

## **Executive Committee**

**Coalition of City Neighborhood Associations** 

THE PURPOSE OF THE ORGANIZATION IS TO PRESERVE, PROTECT AND ENHANCE CITY RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOODS AND TO ADDRESS THE NEEDS OF THE NEIGHBORHOODS AND STAND IN SUPPORT OF THOSE NEEDS

## **Expediated Timeline for Proposed Comp Plan Revisions**

## **Background**

- a) The city is in the process of codifying the Comp. Plan, Future Land Use Map (FLUM) changes, as well as the associated zoning code amendments to the city's transportation corridor as part of the city's effort to address affordable housing. These wide-spread changes will impact somewhere between 1000-1500 parcels.
- b) The city recently announced the following expediated schedule:
  - Sept 19: 1st reading of the finalized FLUM changes
  - Oct 17: 2nd reading of FLUM changes (and vote to enact) as well as 1st reading of accompanying inclusionary zoning changes
  - **Nov 7**: 2nd reading of inclusionary zoning changes (and vote to enact).
- C) Prior to the transmittal of these changes, there had NOT been a consensus as to the efficacy of these proposals with disagreement amongst the commission, the community, and former commissioners.
- d) Part of the proposals include expansion of administrative approval, thus reducing future community input when evaluating development.
- e) CCNA is in the process of developing a Meaningful Neighborhood Input on Development.

## **CCNA** Position

- 1) FLUM and Comp plan are the durable bedrock that creates a universal understanding regarding future land use. Changes should be rare, and their **implications well-understood** by residents as well as city planners and developers.
- 2) The announced rushed schedule **precludes the necessary community engagement** (workshops) appropriate for such extensive changes, particularly when expanded administrative review is being considered and the text of the proposals are not publicly available.
- 3) CCNA calls on the city to expand the timeline to include scheduling of workshops to educate the community and allow crucial community feedback. There are no circumstances under which property owners, residents, and neighborhoods should be excluded from having a voice in the evolution of our city.

Lou Costa Chair

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