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#### Virtual Orientation Webinar Summary

Hosted via Zoom | May 10, June 6, June 29

#### Introduction

In May and June 2023, the City of Sacramento hosted a series of three (3) virtual orientation webinars to help kick off the Self-Guided Online Workshop for the public comment and review period of the Draft Sacramento 2040 General Plan Update (GPU) and Draft Climate Action & Adaptation Plan (CAAP). The webinars all contained the same content and presentation and were available for live translation into Spanish and Chinese.

#### Project Overview and Background

In 2009, the City of Sacramento completed a comprehensive update of its General Plan, setting forth a policy framework to guide the City's long-term growth and development based on the community's shared goals and aspirations for the planning year 2030. In 2015, a five-year technical update was completed for the 2035 General Plan. The city is now in the process of finalizing the 2040 General Plan Update, with a particular emphasis on involving historically underrepresented communities.

#### The 2040 General Plan is the City's blueprint for how and



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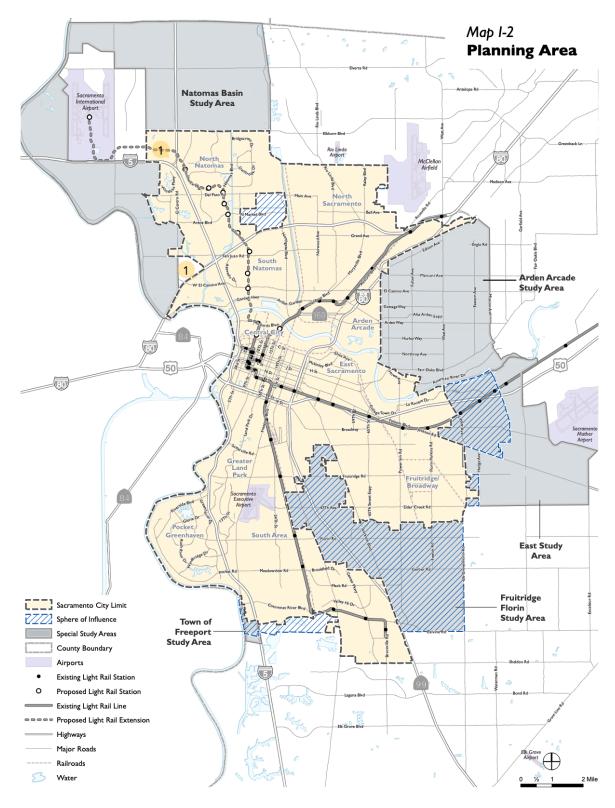
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where Sacramento will grow over the next 20 years. It will contain policies that guide everything from transportation, jobs, and public safety, to the type of homes available and much more. Along with updates to the General Plan, the City is also preparing an ambitious Climate Action & Adaptation Plan that outlines a community-wide framework for reducing greenhouse gas emissions and establishes Sacramento as a climate leader. While the Sacramento 2040 General Plan addresses citywide issues, it also includes 10 Community Plans that supplement citywide policies by addressing specific local priorities and issues unique to each community area.

The Draft 2040 General Plan and Draft Climate Action & Adaptation Plan were released for public review on April 28, 2023. These draft documents were informed by community outreach conducted in Phases 1 and 2 of the Sacramento 2040 project which engaged thousands of Sacramento residents. To collect feedback on the draft General Plan and Climate Action & Adaptation Plan, a Self-Guided Online Workshop has been developed. The Self-Guided Online Workshop is divided into roughly a dozen stations, providing high-level overviews of the major topic areas covered by the documents.



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#### Webinar Format and Schedule

The three (3) optional virtual orientation webinars were held via Zoom and included a presentation from the project team, a live demonstration of the Self-Guided Online Workshop, and discussion breaks throughout the presentation for attendees to provide comments and ask clarifying questions which was moderated by Katie DeMaio, Outreach Lead of AIM Consulting. The presentation contained the same content across all three webinars, and various City of Sacramento staff from many different departments were present to answer questions. A full list of public feedback is available in the Compilation of Feedback section of this summary report.

Below is an overview of the schedule and number of attendees for each of the three webinars.

Date/Time	Number of Attendees	
Webinar 1 Wednesday. May 10, 2023   5:30 – 7:00 p.m.	74 attendees	
Webinar 2 Tuesday, June 6, 2023   10:00 – 11:30 a.m.	51 attendees	
Webinar 3 Thursday, June 29, 2023   5:30 – 7:00 p.m.	30 attendees	

#### Presentation Overview

#### **Introductions**

First, attendees were welcomed to the webinar by Remi Mendoza, Senior Planner with the City of Sacramento and Project Manager of the 2040 General Plan Update. Then, Andrew Hill, Consultant Lead of Dyett & Bhatia, began the webinar presentation, beginning with instructions on how to navigate the Zoom meeting and join translation channels. Next, Andrew dives into the project overview, process, and details about how to participate in the process. Below is an overview of the presentation, and a full-size version is available in the document Appendix.



#### What is Sacramento 2040?

This section of the presentation explained what the General Plan and Climate Action & Adaptation Plan are and what they entail. All cities and counties in California are required to have a general plan, which serves as the "constitution" for urban development and preservation in the city over a 20-year planning horizon. General plans must address important elements such as:



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- Land Use
- Circulation
- Housing
- Conservation

- Open Space
- Noise
- Safety
- Environmental Justice

General plans can also include optional topics like historic resources and economic development, both of which are included in the Draft 2040 General Plan. The Draft 2040 General Plan also includes specific policies for Sacramento's 10 community plan areas.

The CAAP includes the following:

- Greenhouse gas inventory
- Vulnerability Assessment
- Measures and actions to reduce greenhouse gas emissions
- Strategies for adapting to projected impacts of climate change
- Path to reach citywide carbon neutrality by 2045

The planning process requires the development of a Master Environmental Impact Report (EIR), which is a detailed analysis of how the environment would be affected by a plan or development. The Master EIR will analyze the effects of implementing both the 2040 General Plan and CAAP and will be released for public input in early fall. The presentation explained that the city is updating the General Plan and the CAAP because the existing Sacramento General Plan was last completed in 2009 with a minor update in 2015. Today, Sacramento is one of the fastest-growing cities in California, projected to have 77,000 new jobs and 69,000 new housing units by 2040. There is a strong need to address new and emerging issues, trends, and opportunities.

#### Project Process

The presentation shifted to provide an overview of the project schedule, noting that the team is currently initiating Phase 4, which is the Final Plan adoption phase. A big part of this phase is gathering community input on whether the plan achieves residents' goals set out in the earlier phases. The Self-Guided Online Workshop is the main vehicle set up to gather community input, and community members are encouraged to provide input through the end of August. After the public comment period closes, the team will revise the plans based on community input and bring the project to City Council for hearings and adoption in early 2024.



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#### How to Participate

In this portion of the presentation, a live demonstration showed webinar participants how to use the Self-Guided Online Workshop to share input. The Self-Guided Online Workshop is organized into roughly twelve stations representing different topics, or "elements" of the Draft 2040 General Plan and Draft Climate Action & Adaptation Plan. Workshop participants can view and comment on any of the stations in any order.



#### Structure of Sacramento 2040

This part of the presentation provided an overview of the organization and structure of the Draft 2040 General Plan and Climate Action & Adaptation Plan. The Draft 2040 General Plan is organized into four main sections:

- Part 1: Introduction and Sustainability and Equity
- Part 2: Citywide Goals and Policies
- Part 3: Community Plans and Special Study Areas
- Part 4: Administration and Implementation
- Appendices

The two overarching themes that emerged from the process were sustainability and equity. As Sacramento is one of the fastest-growing big cities in California poised to see significant new growth in the coming decades, it is critical that this growth happens in a sustainable and equitable manner.



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The Introduction and Sustainability and Equity chapter (Part 1) presents these key themes to frame the 2040 General Plan and introduce a set of indicators that will be used to monitor progress toward achieving these key community objectives. For each indicator, a baseline metric is provided along with a future target that can be used to measure progress. The indicators cover items like commute mode share, tree canopy coverage, number of public electric vehicle chargers, and share of residents spending more than 30 percent of household income on housing. Additionally, this chapter includes a policy index which are organized by topic to help the user navigate the General Plan easily.

Part 2 of the 2040 General Plan contains 8 Elements:

- Land Use and Placemaking
- Historic and Cultural Resources
- Economic Development
- Environmental Resources and Constraints
- Environmental Justice
- Mobility

- Public Facilities and Safety
- Youth, Parks, Recreation, and Open Space

These elements contain goals, policies, and actions to achieve the vision and implement the guiding principles of the General Plan. On the following page is a table showing a few examples of policy topics provided during the presentation. A full version of the draft plan is available at <u>www.sac2040gpu.org</u>.



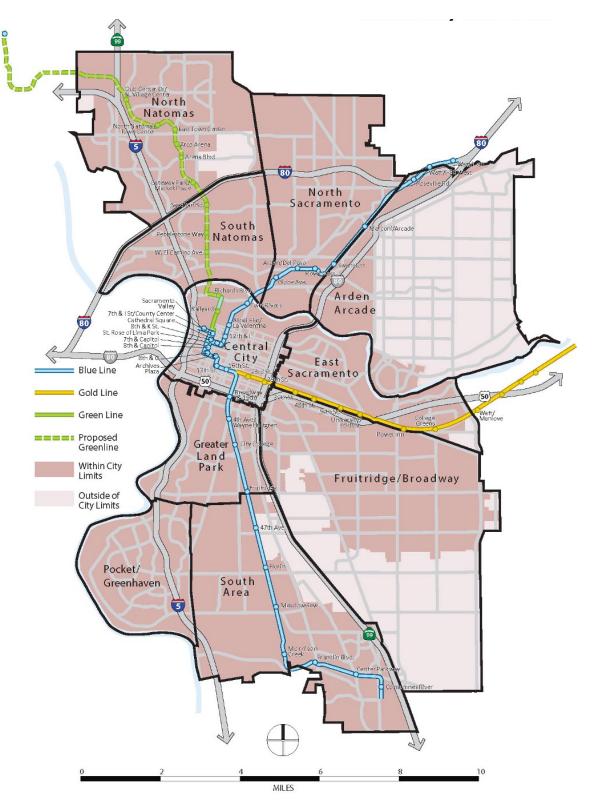
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Chapter	Example Policy Topics
Land Use and Placemaking	<ul> <li>Expanding housing types throughout the city.</li> <li>Prohibit new gas stations and limit expansions unless level 3 electric vehicle charging stations are provided.</li> <li>Prohibit new drive-through restaurants within ¼ mile of high-frequency transit stops.</li> </ul>
Environmental Resources and Constraints	<ul><li>Evaluating exposure to toxic air contaminants.</li><li>Installing heat-reducing public amenities.</li></ul>
Environmental Justice	<ul> <li>Developing neighborhood-level resilience plans.</li> <li>Prioritizing infrastructure investments to address inequities.</li> <li>Increasing representation on City boards, commissions, and City-sponsored activities and events.</li> <li>Studying the feasibility of establishing funding for outreach.</li> <li>Incorporating healthy food zoning.</li> <li>Studying the amortization of polluting industries.</li> </ul>
Mobility	<ul> <li>Promoting walking, bicycling, and transit (modal hierarchy) over cars.</li> <li>Coordinating land use and mobility planning to support frequent reliable transit.</li> </ul>
Youth, Parks, Recreation, and Open Space	<ul> <li>Evaluate, as needed, the equitable increase of public park acreage.</li> <li>A standard of 5 acres of park per 1,000 residents citywide and a 10-minute walk from a park or recreational open space.</li> <li>Developing performance-based system for prioritizing parks and recreation investments.</li> </ul>

Part 3 of the General Plan contains the 10 community plans, which supplement citywide policies based on issues unique to each community plan area. The community plan areas are Arden Arcade, Central City, East Sacramento, Fruitridge/Broadway, Greater Land Park, North Natomas, North Sacramento, Pocket/Greenhaven, South Area, and South Natomas. The following page contains a map with an overview of the ten community plan areas.



