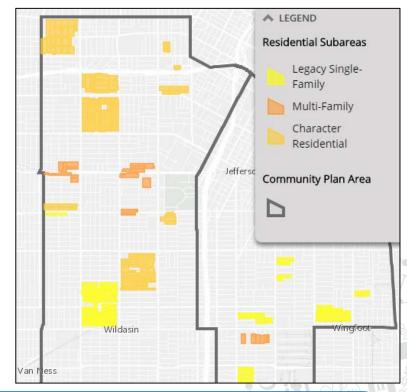
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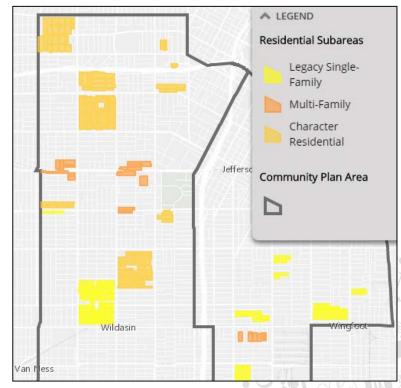
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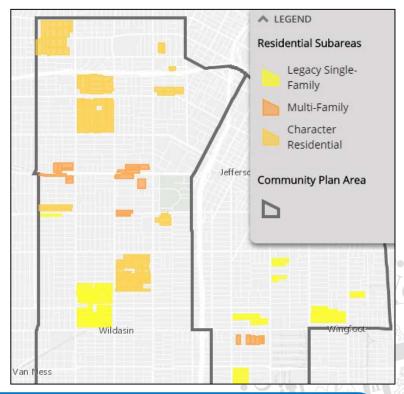
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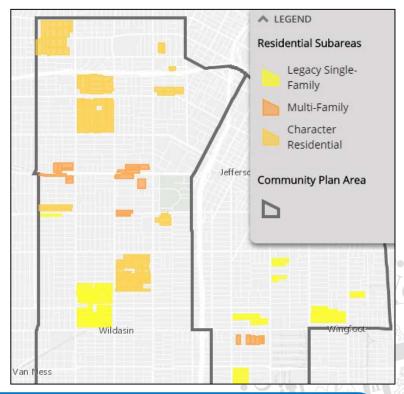
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### **Character Residential Subarea**

#### **South LA Character Residential Subarea:**

- Regulates new infill development with prevailing neighborhood character.
- Applies new R1R3 Variation Zone to Single-Family zoned areas.
- Demolition of Eligible Historic
   Resources is not over-the-counter
- Eligible Historic Resource Review





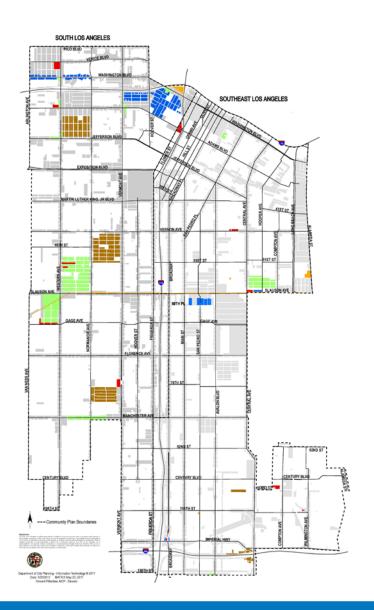
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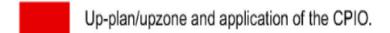


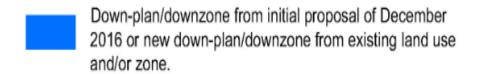
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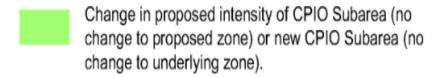


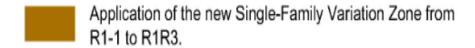








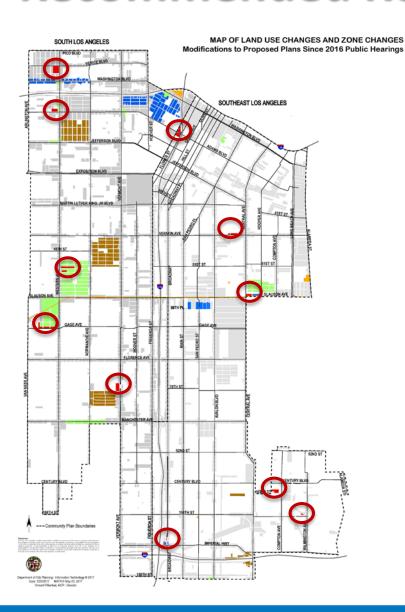






No modifications from Proposed Plans presented at 2016 Public Hearings.

