Public Meetings for the Specific Plan Updates and the Draft Environmental Impact Report for the City of Los Angeles Coastal Transportation Corridor Specific Plan (CTCSP) and West Los Angeles Transportation Improvement and Mitigation Specific Plan (WLA TIMP)

OVERVIEW

The City of Los Angeles Department of City Planning has prepared proposed amendments to the Coastal Transportation Corridor Specific Plan (CTCSP) and West Los Angeles Transportation Improvement and Mitigation Specific Plan (WLA TIMP) along with a Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR). The amendments include an update to the list of transportation improvements to be funded, in part, by the impact fees collected from new development; an update to the Transportation Impact Assessment fee program, including revisions to the fees, exemptions, in-lieu credits, and affordable housing credits; and a new transit-oriented development credit.

The updated list of transportation improvements includes: transit, bicycle and pedestrian, roadway and intelligent transportation system, and trip reduction programs. Other proposed changes include administrative amendments and minor revisions that are consistent with recent California State legislation, transportation policies in the City’s General Plan Elements, LADOT’s Traffic Study Policies and Procedures, and current best planning practices.

The City will be hosting two identically formatted public meetings to present an overview of the Specific Plan updates and Draft EIR and take public comments on the documents. You are invited to attend either meeting to learn more about the project and share your input on the Specific Plan updates and Draft EIR. Dates, times, and locations of each meeting are listed on the reverse side.

Improving Mobility on the Westside

The Los Angeles City Council directed the Department of Transportation, in conjunction with the Department of City Planning, to undertake a comprehensive study to develop potential short-term solutions and long-term plans to respond to congestion and mobility challenges within this geography of the City. The comprehensive study, called the Westside Mobility Plan, was undertaken to update the long range vision that would facilitate a more balanced modal approach toward improving mobility on the Westside. The Westside Mobility Plan study area is made up of the combined boundaries of the CTCSP and WLA TIMP areas. These Specific Plan areas include all or parts of the Westwood, West Los Angeles, Brentwood-Pacific Palisades, Palms-Mar Vista-Del Rey, Westchester-Playa Del Rey, Venice Community Plan areas and the Los Angeles International Airport (LAX) Plan area. The objectives of the Westside Mobility Plan include enhancing transportation options for multiple modes of travel, improving transit along key north-south corridors, reducing auto reliance and greenhouse gas emissions, and increasing the safety and convenience of walking and bicycling.

History of the Existing Specific Plans

The CTCSP and WLA TIMP were adopted in 1985 and 1997, respectively, with the purpose of establishing a Transportation Impact Assessment (TIA) program to be assessed on new development and intended to assist with the costs of future transportation improvements on the Westside. The TIA fees were established by Specific Plan ordinances and have been a part of the development approval process in the Westside since adoption.
STATUS UPDATE

Three community workshops were held in October 2012 that helped further refine the mobility improvements for the final Mobility Plan. The project team is currently focused on updating the Coastal Transportation Corridor and West LA Transportation Specific Plans, including an update to the development impact fees. The environmental analysis process has been initiated and the Notice of Preparation will be released late spring 2014.

OPEN HOUSE AND PUBLIC HEARING

Each meeting will include topic stations, public comments and a presentation.
Presentation will begin at 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, January 21, 2016
6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Venice High School
13000 Venice Boulevard
Los Angeles, CA 90066

Public Transit:
Metro 33, 733 and Big Blue Bus 1

Tuesday, February 2, 2016
6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Henry Medina West LA Parking
Enforcement Facility*
11214 Exposition Blvd
Los Angeles, CA 90064

*On-site parking is limited. Attendees are encouraged to carpool, use transit or park on the surrounding streets.

Public Transit:
Culver CityBus 6; Big Blue Bus 4, 7 and Big Blue Bus Rapid 7

Public comments may be submitted three ways:

1. In person at one of the two public meetings
2. Via email by March 7, 2016 to westside2@fehrandpeers.com (please note “ENV-2014-1458-EIR” in the subject line)
3. Via mail postmarked by March 7, 2016 to: Ms. Conni Pallini-Tipton, AICP, Senior Planner Department of City Planning, City of Los Angeles 200 N Spring St, Room 667 Los Angeles, CA 90012

Please include in all correspondence: LA City EIR No. ENV-2014-1458-EIR

The public comment period for the CTCSP/WLA TIMP Draft Environmental Impact Report begins January 7, 2016 and ends 60 days later on March 7, 2016. All public comments must be received by March 7, 2016.

You are encouraged to visit our website for study updates and information at www.WestsideMobilityPlan.com. If you have questions, please email us at westside2@fehrandpeers.com.

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