

2030 General Plan Amendments Ad Hoc Committee

City Council Meeting September 1, 2020



Status of Ad Hoc Committee

- Draft comments have been received by Councilmembers Starbuck and Vega.
- These comments relate to amendments and questions related to the Land Use, Circulation, Housing, Economic Development, and the Conservation & Open Space Elements.



Preliminary Review by Staff

Most comments received thus far are in the form of:

- 1) Recommended deletions (some are mitigation measures)
- 2) Revisions (such as "shall" statements becoming "should" statements)
- 3) Questions that should be further discussed with the Ad Hoc committee and other City Departments in formal meetings.



Preliminary Review by Staff

- Comments received thus far from the Ad Hoc are significant and need further review and analysis.
- The draft amendments would also trigger recent new legal requirements to address Environmental Justice policies into the General Plan when two or more elements are revised.



Amendment Steps

- Input from the community is needed before amendments can be processed and incorporated into a draft amendment for environmental review and circulation for comments by other local, state and federal agencies.
- Comments from the Ad Hoc Committee would be discussed in a public forum and additional comments from the public would be received.
- Public participation is an essential part of any significant amendments to the City's General Plan



Next Steps

- Additional meetings with Ad Hoc Committee
- Establish a Timeline
- Creation of a Budget (including environmental review, most likely not an Addendum)
- Begin Public Participation component to Refine Amendments