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Los Angeles City Planning Department Launches Nine New Community Plan Updates

New Teams to Update Plans for the Harbor, Southeast Valley, and West Los Angeles Areas

LOS ANGELES — The City Planning Department has initiated a series of updates to 9 community plans, as part of an ongoing citywide effort to update all 35 by 2024. This includes two community plans in the Harbor, three in the Southeast Valley, and four in the Westside. To support this expanded work program, the Department has created three additional community plan teams — each staffed with planners who are updating between two to four contiguous community plans in their geography.

In total, there are 16 community plan updates currently underway, covering 180 square miles — approximately 40% of the entire city. This marks nearly a threefold increase compared to January 2017. The accelerated timeline for the proposed updates will help achieve more sustainable results, ensuring that the adoption of the new community plans keep pace with the latest development trends.

Each community plan outlines specific growth strategies to accommodate a healthy distribution of land uses related to housing, jobs, mobility, and climate change. Collectively, the 35 community plans comprise the City’s Land Use Element — one of the seven state-mandated elements of the General Plan responsible for informing all local land use decisions.

“The City made a commitment in 2017 to update all 35 community plans within six years, and we are making real progress toward that goal,” said Councilmember José Huizar, chair of the Planning & Land Use Management Committee. “It is absolutely imperative in a city as dynamic as Los Angeles that we regularly update our community plans with ample stakeholder input so that we can consider in a thoughtful and deliberate manner how our neighborhoods grow and evolve into the future.”

Both the Mayor and City Council have endorsed the Department’s overall efforts by providing budgetary support and increased staffing. As a result, six plans have been adopted since 2015, with an additional seven updates in progress.

“This is an exciting time for Los Angeles,” stated Director of Planning Vince Bertoni. “While results won’t happen overnight, we’re making real progress. We have the resources today to bolster

jobs, enhance mobility, and accommodate housing through the blueprint of our community plans — a critical tool for shaping where and what types of buildings are constructed, and how they are used.”

In the upcoming weeks, the Department will be releasing a full schedule of community events to offer stakeholders the opportunity to share their feedback. To learn more, visit the *Community Planning Updates* page on the Department’s website: <http://planning.lacity.org/>.

Status of Community Plan Updates

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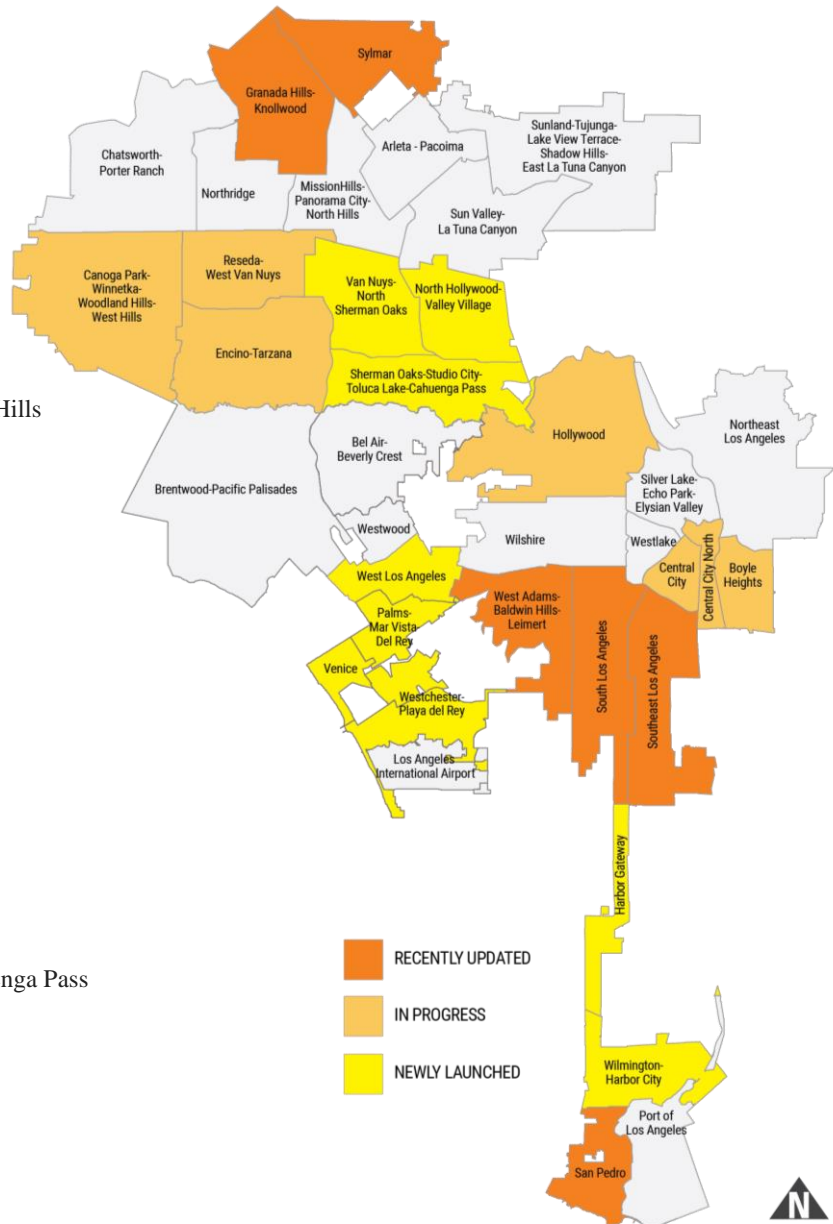
- Sylmar
- Granada Hills
- West Adams-Baldwin Hills-Leimert
- South Los Angeles
- Southeast Los Angeles
- San Pedro

IN PROGRESS

- Canoga Park-Winnetka-Woodland Hills-West Hills
- Reseda-West Van Nuys
- Encino-Tarzana
- Hollywood
- Boyle Heights
- Central City
- Central City North

NEWLY LAUNCHED

- Venice
- Westchester-Playa del Rey
- Palms-Mar Vista-Del Rey
- West Los Angeles
- Sherman Oaks-Studio City-Toluca Lake-Cahuenga Pass
- North Hollywood-Valley Village
- Van Nuys-North Sherman Oaks
- Harbor-Gateway
- Wilmington-Harbor City



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