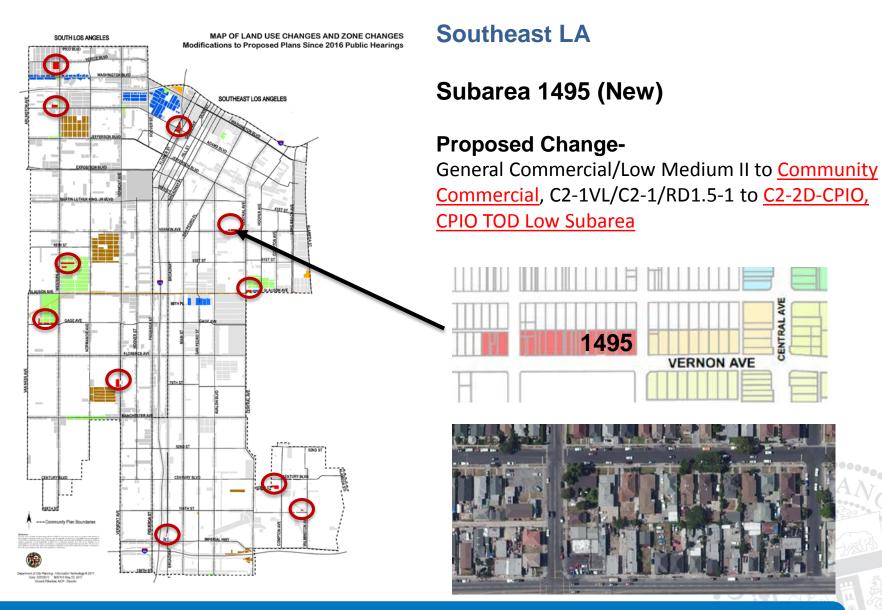


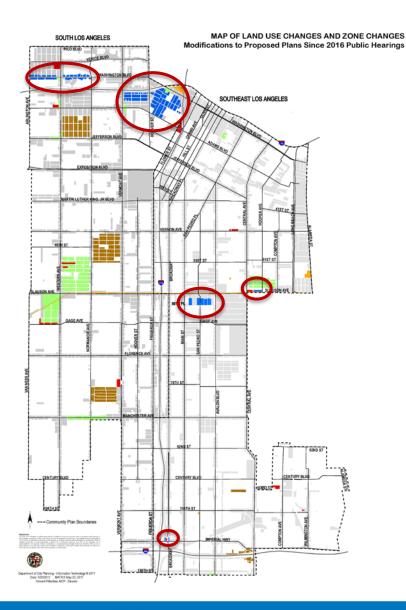




Up-plan/upzone and application of the CPIO.



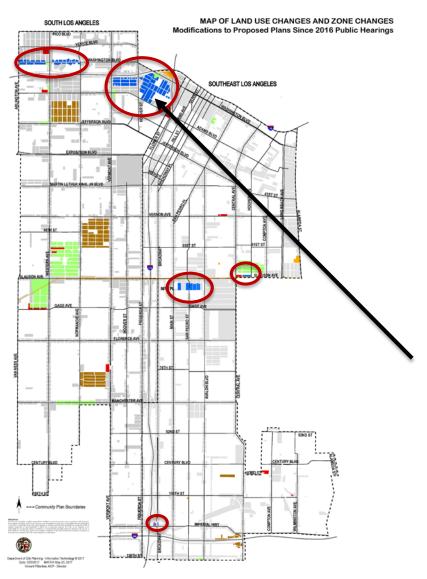






Down-plan/downzone from initial proposal of December 2016 or new down-plan/downzone from existing land use and/or zone.



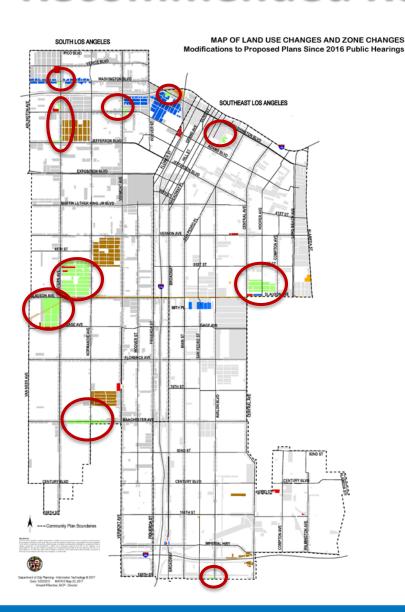


### **South LA (University Park HPOZ)**

#### **Various Subarea Areas**

- Some areas changed to RD1.5 and RD2
- Height district changed to 1XL (Maximum 2 stories or 30 ft)
- New "Q" condition
- New proposed development is more compatible with the HPOZ preservation plan.

