





DEPARTMENT OF CITY PLANNING, CITY OF LOS ANGELES

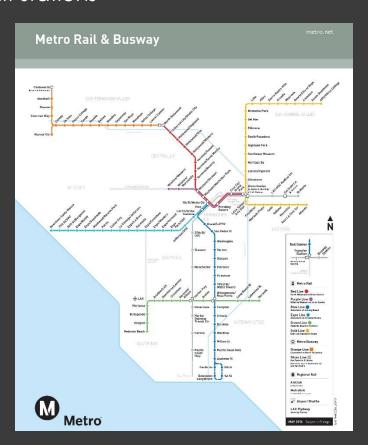
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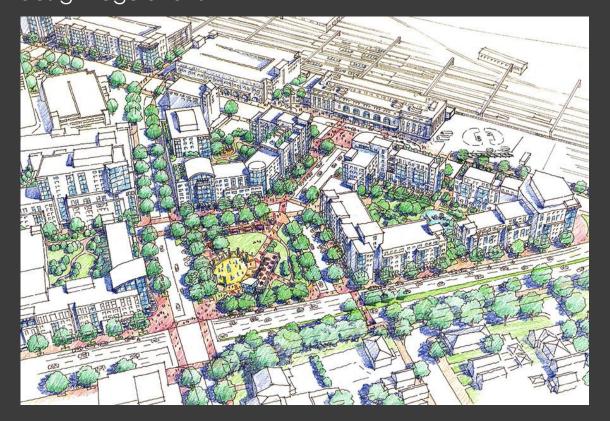


# Overview: Roles of Department of City Planning and Metro

**METRO** – A countywide agency that plans, constructs, and operates bus and rail lines and transit stations



**DEPARTMENT OF CITY PLANNING** – A City of Los Angeles department that regulates the development of private property near transit, including density, height, size, and design regulations







Overview: Relationship Among Department of City Planning Efforts

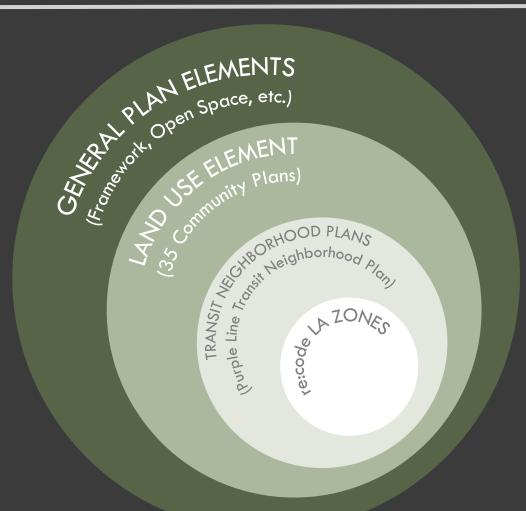
- MAJOR RELATED CITY PLANNING EFFORTS
  - General Plan update A visioning process to update the state-required General Plan elements
  - Land Use Element An effort to update the land use and zoning of 35 Community Plans over the next 6 years
  - Purple Line Transit Neighborhood Plan A targeted planning process around 3 Purple Line stations
    - re:code LA A rewrite of the City's zoning code, which the Transit Neighborhood Plans will utilize





