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HOUSING, ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE, AND SAFETY ELEMENTS

City of Garden Grove Focused General Plan Update and Zoning Amendments

Scoping Meeting

July 14, 2021

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Meeting Agenda

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1. Scoping Meeting Purpose
2. Project Overview
3. Purpose of CEQA
4. Scoping Meeting Comments

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Scoping Meeting Purpose

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Purpose

- Provide a description of the proposed project
- Solicit comments to refine the “scope” of the Environmental Impact Report (EIR)

Scope of Environmental Analysis

- Response to Notice of Preparation (NOP) from responsible agencies
- Input from the community (including comments during this scoping meeting)

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Project Overview

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Focused General Plan Update

- **2021-2029 Housing Element** (6th Cycle): to Meet Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA)
- **Land Use Element** (Revisions): Consistency with Housing Element
- **New Environmental Justice Element** (Address State Laws)
- **Safety Element** (Address State Laws)
- **Focus Zoning Code Amendments**: Consistency with Housing Element

A General Plan….

- **Belongs to the community** and reflects local vision and values
- **Long-term plan** for maintenance and change
- **A "living" document** that can be adjusted over time
- **Comprehensive**
  - Required elements
  - Defined planning area and/or subareas
  - Planning horizon of 15 to 25 years

Focused General Plan

Updated Elements:

- 2021-2029 Housing Element
- Land Use Element
- Safety Element

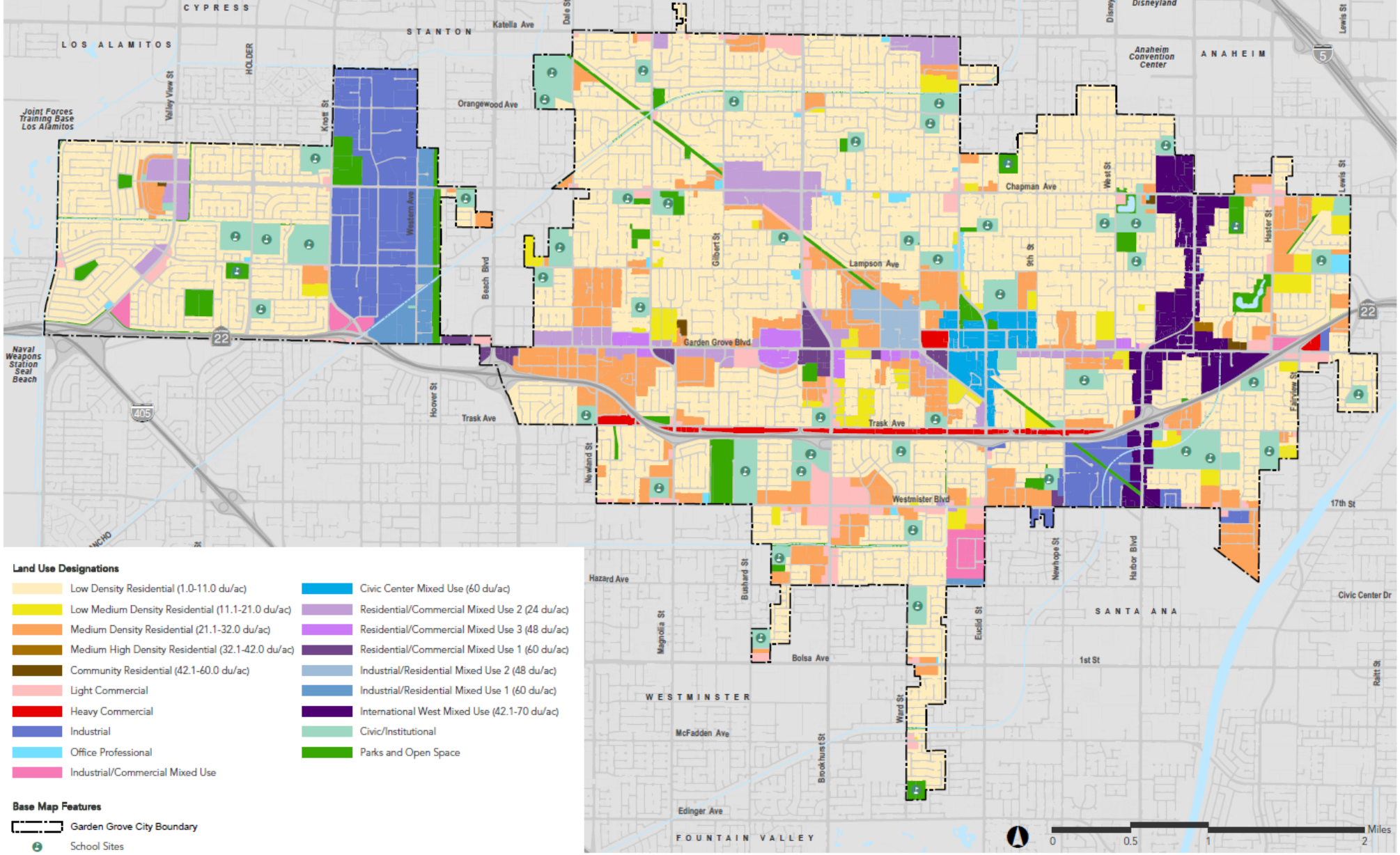
New Element:

- Environmental Justice Element

No Changes to Following Elements:

- Community Design
- Economic Development
- Infrastructure
- Noise
- Circulation
- Air Quality
- Parks, Recreation, and Open Space
- Conservation
- Safety

Draft Land Use Plan



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Buildout

Development Indicators	Existing Conditions (2020)	Future Buildout Conditions (2040)	Buildout Change (Number)	Buildout Change (Percent)
Dwelling Units	48,257	68,499	+20,242	41.9%
Population	174,801	238,619	+63,818	36.5%
Non-Residential Building Square Feet	30,232,500	29,718,000	-514,500	-1.7%
Employees	45,766	49,369	+3,603	+7.9%

Zoning Amendment

Zoning Text Amendment

- Mixed Use Density Revisions
- New Housing Overlay
- Minor Revisions to Residential Standards

Zoning Map Amendment

- Changes to Ensure Consistency Between Zoning Map and General Plan Draft Land Use Plan

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Purpose of CEQA

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California Environmental Quality Act

- Disclose project impacts to public and decision makers
- Identify ways to avoid or reduce environmental impacts
- Analyze alternatives
- Foster inter-agency coordination and review

Notice of Preparation

- Includes a **brief description of the project**, its location, and where documents relating to the project can be found
- **Notifies responsible agencies** and other interested parties that a Programmatic Environmental Impact Report (**EIR) will be prepared**
- **Solicits input** regarding the scope, focus, and content of the upcoming EIR
- **Distributed and available during a 30-day public review** and comment period

Draft EIR Topics to be Analyzed

- Aesthetics
- Agriculture/Forestry Resources
- Air Quality
- Biological Resources
- Cultural Resources
- Energy
- Geology & Soils
- Greenhouse Gas Emissions
- Hazards & Hazardous Materials
- Hydrology & Water Quality
- Land Use & Planning
- Mineral Resources
- Noise
- Population & Housing
- Public Services
- Recreation
- Transportation
- Tribal Cultural Resources
- Utilities & Service Systems
- Wildfire

Technical Studies

- Traffic Study Analysis: Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT)
- Noise and Vibration Technical Study
- Greenhouse Gases Technical Study
- Air Quality Technical Study

Other Draft EIR Elements

- **Cumulative Impacts** (project plus anticipated growth), evaluate individual project contribution to broader impacts
- **Growth-inducing Impacts:** evaluate potential to cause substantial growth
- **Significant Adverse Unavoidable Impacts:** Impacts that cannot be mitigated to a level of non-significance
- **Alternatives to the GPU:** Evaluation of alternatives that can avoid and reduce significant impacts
- **Irreversible Long-term Environmental Changes:** evaluate long-term commitment of resources, such as energy and building materials

CEQA Process Overview

Issue Notice of Preparation (NOP)	June 28, 2021
Scoping Meeting	**July 14, 2021**
Close 30-day NOP Comment Period	**July 30, 2021**
Prepare Draft EIR	August 2021
Circulate Draft EIR for Public Review	**August 2021**
Close 45-day Public Review Period	September 2021
Prepare Response to Comments	October 2021
Public Hearings (PC & CC)	**Sept & Oct 2021**

