



AGENDA MEMO - PLANNING

CITY COUNCIL MEETING DATE: AUGUST 17, 2022

DEPARTMENT: PLANNING

ITEM DESCRIPTION: AMENDMENT OF CITY OF LAS VEGAS 2050 MASTER PLAN

** STAFF RECOMMENDATION(S) **

CASE NUMBER	RECOMMENDATION	REQUIRED FOR APPROVAL
22-0294-GPA1	Staff recommends APPROVAL.	

** NOTIFICATION **

NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATIONS NOTIFIED N/A

NOTICES MAILED Newspaper Notification ONLY

PROTESTS 0

APPROVALS 0

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**** STAFF REPORT ****

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The City of Las Vegas is requesting a General Plan Amendment for the adoption of minor amendments to the City of Las Vegas 2050 Master Plan. This master plan serves as the City's comprehensive, long term general plan for the physical development of the City and was prepared pursuant to NRS 278.150. The 2050 Master Plan's amendments (Exhibit A) consist of several minor updates and clarifying information within Chapters 2 and 5, including elements covering land use, historic preservation, recreation and open space, and implementation. If adopted, the Master Plan would amend maps, tables, and General Plan / future land use descriptions for additional clarification and updated content.

ISSUES

- Section 11 of Ordinance 6788 allows for maintenance and implementation of the 2050 Master Plan from time to time to incorporate updates that have been properly approved.
- This amendment will update the City of Las Vegas 2050 Las Vegas Master Plan and provide additional clarification to land use descriptions and provide minor updates.

ANALYSIS

Background

On July 21, 2021, the City Council adopted the City of Las Vegas 2050 as the new long-range comprehensive master plan for the City of Las Vegas (Ordinance 6788). Several sections of the ordinance, as well as Chapter 5 – Implementation, direct planning staff to provide a general annual review and evaluation of the plan and make any necessary updates. Section 11 of the ordinance further specifies that “in connection with maintenance and implementation of the 2050 Master Plan, the Department of Planning is authorized from time to time to correct errors and incorporate updates that have been properly approved.” Upon review for the first year since adoption of the 2050 Master Plan, Planning Department staff provide the following updates and amendments to the Master Plan for 2022, in addition to minor clerical corrections:

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- Chapter 2 – I.B: Land Use Place Types:
 - Amend and update the City’s general plan maps (including the matching map within the Executive Summary) to reflect all associated General Plan Amendments that were approved by the Planning Commission and City Council between July 21, 2021 to present.
 - Amends the chart reflecting general plan categories and compatible zoning districts will amend the following designations:
 - FBC: Form-Based Code: density range clarification to allow for variable densities.
 - TOD-1: density range amendment, allowing greater intensity/density to better match the stated transit oriented development goals of the 2050 master plan.
 - LI-R: Light Industrial and Research: “X” for C-PB zoning category to indicate it as a compatible zoning district within the LI-R designation.
 - TND: Traditional Neighborhood Development: “X” for T-D zoning category to indicate it as a compatible zoning district within the TND designation
- Chapter 2 – I.D: Historic Preservation: Amend and update content related to historic preservation and associated map and property table to show new additions of historic properties.
- Chapter 2 – III.D: Parks: Add a definition of “Regional Park.”
- Chapter 5 – VI: Action Plan: Amend and update the land use description tables referenced from Chapter 2.I to provide staff and the public additional clarifications and descriptive language for following designations:
 - Regional Center: FBC
 - Mixed-Use Center: TOD-1
 - Low Density Residential: L, ML, MLA, PCD, TND
 - Medium Density Residential: M
 - High Density Residential: H
 - Commercial: GC, SC, O
 - Industrial: LI-R
 - Parks and Open Space: PR-OS
 - Public Facilities: PF
 - Rural Preservation: RNP, DR, R

With the exception of the FBC and TOD-1 land uses, no other modifications to density ranges are included.

