

Mira Mesa Community Plan Update: Phase I Community Engagement Result Planning Department January 24, 2019

6:10 pm to 7:00 pm – Mira Mesa Library

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## SD Planning Department – Presentation Outline

## AGENDA

- 1. Update/Recap:
  - Mira Mesa CPU Schedule
- 2. Phase I Community Engagement Report
  - Introduction
  - Metrics
  - Summary of Comments
  - Who Responded
  - Top Priorities, Community Elements & Community Places
  - Focus Area & Character
  - Parks & Trails
- 3. Draft Vision and Principles
- 4. Discussion and Next Steps

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# **SD** Process and Timeline

2018 CPU LAUNCH & EXISTING CONDITION PLANNING DOCUMI	2019 2 CONCEPT & ALTERNATIVE	<b>B</b> DRAFT COMMUNITY PLAN	2020 CEQA ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW	2021 5 PLAN APPROVAL
	COMMUNITY PLAN (CP)		AL IMPACT REPORT (EIR) IMPACT F	EE STUDY (IFS)
<ul> <li>Website &amp; email sign-up for updates</li> <li>Stakeholder Interview</li> <li>Online engagement</li> <li>Open House</li> <li>Subcommittee/ Working Group mtg</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Stakeholder Interview</li> <li>Workshop</li> <li>Online engagement</li> <li>Subcommittee/ Working Group mtg</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Open House</li> <li>Online engagment</li> <li>Subcommittee mtg</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>EIR public comment period</li> <li>Subcommittee mtg</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Community Planning Group</li> <li>Historical Resource Board</li> <li>Planning Commision</li> <li>SGLU Committee</li> <li>City Council</li> </ul>

## Mira Mesa Plan Update Documents

## **Oct/Nov. 2018**

## **Nov. 2018**



#### Community Atlas: Existing Conditions Report

# MIRA MESA COMMUNITY PLAN UPDATE Sustainability & Climate Action A compact, carbon neutral, zero waste community powered by 100% renewable energy with an efficient, safe, and pollution-free transportation system. A non-suc orravic convenient and enjoyable. A educated community that makes efficient use of local water, energy, food, and resources. Healthy, safe, and reliment development pattern that mitigates the risk posed by toxic chemicals, natural disaster and climate change impacts. POLICIES

- Promote the expansion of local PV installation, energy storage, and electric vehicle charging infrastructures.
- Support energy efficiency programs to reduce cost and energy use for all building types
- Promote the continued use or adaptive reuse of Class A office building for energy and material efficiency.
- Encourage electrification of public transit and personal vehicles to reduce local air pollution.
- pollution.
  Create protected facilities and tree-lined streets to promote active transportation.
  Invest in complete and compact neighborhoods that provide more mobility options
- Invest in complete and compact neighborhoods that provide more mobility option and reduce vehicle miles traveled.
   Incorporate community design strategies that promote active living and healthy
- neighborhood development
- Encourage the use of a recognized sustainability rating system on large-scale
- Encourage the use of a recognized sustainability rating system on large-scale projects that have broad community impact and publicly post project ratings.
- Create visually and functionally cohesive outdoor gathering space for each new multi-family development by considering protection from excess noise, shadowing
- impacts and maximize the positive effects of prevailing breezes in order to reduce heat and provide natural ventilation to individual residences.
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   Reduce the impact of urban heat island effect by planting street trees, coo pavement and cool-street coverings.



- Sustainability & Climate Action
- Conservation
- Public Facilities, Services & Safety

## Phase I Community Engagement Report, Draft Vision and Guiding Principles





Mira Mesa Community Plan Update: Community	Engagement Report - Phase 1
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## **Consultants & Technical Studies**



## MIRA MESA CPU SCHEDULE



#### STAKEHOLDER OUTREACH & TECHNICAL STUDY (Mobility, Economic, Land Use and Urban Design)



## Community Engagement Result



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## Engagement Metric (as of 12/30/18)



1,216 online survey visits

754 online surveys completed



**20,600+** views on social media

**868+** unique visitors to PlanMiraMesa.org



**295+ people** engaged (street fair, open house, location specific outreach)

**4** Plan Update Advisory Committee meetings held

1,440+ comments received

14,322 data points analyzed



## Over 28+ flyers posted

10+ presentation given

# Planning Department Who Responded to Online Survey?

## Do you live, study, or work in Mira Mesa?



I live in the Mira Mesa CPA

I study in the Mira Mesa CPA

I visit the Mira Mesa CPA often

I work in the Mira Mesa CPA



What is your race / ethnicity?