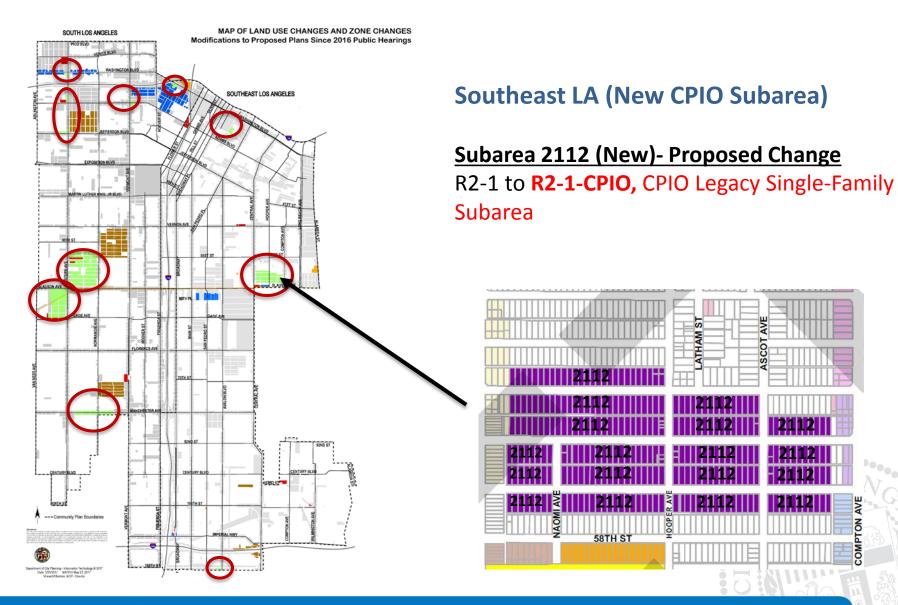


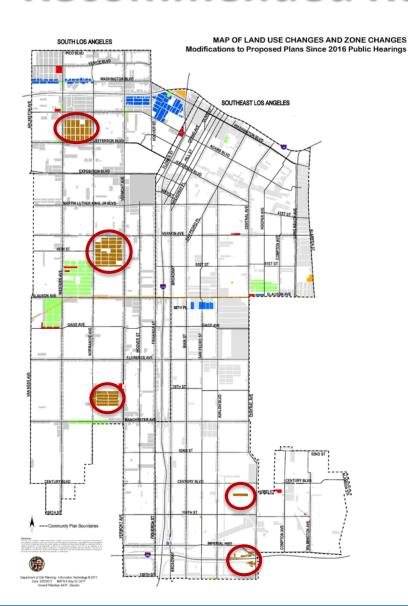




Change in proposed intensity of CPIO Subarea (no change to proposed zone) or new CPIO Subarea (no change to underlying zone).



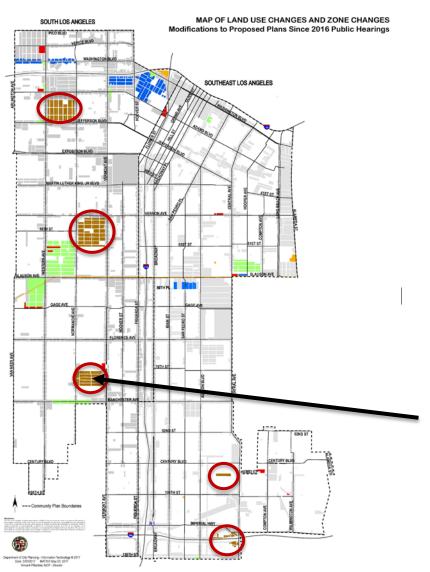






Application of the new Single-Family Variation Zone from R1-1 to R1R3.





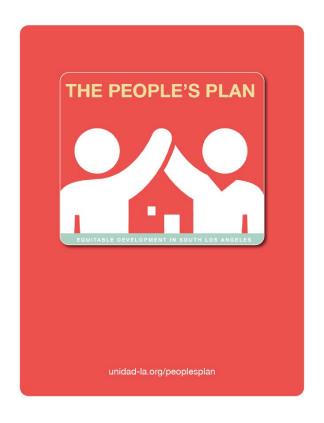
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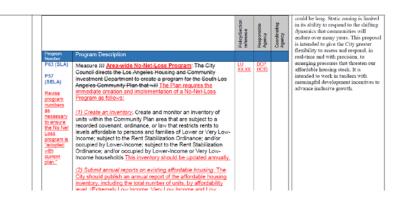
Subarea 5334 (Vermont Knolls)
Initial Proposal: R1-1 to R1-1-CPIO, CPIO

Character Residential Subarea

Revised Proposal: R1-1 to R1R3-CPIO, CPIO Character Residential Subarea









# South LA Community Plans

- Creating the most detailed planning vision ever for South L.A. region.
- Crafting a shared vision through deep community engagement.
- Reshaping our urban form around transit opportunities.
- \* Revitalizing a diverse economic base.
- Increasing affordable housing options for community residents.
- Preserving our rich cultural and historic resources.
- Jump-starting future implementation, grants, and economic development.





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