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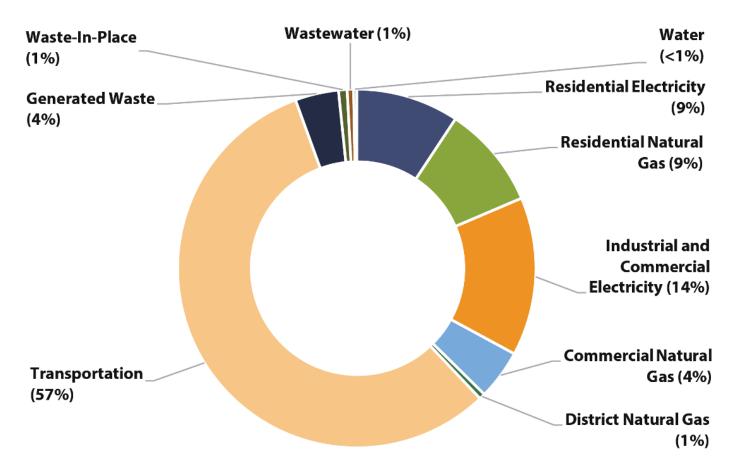


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Part 4 contains the General Plan Administration and Implementation chapter. This chapter includes a table that lists all the implementing actions of the 2040 General Plan and prioritizes them to implement various Plan concepts. It also establishes time frames and departmental responsibility for programs and actions.

The Climate Action & Adaptation Plan includes a Greenhouse Gas Inventory, climate action targets, a greenhouse gas reduction strategy, and greenhouse gas reduction measures and actions intended to implement that strategy. Sacramento's community-wide emissions for 2016 were estimated to be almost 3.5 million metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalents.

### 2016 Community GHG Emissions by Sector



The presentation highlighted that Built Environment Measures are projected to contribute 60 percent of Sacramento's GHG reductions through 2030. This includes carbon-free energy through SMUD's 2030 Zero Carbon Plan and the electrification of new and existing buildings. Promoting infill growth will also support these measures.



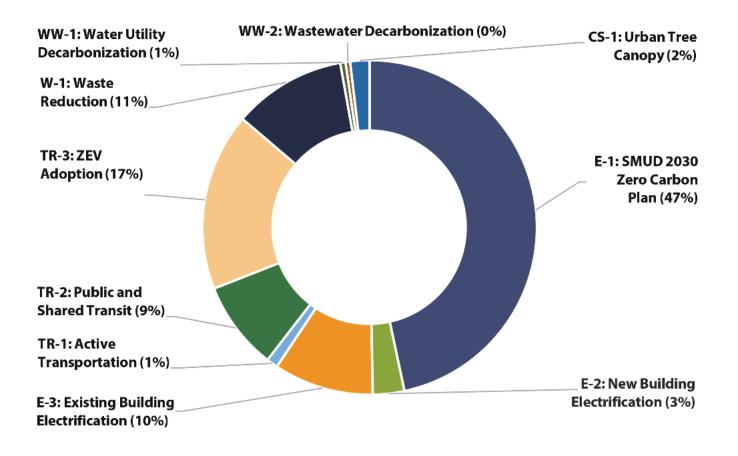
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While approximately 57 percent of Sacramento's GHG emissions come from the transportation sector, approximately 27 percent of projected GHG reductions by 2030 are expected to be achieved through the electrification of transportation, increased public and shared transit ridership, and an increase in the percentage of trips taken by biking or walking.

Approximately 5 percent of Sacramento's GHG emissions come from generated waste. Reducing organic waste disposal in landfills is projected to provide approximately 11 percent of Sacramento's GHG reductions by 2030. Reducing emissions from water utility and wastewater systems and increasing carbon sequestration from trees is projected to reduce Sacramento's GHG reductions by another 3 percent.

The 12 CAAP GHG reduction measures will ensure Sacramento meets State mandated GHG reductions by 2030, and will put Sacramento on the path to carbon neutrality by 2045.

### **Percent GHG Reduction by Measure (2030)**





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Six primary adaptation goals have been identified for the CAAP. Implementation of these goals is supported by a suite of policies and actions identified in the General Plan and Local Hazard Mitigation Plan, as well as in policies and actions specific to the CAAP.

Adaptation Goals

- Goal A-1: Strengthen City government capacity for integrated, holistic climate-adaptive strategies and reduce climate risks.
- Goal A-2: Create built environments that reduce exposure to extreme heat and mitigate the urban heat island effect.
- Goal A-3: Reduce the risk of damage to life, infrastructure, and property due to flooding.
- Goal A-4: Increase awareness of and expand community resources to address the adverse health effects of air pollution.
- Goal A-5: Increase community resilience to prepare for climate impacts.
- Goal A-6: Enhance water supply diversification and prioritize water use efficiency to build resilience to the effects of climate change.

#### Relationship to Other Plans

This section of the presentation provided an explanation of how the General Plan is related to other City documents and plans. The General Plan, other City plans, and the Zoning Ordinance differ in the level of scope and detail. The General Plan outlines a long-term vision for Sacramento's future development through a series of broad policy statements. Other City plans and the City's Zoning Ordinance implement the General Plan policies through more area-specific policies, implementation measures, and more detailed development regulations and standards. State law requires that all City plans and zoning be consistent with diagrams and policies in the General Plan. Development must not only meet the specific requirements of adopted City plans and the Zoning Ordinance but also be consistent with the broader policies outlined in the General Plan.



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The 2021-2029 Housing Element, adopted by City Council in 2021, is part of the 2040 General Plan and includes goals, policies, and programs to address housing production and affordability in Sacramento. Many of the policies and actions in the Land Use and Placemaking Element of the Draft 2040 General Plan are meant to complement and reinforce the goals of the Housing Element, especially the goal of expanding the types of housing allowed throughout Sacramento's neighborhoods to improve access to housing that is affordable and desirable for a wider range of households.

Other Sacramento planning efforts that must be consistent with the General Plan include:

- Parks Plan 2040
- Stockton Boulevard Plan

Urban Forest Plan

- Active Transportation Plan
- Existing Building Electrification Strategy (early CAAP implementation)

#### Compilation of Feedback

After the presentation was concluded, Katie and Andrew opened the meeting up for a Q&A session and encouraged attendees to share their questions and comments through the chat box. Below is an overview of all feedback received during the three webinars, organized by date. Project team responses to questions are listed in sub-bullets and bolded.

#### Webinar #1 – May 10

- What is the difference between the MEIR and Draft EIR (DEIR)?
  - All types of EIRs will have a draft and a final version. There will be a Draft Master EIR and a Final Master EIR. A MEIR is used in a long-range plan like the General Plan that has multiple parts to it, while a programmatic EIR is used for some types of plans and project-level EIRs are used for the development of a specific site.
- Are the comments anonymous or do you have to log in?
  - We're asking people to provide their names and email when submitting comments to help promote civil discourse online.
- Do any of the stations refer to a previous station? I'm thinking that I might move through them in order but may modify a comment from a prior station based on new information.
  - There is a home button at the top of each page that leads back to the landing page. We designed the online self-guided workshop to be viewed in any order, so just be sure to refer back to the home page to select other stations.
- What is the relationship between the GPU and the CAAP? And the MEIR to both?
  - The project has three components: the General Plan Update (GPU), the Climate Action & Adaptation Plan (CAAP), and the Master Environmental Impact Report (MEIR). All those components together comprise Sacramento 2040. The MEIR will examine the impacts of implementing both the GPU and the CAAP.
- Will there be other ways to comment on the draft plan for people who aren't comfortable with computers?
  - We have a physical copy of the full plan available at the Community Development Department (CDD) at 300 Richards Boulevard and the Sacramento Public Library- Central Branch for review.



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Additionally, there will be a variety of presentations and forums before the City Council and public commissions that are open to the public. You may show up in person and make comments orally at these forums or you can also send a letter to the CDD to submit your written comments. The City is also collaborating with different community organizations to do pop-up events and promote the draft plan. If a specific group or neighborhood organization is interested in a presentation on the GPU and CAAP, they can send an email to sac2040gpu@cityofsacramento.org.

- Will this recording be posted/sent to emails?
  - Yes, we will be posting the recordings online at sac2040gpu.org.
- If a program, project, or effort is described in either the GP or CAAP, is it certain that funding for implementation will be in future budgets? Or will funding sources/grant applications/likelihood of getting funding to be addressed in Part 4?
  - They are addressed in Part 4. Many of the actions are around finding resources or funding for these items. The plan identifies timing, responsible parties, and immediate actions to implement certain goals. The focus is primarily on finding funding for more near-term actions.
- Are the Mayors' Commission on Climate Change recommendations included in this?
  - $\circ$  Yes, the recommendations are included and addressed in the CAAP.
- What is a CIP?
  - Capital Improvement Plan. Budgeting for anything to do with pipes, roadways, parks, etc. is put in a five-year plan called a CIP. Sacramento is on a five-year CIP cycle.
- Will these plans be actively updated as feedback is submitted and future meetings, public hearings, etc., are held? Or will the next formal update to these plans be published after everything closes in August?
  - We're anticipating a lot of feedback from the community. We're encouraging people to share comments by the end of August. After we compile all feedback, we will prepare a hearing draft that will be formally presented to the Planning and Design Commission and then to the City Council. The feedback heard through this process will result in updates to the plan. The plans will be updated a few times before they are finalized and adopted.
- For local college students, is the best way to get involved in these and other community projects to partake in the webinar? Or are there other ways you suggest getting involved and educated on these community plans?
  - Absolutely, meetings like these are a good way to get involved in urban planning and community engagement. Most plans like these have a similar public outreach and hearing process. We encourage anyone interested to follow our process, maybe join the City's Planning Academy and learn about urban planning.
- Did the CAAP prompt any specific changes in the GPU?
  - Both documents are updated and prepared in parallel, we wanted to make sure that both are aligned and have specific policies to help meet the key plan goals. The Environmental Resources and Constraints and the Environmental Justice elements in the GP make references to the CAAP.
- How do we set up a community meeting?