# Planning Department Who Responded to Online Survey?

What is your age?



## How do you get around?



## **Community Priorities**

## Online Survey All Rankings Bar Chart



#### Planning Department **Community Priorities by Comments**

			Total	Total
Theme	Code	Description	Comments	Percent
Mobility	Active	Improve Transit, Bike and Walk Facilities	149	23.2%
Mobility	Auto	Improve Vehicular Travel	113	17.6%
Land Use & Urban Design	Lu	Better Land Use and Urban Design	72	11.2%
	Hu	Improve Housing Affordability	99	15.4%
Housing	No	Don't Built Anymore Housing	24	3.7%
	Homeless	Tackle Homeless	11	1.7%
Parks and Recreation	Park	Better Parks and Recreation	65	10.1%
	No Park	No New Park, Maintain Existing Park	1	0.2%
Public Facilites	Public	Invest in Public Facilities	21	3.3%
Farman	Grow	More Business Development	17	2.6%
Economy	No Grow	No More Business Development	3	0.5%
Sustainabilty	Green	Take Climate Action and Conserve Nature	25	3.9%
	Value	What's Special about Mira Mesa	13	2.0%
Other	Z_Other	General Comment	29	4.5%
			642	100.0%

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## **Community Statement**

## **Traffic & Travel Time**

Reflects the need to develop a balanced, efficient transportation system that minimizes the impact of traffic and reduces travel times. This transportation system minimizes environmental impacts and supports desired development patterns.



Emerging Technology	Use technology to synchronize traffic signals and improve traffic flow.
HOV Lanes	Carpool lanes have improved traffic and travel times.
New Roads	Complete Carroll Canyon Road from I-15 to I-805.
Shorten Commute	Allow new housing near job centers to reduce commuter traffic.
Widen Existing Roads	Focus on widening existing roads to accommodate more cars and higher speeds.

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## **Community Statement**

## **PARKS & OPEN SPACE**

Speaks to the intentional ways we promote parks and active lifestyles. The community's parks and open space contribute to health and quality of life by connecting people with recreational and social opportunities.



Access to Parks	Most residents have access to neighborhood parks within a 10-minute walk.
Connect Neighborhoods	Create interconnected biking and walking path to parks and canyons.
Looking Forward	The number of parks being planned is keeping up with community needs.
Maintenance	Existing parks facilities are well maintained.
Open Space Trail	There are adequate opportunities to walk in natural open space areas.

## **Community Statement**

## HOUSING

Emphasizes a mix of housing types and prices for young people, family, and seniors. What does our housing market look like, and where are there gaps?



Affordable Housing	Maintain older apartments and mobile homes.
Convert Parking	Allow new housing on parking lots and build parking vertically/underground.
Housing Cost	Housing affordability is not a problem in our community.
Housing Location	Provide more diverse housing near job centers to reduce commuter traffic.
Housing Type	Develop diverse housing types for young people, families, and seniors.

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## **Community Statement**

## **URBAN DESGIN**

Seeks to create desirable places within the Mira Mesa CPA for people to live, work, play, and engage with each other and the natural and built environments that surround them. Urban design speaks to how development is arranged and how it appears.



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Community Village	Encourage vibrant mix of uses, entertainment, and a walkable streetscape.
Distinct Identity	Build on unique thematic districts and neighborhood identity of Plan Area.
Gateways	The community has recognizable, attractive gateways at its key entrances.
Public Realm	Our community needs more plazas, public square, and street trees.
Shopping Centers	Discourage the addition of mixed-use housing at existing retail centers.

## **Community Statement**

## **ECONOMIC VITALITY**

Speaks to how the Mira Mesa CPA takes specific actions to encourage a diverse, resilient, and vibrant economy that attracts employers and employees and encourages private investment in the community.



Expand High-Tech	Encourage more start-ups and knowledge-based jobs.
Grow Local Craft	Promote jobs related to food, beverage, and other locally-made products.
Keep Manufacturing	Protect industrial lands for warehousing and manufacturing jobs.
Live / Work Units	Allow live/work building in an industrial area for small business and artists.
Workforce Housing	Locate new workforce housing near jobs and transit.

## **Community Statement**

## **SUSTAINABILITY & CLIMATE**

Focuses on making better use of resources, such as water, energy and waste; designing walkable, bikeable, and livable neighborhoods; and investing in the future by supporting pollution free technology, innovation, and jobs.