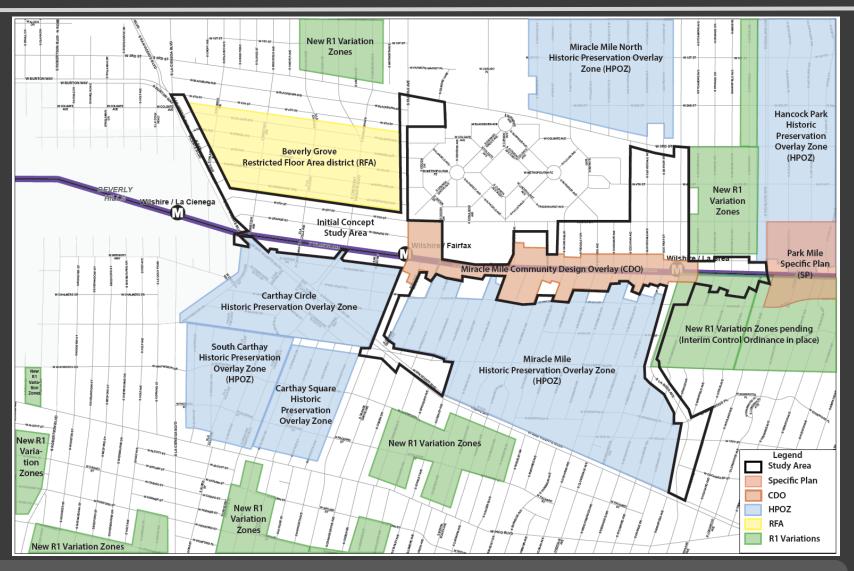






# Existing Overlays & Other Planning Efforts



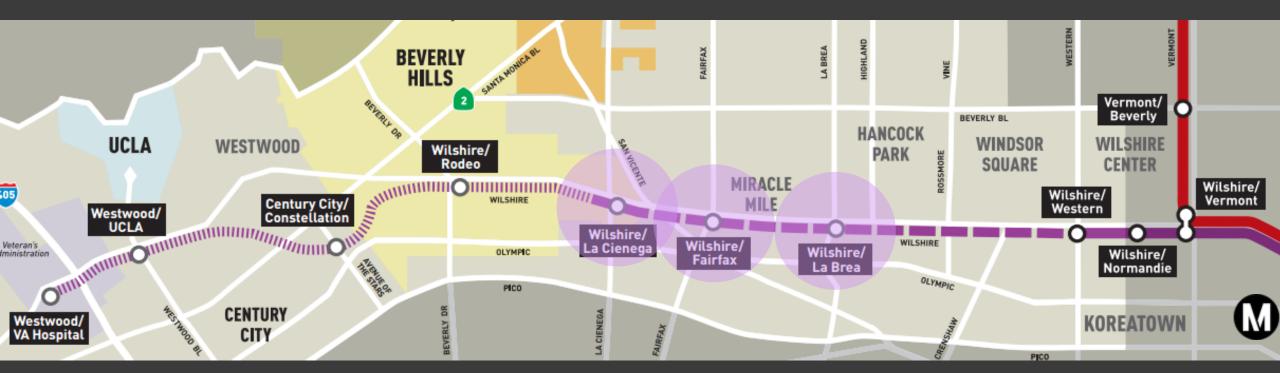






# Overview: Why This Plan Now?

- Transit Neighborhood Plans are partially funded through Metro grants secured in 2014 for station-area planning around transit to improve access and reduce greenhouse gas emissions
  - The Transit Neighborhood Plans initiative was launched to take advantage of the opportunity for additional resources prior to the General Plan update and accelerated Community Plan updates
  - All planning efforts are separate, but closely coordinated within the Department of City Planning





# Overview: Project & Goals

- Purple Line Transit Neighborhood Plans Project
  - New zoning for three transit neighborhoods along the Purple Line
  - Guide for future development through 2040
  - No development projects are proposed this long-range planning effort will develop regulations for any new development

#### Goals

- Create opportunities for more jobs and housing near transit
- Foster a vibrant mix of uses within each station area
- Increase access to a variety of mobility options for all
- Improve quality of public spaces for residents, employees, and visitors







### Overview: Timeline

2016 2017 2018 2019

Community **Engagement** 

Plan Development Concept Plan & Public **Feedback** 

**Environmental** Review

**Revised** Plan & **Adoption** 

**Implementation** 

















### Overview: Timeline

2016

Community **Engagement** 













- Focus Groups with community groups, **BIDs**
- Presentations to Neighborhood Councils
- 2 Public Visioning Workshops
- Walking Tours