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- Reach out to us via sac2040gpu@cityofsacramento.org to set up a meeting or presentation.
- You mentioned reliance on public transportation. Recent stories indicate public transportation is struggling. I don't ride anymore due to safety concerns and reliability. How is the current state of public transportation considered based on future needs? As assumptions are made on use, what is this based on?
  - Some of the data show that weekday transit ridership is not what it was before the pandemic, as office-based jobs are more often working from home or have a hybrid schedule. However, weekend transit use is back up in some cities. We will need to monitor how things change over the next couple of years. The General Plan has a 20-year outlook, so the data is not rooted in any point in time, but we do look at trends/tendencies and what kind of factors can promote more frequent and reliable transit. Sacramento is set up well for transit lines that link to key centers.
- What would a "home run" result of this process look like?
  - Sacramento has the makings of a sustainable compact land use pattern that promotes frequent reliable transit and promotes other modes of travel. A home run for plan implementation would ideally see a lot of new growth along corridors at key centers and incorporate a variety of housing types. Sacramento is over 60% single-family homes, which is higher than other cities of similar size. Our vision statement for the GPU and CAAP is that Sacramento will be a national model of sustainable and community development, so working with many different communities and organizations to achieve this goal would be great.
- What assumption(s) are in the CAAP regarding whether light rail will be available in Natomas or not? Does the continued delay in constructing a light rail in Natomas affect or pose a risk in the CAAP?
  - Natomas light rail was assumed in the traffic and GHG modeling but not itemized. When looking at transportation, we are relying on SACOG's model, which is built on land use assumptions and an overall portfolio of projects. You can look at the CAAP and the strategies included there, including an 11% transit mode share to achieve our goals. This is a significant change. Expanding transit north of the river is very critical. Look at Appendix C, and read the assumptions and CAAP strategies.
- Is there a streamlined/transitional process for entitlement applications that meet the General Plan 2040, but don't meet the currently adopted General Plan? Will there be a plan to transition, or will it just depend on an application being submitted after the GP is adopted?
  - The GP doesn't go into effect until it was adopted. Any project that comes through will have to comply with development standards at the time of submission. We want to make sure the community is aware of any development standards that would come out in 2024 result of the GP being adopted.
- With the city's current focus on placing funding in disenfranchised neighborhoods, how does the plan update address/approach equitable funding across all neighborhoods within Sacramento?
  - The EJ Element identifies areas of the city most cumulatively impacted by environmental justice issues and articulates a strategy for investment prioritization to address long-standing



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inequities, empower disadvantaged residents, and build resilience across neighborhoods. Please take a look at that and share your thoughts.

- Does the GPU or the CAAP include specific actions beyond surveying existing conditions for a) areas impacted by toxic air contaminants and b) areas changed to be more resilient?
  - There's a robust suite of policies and actions for monitoring localized air quality impacts, but also actions to address them. We will need to quantify and characterize air quality issues to develop actions to address issues. There is a framework at a statewide level for doing local community air quality plans. The GP doesn't anticipate needing to wait until state grants are available before proceeding. It identifies actions to collaborate with community groups and the air district to monitor air quality.
  - The Environmental Justice Element of the GP will have strategies that reduce criteria air pollutants. In our Land Use and Placemaking Element, we are looking at implementation actions to develop zoning performance standards that would address any compatibility issues between industrial manufacturing sites that are adjacent to residential developments.
- It seems like the FAR around some high-frequency transit stops is still quite low (i.e., 1.0 FAR), which contradicts this discussion a little. How was the FAR around high-frequency transit determined and is there an opportunity to set a higher minimum FAR within a radius of high-frequency transit?
  - The process for identifying the max base FAR was based on proximity to transit, proximity to Central City, the extent of existing development, and potential for future development. The Land Use and Placemaking element provides incentives and potential for bonus FAR for qualifying projects within transit-oriented corridors and key centers. The City does do a more frequent update to GP than other cities, and there is an annual progress report to take stock of how the plan is progressing. We also have a suite of indicators in Chapter 2 to monitor progress.
- Understanding the General Plan projection, is there a bridge in the plan to bring communities that have been left behind to catch up? Infrastructure, environmental, etc., the current broad plan in place is still not addressing the needs.
  - In the Environmental Justice Element, there is a lot of analysis on how well-served different neighborhoods are, and the EJ Element identifies areas that need to be prioritized for investment in infrastructure and parks, etc.
- How is historic preservation positioned as the City moves to incorporate more dense housing types, which may affect older neighborhoods.?
  - The Cultural Resources Element has actions to add housing to infill areas, while also preserving characteristics of the community through preservation. The City has also adopted the Historic District Plan in 2019 which has a goal of balancing infill with housing and preservation. This has proven to be a valuable tool in our preservation toolkit.
- Does the City have car-parking requirements, maximum? Or minimum, for development?
  - We are looking at updating parking minimums and maximums currently. We are starting a focused process that involves looking at parking citywide next year. The Mobility Element in



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the GP has policies around parking strategy that provides a framework for other planning and actions in the future.

- I would think that a lower-cost solution for Class 1 (off-street) bike paths would be to build along the city's many creeks, sloughs, washes, channels, etc. It would help a lot with connectivity and keeping bicycle riders separated from car traffic.
- We already have a bike trail along our levies and American and Sacramento Rivers, as well as a countywide bike trail. What's wrong with having cars share the road with cyclists?
  - Nothing at all wrong with it. The GP and CAAP both envision significant expansion of bicycling infrastructure in the city and the Mobility Element and Community Plans identify locations for potential roadway reallocations to create more space on streets for bicycles and transit, particularly along mixed-use corridors. Take a closer look and let us know what you think.
- Currently, some single-family residential areas (not in the city core) streets are lined with cars, which impacts receiving city services; like street sweeping and garbage pick-up, etc. Is there anything to address this in the plan? This is a problem for future developments as well.
  - The GP sets a framework for policies around City services. We will be looking at developing more housing and working with the City parking division to strike a balance between making sure the City is livable and having people be able to access City services.
- If cyclists must give and take, so must vehicles, just like cars, buses, trucks, and motorcycles.
- What are current parking requirements, max/min?
  - They vary by area of the city. In TOD areas, (transit-oriented development), there is no minimum off-street vehicle parking requirement for uses located within one-quarter mile from the center of an existing or proposed light rail station platform. The off-street vehicle parking requirement is reduced by 50% for uses located greater than one-quarter mile but less than or equal to one-half mile from the center of an existing or proposed light rail station proposed light rail station platform.
- Did the City consider making the horizon 2045 to synch with the State's net-zero goal, and building three decades of projects to achieve the goal?
  - We chose 2040 because it synchs with the regional transportation plan, and it makes it easier to track the modeling when those two are synched. The CAAP is conscious of the 2030 and 2045 greenhouse gas (GHG) reduction targets and that is accounted for as well.

#### <u>Webinar #2 – June 6</u>

- When will the Housing part be updated again?
  - The Housing Element is updated on an 8-year cycle, so it will be updated again in 2029. You can learn more about the 2021-2029 Housing Element at https://www.cityofsacramento.org/Community-Development/Planning/Housing/Housing-Element.
- Will comments appear on the Self-Guided Workshop documents, or are they only visible by hovering your mouse over it?
  - $\circ~$  It will appear as a blue dot on the PDF that you can click on to expand.



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- How often are the comments being reviewed? Weekly? Monthly?
  - All project team members can view the tool in real-time, and we are also reading the comments weekly.
- Will the comments have threads and thumbs up?
  - $\circ$  Yes, and you can reply/thumbs up to other people's comments.
- Is there a master list of whom the City has hired to consult?
  - The prime consultant is listed on the Draft 2040 General Plan cover page.
- Is there a video presentation with an overview or a portion of the City Council meeting that goes over the plan presentation?
  - There will be an overview before the Planning and Design Commission in June.
- If comments are posed as questions, will the reviewers be responding to them as they are reviewed weekly?
  - We're not doing a formal publication of responses on a rolling basis, but they are being reviewed as they come in. When the platform closes at the end of August, we will be compiling a summary of contents and using them to create a hearing draft.
- Is there a place to add general overall comments or places that might not be covered here?
  - Send any general comments via email to sac2040gpu@cityofsacramento.org.
- It would be good to have mention of building the circular economy especially with SB 54 being developed.
  - The circular economy is mentioned in the plan in a couple of places, look at the Economic Development Element. There is a strong focus on the circular economy as a way of promoting local businesses. The Public Facilities and Safety Element mentions it as well. We welcome any comments or suggestions on where else to incorporate circular economy in the GP.
- In response to prohibiting drive-throughs on high-volume corridors- how will you provide access to these businesses for the disabled community?
  - The policy is about prohibiting drive-throughs within a quarter mile of high-frequency transit stops, not necessarily all commercial corridors. All development does have to comply with ADA laws, but the intention with this is to prevent conflicts that exist with the curb cuts between vehicles and residents who are walking, biking, or rolling.
- Does the GP discuss technology access, like broadband access?
  - It does, in the Public Facilities and Safety Element, there is a suite of policies and actions around telecommunications and expanding broadband access with an angle on equity as well.
- Does the GP include plans to work with existing buildings to reduce their consumption? Financing for these existing buildings is tricky.
  - We're currently working on an existing building electrification strategy, which is one of the efforts for early implementation of the CAAP. Electrification is a great way to reduce energy consumption in buildings. There is a lot of public investment for building decarbonization from both SMUD, our electric utility provider, the CA Energy Commission, and the federal government through the Inflation Reduction Act. Part of our strategy includes mapping out how to connect residents with public investments to help make electrification costs more



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affordable. Our public utility rates are also lower than elsewhere in the state, so we are projected to see electric utility cost reductions.