Review and Comment

Notice of Preparation
is being circulated for
30-days:

June 30, 2021 to July 30, 2021

Written or email comments can be submitted through July 30, 2021 to:

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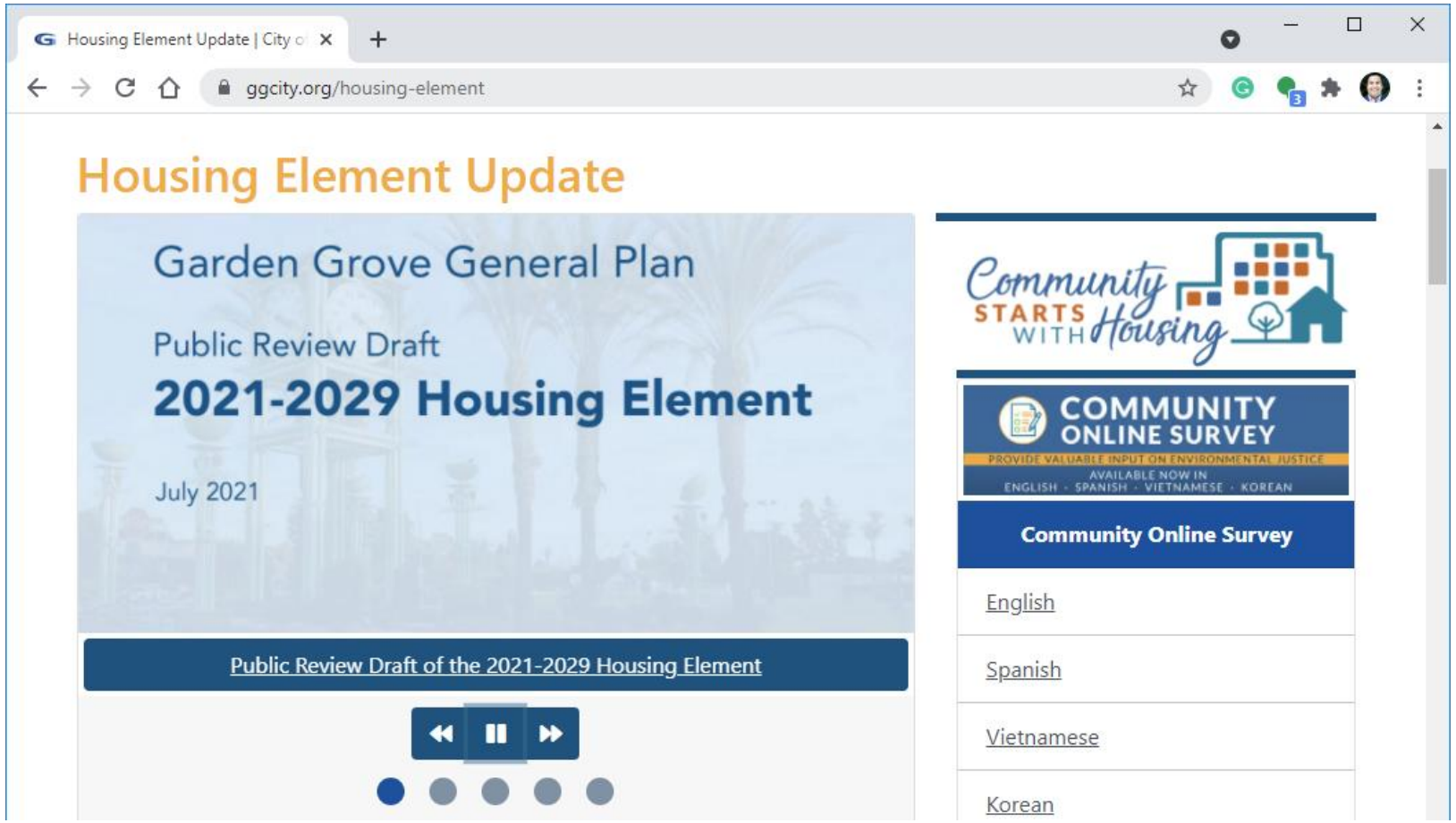
More Information



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