



**JOINT MEETING BETWEEN THE CITY COUNCIL  
AND PLANNING COMMISSION  
SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA  
MAY 26, 2020  
7:00 P.M.**

**NOTICE: IN ORDER TO MINIMIZE THE SPREAD OF THE COVID-19 VIRUS, THIS MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE ORDER N-29-20, WHICH SUSPENDED CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS OF THE BROWN ACT.**

**WE ENCOURAGE ALL MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO PARTICIPATE IN THE MEETING VIA TELECONFERENCE BY CALLING (605) 468-8002, ACCESS CODE NUMBER 156811#. ANY MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC PARTICIPATING VIA TELECONFERENCE WILL BE GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO PROVIDE PUBLIC COMMENT.**

**ADDITIONALLY, THE MEETING WILL BE STREAMED ON YOUTUBE LIVE**  
[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCB\\_ZmQZIHlH-ECEPZ2VwZg](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCB_ZmQZIHlH-ECEPZ2VwZg)

**IF YOU CHOOSE TO ATTEND THE COUNCIL MEETING IN PERSON, YOU WILL BE REQUIRED TO MAINTAIN APPROPRIATE SOCIAL DISTANCING, INCLUDING, MAINTAINING A SIX-FOOT DISTANCE BETWEEN YOURSELF AND OTHER INDIVIDUALS, AND WEAR A FACE COVERING. PLEASE NOTE, SEATING IS LIMITED.**

**PURSUANT TO LIVINGSTON EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-03, ALL MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THE ARE REQUIRED TO WEAR A FACE COVERING WHILE INSIDE CITY FACILITIES.**

*(Some Councilmembers and Planning Commissioners may be participating in the meeting remotely via teleconferencing consistent with the Governor's Executive Order N-29-20.)*

*Notice is hereby given that the City Council and Planning Commission will hold a Joint Special Meeting on May 26, 2020, at the City Council Chambers, 1416 C Street, Livingston, California, or conducted pursuant to the provisions of the Governor's Executive Order N-29-20. Assistance will be*

*provided to those requiring accommodations for disabilities in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities. Persons requesting accommodation should contact the Deputy City Clerk at least 24 hours prior to this meeting at (209) 394-8041, Ext. 121. Any writings or documents pertaining to an open session item provided to a majority of the members of the legislative body less than 24 hours prior to the meeting shall be made available for public inspection by email if requested. The Open Session for the Joint Special Meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m. Members of the public may address the City Council concerning any item described in this notice and agenda before consideration of that item. No City business other than that described in this notice and agenda shall be considered by the City Council.*

## **Joint Special Meeting**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Pledge of Allegiance.

City Council Roll Call.

Planning Commission Roll Call.

Changes to the Agenda.

### **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

**MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO ADDRESS THE CITY COUNCIL WILL BE GIVEN THE SAME TIME ALLOTMENT FOR COMMENTS (3 MINUTES) AS NORMALLY ALLOWED FOR MEETINGS SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF EXECUTIVE ORDER N-29-20.**

*At a special meeting, members of the public wishing to address the Council for any matter on the agenda may do so at the time the matter is discussed. Note, under the provisions of the California Government Code, the City Council is prohibited from discussing or taking action on any item not on the agenda. Comments are normally limited to three (3) minutes.*

*Please note that under California Government Code section 54954.3(a) (The Brown Act), Special Meeting agendas need only provide an opportunity for members of the public to directly address the legislative body concerning **any item that has been described in the meeting agenda** before or during consideration of the item. The public will have an opportunity to comment on matters not on the agenda at regularly scheduled Council Meetings.*

### **WORKSHOP**

1. **JOINT CITY COUNCIL/PLANNING COMMISSION GENERAL PLAN UPDATE WORKSHOP.** An overview of the General Plan Update process presented by Jim Harnish, JD, Mintier Harnish consulting firm, Sacramento, CA.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

# Livingston General Plan Update Community General Plan Forum

Joint Planning Commission and  
City Council Meeting

*May 26, 2020*



# Our Team



**Jim Harnish, JD**  
Project Manager



**Rick Rust, AICP, GISP**  
Project Director



**Amy Yang**  
Deputy Project Manager



**Raúl Tovar Gonzales**  
Project Planner

## About us...



**Established in 1985**

**Planning and community  
engagement specialists**

**Prepared over 50 general plans**

**Sacramento-based small business  
(10 employees)**

**Large network of  
teaming partners**

**Customize our teams  
for each project**

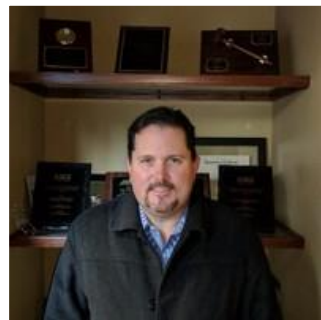
**mintierharnish**  
Planning Tomorrow Today