- It seems there is a priority given to bikes and buses and sharing sidewalks is getting more hazardous for walkers and runners. How is it possible to mitigate the increasing use of electric scooters and bikes on sidewalks?
  - There is a whole section in the Mobility Element about managing sidewalk space and curbside management between scooters, rideshare, pedestrians, etc.
- What denotes high-frequency corridors?
  - High frequency is defined as bus headways of 10-15 minutes.
- For commercial corridors (like Folsom Blvd.), can you explain how the FAR in the GP differs from the existing FAR? Could you also explain how the greater array of housing differs from what is allowed by SB9?
  - We have on our website an interactive map of the City that has layers showing current development standards under the 2035 General Plan and proposed standards in the 2040 General Plan. For Folsom Boulevard, it looks like the FAR has been increased from 3 to 4, so about a 25% increase.
  - SB9, introduced by Governor Newsom mandates local jurisdictions to ministerially approve (pass/fail checklist) two-unit dwellings or duplexes, and be able to subdivide a lot into two units on each lot in any single-unit dwelling zone. The General Plan is complementary of R1, or single-family zoning areas, but offers a more localized and more flexible approach and is supportive of the approved key strategy by City Council to allow a greater array of housing types.
- When the Mayors' Climate Commission recommendations were adopted, we were promised a draft of an Urban Forest Master Plan by early 2020. It has been repeatedly pushed back and we still have no Master Plan. Meanwhile, trees keep getting removed and poorer neighborhoods remain treeless. When can we finally expect a draft of the Urban Forest Master Plan?
  - 2024 is the anticipated time frame.
- The existing General Plan 2030 includes clear and specific goals and policies for Environmental Resources. These provisions commit the City to protect and steward a diversity of aquatic and terrestrial habitats including creeks, oak woodlands, grasslands, and wetlands. But, the General Plan did not include mechanisms for implementing the provisions for Environmental Resources. The Parks Plan is focused on providing conventional recreational infrastructure and activities. The protection of natural areas and biodiversity is not prioritized in Parks Plan 2040, and the existing and potential natural areas in the city remain at risk from innumerable stressors, e.g., illegal camping, dumping, intrusion of intensive recreational activities (BMX, disc golf), feral cats, etc. What will the City do to make Parks Plan 2040 the implementing mechanism to ensure that environmental resources are protected in Sacramento?
  - The Parks Plan is not drafted as of yet, we are taking policies from the GP (Environmental Resources and Constraints Element) and will be implementing strategies to have those made in the Parks Plan.
- Where is there a bus route that runs every 10- 15 minutes?



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- Stockton Boulevard and Greenback Lane both have 15-minute frequency bus routes (Routes 51 and 1).
- Can you define FAR?
  - It stands for Floor Area Ratio, which is defined as the amount of your lot that can have building space. This is defined in the Land Use and Placemaking Element.
- Will the Parks Plan include more natural planting areas for bees?
  - We are looking at design standards for natural areas and that could include pollinator gardens.
- I heard there will be new road design guidelines. Is this something that is part of the 2040 Plan or will come later based on the 2040 Plan?
  - Public Works is reviewing proposals for new roadway design guidelines, so that is something that will be underway. It is separate from the GP but also aligns with it.
- Is there any part of the 2040 Plan that will address the plan to get the light rail to the airport?
  - There is, in the Mobility Element. It looks at a phased approach to transit into North and South Natomas. The inner areas closer to South Natomas would initially see Bus Rapid Transit along the future alignment of the Green Line and ultimately service to the airport.
- Is the City updating the Pedestrian Master Plan? How will this impact the GP?
  - The City is updating both currently, and it's called the Streets for People Sacramento's Active Transportation Plan. We're doing an engagement this summer; I encourage you to <u>go to our</u> <u>website to sign up for updates</u>.
- Will historic preservation and retention of Sacramento's charming design continue to be reviewed and encouraged?
  - That's a huge portion of the Historic and Cultural Resources Element. There are some policies on how to help preserve local heritage and culture while also welcoming infill development to help advance those important sustainability and equity goals. The Preservation Commission reviewed the cultural resources section in June 2023.
- Besides three state office buildings being redeveloped into residential/mixed-use are other buildings being considered for conversion to residential?
  - From the GP standpoint, we're allowing flexible development standards to allow for more of that.
- Does the Plan include anything about mitigating the intense air and noise pollution of the many freeways that go right through neighborhoods?
  - Yes, in the Environmental Resources and Constraints Element, there are sections on air and noise pollution.
- How do you propose the airport connection in South Natomas? Because we can't cross over the American River. How does the plan prepare for this?
  - Look at Mobility Element, which has a map of candidates for high-frequency corridors. These were selected with consideration for the geometry that makes for frequent reliable transit. The City does not control transit, which is under the purview of SacRT, but the City can control land use. Promoting density along long linear corridors to create more activity and more attractions



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and making it accessible from nearby neighborhoods is the best way to set up for frequent and reliable transit. The Mobility Element has policies and actions around setting up for that. In addition to citywide policies, it would also be good to look at the South Natomas Community Plan, which discusses accessibility, transportation, land use, and specific policies around mobility for the South Natomas area.

- Are there any plans beyond the green line and the West Sacramento light rail plan for new light rail routes?
  - See the above answer.
- Given the impacts of the pandemic and the loss of ground floor retail businesses, especially in the central city, does the GP provide more flexibility to not require ground floor retail?
  - Yes, that is true. If there were a requirement for ground-floor retail, it would be in the zoning code and the GP would set the overarching guidance for that. To promote walkability and flexibility, the GP does anticipate that. In Economic Development and the Land Use and Placemaking Elements, we have strategies for retail preservation. Thinking about the mix of uses in a shopping center and having uses that are "recession-proof" or "pandemic-proof" like grocery stores, daily services, etc. can be a strong anchor. Making sure there are strategies to incorporate those into shopping centers is a way to attract people and help promote the vitality of neighborhood retail.
- Is there any attempt to push for more diverse new development styles? Potentially ones that match historic styles in the city? But also, just to reduce the sameness of many new development buildings?
  - In the Land Use and Placemaking Element, we have a section/goal dedicated to the aesthetic and design of buildings, so there are policies that look at different contexts and promote a variety of architectural styles.
- Does the plan talk about street vendors? Aka food carts.
  - It does, in the Environmental Justice Element, in the section around promoting healthy food and access to healthy foods, and in the Land Use and Placemaking Element, we have a set of policies around home businesses. During outreach, we found that a lot of immigrants face barriers in the local workforce but having the option to produce food from home is a great way for them to start a business.
- Are there any additional plans allowing community gardens and small animals like goats to reduce moving and blowing gardens/laws? Will there be further loss of agricultural space in the plan versus the last plan?
  - There's an Environmental Justice Element that has goals/policies around supporting urban farming and community gardens.
- The existing Urban Forest Plan (UFP) prioritizes the planting of non-native trees over the planting and potential recovery of native trees that were cleared over many decades to build the City. More than 90% of the trees recommended for planting are not native to the Sacramento Valley or even California. Many non-native trees and shrubs have damaged ecological functions as they have no evolutionary relationship to soil microbes, insects, birds, etc. Also, several detrimental pathogens have been introduced by the horticultural industry. Will the City's new Urban Forest Plan, General Plan, and Parks Plan just double down on the flawed approach that prioritizes non-native trees, or can we use this once-in-a-generation



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opportunity to pivot toward an approach that conserves the genetics of our disappearing oaks and native tree assemblage and provides a greater "sense of place"?

- The UFP is still in development, but the GP does include a goal for supporting Urban Forestry and policies around that. Even though the UFP is not out for review, <u>there is a website with</u> <u>information on the work that has been done so far</u>.
- Can you return to various sections to review and make comments over the next few months within the same section?
  - You can return any time you like and make your comments.
- Agricultural loss? Will there be more loss of agricultural land? Will small animals like goats, and chickens be allowed on what kind of land? Forbidden in R1 residential areas?
  - The Land Use and Placemaking Element has strategies for managing land in a wide area and managing growth in such a way as to promote a compact carbon footprint and reduce sprawl. This is looking at the areas around the city that have undeveloped agricultural land and provide a policy framework for helping to manage development in those areas. There is a maximum of three chickens allowed under the City's zoning code.
- Is there a plan to make Old Sacramento a walk-only area and not allow cars?
  - That's not envisioned in the General Plan, but it's a suggestion we can consider.
- I've read through the climate-appropriate tree list from UC Davis. These trees may have some shade benefits and water-saving features, and they may be able to withstand increasing temperatures. But this is no substitute for conserving our native trees and ensuring their survival.

#### <u>Webinar #3 – June 29</u>

- Is there any kind of index function to go right to specific aspects?
  - We have different stations that each correspond to different aspects or elements of the plan.
     You can always navigate back to the homepage by going to the bar at the top of each page. In
     Chapter 1, we've also created a policy index that's organized by key topics.
- How will you aggregate the feedback you receive through these meetings, from City Council, and the virtual self-guided workshop? Will there be a report on all outreach conducted during this summer?
  - We will be taking all the input, summarizing the key themes, sifting through all the input, and as a team, we will create a revised version of the GP and CAAP that responds to public comments. We are calling that a hearing draft. That will be going in front of the Planning and Design Commission and the City Council, and they will see how that input has been incorporated into the hearing draft.
  - We will be speaking to the City Council on August 8th and get a review and comment on the current GP draft from Council members as well. We will also get their comments on the CAAP on August 22nd. In June we went to all the City's commissions and got their feedback and review. When we go to City Council, we will have a summary of everything we heard from those commissions so they can be made aware of that.



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- How will the plan encourage/provide better city services regarding policing, cleaning up parkways, fixing streets, and the like? It's hard to get development in until these city services provide welcome areas for housing.
  - That is addressed in the Public Facilities and Safety Element. It provides a high-level overview of the direction for city services and utilities. Some of the actions call for updates to specific master plans that govern fire and police departments.
- Can the City do anything to help improve the skills of bike riders to make roads safer?
  - The City offers a free urban biking class every month. We advertise it pretty well, but obviously, not everyone follows the City online. I encourage you to follow the City's social media accounts to keep up with resources like these and help spread the word. We can all improve how well we travel around the City's streets. Sacramento ranks as the worst City in CA for traffic fatalities per capita. We don't typically focus on people who are walking/biking but those who are driving, because they are causing fatalities and serious injuries on the streets. We all need to focus more on the Vision Zero work that the City is doing.
- I would love to see where people who are commenting on the GP/CAAP live in Sacramento so that their thoughts and opinions have some context behind them. I also want to see more creative and out-of-the-box thinking in the GPU and CAAP like having Electric Vehicles (EVs) help to charge the local grid.
  - There may be an opportunity to add a zip code to the online workshop, and also track comments on the community plan areas, which are neighborhood specific. In the Mobility Element, there's a whole goal section around electrifying transportation and providing more charging for electric vehicles. EVs to grid is an innovative concept that we're tracking and keeping a close eye on in state legislation and technology development.
- Where can I find information about waterfront/river development in the GP?
  - Land Use and Placemaking Element. The goals in that element have policies around urban form and placemaking and the riverfront is addressed in other elements about outdoor space and recreation as well.
- How do our citizens find out about the General Plan and access the information? Is there advertising being done to promote access to the Plan and the details therein?
  - Yes, it's been an ongoing effort. The City has placed lawn signs, distributed online notifications, and is hosting pop-ups, and commission meetings, and can do presentations to local community/neighborhood groups on request.
- Is there a section within Sacramento 2040 that discusses employment and where may I locate it?
  - The Economic Development Element has goals around workforce development. The economic development strategy does focus on clean, green technology as a sector to grow and develop. We would love your input on that.
- What's a special study area?
  - There are five of them, and they are areas of land that are not in the City limits, but adjacent. These are areas where the City might provide public services, water, utilities, police/fire and so the City might have a particular interest in those areas.