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FINDINGS (22-0294-GPA1)

- The proposed City of Las Vegas 2050 Master Plan amendments (Exhibit A) are consistent with Section 11 of ordinance 6788; each amendment addresses the respective requirements of an element within NRS 278.160. Amendments to other plan components are minor in nature and generally within the scope of the ordinance and requirements for a general plan amendment; any other updates, clerical errors, or minor edits may be corrected.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

<i>Related Relevant City Actions by Planning, Fire, Bldg., etc.</i>	
4/1/1992	The Las Vegas City Council adopted the City of Las Vegas General Plan
9/6/2000	The Las Vegas City Council adopted the Las Vegas Master Plan 2020 (Ordinance 2000-62)
Adoption of Master Plan 2020 Elements and Amendments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Design Element: Ord 5997 (08/06/2008) • Conservation Element: Ord 5529 (PC: 8.22.02 / CC: 11.6.02); Rev: GPA-6287, 6.1.05; GPA-43977, 5.2.12 • Economic Element: Ord 6057 (9/2/2009) • Historic Properties & Neighborhoods Preservation Plan Element: Ord 5931 (09.05.2007); Rev: Ord 6104 (08.04.2010) • Housing Element: Ord 6246 (04.17.2013) • Land Use & Rural Neighborhoods Preservation Element: Ord (09.02.2009); Rev: Ord (06.20.2018) • Parks Element: Res 44-2000 (03.15.200); Rev: Ord 6290 (11.20.2013) • Population Element: Ord 6078 (02.17.2010) • Public Facilities & Building Element: Ord 6364 (11.19.2014) • Safety & Seismic Safety Element: Ord 6103 (08.04.2010) • Trails Element: Ord 6237 (2/20/2013) • Transit Element: Ord 5968 (2/20/2008) • Transportation & Streets and Highway Element: Ord 6038 (4/15/2009) • Water Element: GPA-6288 (6/1/2005)
8/11/2015	DIR-60107 – The Planning Commission received an annual report on the Las Vegas 2020 Master Plan

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<i>Related Relevant City Actions by Planning, Fire, Bldg., etc.</i>	
6/21/2017	R-32-2017 - The City Council adopted the City of Las Vegas Strategy for Community Resilience, Net-Zero Energy, and Sustainability, which directed staff to develop a “2050 Master Plan” incorporating community resilience goals
9/12/2017	DIR-71278 – The Planning Commission received an annual report on the Las Vegas 2020 Master Plan
3/12/2019	DIR-75783 – The Planning Commission received a report for discussion and possible action on the City of Las Vegas 2050 Master Plan
5/1/2019	The City Council received a report for discussion and possible action on the City of Las Vegas 2050 Master Plan
5/14/2019	DIR-76341 - The Planning Commission received a report for discussion and possible action on the City of Las Vegas 2050 Master Plan
3/10/2020	DIR-77790 - The Planning Commission received a report for discussion and possible action on the City of Las Vegas 2050 Master Plan
2/19/2020	The Las Vegas City Council received an update on the City of Las Vegas 2050 Master Plan with regards to the findings from public outreach, draft actions on planning concepts, and preliminary results
2/26/2020	The Las Vegas City Council held a Special Council meeting in which it received an update on the City of Las Vegas 2050 Master Plan on findings from public outreach, setting new strategic priorities, and revising current priorities
9/21/2020	The Planning Commission held a workshop that included a presentation and discussion regarding the draft of the City of Las Vegas 2050 Master Plan
11/10/2020	20-0266-DIR1 - The Planning Commission received a report for discussion and possible action to discuss adoption of the City of Las Vegas 2050 Master Plan.
7/21/2021	The Las Vegas City Council adopted the City of Las Vegas 2050 Master Plan (Ordinance 6788)
7/12/2022	The Planning Commission (6-0 vote) recommends APPROVAL on a Land Use Entitlement project request TO AMEND AND UPDATE PORTIONS OF THE CITY OF LAS VEGAS 2050 MASTER PLAN CONSISTENT WITH SECTION 11 OF ORDINANCE 6788, All Wards.

<i>Neighborhood Meetings</i>	
6/28/2022	<p>A neighborhood meeting was held at City Hall at 495 S Main St in Training Room 1 to discuss the proposed General Plan Amendment.</p> <p>Meeting attendance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No attendees

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****SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIAL****

- **Exhibit A** – City of Las Vegas 2050 Master Plan Amendment - (attached to backup materials – may be accessed at www.masterplan.vegas)