# Our Team

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**Eric VonBerg, MRP**  
Environmental



**Gary Mills**  
Mobility

# Livingston Staff

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- **José Antonio Ramírez**, City Manager
- **Randy Hatch**, City Planner
- **Monica Cisneros**, Executive Assistant/Deputy City Clerk
- **Filomena Arredondo**, Senior Administrative Analyst/Community Development

# Agenda and Objectives

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1. Provide overview of the General Plan and its requirements
2. Outline the General Plan Update process
3. Describe outreach program
4. *Discussion: Assets, Issues, and Opportunities*

# General Plan Overview





# What is the General Plan?

- Required by State law for all cities, towns, and counties
- Guides long-term decisions (2040)
- Addresses a broad range of topics, organized by “element”
- Represents the community vision for the future

## 1.0

### INTRODUCTION

#### 1.1 OVERVIEW OF THE UPDATE PROCESS

The General Plan is a long-term, comprehensive framework to guide physical, social and economic development within a community's Planning Area. The City of Livingston's General Plan is a long-range guide for attaining the City's goals within its Sphere of Influence and accommodating its population growth to the year 2020. A comprehensive document, it coordinates all components of the City's physical development and sets objectives, policies and standards which guide future growth within the City's Planning Area.

In January, 1998, the Livingston City Council authorized an update to the City's General Plan and associated elements including Land Use, Circulation, Open Space and Conservation, Housing and Safety, Noise, Community Design, Public Services and Facilities.

The City Council appointed a General Plan Review Committee to work with staff and Quad Knopf, Inc., the General Plan consultant. The Committee consisted of representatives from the City Staff, the Planning Commission, City Council, Livingston public schools and Livingston Chamber of Commerce. The General Plan Review Committee has provided crucial input and review to all aspects of the General Plan.

In addition, before preparing the draft General Plan update, Quad Knopf met with local service clubs, held a workshop and four town hall meetings. These preliminary activities were held to discuss and to seek public input into the planning process. The workshops were facilitated by the General Plan consultant team. Members of the public at large were asked a series of questions relating to the quality of life in Livingston such as what things were important to maintain and what would they change in Livingston if money were no object. Participants in the workshop were also asked to design a plan for the future of Livingston using drawing paper, colored markers, and magazine clippings.

Using the results of the workshops, the consultant team developed a series of working papers that were released at intervals during the process. The working papers included a *Preliminary Development Forecasts/Community Concern Summary*, a *Draft Background Report*, and a *Constraints and Opportunities Report*. These papers were distributed to the General Plan Review Committee, for its consideration and approval. The last paper, the *Constraints and Opportunities Report*, served as the foundation for the General Plan update and was also approved by the Planning Commission and City Council and subject to two noticed town hall meetings. The Draft

City of Livingston  
General Plan Update

December, 1999  
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# General Plan Update Focus