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#### Awareness

The City distributed 50 lawn signs in English, Spanish, and Chinese at key active areas around Sacramento to promote the Self-Guided Online Workshop and Webinars. Additionally, the City also sent out frequent email notifications and reminders to the GPU email list about the upcoming outreach.

The project team made regular personal calls and emails to a database of more than 150 stakeholder representatives from neighborhood associations, business development organizations, and other community partners to help spread awareness of the webinars and self-guided online workshops. The City made regular posts on its social media accounts, including Facebook, to remind the public about the webinars.

The project team also hosted pop-up tables at events, festivals, and markets around the city to promote attendance at the Webinars as well as participation in the Self-Guided Online Workshop.



#### Appendix

- I. Presentation Slides
- II. Awareness Flier

### Self-Guided Online Workshop Kick-Off Webinar #3



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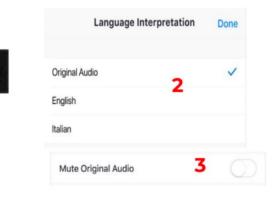
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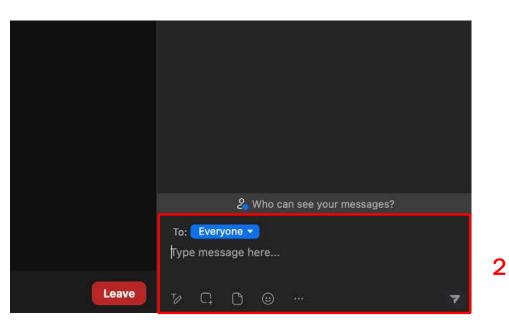


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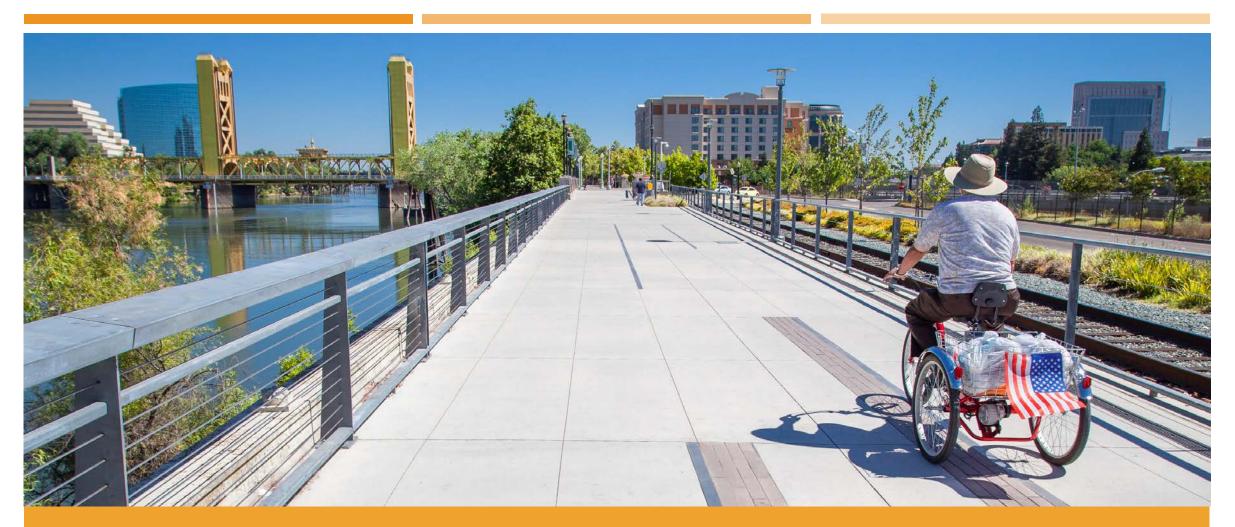
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### WHAT IS SACRAMENTO 2040?

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### GENERAL PLAN

Sacramento 2040 General Plan

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- All cities and counties in California are required to have a general plan, which serves as the "constitution" for urban development and preservation in the city.
- General plans must address:
  - Land Use
  - Circulation
  - Housing
  - Conservation
  - Open Space
  - Noise
  - Safety
  - Environmental Justice
- General plans can also include optional topics like historic resources and economic development
- The Draft General Plan also includes specific policies for Sacramento's 10 community plan areas.

### CLIMATE ACTION & ADAPTATION PLAN



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Climate Action & Adaptation Plan

Public Review Draft April, 2023

#### Includes:

- Greenhouse gas inventory
- Vulnerability Assessment
- Measures and actions to reduce greenhouse gas emissions
- Strategies for adapting to projected impacts of climate change
- Path to reach citywide carbon neutrality by 2045

### **MASTER ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT**



- An environmental impact report (EIR) is a detailed analysis of how the environment would be affected by a plan or development.
- The MEIR will analyze the effects of implementing both the updated General Plan and CAAP.
- The MEIR which will be released for public input in early fall.

### WHY UPDATE THE PLANS?



- The existing Sacramento General Plan was completed in 2009 with a minor update in 2015.
- Today, Sacramento is one of the fastest growing cities in California, projected to have 77,000 new jobs and 69,000 new housing units by 2040.
- Need to address new and emerging issues, trends, and opportunities.



## **PROJECT PROCESS**

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#### **PROJECT SCHEDULE OVERVIEW** We are here Early 2024 Feb 2019 General Plan Draft General Plan Draft Final Vision & Guiding Land Use Map General Plan General Plan & Key Strategies Principles Draft Climate Final Climate SACRAMENTO | 2040 Action Plan Action Plan Draft Master **Final Master** Environmental Environmental nd Guiding Principles describe Impact Review Impact Review **PHASE 1: Issue/Opportunity** PHASE 2: Options & **PHASE 3: Draft Plan PHASE 4: Final Plan** Identification **Alternatives Exploration** Preparation Adoption



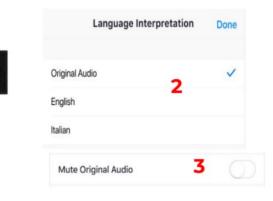
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Self-Guided Workshop Homepage

# **SELF-GUIDED** ONLINE WORKSHOP

Go to

www.sac2040gpu.org and click on "Enter Self-guided Online Workshop"

Watch the introductory video and then click on one of the stations to get started.

#### Welcome to the Self-Guided Workshop

Sacramento | 2040 includes the General Plan Update and Climate Action & Adaptation Plan (CAAP).

The Draft General Plan contains policies that guide everything from environmental justice, transportation, and the types of housing that can be built, to jobs, parks, public safety, and much more. The Draft CAAP outlines a communitywide framework for reducing greenhouse gas emissions and establishing Sacramento as a climate leader.

We need your feedback to make sure Sacramento 2040 is responsive to the challenges of the coming years! To get started, watch the 6-minute introduction video, then scroll down to the stations of the Self-Guided Online Workshop. At each station, there are two ways to provide input:

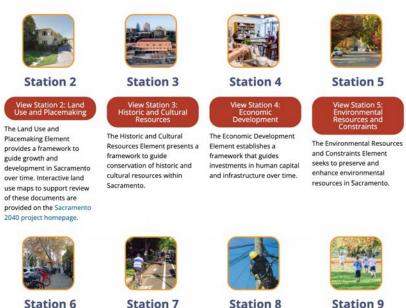


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# SELF-GUIDED ONLINE WORKSHOP

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contains one or two
summary boards that
describes the content,
goals, and key moves of
the element or chapter.

- At the end of each station is a space to comment.
- Each station is also available in Spanish and Chinese.

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ERC-1.5 Drinking Water Data. The City shall continue to maintain the Drinking Water Quality Data Portal and provide public notification of water quality issues.

ERC-1.6 Groundwater Management. The City shall promote sustainable groundwater management practices through continued participation in regional initiatives and relevant Groundwater Sustainability Agencies.

#### **BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES**

Even within the urban context of Sacramento, there are important natural habitats that support valuable plant and wildlife species, particularly along the river and creek corridors and within the Natomas Basin. In the surrounding area there are also annual grasslands, riparian woodlands, oak woodlands, ponds, freshwater marshes, seasonal wetlands, and vernal pools. Conservation and protection of these important biological resources are integral to a healthy human population and contribute to regional economic advantages such as quality of life. Policies in this section seek to preserve and protect Sacramento's diverse biological resources, including open spaces, habitat, biodiversity, and sensitive species.

Please see the Land Use and Placemaking Element for policies that also preserve and protect these resources through regulation of land use and site design standards.

Element 6 Part 1

GOAL AND POLICIES

Thriving rivers, wildlife, and natural open spaces that contribute to public health, livability, and protection of the environment for future generations.

- ERC-2.1 Conservation of Open Space Areas. The City shall support efforts to conserve and, where feasible, create or restore areas that provide important water quality benefits such as creeks, riparian corridors, buffer zones, wetlands, undeveloped open space areas, levees, and drainage canals for the purpose of protecting water resources in the city's watersheds, creeks, and the Sacramento and American Rivers.
- ERC-2.2 Biological Resources. The City shall ensure that adverse impacts on sensitive biological resources, including special-status species, sensitive natural communities, sensitive habitat, and wetlands are avoided, minimized, or mitigated to the greatest extent feasible as development takes place.
- ERC-2.3 Onsite Preservation. The City shall encourage new development to preserve onsite natural elements that contribute to the community's native plant and wildlife species value. For sites that lack existing natural elements, encourage planting of native species in preserved areas to establish or re-establish these values and aesthetic character.