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2017 Plan Development



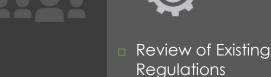












- Market Study
- Feasibility Analysis
- Initial Concepts





### Overview: Timeline

2017

Concept Plan & Public **Feedback** 







- Share initial concepts and visions
- Collect feedback
- Make revisions







# Overview: What We've Heard – Key Themes





### **PLACES**



**DESIRE FOR DESTINATIONS & NEIGHBOROHOD-SERVING USES** 



**OPEN SPACE & GREEN** SPACE



**BICYCLE AMENITIES** 

### **GETTING AROUND**



**OPTIONS AROUND MOBILITY** 





### LIVABILITY



KEEP DENSITY CLOSER TO **STATIONS** 



**DIVERSITY OF TYPES & COST** OF HOUSING



NEED FOR AFFORDABLE **HOUSING & SOCIAL SERVICES** 

#### **DESIGN**



**RESPECT FOR HISTORIC CHARACTER** 



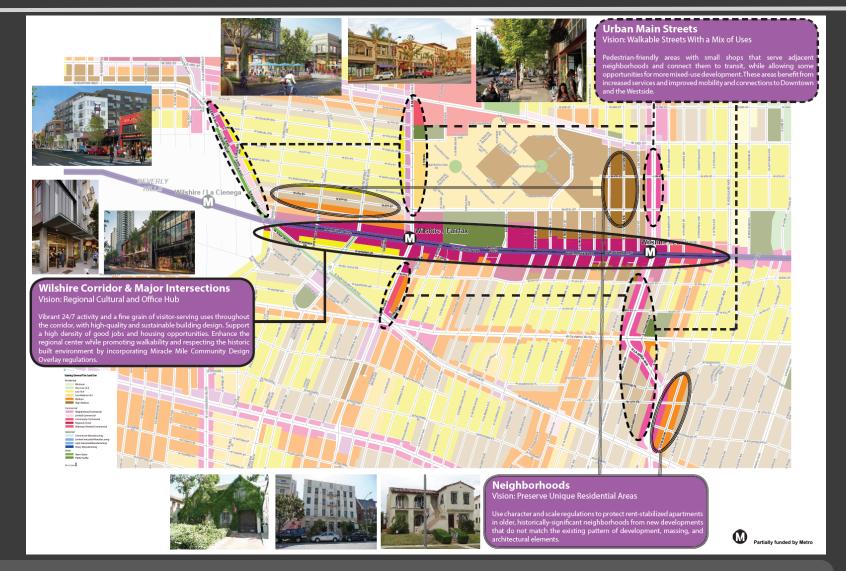
**SAFETY & CLEANLINESS** 



PEDESTRIAN-FRIENDLY DESIGN & WAYFINDING



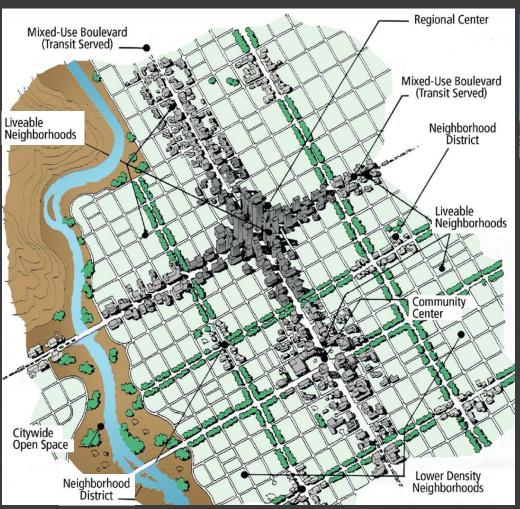
### Vision for 2040



# Strategies















Wilshire Corridor & Major Intersections - Focus development where it can be sustained, as long as it provides community benefits

- Develop "Base" and "Bonus" system to encourage provision of community benefits
- Allowable development stepping down in intensity from Wilshire
- Incorporate metrics from existing design overlays
- Required step-backs for taller buildings to minimize imposing mass and allow for light

Urban Main Streets - Enhance pedestrian orientation along corridors and increase opportunities for mixed-use development

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- Encourage reuse of older main street buildings through parking exceptions
- Create parking setbacks to prevent parking lots along main streets

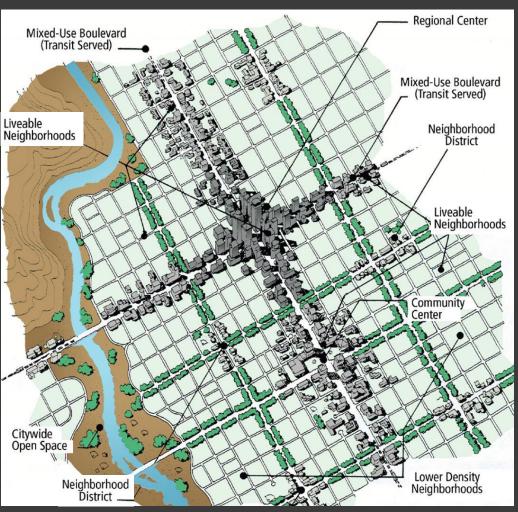
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- Retain existing character-residential areas
- Accommodate build-out pattern, scale, and mass of existing neighborhoods

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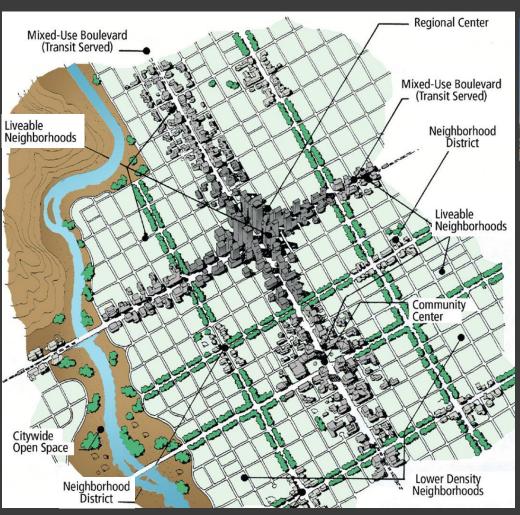
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# Next Steps: Timeline

2018 **Environmental** Review













- Conduct public Scoping Meeting
- Analyze potential environmental impacts





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