Build Resilience	Encourage development patterns that mitigate the risk from natural disasters.
Carbon Neutral	Develop a pathway to a carbon neutral pollution free community.
Human Scale	Shift from auto-centric development to more compact walkable neighborhoods.
Protect Nature	Focus on protecting sensitive habitats, trees, and the open space network.
Smart City	Embrace innovation for a connected, electric, shared, and autonomous future.

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## **Community Statement**

## MOBILITY

Recognizes the need for more diverse transportation options that promote an inclusive, connected community and links to regional amenities. Active transportation, including walking, biking, and taking transit, are emphasized.



Accessibility	Mira Mesa is easily accessible by biking, walking, or transit.	
Parking / Bike Lanes	I prefer to have enhanced bike facilities instead of street parki	ng.
Protected Bike Lanes	Add protected bike lanes, whenever feasible.	
Public Transit	Focus on building dedicated transit lanes or HOV lanes for fas	ter travel.
Walk	I frequently walk in my neighborhood / work location.	

## Planning Department Community Statements & Goals

## **PUBLIC FACILITIES**

Emphasizes planning that encourages safe and active use of these facilities to enhance quality of life in the Mira Mesa CPA. All citizens rely on public facilities—from libraries to police and fire stations.



Access to Public Facilities	Most residents can conveniently access public facilities.
Current Facilities	Current public facilities are meeting community needs.
Location	Future community facilities should be centrally located in the community.
New Facilities	Invest in new facilities to meet community needs.
School Connections	Improve biking and walking path connection to schools.

## **Community Places – Walk Issues**

## **COMMUNITY COMMENTS**

*"Make our community more walker and bike friendly please. Too many pedestrians are killed on our streets."* 

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"Please try enhance to walkability at and east of the USPS office. Connect retail centers into an attractively walkable strip from I-15 to central shopping center."

*"All sidewalks need lowered ramp for strollers."* 

"When I was a kid I was walking in the crosswalk to Wangenheim Middle School when I was hit by a car. This crossing has not been improved since that time."



## **Community Places – Bike Issues**

#### **COMMUNITY COMMENTS**

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"Bike lanes aren't continuous. Please ensure that they remain in existence throughout the entire course of the corridor. Please build them, and to modern standards (i.e. protected)."

"Make protected bike lanes for the entire length of Calle Cristobal. Many bikers use this road to connect from the coast and along the canyon. People drive way too fast on this road. A protected bike lane would be a huge improvement here."

"Again no bike lane near a huge school! Students commute on these roads with high volume traffic. Just asking for bad events to occur."



# Planning Department Community Places – Transit Issues

## **COMMUNITY COMMENTS**

"The addition of Miramar Transit Center and Rapid 235 has made my life much easier. With the blue line extension to UCSD, there are more opportunities than ever to link Mira Mesa to the city's growing transit network."

"Increase the bus routes and frequencies."

"Add stops to 237 for UCSD students living in Mira Mesa. There are more and more students living out here because of rising costs in La Jolla."

"Poor public transportation options."



## **Community Places – Drive Issues**

## **COMMUNITY COMMENTS**

"We need to connect Camino Santa Fe to the 805 ASAP. It should not be difficult to do."

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"Traffic during rush hours is absolutely ridiculous on Capricorn. This is a residential street! Traffic is so bad on Mira Mesa Blvd, that people use Capricorn to avoid it. Now Capricorn is just as bad. This cannot be good for the home values on this street or area."

"The road conditions on Gold Coast Drive between Black Mountain Road and Greenford is horrible and the road needs to be improved."



## **Community Places – Special Places**

#### **COMMUNITY COMMENTS**

"The trails of Los Penasquitos Canyon are so wonderful. They offer a quiet break from the busy streets around them. The canyon also houses a plethora of wildlife, which is wonderful to experience."

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*"85 degrees, Annapurna, & Square Bar cafe seem to be very popular and - based on yelp reviews- draw people into Mira Mesa."* 

"The parks are generally well maintained, although older facilities would benefit from revitalization efforts and/or upgrades."



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## **Community Places – Opportunity**

## **COMMUNITY COMMENTS**

"The site of the mall, located in the heart of Mira Mesa, has endless opportunity for a new development that is respectful of the existing community of residents and business, but embraces placemaking in a timeless way to look to the future."

