

NC Action Item: Sept 11, 2012

Subject: Comments and recommendations regarding the *Draft SP Community Plan* (August 2012) generated at the September 5, 2012, meeting of the Central San Pedro Neighborhood Council Land Use Planning & Public Works Committee, which was held in conjunction with the Northwest and Coastal Neighborhood Councils. Los Angeles City Planners presented the draft plan.

Recommended action: Forward comments and recommendations to City Planning Department

1. The Community Design Overlay (CDO) area should be expanded to include Gaffey Street north to its intersection with the freeways near Summerland Street (Welcome Gateway area), Ref. Fig 1-3, pg 15. The City Planning Dept should hold a community workshop addressing the detailed planning for our CDO. Creation of a street tree plan should be added as a Program for the area covered by the Community Design Overlay (CDO).
2. Centre Street between First and Seventh Streets is currently classified as a Secondary Highway, which calls for a 90-foot right-of-way with a 70-foot wide roadbed (Ref Fig 4-1. pg 73). This street should be reclassified as no more than a collector street. In particular, this neighborhood council has prioritized the exchange of unnecessary roadbed width for additional sidewalk width on the block between Sixth and Seventh Streets, which currently has a 5-foot wide sidewalk. Only one lane in each direction, parking on both sides, and possibly a center turn lane is needed here.
3. Centre and Mesa Streets provide important pedestrian connections between pedestrian-prioritized Sixth and Seventh Streets, and should also be pedestrian-priority ways.
4. The Superior Courthouse parcel on Sixth Street is shown as a separate land use "sub-area", but this parcel should be merged into Sub-area no. 135 to make the parcel consistent in height limits and other zoning matters with the rest of downtown.
5. Pacific Avenue south of Thirteenth Street should be zoned to allow stand-alone residential development (Sub-area 150), consistent with pedestrian-friendly development models.
6. Lots fronting Grand Avenue between Fifth and Ninth Streets are shown as Community Commercial with a 75-foot height limit; however, all eleven lots directly fronting this street range are developed as residential properties averaging two stories of height. City should observe policy LU3.1 (pg 40) and "stabilize and improve existing multi-family neighborhoods," as well as direct new commercial development to Gaffey, Pacific and Downtown sub-areas. Lots

fronting Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, Eighth and Ninth Streets with Grand Avenue sidelines should maintain Community Commercial zoning.

7. Show our ACE District Boundary on Fig 2-1, pg. 19.
8. On Pg 29, 2nd paragraph, the zoning designation list should provide more information and clarification.
9. On Page 33, Fig 3-2 showing Height Districts, the legend should show actual height limits in feet.
10. Policy LU7.5 on Pg 54, sets requirements to underground utilities (eliminate AGFs) in certain areas. Areas designated as Welcome Gateways should also be listed here.
11. Make additional references to the California Coastal Trail in the Local Coastal Program Specific Plan section (pg 66); on Fig. 4-1, Circulation System, Pg 73; and the Recreation and Scenic Highways section (pg 92).
12. Streets prioritized for goods movement should include Harbor Blvd. (Table 4-1, pg 77)
13. Pg. 83, Fig. 4-4: First Street is shown as a bicycle-prioritized street in the Mobility Element - however, this is not a practical designation due to vehicular traffic loads and a narrow right-of-way. Thirteenth Street is a practical east-west bicycle route and should be shown as such.
14. Include for reference the 2010 Federal Census statistics for our community demographics, possibly as an addendum and in un-interpolated condition (if staff time is not available to analyze this information).
15. This NC requests that additional community response time for the CPA EIR be provided, for a minimum of 90 days.
16. The Ponte Vista development area should be a part of the San Pedro community plan area.