BELRED LOOK FORWARD Environment, Parks & Open Space, Transportation, and Implementation Policies

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Direction Requested

Review recommended environmental, parks and open space, and transportation policy amendments to the BelRed Subarea Plan.

Provide direction on issues to address before moving to the final draft stage.





Agenda

- Background
- Recommended Policy Changes
- Next Steps



BelRed Look Forward

What?

• A planning process to update both policies and land use designations.

When?

- Part of the Comprehensive Plan Periodic Update launched in February 2022.
- Adoption by Council anticipated in Q3 2024.
 Why?
- To reflect new information.
- To strengthen and clarify implementation strategies.
- To increase capacity for housing and job growth.



Timeline







Environment



- Remove policies redundant with citywide Volume 1 policies.
- Streamline policies to clarify policy intent.
- Modify policies to highlight the importance of internal and external coordination and collaboration.
- Reflect current circumstances.





Environmental Services Commission Recommendation

The Environmental Services Commission voted unanimously to recommend:

- amendments to the environment section goal and policies S-BR-45 through S-BR-49,
- the addition of a new implementation section policy S-BR-98, and
- the repeal of environmental policies S-BR-27, S-BR-29, S-BR-31 and S-BR-32.

(*Policy changes recommended by the Commission are noted with an asterisk on subsequent slides.)





Parks & Open Space



- Clarify outcomes, strategies, and intent.
- Focus on one topic per policy.
- Highlight key projects.
- Support integration of park and transportation facilities.





Parks & Community Services Board Recommendation

The Parks and Community Services Board voted unanimously to recommend:

- amendments to the parks and open space section goal and policies S-BR-51, S-BR-55 through S-BR-57, S-BR-59 through S-BR-61,
- the repeal/restructuring of policies S-BR-35 and S-BR-39, and
- the addition of new policies S-BR-52, S-BR-54, and S-BR-62.





Transportation



- Remove policies redundant with citywide Volume 1 policies.
- Streamline policies to clarify policy intent.
- Add new policy to acknowledge the need for limited flexibility when implementing the local street grid.







Transportation Commission Recommendation

- The Transportation Commission voted unanimously to recommend:
- amendments to the transportation section goal and policies S-BR-78 through S-BR-80, S-BR-82, S-BR-85 through S-BR-89, and S-BR-91,
- the repeal of policies S-BR-52-54, 57, 59, 61, 62, 66, 68-71, 74, 75, and
- the addition of new policy S-BR-81.





Implementation



- Remove policy more appropriate for a functional plan.
- Streamline language to clarify intent.
- Add new policy calling for stream rehabilitation and restoration plans to facilitate partnerships and coordination.





Next Steps

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- Housing,
- Urban Design
- Art, Culture, and Creativity

May 8

• Full Draft Subarea Plan

June (tentative)

 Public Hearing and Recommendation