"Locating workforce housing near jobs and transit makes sense. Not only does it reduce commute and traffic congestion, it also has the potential to increase ridership in public transportation. This is a boon for our community and the city as a whole."

"Mira Mesa is unique in having a mix of rich culture as well as representation from a number of age groups, including seniors. What about looking for opportunities to embrace parks and open spaces that embrace this identity? Ideas might include fountains, koi ponds, lush gardens with benches and other places for seniors to gather and be outside enjoying the outdoors."



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## **Community Focus Areas**



Focus Area	Dots Within	Dots Nearby
Sorrento Mesa Business District	8	-
Miramar Gateway	6	-
Mira Mesa Town Center	4	3
Mira Mesa Gateway	4	1
Carroll Canyon	4	-

# Planning Department Open House - Community Character



Туре	Want Less	Just Right	Want More
Manufacturing	-	2	2
Shopping Centers and Malls	-	5	1
Offices/Research and Development	-	3	2
Food, Beverage, and Craft Production	_	3	5
Medium Density Housing	6	-	3
High Density Mixed-Use	4	2	4
Walkable Environments	-	-	9
Public Parks	-	2	9
Public Squares and Plazas	-	-	11
Multiuse Trails	-	-	15
Arterial Roadways	4	1	3
Neighborhood Streets	-	2	4

## **Open House - Park Amenities**



Туре	Dots
Multi-use trails	7
Off-leash dog parks	5
Tennis courts	5
Natural exploration areas	5
Recreation centers	4
Aquatic complex	4
Fitness course	4
Amphitheater/performance space	4
Picnic areas	3
Comfort station	3
Playgrounds	2
Ball fields	2
Non-programmed turf areas	2
Soccer fields	1
Multi-purpose courts	1
Skateboard park	1
Write in: Better lighting	1

## **Open House - Trail Amenities**



#### WHAT TRAIL AMENITIES DO YOU WANT MORE OF ON YOUR TRAILS?



Туре	Dots
Trail structure improvements	7
Trail surface improvements	5
Trail head with benches	5
Scenic overlooks	5
Revegetation on sides of trails	5
Trail kiosk with map	4
Interpretive signs	4
Distance markers	3
Write in: Replace old signs	1
Write in: Wide and bike friendly	1



## Draft Vision and Guiding Principles







**Vision** describes a shared image of what people want their community to become over the next 20 years in the future (short, broad and inclusive).

**Guiding Principles** are broadly stated objectives or precepts to guide the development of land use scenarios, mobility and urban design concepts.

# Planning Department Draft Vision and Guiding Principles

#### **DRAFT VISION**

Vibrant employment centers, eclectic community villages, and active neighborhoods.

#### **DRAFT GUIDING PRINCIPLES**

#### LAND USE AND URBAN DESIGN

- Walkable, compact, mixed-use villages of different scales.
- Public plazas, squares, and walkable streetscape that enhance community identity.

#### HOUSING

• Diverse housing types for variety of incomes and ages located near transit, jobs, activity centers, and other amenities.

#### **PUBLIC FACILITIES**

• Investment in new public facilities to meet community needs.

# Planning Department Draft Vision and Guiding Principles

#### **DRAFT GUIDING PRINCIPLES (continued)**

#### **MOBILITY**

- A transportation network ensures safe, accessible, and efficient travel.
- Convenient, frequent, and user-friendly public transit network.
- Comfortable neighborhoods for people walking and biking, with continuous sidewalks and bicycle paths, a variety of routes, and good access to schools, parks, shopping, jobs, transit, and villages.

#### ECONOMY

- Employment centers that include, when appropriate, shopping and after-hour activities as well as housing, so they become richer more vibrant places throughout the day and night.
- Land use and infrastructure investments that promote more start-ups, craft businesses, and knowledge-based jobs.
- Preservation of industrial land for manufacturing and warehousing.

# Planning Department Draft Vision and Guiding Principles

#### **DRAFT GUIDING PRINCIPLES (continued)**

#### PARKS, RECREATION, AND OPEN SPACE

- Parks, trails and open spaces are easily accessible to residents through the community.
- Restoration of community's creeks and protection of sensitive habitats, canyons, and open space network.

#### **CLIMATE ACTION AND SUSTAINABLITY**

• A resilient carbon-neutral community powered by 100% renewable energy and a pollutionfree transportation system.



## Discussion

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## MIRA MESA CPU SCHEDULE



#### STAKEHOLDER OUTREACH & TECHNICAL STUDY (Mobility, Economic, Land Use and Urban Design)



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