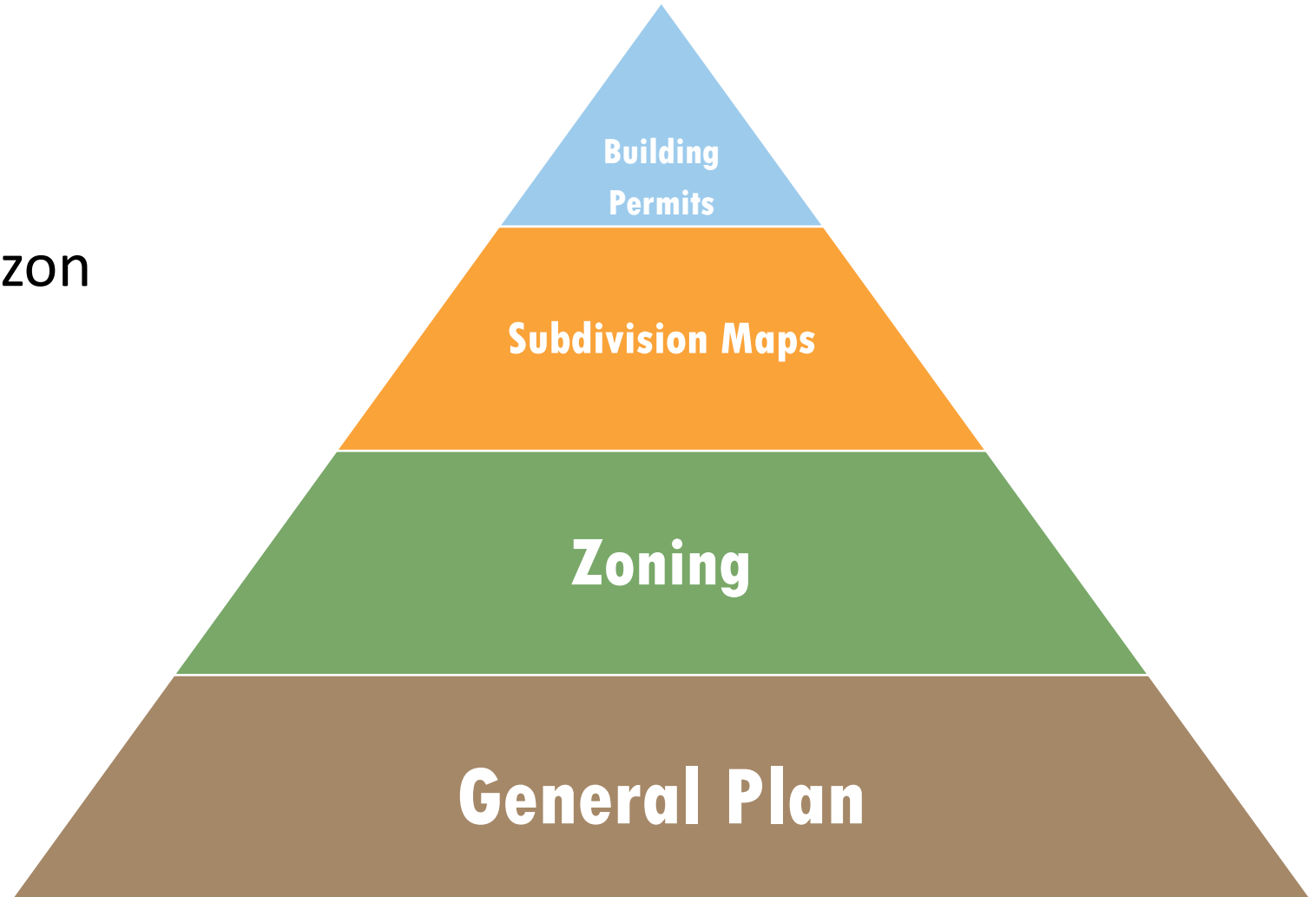
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- Land Use
- Transportation and mobility
- Environmental sustainability and protection
- New growth
- Community health
- Social justice
- Emerging trends
- Recent State laws and General Plan Guidelines
- Refinements and updates as necessary to the vision, goals, policies, and action items
- Participatory community engagement

