



**Date:** March 20, 2015  
**To:** Patrick H. West, City Manager *P.H. West*  
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**For:** Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council  
**Subject:** Long Range Planning Documents Schedule

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The Development Services Department is moving forward with bringing General Plan elements and Specific Plans to the Planning Commission. Each one of the plans requires California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) clearance. Following are key dates and a description for each plan.

**Midtown Specific Plan:** This specific plan replaces Planned Development (PD) 29. It is a zoning overlay that is based on a Transit Oriented strategy and is compliant with the General Plan Mobility Element. The plan is developed to encourage reinvestment on the corridor. Locating density around the Blue Line Transit stops is a sustainable way to add housing, shopping opportunities, and to encourage walking and biking in the area. The plan also provides a strategy for adding open space, and sets specific design guidelines for building and street improvements.

Scoping Meeting (first step in the CEQA process)  
March 25, 2015 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.  
Veterans Park, 101 E. 28<sup>th</sup> Street

Planning Commission Study Session April 16, 2015, 5:00 p.m.

**South East Area Development and Improvement Plan (SEADIP):** This specific plan will replace PD 1. This update called for a year of robust community outreach. During that time, a vision statement was adopted, a project description was developed, and a land use plan is being developed. This zoning overlay will provide certainty regarding development opportunities in the southeast area of the City. It also will develop strategies to protect and enhance the wetlands in the area and provide community benefits, such as bike paths, useable plazas, open space, and street improvements.

Scoping Meeting  
May 13, 2015 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.  
Golden Sails Hotel, 6285 Pacific Coast Highway

Planning Commission Study Session May 7, 2015, 5:00 p.m.

**Land Use Element (LUE) / Urban Design Element (UDE):** These plans are updates to our current General Plan. The General Plan sets the scope of

housing and economic growth and development for the City over the next 25 years. The Land Use Plan represents land use types and building heights for the entire City. The LUE update focuses on the City's corridors and industrial areas. There are no plans for change in the residential areas of the City. The primary goals established in the LUE will enable the City to grow and change in a sustainable way. There is a focus on concentrated development which assists in reducing vehicle miles traveled and encourages healthy living by adding walking and biking opportunities.

The UDE is a new element for the City's General Plan. The UDE describes the concepts of development and design for new or redeveloping buildings, with a focus on how the built environment and the public realm work together to create a much greater livability in our neighborhoods and our streets.

Scoping Meeting

May 20, 2015 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

City of Long Beach Gas & Oil Department, 2400 East Spring Street

Planning Commission Study Session May 21, 2015, 5:00 p.m.

For more information regarding Long Range Planning, please contact Angela Reynolds, Deputy Director of Development, at ext. 8-6369.

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