

San Rafael General Plan 2040

San Rafael Planning Commission Public Hearing: December 15, 2020



Planning Commission Hearings (tentative)



General Plan Organization

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Comments Received

- Zoom/ YouTube Live Testimony on Oct 27 and Nov 12 (26 comments)
- Letters / emails
 - Tree Preservation (10/27)
 - Shirley Fischer (10/27)
 - San Rafael Heritage (10/27)
 - Responsible Growth in Marin (10/27 and 11/12)
 - Victoria DeWitt (10/27 and 11/12)
 - Audubon (10/27)
 - Terra Linda Homeowners (10/27)
 - Sierra Club/ MCL (10/27)

Additional Comments (since 12/10)

- Canalways owners
- RGM on "should" vs "shall"
- RGM on Economic Vitality Element
- San Rafael Heritage
- Hillside Neighbors

Commission Comments

- Tie the trends outlined in Chapter 2 into a "Call for Action"
- Take fresh look at San Rafael's economic future
 - Address the disconnect between emphasis on retail and acknowledgment of retail challenges and low-wage jobs
- Consider ways to measure progress (metrics)
- Establish clear links to implementing documents

Appendix A: Implementation Matrix

PLAN IMPLEMENTATION MATRIX						Guiding Principles					
ID #	Program Description E ELEMENT	Timeframe	Responsible Departments or Agencies (lead in bold)	Resources	Strengthening our Foundation	Adapting to the Future	Economic Vitality	Opportunity for All/ Equity	Housing our Growing Community	Mobility	
LU-1.1A	Evaluate General Plan at least once every 5 years	06	CD. PC. CC	GP Impl Fee				V		\checkmark	
LU-1.2A	Use Development Review to ensure adequacy of infrastructure.		CD, DPW, other agencies	Staff Time, Fees	1					1	
LU-1.3A	Quantify and Monitor the Benefits of Transit-Oriented Development	MT	CD, CM, DPW (transp), other	Staff Time, Grants, Partnerships		\checkmark			\checkmark	\checkmark	
LU-1.3B	Ensure that zoning allows reasonable interim uses of property	OG	CD, ED	Staff Time		\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark			
LU-1.6A	Encourage LAFCO to adopt urban service and annexation policies consistent with the General Plan	OG	CD, CC, CM, other (County)	Staff Time	\checkmark		\checkmark		\checkmark		
LU-1.7A	Review applications for development adjacent to San Rafael	OG	CD, CC, CM, other (County)	Staff Time	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark		\checkmark	\checkmark	
LU-1.8A	Implement zoning consistent with General Plan densities	ST	СD	Staff Time	\checkmark		\checkmark		\checkmark		
LU-1.8B	Maintain minimum densities	OG	CD	Staff Time				\checkmark	\checkmark		
LU-1.8C	Amend 14.16.300 to allow more than one unit per lot on lots under 5,000 SF in multi-family areas	ST	CD , PC, CC	Staff Time				\checkmark	\checkmark		
LU-1.10A	Implement General Plan FAR limits in zoning	ST	CD, PC, CC	Staff Time	\checkmark		\checkmark		\checkmark		
LU-1.12A	Explore TDR to address sea level rise and fire hazards	MT	CD, DPW, ED, other	Staff Time, Grants		\checkmark	\checkmark		\checkmark		
LU-1.15A	Maintain Planned Development (PD) zoning	OG	CD	Staff Time	\checkmark	\checkmark			\checkmark		
LU-1.16A	Implement school site reuse through zoning and development review	OG	CD, PC, CC, other	Staff Time, private funds	V			\checkmark	\checkmark		
LU-2.1B	Revise subdivision ordinance for consistency with General Plan	ST	CD, DPW	GP Impl Fee	\checkmark	\checkmark					

TIMEFRAME: ST= Short-Term (0-4 years); MT=Mid-Term (4-10 years); LT=Long-Term (10+years); OG=Ongoing RESPONSIBLE PARTIES: CD=Community Development; CM=City Manager; DPW=Public Works; DPW(T)=Public Works/Transportation; CC=City Council; PC=Planning Commission; ED=Economic Development; SUS=Sustainability; DIG=Digital Services; LR=Library and Recreation; POL=Police; Fire=Fire; FIN=Finance; CL=City Clerk; CA=City Attorney

- Timeframe
- Responsible Dept/Agency
- Resources
- Link to Guiding Principles

Metrics

CONNECTED, SAFE AND ACCESSIBLE PLACES

Reduce dependence on driving alone.

Metric

Percent of Denver residents who drive alone to work in a single-occupancy vehicle.

Sources

American Community (ACS) Survey 5-year estimates, US Census Bureau

Why measure mode share?

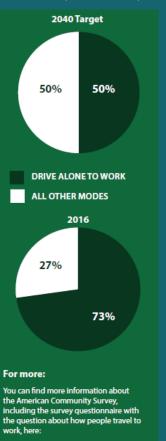
The percentage of people who drive rather than using other travel modes (often called 'mode share') reflects reliance on the automobile. As Denver has a more robust multimodal transportation system that includes safe, frequent and reliable choices for transit and other modes, fewer people will drive alone to work.

Methodology

The data for this metric comes directly from the American Community Survey (ACS), administered by the US Census Bureau. It is part of the ACS 5-year estimates. The 5-year estimates contain the largest sample sizes and most reliable data of all the ACS datasets. The dataset used for the current state was released by ACS in 2016 and captures the time frame of 2012-2016.

The ACS data is exclusively for commute trips, thus this metric only measures which transportation mode people use to travel to work.

Example (Denver)



https://www.census.gov/programssurveys/acs/

Example (Albany, NY)



3.1 PUBLIC SAFETY

Goal

Improve and maintain public safety in all parts of the City, including crime prevention and pedestrian mobility.



Metric Category

Economy Social Socio-Economic

Metric

Crime incidents: number of incidents per police precinct Crime prevention: number of people served by outreach efforts in each neighborhood

Target

Decrease crime incidents per police precinct by 20-40% and increase the number of people served by outreach efforts.

Data needed

- Quarterly updates on crime rates based on incident reports
- Percentage of attendance at community outreach programs

Tonight's Hearing

- Accept Public Comments
- Consider staff direction on public comments (Attachment 1)
- Consider staff direction on Commission comments (Attachment 2)
- Consider implementation matrices and metrics (Attachments 3 and 4)
- Continue to January 12

Thank You! All documents are on-line at www.sanrafael2040.org

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