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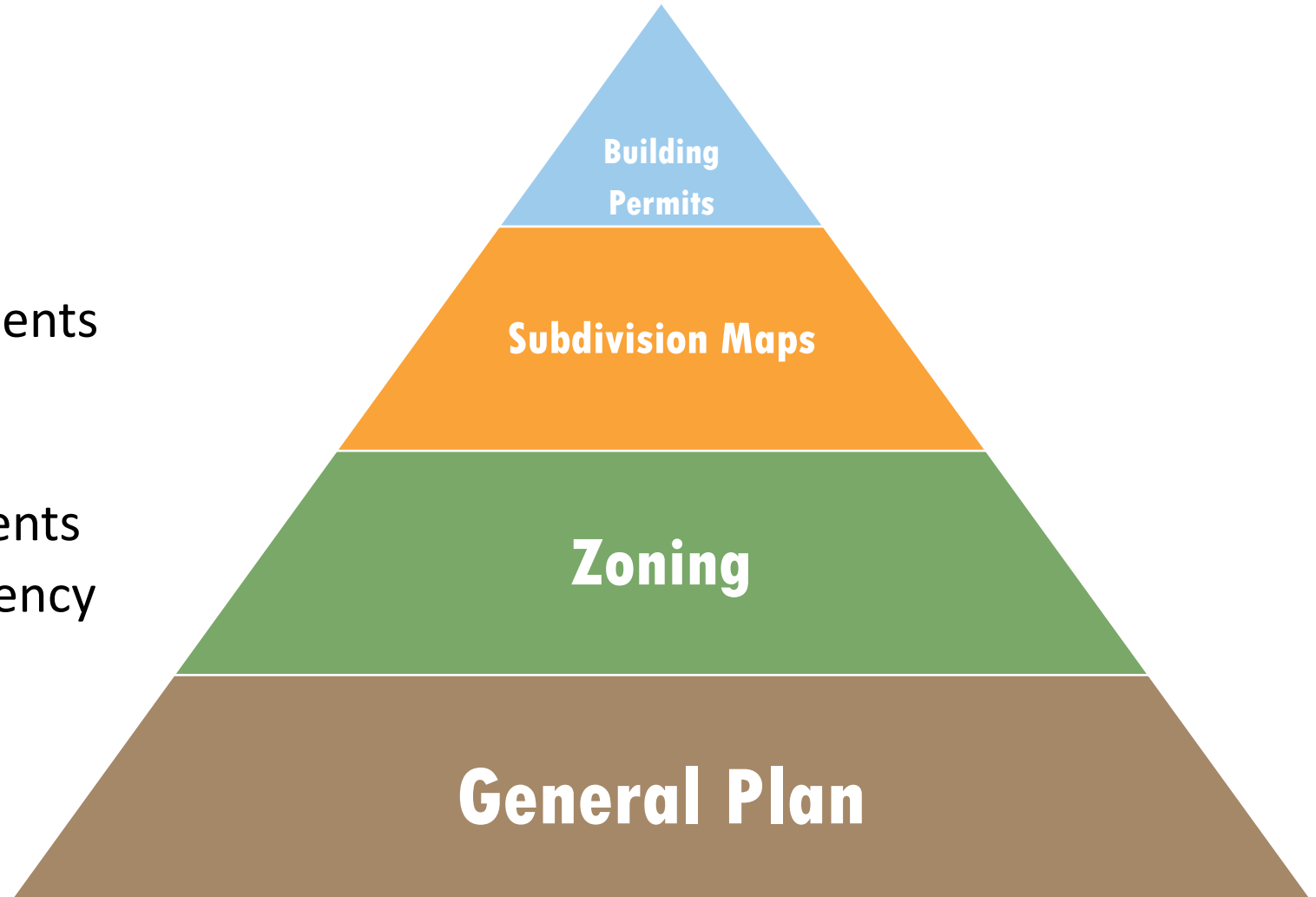
- General
- Comprehensive
- Long-term planning horizon (20-25 years)



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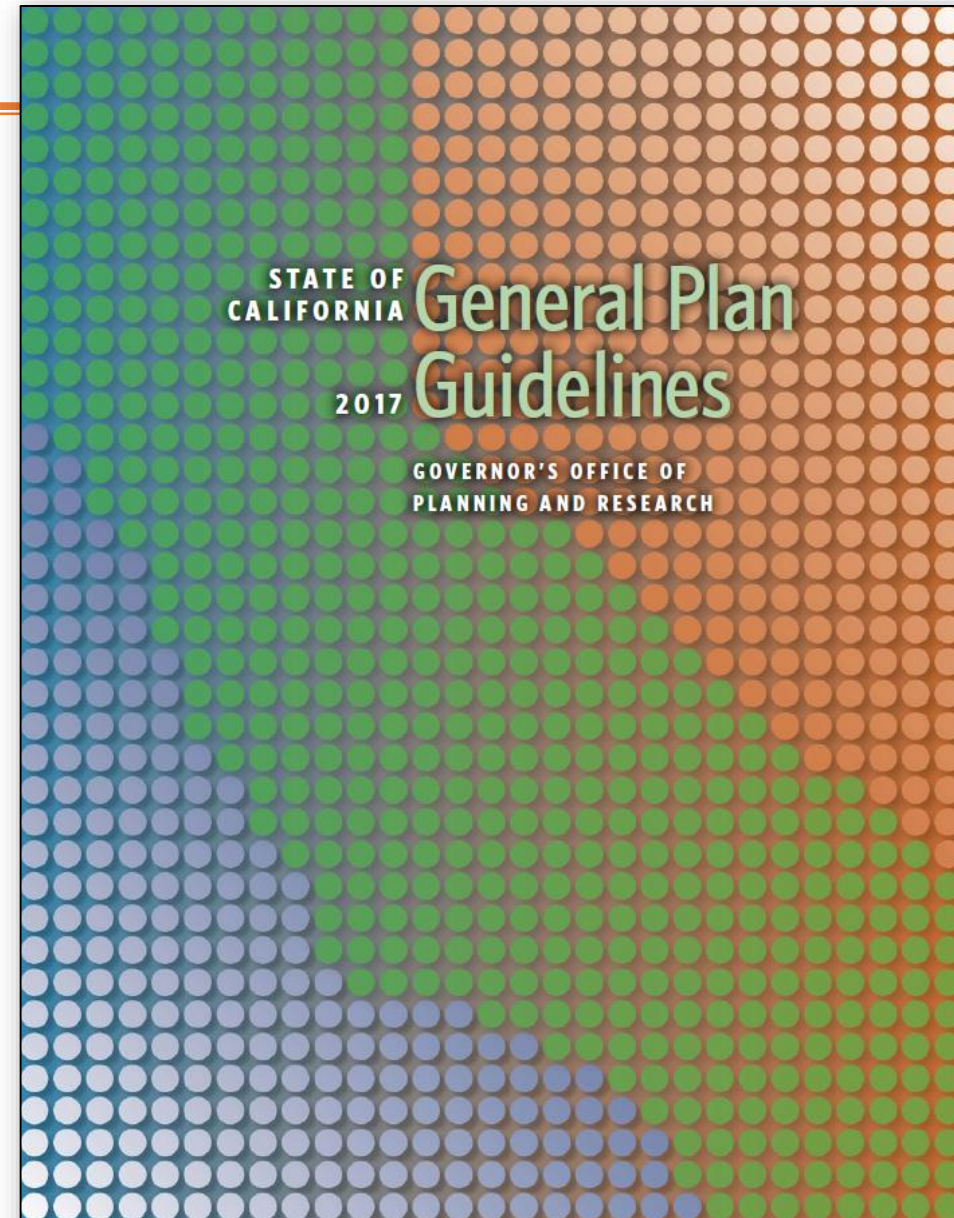
- Covers an identified Planning Area
- Internal consistency
  - Equal status among elements
  - Consistency between elements
  - Consistency within elements
  - Text and diagram consistency