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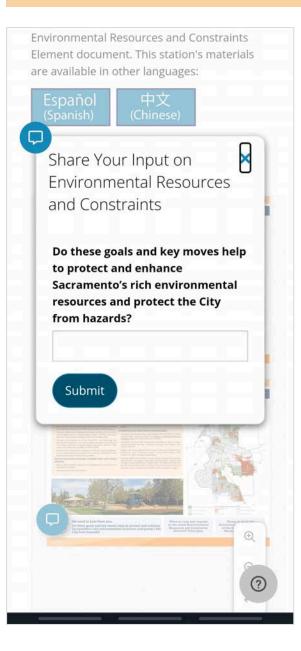
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# PARTICIPATING ON YOUR PHONE







### **QUESTIONS?**

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#### INTRODUCTION

Sacramento is a diverse and welcoming city with to support efficient delivery of public services and a rich history, strategic location within the Central infrastructure and to reduce vehicle miles traveled Valley, and a bright future. The city is an historic and greenhouse gas emissions. Equally, it will require the U.S. Looking to the future. Sacramento is projected to

add 69,000 new homes and 77,000 new jobs by Sacramento will need to ensure that this growth happens in ways that are both sustainable and equitable. pattern with new growth strategically concentrated

community deeply rooted in the story of California a focus on fostering complete neighborhoods that and a dynamic modern destination that is a regional provide for residents' daily needs within easy walking hub for business, arts, culture, and innovation. Sac- or biking distance from home and that offer a range ramento is one of the fastest growing cities in Cali-fornia, located in one of the most livable regions in community resilience in the face of climate change, forging inclusive economic development, and taking that everyone has an opportunity to achieve their full potential in Sacramento. In rising to meet these challenges and turning them into opportunities for an even brighter future, the Sacramento 2040 Genble, and prosperous city for all.

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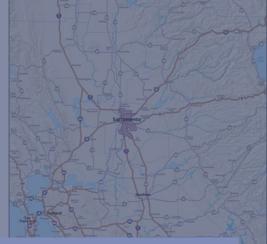
its planning." The Sacramento General Plan can be vation - a set of policies that guide the City's land use and capital investment decisions for the next two decades. The Sacramento General Plan serves to:

Due to the broad and long-range nature of the General Plan, there will be instances where more detailed studies will be necessary to implement the General Plan's policies, as illustrated in Figure I-1.



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**SECTION 3: HOW THE PLAN WORKS** 

#### HIS RESUMER

the contributions of all segments of the population not required under state law, this Element under-

Sacramento's historic and cultural resources include The Historic and Cultural Resources Element of the not only buildings, monuments, and archaeological General Plan establishes a comprehensive frameremains, but also traditional customs, important in- work to identify and protect valuable historic and rastructure, and sites where important events once cultural resources, thoughtfully integrate new infill ook place. Collectively, these resources tell the story development into the existing urban fabric, and enof our shared heritage. As Sacramento looks forward courage community education and appreciation of to its next era of growth, it is essential to celebrate the city's historic and cultural resources. Although so that all community members can take pride in scores the City's commitment to these important

uses, including the State Capitol and several college and university campuses, occupy about 8 percent percent of land, with parks integrated into neighborhoods throughout the city, and a large riverfront open space on the north bank of the American River. The rise of e-commerce and changing consumer preferences is presenting opportunities to re-imagine some of the city's older commercial corridors, devel-

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#### **Scope and Purpose of** the General Plan

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# **STRUCTURE OF SACRAMENTO 2040**

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# **GENERAL PLAN**









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### Four main sections:

- Part I: Introduction and Sustainability and Equity
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# GENERAL PLAN: PART I

### Introduction

- Plan overview
- Index of policies by topic

### **Chapter 2: Sustainability and Equity**

Includes metrics for measuring progress

Indicator	Why It Matters	Baseline Data Source	Baseline	Target
Mode Share	The single-occupant vehicle is the dominant mode of transportation in Sacramenta, which leads to traffic congestion, rair pollution, and GHG emissions that contribute to global warming. Amid growing climate and equity concerns, it is essential to incentivize and inspire a behavioral shift to other travel modes by working to make our roads safer, make transit service more frequent and reliable, and make walking and bicycling more convenient and attractive.	Commute trips from US Census data, 2020	Drove alone: 71.9%, Carpooled: 10.1% Public transit (no tax): 3.0% Wolked: 3.0% Bicycle: 1.4% Worked from home: 8.9% Taxi, motorcycle, other: 1.4%	2030: Active Transportation mode share of 6% 2045: Active Transportation mode share of 12% 2030: Transit mode share of 11%
MT Per Capita	Reducing vehicle miles travelled (VMT) means people will drive shorter distances and less often. Not only will this save Sacramentans time while <b>reducing congestion and pollution</b> , but it can also <b>lead to better health outcomes</b> . Repole who walk, cycle, or take transit instead of driving will get more exercise, and an increase in physical activity reduces the risk of chronic disease. Reducing VMT also reduces exposure to crashes and reduces the risk of injury and death.	SACSIM Transportation model, 2016	7,991 miles per person per year	2030: 6,393 miles per person per yea 2045: 5,625 miles per person per yea
ouseholds with Cero Emission Vehicles	On-road transportation accounted for about 57 percent of Sacramento's total greenhouse gas emissions in 2016, so reducing transportation emissions is critical to achieving carbon neutrality. Because SMUD has committed to eliminate GHG emissions from their power supply by 2030, Zero Emission Vehicles (ZEV3), such as battery-electric, plug-in hybrid electric, and hydrogen fuel cell electric vehicles that do not produce polluting exhaust will provide a direct solution to auto-related emissions.	California Energy Commission, 2022	4,060 ZEVs sold in Sacramento	2025:11% ZEV registration rate 2030: 28% ZEV registration rate 2045:100% ZEV registration rate

- Mode share (% of trips made by car versus by

foot, bike or transit)

- Public EV chargers
- Tree canopy coverage

# GENERAL PLAN: PART 2

#### SACRAMENTO 2040 GENERAL PLAN

#### **GOAL AND POLICIES**

Balanced and connected community with thriving neighborhoods and centers and development intensities linked to transit.

- LUP-2.1 Overall Balance of Uses. The City should encourage a balance and a mix of employment, residential, commercial, cultural, and tourism-related uses, as well as a full range of amenities and services necessary to support a thriving city.
- LUP-2.2 Interconnected City. The City should establish a network of Interconnected activity centers, corridors, parka, and neighborhoods that promotes walking, bicycling, and mass transit use as viable alternatives to private vehicles.
- LUP-2.3 Diverse Centers and Corridors. The City shall encourage the development of centers and corridors that address diverse community needs, support local market opportunities, are well-served by transit, and are well-integrated with the surrounding neighborhoods.
- LUP-2.4 Development Intensity Linked to Transit. The City shall plan for higher development intensities around current and planned transit to optimize public investments and support an accessible, convenient network.
- LUP-2.5 Design for Connectivity. The City shall require that all new development maximizes existing and new connections with surroundings and with centers, corridors, parks, and neighborhoods to enhance efficient and direct pedestrian, bicycle, and vehicle movement. When feasible, grid patterns should be utilized to facilitate multiple routes.



LUP-2.6 Employment Clusters. The City should strengthen employment centers and clusters by facilitating the concentration of office, industrial, and commercial uses in these areas and by supporting enhanced transit access to them.

LUP-2.7 Evolving Office Needs. The City shall support office developments that align with the evolving needs of target industry sectors, including but not limited to the following:

Headquarter and business services;
Health and life sciences;
Clean economy;

- The creative economy;
  Advanced technology; and
  Future mobility.
- LUP-2.8 Co-Location of Community Facilities. The City shall promote the co-location of parks, schools, police and fire facilities, health services, and other community facilities to support community interaction, enhance neighborhood identity, and leverage limited resources. The integration of these uses into commercial, office, and mixed commercialresidential structures should be encouraged.

LUP-2.9 Expanded Emergency Care Facilities. The City shall support the efforts of the health care sector to provide expanded emergency health services throughout Sacramento, especially north of the American River.

### 8 Elements:

- Land Use and Placemaking
- Historic and Cultural Resources
- Economic Development
- Environmental Resources and Constraints
- Environmental Justice
- Mobility
- Public Facilities and Safety
- Youth, Parks, Recreation, and Open Space

These elements contain goals, policies, and actions to achieve the vision and implement the guiding principles of the General Plan.

3-24 | Land Use and Placemaking Element

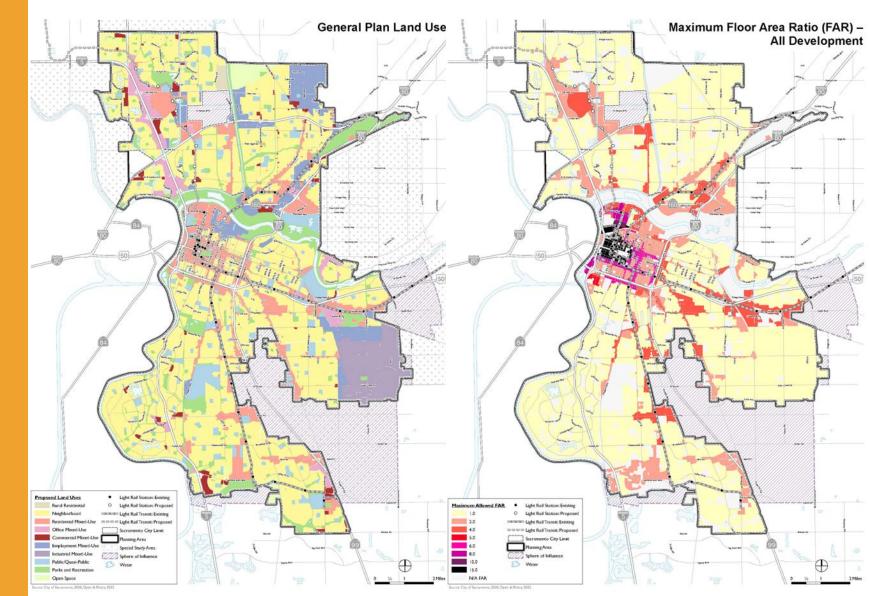
### **GENERAL PLAN: PART 2 – POLICY OVERVIEW**



### Land Use and Placemaking:

- Expanding housing types throughout the city
- Prohibit new gas stations and limit expansions unless level 3 electric vehicle charging stations are provided
- Prohibit new drive-through restaurants within <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> mile of highfrequency transit stops

# GENERAL PLAN: PART 2 – POLICY OVERVIEW



### **GENERAL PLAN: PART 2 – POLICY OVERVIEW**



#### **Environmental Resources and Constraints**

- Evaluating exposure to toxic air contaminants
- Installing heat-reducing public amenities

