

# City of Carpinteria General Plan/LCP Update Process



The City of Carpinteria General Plan/LCP is the primary planning document for the City and realizes the City's vision of high quality of life, small beach town character, and natural resource preservation through the identification of issue areas, development of objectives, and policy implementation.

All elements of the current General Plan - with the exception of the Housing Element, which was updated in 2011 - will be revised during the General Plan/LCP update. The updated General Plan and LCP will reflect the City's unique qualities and

## General Plan Elements To be Updated

- Land Use
- Community Design
- Circulation
- Open Space, Recreation & Conservation
- Safety
- Noise
- Public Facilities & Services
- Healthy Community *\*New Element to be added with Update.*
- Climate Change & Resiliency *\*New Element to be added with Update.*

characteristics, local preferences and objectives, and align with and implement the City's long-term vision and values through the planning horizon year of 2040.

The update process is intended to be highly collaborative, involving City staff, stakeholders and the community. Community outreach and the opportunity for public opinion will be incorporated into each portion of the update process, ensuring the community of Carpinteria is given the opportunity to weigh-in on the future of their City.



The General Plan/LCP update will follow the following process:

**1. Define Community Values:**

- Host public workshops in order to understand the concerns and inclusions the community would like to see in the update.
- Evaluate the existing General Plan/LCP and identify key planning issues facing the City for the next 20 or more years. This will facilitate a targeted approach to the General Plan and LCP Update.
- Identify key stakeholders

**2. Sea Level Rise Vulnerability Assessment:**

- Prepare the Sea Level Rise Vulnerability Assessment and Adaptation Plan and utilize to inform the Climate Change and Sea Level Rise Element.

**3. General Plan/LCP Update:**

- Prepare the Climate Change and Sea Level Rise Element.
- Prepare the Healthy Communities Element based on public outreach.
- Update the Land Use Element with special focus on key areas in the City, including the Downtown, Bluffs 0, I, and III, and the Research Development Industrial site.
- Define legislative amendments to the General Plan/LCP based on technical analyses and input from community outreach.

#### **4. EIR**

- Conduct analysis and special studies related to priority planning issues including coastal resiliency, neighborhood character, biological resources, parks and open space, land use, public services and alternative plans.

#### **5. Plan Adoption and Certification**

- The updated General Plan/LCP and EIR will go through review and certification by the Planning Commission, City Council, and California Commission.

Important community outreach and public comment periods throughout the update and EIR process are below.

#### **Summer/Fall 2018**

- Public and Committee review of Draft Sea Level Rise Vulnerability Assessment and Adaption Plan

#### **Winter 2018-2019**

- Public and Committee review of Final Draft General Plan/LCP

#### **Spring 2019**

- Public Comment on Draft EIR (60 Days)