# Required Elements

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- Land Use
- Circulation
- Housing
- Conservation
- Open Space
- Safety
- Noise
- Air Quality
- Environmental Justice



# New State Requirements

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**Environmental  
Justice**



**Tribal Consultation**



**Complete Streets**



**Vehicle Miles  
Traveled**



**GHG Emissions**



**Climate Change  
Adaptation**



**Wildfires and  
Flooding**









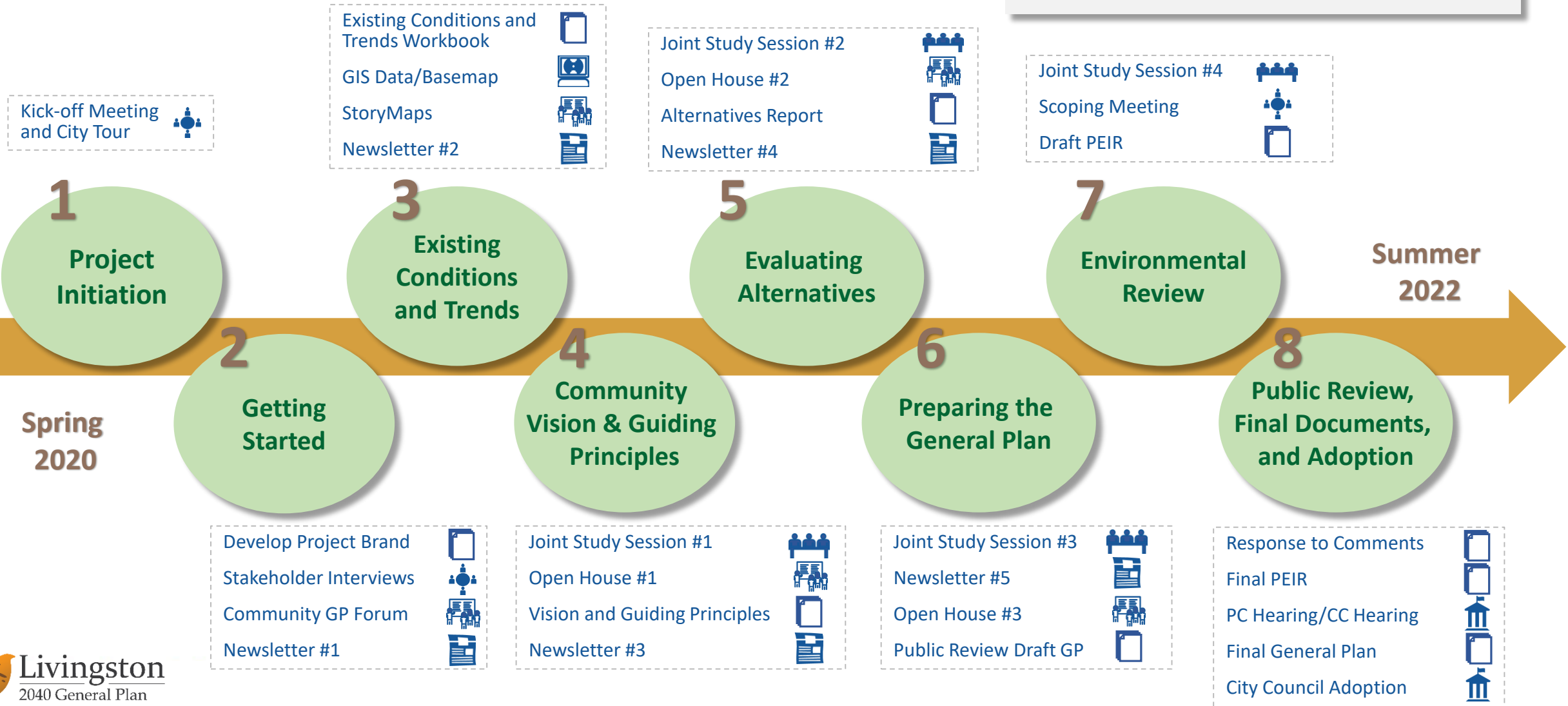
**Housing Sites and  
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# Update Process and Outreach Program