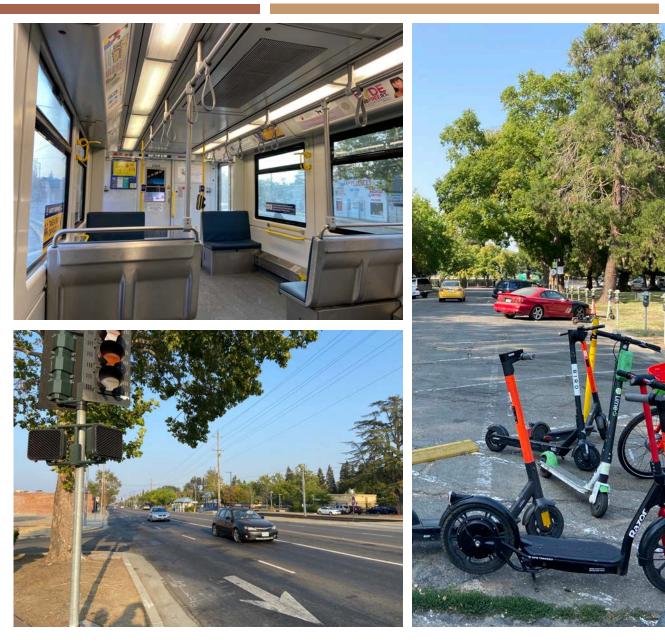
### **Environmental Justice**

- Developing neighborhood-level resilience plans
- Prioritizing infrastructure investments to address inequities
- Increasing representation on City boards, commissions, and City-sponsored activities and events
- Studying the feasibility of establishing funding for outreach
- Incorporating healthy food zoning
- Studying the amortization of polluting industries

### GENERAL PLAN: PART 2 – POLICY OVERVIEW

### Mobility

- Promoting walking, bicycling, and transit (modal hierarchy) over cars
- Coordinating land use and mobility planning to support frequent reliable transit



### GENERAL PLAN: PART 2 – POLICY OVERVIEW

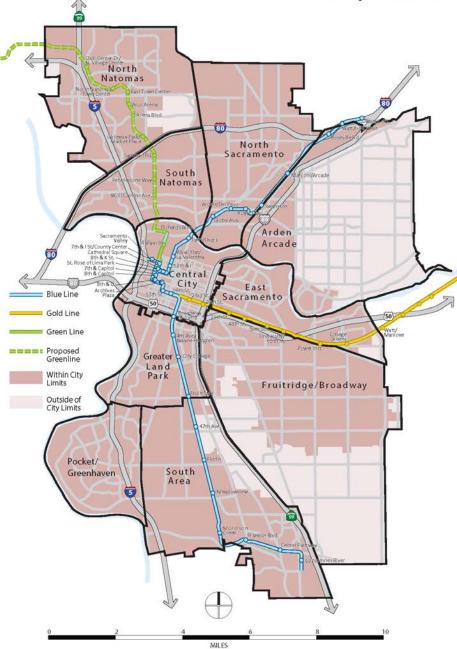
### Youth, Parks, Recreation, and Open Space

- Evaluate, as needed, the equitable increase of public park acreage
- A standard of 5 acres of park per 1,000 residents citywide and a 10-minute walk from a park or recreational open space
- Developing performance-based system for prioritizing parks and recreation investments



# GENERAL PLAN: PART 3

**10** Community Plan Areas: Arden Arcade Central City East Sacramento Fruitridge/Broadway **Greater Land Park** North Natomas North Sacramento Pocket/Greenhaven South Area South Natomas



# GENERAL PLAN: PART 4



#### GENERAL PLAN ADMINISTRATION AND IMPLEMENTATION

#### Introduction

The General Plan provides specific policy guidance for implementation of Plan concepts through its goals, policies, and implementing actions. This framework establishes a basis for coordinated action by the City, Jacramento County, and regional agencies. Part 4 describes the major actions to be undertaken by the City in order to provide an overall sense of the priorities for future actions in support of accomplishing the goals of the General Plan.

### **Implementation Table**

- Describes and prioritizes actions to implement various Plan concepts.
- Establishes time frames and departmental responsibility for programs and actions.

#### SACRAMENTO 2040 GENERAL PLAN

Table 12-	1: Implementation						Table 12-1
Action Code/ Number			Ongoing	Implementation Schedule			28
	Action Text	Responsibility		Near- term [2024- 2029]	Mid- Term [2030- 2035]	Long- Term [2036- 2040]	Action Code/ Number
PLANS AN	ID PROGRAMS						PLANNING
LUP-A.1	Area of Concern. The City shall work with Sacramento Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo) to designate the Natomas Basin Study Area as an Area of Concern to provide the City with greater influence on land use decisions and other governmental actions that directly and indirectly affect the city of Sacramento in this important area beyond its Sphere of Influence.	Community Development Department		x			LUP-A.2
HCR-A.1	Preservation Emergency Response. The City shall incorporate historic preservation and historic resource surveys and evaluation into existing and future miligation, response, and recovery processes.	Community Development Department (lead); Office of Emergency Management (support)	x			LUP-A.3	
HCR-A.2	Heritage Tourism Plan. Through its Preserve America Community designation, the City shall develop and implement a Heritage Tourism Plan, partnering with public agencies, non-profit organizations, and private entities as appropriate.	Community Development Department (lead); Office of Innovation and Economic Development				X	

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		PLANNIN	G STUDIES AND REPORTS					
		LUP-A.2	Citywide Municipal Services Review. The City shall work with Sacramento Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo) to prepare and adopt a citywide Municipal Services Review (MSR) to identify the existing capacity and means of financing the probable demand for services based on the build out of the General Plan.	Community Development Department		x		
x		LUP-A.3	Fruitridge-Florin Annexation. The City shall study the feasibility of annexing the fruitridge - Florin Study Area with a view of streamlining the delivery of public services, addressing infrastructure needs, promoting neighborhood revitalization, and improving the quality of life for local residents. The study should involve outrach to area residents and	Community Development Department			x	
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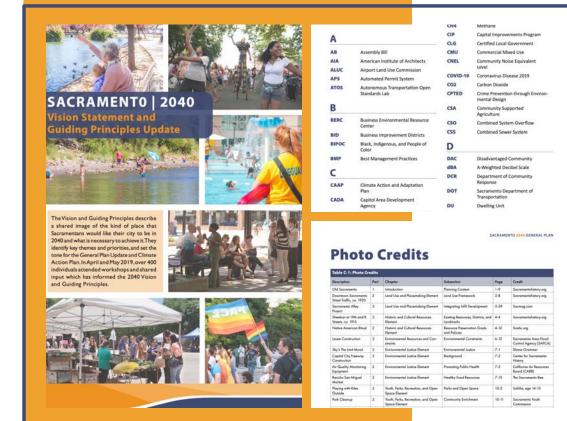
#### GENERAL PLAN MAINTENANCE AND MONITORING

Annual General Plan Implementation Review The City is committed to annually reviewing its prog-

ress in implementing the goals, policies, and actions of the General Plan. Since many of the factors and issues that the General Plan addresses change from year to year, an annual review and reporting of implementation will help ensure the City is moving forward to achieve the General Plan's vision. This review will report on the status of each specific implementing action in the General Plan and take into account the availability of new implementation tools, changes in funding sources, and feedback from General Plan monitoring activities.

General Plan Administration and Implementation 12-1

### **GENERAL PLAN: APPENDICES**



### Appendix A: Adopted Vision and Guiding Principles

- Appendix B: Glossary & Acronyms
- Appendix C: Photo Credits

# CLIMATE ACTION & ADAPTATION PLAN (CAAP)

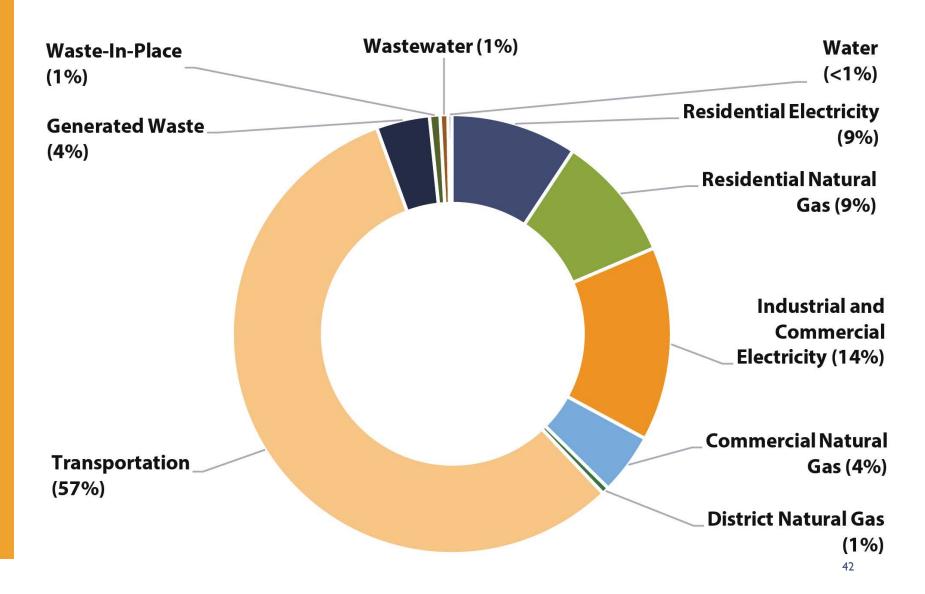


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### 2016 Community GHG Emissions by Sector



# CAAP MEASURES: BUILT ENVIRONMENT



Built Environment Measures are projected to contribute 60% of Sacramento's GHG reductions through 2030:

- Carbon free energy through SMUD's 2030 Zero Carbon Plan
- Electrify Building Energy Systems
- Support infill growth in established and center/corridor communities

# CAAP MEASURES: MOBILITY



Mobility Measures are projected to contribute 27% of Sacramento's GHG reductions through 2030:

- Improve active transportation infrastructure
- Support public and shared transit improvements
- Support Zero Emission Vehicle Adoption

# CAAP MEASURES:

• Waste

• Water and Wastewater

Carbon Sequestration



Waste, Water and Wastewater, and Carbon Sequestration Measures are projected to contribute 14% of Sacramento's 2030 GHG reductions:

- Reduce organic waste disposal
- Reduce water utility and wastewater emissions
- Increase urban tree canopy cover

