Chapter 19.800

GENERAL PLAN TEXT/MAP AMENDMENT

19.800.010 Purpose.

Government Code Section 65358 authorizes and specifies procedures for amendments and modifications to a City’s General Plan. City resolution No. 20561 sets forth procedures for the adoption of policies and procedures for amending the General Plan. Amendments are considered appropriate in response to changing in conditions.

19.800.020 Initiation of Amendment.

A General Plan Amendment may be initiated in any one of the following manners:

A. Upon minute action of the City Council.

B. Upon minute action of the Planning Commission.

C. Upon application by a property owner or owners of any parcel subject to the General Plan.

D. Pursuant to Section 19.660.015 A (Initiation of Applications).

19.800.030 Frequency of General Plan Amendment.

General Plan amendments with certain exceptions are processed quarterly subject to the provisions of Resolution 20561.

19.800.040 Procedures.

A. General Process

General Plan text/map amendment applications shall be processed in accordance with the discretionary permit processing provisions as set forth in Chapters 19.650 (Approving Authority), 19.660 (General Application Processing Procedures), 19.670 (Notices and Hearings), 19.680 (Appeals), 19.690 (Effective Dates) and other applicable Chapters of the Zoning Code.

B. Voting/Approval Requirement

Approval of a General Plan amendment requires the affirmative vote of at least 4 Planning Commission members, or a majority, whichever is greater. The Planning Commission’s denial of a General Plan amendment is final unless appealed to the City Council. If approved by the Planning Commission or appealed to the City Council, the City Council is the final approving authority. A simple majority vote of the City Council is required for approval.
19.800.050 General Plan Text/Map Amendment Process in Flow Chart Form.

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Application Filed

Application deemed incomplete: returned for additional information. Applicant can appeal determination (19.660.050).

Application reviewed for completeness by Zoning Administrator or designee.

Review of application by City staff for appropriateness and consistency with broad General Plan goals and other applicable city policies.

Nearing scheduled NOTICE 19.670.

Staff recommendation forwarded to City Planning Commission. Hearing(s) conducted.

City Planning Commission takes action to:
- Approve in full or in part*
- Conditionally approve in full or in part
- Modify
- Deny

APPROVAL of General Plan Amendment

DENIAL** of General Plan Amendment

IF APPEALED WRIT OF WRIT OF DECISION

Decision Final

Item set for hearing

City Council acts by resolution to adopt, reverse, or modify CPC recommendation.

Decision Final

City Council Hearing(s)

HEARING SCHEDULED, NOTICE PER 19.670

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** Denial requires a 6-2 affirmative vote of the City Planning Commission.