

CITY OF BURLINGAME

General Plan and Zoning Ordinance Update



Community Advisory Committee #4
December 9, 2015

WELCOME



Meeting Agenda



- I. Welcome and Updates
- II. Community Workshop #1 - Highlights
- III. Guiding Principles
- IV. Early 2016 CAC Work Plan and Schedule
- V. Next Steps and Adjourn

WORKSHOP HIGHLIGHTS



Diverse Participants



- Open house format
- Almost 100 attendees
- 200+ on-line participants



Diverse Participants



Focus Areas



- Broadway
- North Burlingame/Rollins Road
- Downtown
- Bayfront
- El Camino Real
- California
- Neighborhoods



Themes and Key Findings



- Importance of maintaining Burlingame's "small town charm"
- Need for bicycle and pedestrian improvements
- Concern about parking Downtown (amount and location)
- Need to support and encourage small businesses
- Opportunities for targeted development of higher-density housing and commercial uses along the Bayfront and Rollins Road

Themes and Key Findings



- Eucalyptus trees are both an asset and a challenge
- Concern about the design and size of new single-family residential development
- Train tracks as a physical barrier in the community
- Mixed opinions about high speed rail
- Concern about the lack of affordable housing
- Need for a central community gathering place

VISION AND GUIDING PRINCIPLES



Guiding Principles



Foundation of land use and other topics for upcoming CAC discussions and ultimately, the General Plan

Guiding Principles



- Balanced and Smart Growth
- Community Character/Urban Forest
- Connectivity
- Economic Diversity and Vitality
- Healthy People, Healthy Places
- Respect for Our Heritage
- Education
- Civic Engagement

Balanced and Smart Growth



- Accommodate moderate levels of growth to allow the City to maintain high levels of community services without comprising the qualities and characteristics that define Burlingame.
- Maintain a healthy balance of ownership and rental housing, with opportunities for people of all income ranges to live in Burlingame.
- Ensure that new commercial, office, and industrial development has flexible building designs that can accommodate the evolving nature of how buildings are used and business is conducted.
- Base land use decisions in part on the ability of the multimodal transportation network to support growth.
- Improve the capacity and resiliency of infrastructure to accommodate growth and changing conditions.

Community Character/ Urban Forest



- Recognize the distinct qualities of Burlingame's many and varied neighborhoods and business districts, and require that new development respond to and respect the established character-defining features of these places.
- Ensure that trees continue to be an integral character-defining feature of our streetscapes, neighborhoods, and business districts.
- Protect and expand the City's urban forest and tree groves as aesthetic, historical, and environmental resources.

Connectivity



- Develop and maintain a well-defined multimodal transportation network that accommodates a range of travel choices.
- Provide safe, convenient, and comfortable connections across Highway 101, linking the Bayfront to the rest of the City.
- Promote safe and convenient bicycle and pedestrian connections among the various business districts west of Highway 101.

Economic Diversity and Vitality



- Support and encourage small, local, and independent businesses.
- Accommodate a mix of businesses capable of maintaining a stable tax base and revenue stream.

Healthy People, Healthy Places



- Provide unique parks and recreation experiences in parks, open spaces, and public plazas citywide.
- Promote development approaches that emphasize pedestrian and bicycle access.
- Incorporate high-quality, energy-efficient, and sustainable design into all new development.
- Preserve and enhance open spaces, natural resources, and environmentally sensitive areas, including the Bay and the local creek system.
- Maintain and enhance public safety through community and environmental design that promotes secure, active, and safe streets and neighborhoods.
- Mitigate the impact of transportation-related noises on residents through thoughtful design.

Respect for Our Heritage



- Protect the character and quality of Burlingame's historical buildings, districts, and landscapes.
- Celebrate and accommodate diversity.

Education



Promote productive partnerships with local schools, and recognize that high-quality education contributes to overall community success and health.

Civic Engagement



Maintain an environment that always welcomes and encourages productive public discourse on issues shaping Burlingame's future.

2016 CAC WORK PLAN AND SCHEDULE




Early 2016 CAC Meetings and Community Workshops



Date	Topics
January 27	Broadway, California, and Downtown
February 10	Bayfront and El Camino Real
February 24	Rollins Rd and North Burlingame
<i>March 19</i>	<i>Joint City Council/Planning Commission session</i>
March 23	Land Use Alternatives
<i>April 16</i>	<i>Community Workshop #2</i>
April 27	Circulation/Mobility

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