Los Angeles Department of City Planning Attendance at: Central City Association, Housing & Land Use Committee Meeting

Wednesday, June 21st 2017 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM

Consolidated Notes Regarding DTLA2040 Draft Policy & Strategies:

Housing

- Confirm that a range of housing types are able to be constructed ex. micro-units
 - As proposed, draft policy language and zoning regulations encourage development of micro-units, live/work units, family housing, co-living etc.
 - There was a comment to check open space and Quimby payment requirements. Since this is calculated as a fee per unit, it could discourage small and micro-units by making them very expensive to build.

Potential Incentive Zoning System

- Ensure open amenity space that is provided through the potential incentive zoning system will not count towards total allowable floor area
 - Can be addressed by changing how floor area is defined and calculated
 - A revised interpretation of how to calculate floor area should be reflected in the Zoning Manual
- Confirm that fees are appropriately calibrated with existing and potential fee requirements
 - DCP to coordinate with Parks & Recreation regarding application and use of fees
 - Arts Development Impact Fee, has not been updated since 1999. Currently not charged for all projects.

Mobility and Parking

- Balance long-term transportation objectives with the effect actions may have on Downtown mobility in the near-term
 - Be thoughtful of timelines in light of the completion of the Metro Regional Connector, there will be a focus on multi-modal transit. Ensure that the removal of existing vehicle travel lanes & infrastructure will still allow for smooth access and mobility within DT.
- Comments regarding potential removal of a minimum parking requirement in DT
 - Reasonable to potentially remove parking minimums, it is typically an added cost to development
 - o For those projects that elect to provide parking need to carefully consider design reqs
 - Draft requirements such as wrapping the parking with active uses, not allowing ground floor parking, subterranean parking – makes providing parking expensive
- Ensure that resiliency and sustainability are addressed in the Plan
 - Policy language speaks to these objectives
 - o Through zoning for sustainable development practices
 - Flexible building types that can evolve over time, resilient to changing industry



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