# Process

-  Meeting
-  Community
-  Study Session
-  Deliverable
-  Web-based
-  Newsletter
-  PC/CC Hearing





# Outreach Program

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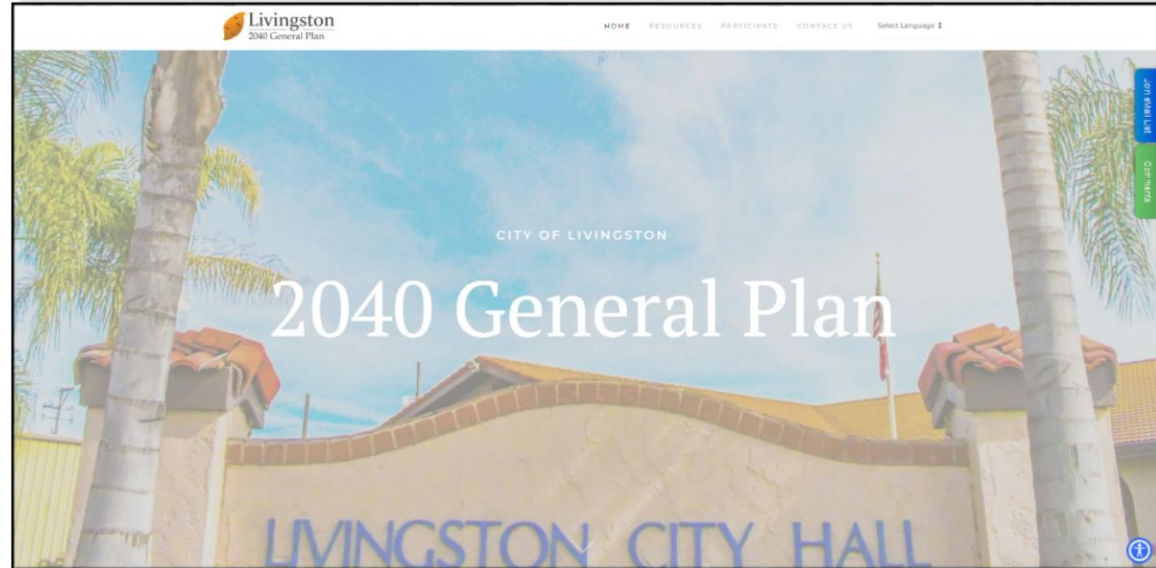
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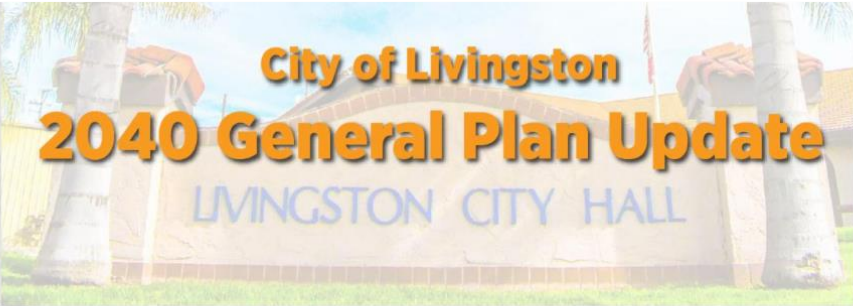
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**City of Livingston**  
**2040 General Plan Update**  
LIVINGSTON CITY HALL