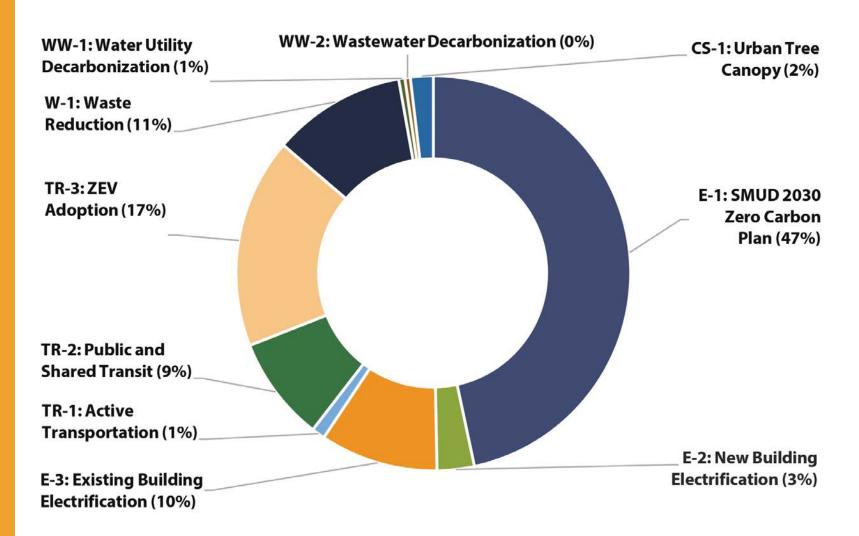
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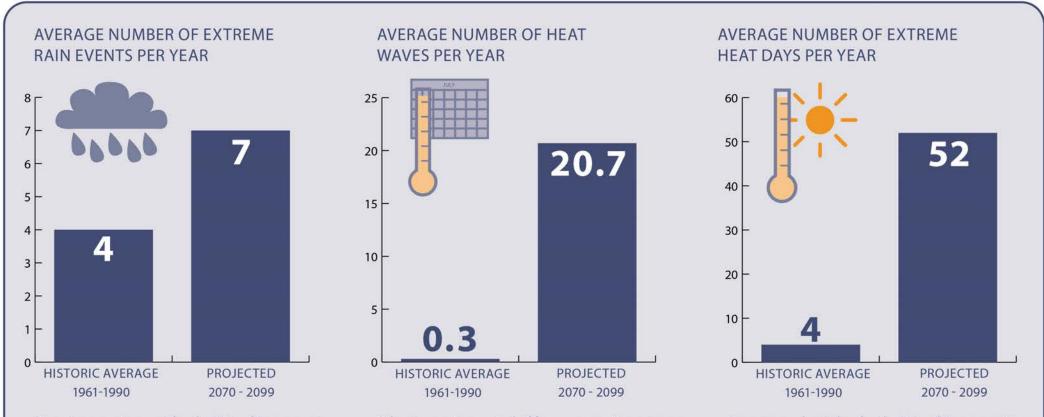
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### **Percent GHG Reduction by Measure (2030)**



### **CLIMATE ACTION & ADAPTATION PLAN (CAAP)**



An extreme heat day for the City of Sacramento is a day when the temperature exceeds 103.8°F.

An extreme rain event for the City of Sacramento is a rain event in which the two-day rainfall total exceeds 0.97 inches. A heatwave is a period of four consecutive extreme heat days or warm nights.

# CLIMATE ACTION & ADAPTATION PLAN (CAAP)

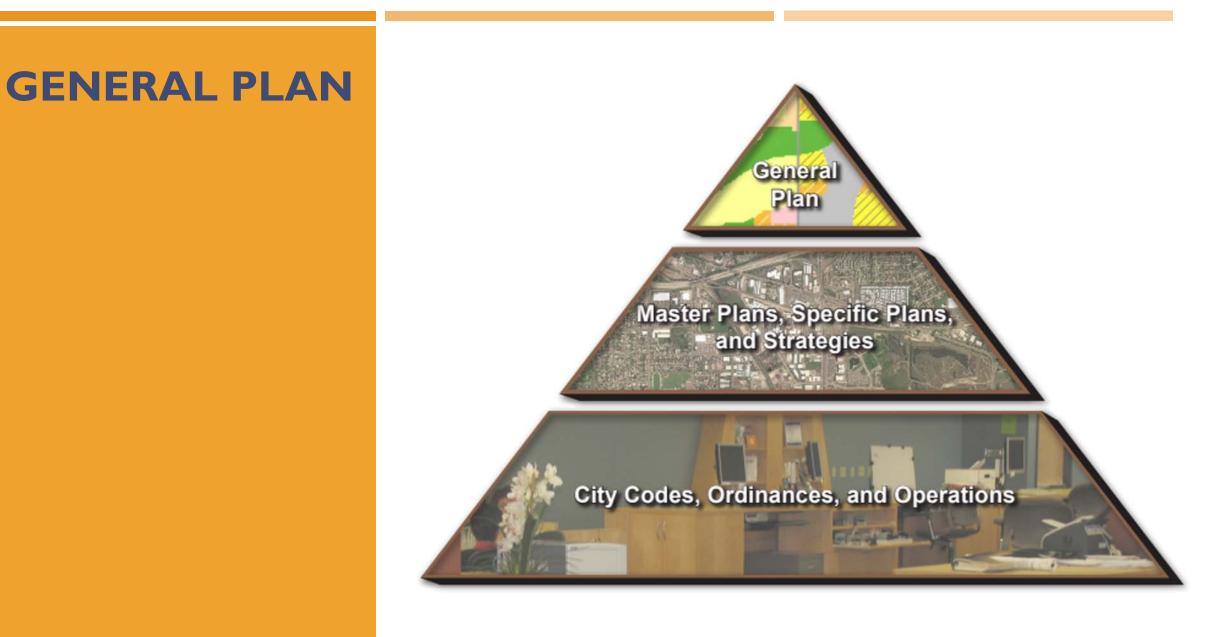
### **Adaptation Goals**

- **Goal A-I:** Strengthen City government capacity for integrated, holistic climate adaptive strategies and to reduce climate risks.
- **Goal A-2:** Create built environments that reduce exposure to extreme heat and mitigate urban heat island effect.
- **Goal A-3:** Reduce the risk of damage to life, infrastructure, and property due to flooding.
- Goal A-4: Increase awareness of and expand community resources to address the adverse health effects of air pollution.
- **Goal A-5:** Increase community resilience to prepare for climate impacts.
- Goal A-6: Enhance water supply diversification and prioritize water use efficiency to build resilience to the effects of climate change.



# **RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PLANS**

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# HOUSING ELEMENT

- Part of the General Plan
- Adopted 2021
- Includes goals, policies, and programs to address housing production and affordability in Sacramento

City of Sacramento 2021-2029 HOUSING ELEMENT

ADOPTED AUGUST 17, 2021

AMENDED DECEMBER 14, 2021

AN 8-YEAR HOUSING STRATEGY



# OTHER ONGOING PLANNING WORK

Parks Plan 2040

- Stockton Boulevard Plan
- Urban Forest Plan
- Active Transportation Plan
- Existing Building Electrification Strategy (early CAAP implementation)

STOCKTON BOULEVARD



Urban Forest Master Plan Stakeholder Meeting #1 5.9.2018 S U M M A R Y



Sacramento County Active Transportation Plan PLAN WITH APPENDICES Substantia Communication Ingen City of Sacramento Existing Building Electrification Strategy



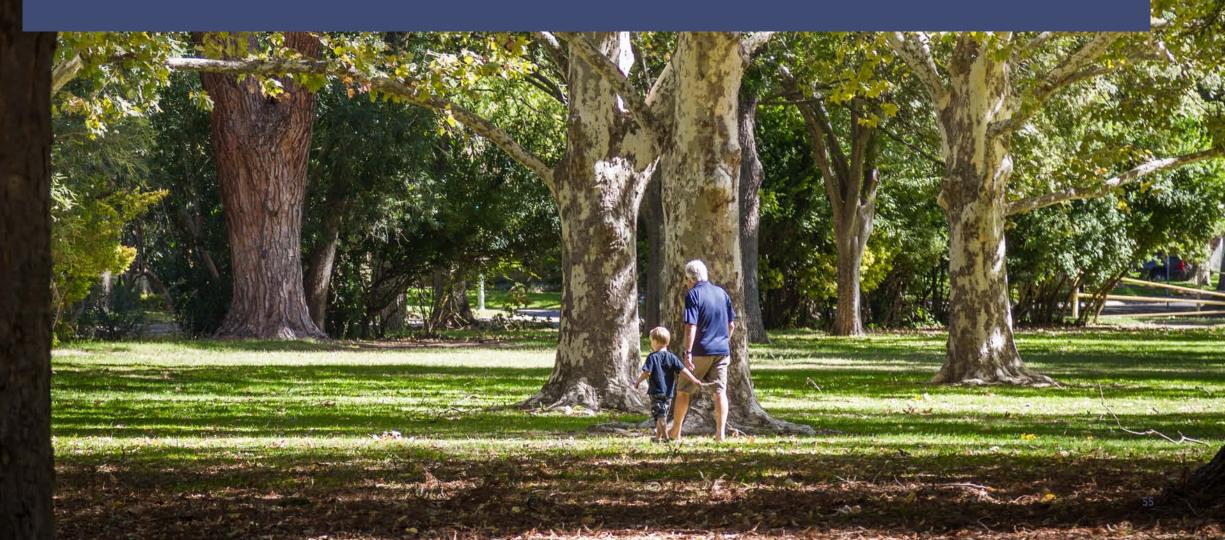


### **QUESTIONS?**

### PLEASE USE THE ZOOM CHAT BOX TO TYPE YOUR QUESTIONS.



### **SECTION 5: WRAP UP**



# **NEXT STEPS**

- The MEIR will be released in the fall
- Self-Guided Online Workshop closes at the end of August
- Review of community input
- Plan revisions based on input
- City Council hearings and adoption in early 2024

# PLEASE SHARE YOUR THOUGHTS!

The workshop is open now! www.sac2040gpu.org

### **Open now through August – but please participate early!**

Other questions? Please email sac2040gpu@cityofsacramento.org

Environmental Resources and Constraints Element document. This station's materials are available in other languages: 中文 Share Your Input on × **Environmental Resources** and Constraints Do these goals and key moves help to protect and enhance Sacramento's rich environmental resources and protect the City from hazards? Submit

# Sacramento2040City of Sacramento General Plan Update and Climate Action & Adaptation Plan

# Join us for a **CITYWIDE** webinar & help review the sacramento 2040 draft plans

Sacramento 2040 includes the General Plan Update and Climate Action and Adaptation Plan (CAAP). This project is the City's blueprint for how and where our city will grow over the next 20 years and the framework to guide Sacramento's efforts to mitigate and adapt to climate change.

The Draft General Plan contains policies that guide everything from environmental justice to transportation, the types of housing that can be built, jobs, parks, public safety, and much more.

The Draft CAAP outlines a communitywide framework for reducing greenhouse gas emissions and establishing Sacramento as a climate leader.

There is an optional orientation webinar available at three different dates to kick off the self-guided online workshop. Select an option from the dates below!



### **Pick Your Day:**

Wednesday, May 10th

5:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m.



#### <u>bit.ly/GPUWebinar1</u>

**Tuesday, June 6th** 10:00 a.m. –11:30 a.m.



#### bit.ly/GPUWebinar2

### Thursday, June 29th

5:30 p.m. -7:00 p.m.



#### <u>bit.ly/GPUWebinar3</u>

RSVPs are requested, but not required. For reasonable accommodation needs, please contact the City's ADA Coordinator directly at (916) 808-8976.

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