**Upcoming Joint Planning Commission and City Council Meeting on 2040 General Plan**

**Date:** May 26, 2020  
**Time:** 7:00 PM

In March 2020, the City of Livingston kicked off the 2040 General Plan Update. As part of the process, the City will host an online joint Planning Commission and City Council meeting on May 26, 2020 to go over the tasks of the update and what the update will address.

You and your friends are invited to watch the meeting online. The meeting will be streamed live on YouTube Live.

[Click Here to Stream Live](#)

For more information about the meeting, please contact Monica Cisneros at [mcisneros@livingstoncity.com](mailto:mcisneros@livingstoncity.com).

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NEWSLETTER #1: GENERAL PLAN OVERVIEW

## Los Gatos General Plan 2040!

We are excited to announce that in October 2018, the Town of Los Gatos kicked off the update to the Town's General Plan. The update is scheduled to take approximately two years, and throughout the process, the public is welcome to provide input on how Los Gatos should evolve over the next two decades.

## What is a General Plan?

Every jurisdiction in California must have a General Plan, which is the local government's long-term framework or "constitution" for future growth and development. The General Plan represents the community's view of its future and expresses the community's goals. The General Plan contains the goals and policies upon which the Town Council and Planning Commission will base their land use and resource decisions. California State law requires that each Town, City, and County must adopt a General Plan for the physical development of the jurisdiction and any land outside its boundaries that bears relation to its planning. Typically, a General Plan is designed to address the issues facing the jurisdiction for the next 20 years.

A general plan has three defining features:

- **General.** A General Plan provides general policy guidance that will be used to direct future land use and resource decisions.
- **Comprehensive.** A General Plan is comprehensive, covering topics such as land use, housing, economic development, infrastructure, public safety, recreation, natural resources, and much more.
- **Long-Range.** A General Plan provides guidance on reaching a future envisioned 20 or more years in the future. To achieve the vision, a comprehensive plan includes goals, policies, and actions that address both immediate and long-term needs.

## VISIT THE UPDATE WEBSITE TO:

- Stay informed
- Find out about upcoming meetings
- Sign up for email updates
- Share your ideas on the Town's future



HAVE QUESTIONS?

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Planning Division  
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This checklist is intended to help dine-in restaurant employers implement their plan to prevent the spread of COVID-19 in the workplace and is supplemental to the Guidance for Dine-in Restaurants. This checklist is a summary and contains shorthand for some parts of the guidance; familiarize yourself with the guidance before using this checklist.

<https://covid19.ca.gov/pdf/checklist-dine-in-restaurants.pdf>

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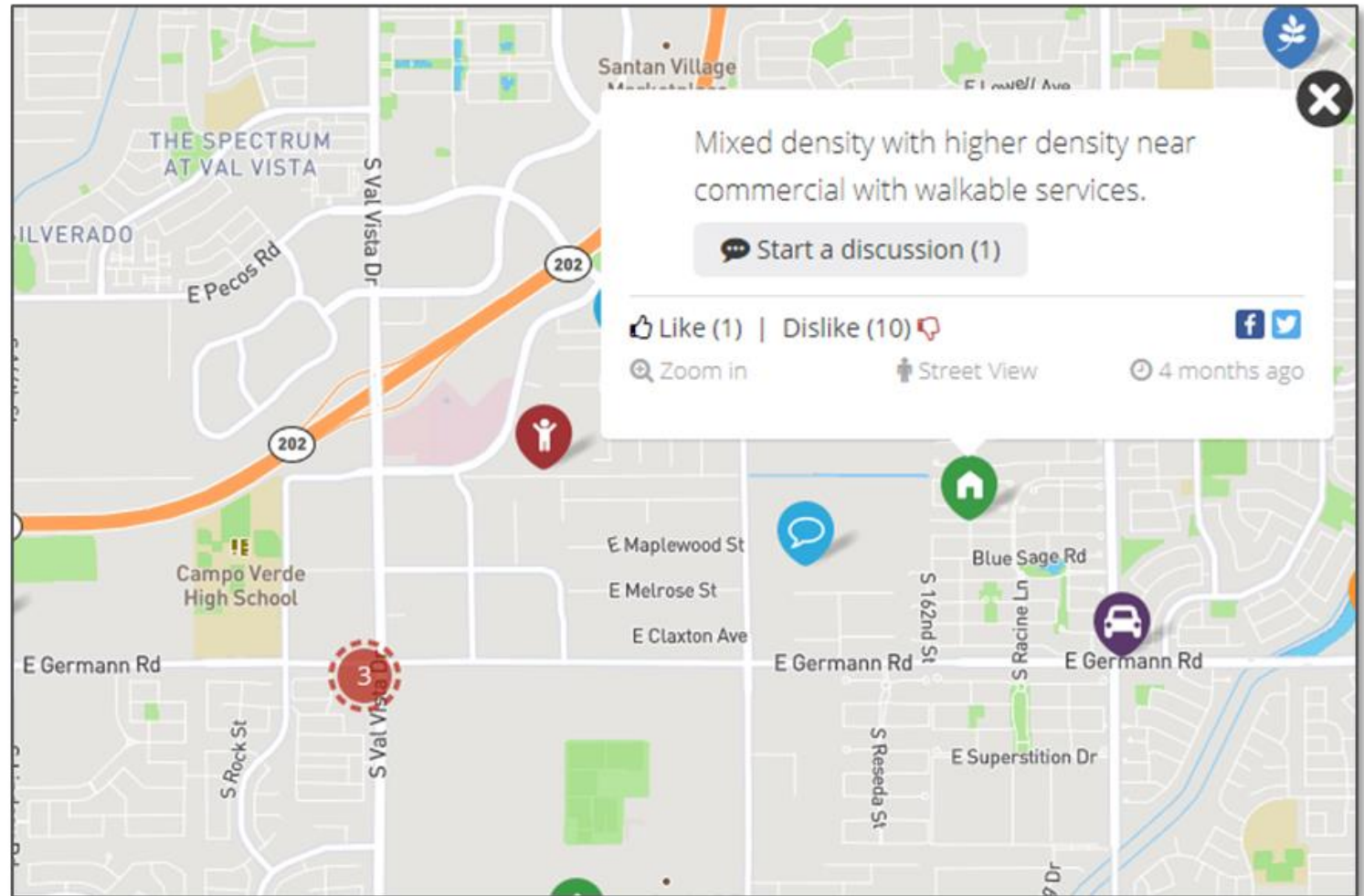
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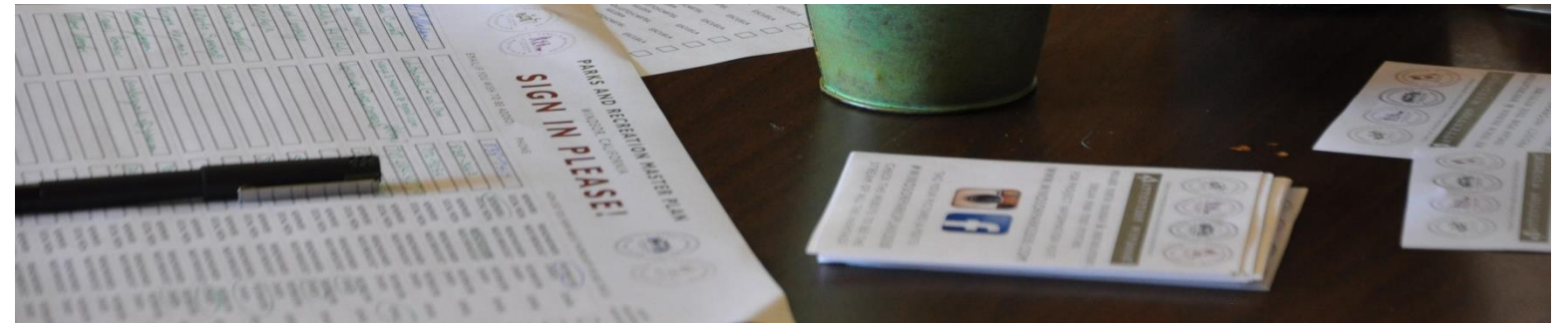
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# Discussion of Assets, Issues, and Opportunities





# Discussion Items

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1. When the General Plan Update is complete, what would make you feel the process was successful?
2. What are the key issues that the General Plan should address?
3. What are the key opportunities on which the General Plan should capitalize?
4. For public engagement, what are the most effective means to get the word out about upcoming meetings?