### Short-Term Vacation Rental Permit Fees Background

- On recurring basis, staff reviews existing user fees and rates as a basis for recovering allowable costs for certain City services
- The last comprehensive study of STVR permit fees was completed in 2020-2021
- In 2021 the management & oversight of the STVR program was transferred from the Design & Development Department to the Clerk's Office
- New "multi-unit lock-off" STVR permit subtype

### Multi-Unit Lock-Off STVR Unit Definition

*"Multi-unit lock-off STVR unit"* means a specific type of construction of a single-family detached dwelling or multi-family attached unit(s) dwelling, which construction is designed to allow sections of such dwelling to be locked-off and separated into individual stand-alone units and meets one (1) or more of the exemptions set forth in Section 3.25.055. A multi-unit lock-off STVR unit is a sub-type of short-term vacation rental unit and shall be subject to a general short-term vacation rental permit or primary residence short-term vacation rental permit, as applicable, pursuant to this chapter.

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### **STVR Permit Fees – Current & Proposed**

Pe	ermit Description	2012- 2016	2016- 2019	2019- 2021	Current Fees 2021-2024	2023 Not Applied	2024 Not Applied	Proposed Fees 2025
1	Homeshare STVR Permit							
	Homeshare STVR Permit - Less than 5 Bedrooms	n/a	n/a	n/a	\$250	\$261	\$273	\$300
	Homeshare STVR Permit - 5 Bedrooms or More	n/a	n/a	n/a	\$500	\$523	\$545	\$550
2	Primary Residence Short-Term Vacation Permit							
	Primary Residence STVR Permit - Less than 5 Bedrooms	n/a	n/a	n/a	\$750	\$784	\$818	\$750
	Primary Residence STVR Permit - 5 Bedrooms or More	n/a	n/a	n/a	\$1,250	\$1,307	\$1,363	\$1,250
	Primary Residence STVR Permit - Multi-Unit Lock-Off 2025	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a - new	n/a - new	n/a - new	\$750
3	General Short-Term Vacation Rental Permit							
	General STVR Permit - Less than 5 Bedrooms	\$25	\$100	\$200	\$1,000	\$1,046	\$1,090	\$1,000
	General STVR Permit - 5 Bedrooms or More	n/a	n/a	n/a	\$1,250	\$1,307	\$1,363	\$1,250
	General STVR Permit - Multi-Unit Lock-Off 2025	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a - new	n/a - new	n/a - new	\$1,000
4	General Short-Term Vacation Rental Permit							
	[subject to annual mitigation fees (STAMF)]							
	General STVR Permit - Less than 5 Bedrooms (STAMF)	n/a	n/a	n/a	\$250	\$261	\$273	\$300
	General STVR Permit - 5 Bedrooms or More	n/a	n/a	n/a	\$500	\$523	\$545	\$550
	General STVR Permit - Multi-Unit Lock-Off 2025 (STAMF)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a - new	n/a - new	n/a - new	\$550

# **STVR Permit Fees – Cost Recovery**

Pe	Permit Description		ost of ervice 2024	Current Fees 2021-2024	Current Cost Recovery	Proposed Fees 2025	Proposed 2025 Cost Recovery
1	Homeshare STVR Permit						
	Homeshare STVR Permit - Less than 5 Bedrooms	\$	421.35	\$250	59%	\$300	71%
	Homeshare STVR Permit - 5 Bedrooms or More	\$	712.00	\$500	70%	\$550	77%
2 Primary Residence Short-Term Vacation Permit							
	Primary Residence STVR Permit - Less than 5 Bedrooms	\$	832.58	\$750	90%	\$750	90%
	Primary Residence STVR Permit - 5 Bedrooms or More	S	1,360.80	\$1,250	92%	\$1,250	92%
	Primary Residence STVR Permit - Multi-Unit Lock-Off 2025	\$	832.58	n/a - new	n/a - new	\$750	90%
3	General Short-Term Vacation Rental Permit						
	General STVR Permit - Less than 5 Bedrooms	\$	1,049.21	\$1,000	95%	\$1,000	95%
	General STVR Permit - 5 Bedrooms or More	\$	1,610.28	\$1,250	78%	\$1,250	78%
	General STVR Permit - Multi-Unit Lock- Off 2025	\$	1,049.21	n/a - new	n/a - new	\$1,000	95%
4	General Short-Term Vacation Rental Permit						
	[subject to annual mitigation fees (STAMF)]						
	General STVR Permit - Less than 5 Bedrooms (STAMF)	\$	433.26	\$250	58%	\$300	69%
	General STVR Permit - 5 Bedrooms or More	\$	723.91	\$500	69%	\$550	76%
	General STVR Permit - Multi-Unit Lock-Off 2025 (STAMF)	\$	670.83	n/a - new	n/a - new	\$550	82%

### **STVR Permit Fees Comparison**

City:	General* STVR Permit	Primary* STVR Permit	Homeshare* STVR Permit
Palm Desert	\$29.00	N/A	\$29.00
Indian Wells	\$263.42	N/A	N/A
La Quinta	\$1,000.00	\$750.00	\$250.00
Palm Springs	\$1,072.00	\$642.00	\$268.00
Desert Hot Springs	\$1,277.82	\$958.77	\$638.91
Indio	\$1,633.00	N/A	N/A
Cathedral City	\$2,215.00**	N/A	\$661.00*
Coachella - No STVR	Permit Fee		
Rancho Mirage - STV	Rs Banned		
* Same STVR permit type ** Includes a \$89 mandate		n defintion	

### **Revenue Impact**

Based on historical revenues and permit volume, the adjusted fees may generate an additional \$65,000 in annual revenue.





### City Council Meeting November 19, 2024

PH 2 -SPECIFIC PLAN SP2022-0004 (SP2002-062, AMENDMENT 3) TENTATIVE TRACT MAP 2022-0003(TT 38604) SITE DEVELOPMENT PERMIT 2022-0015



# Background

- The Jefferson Square Specific Plan was originally approved in 2004 for the entire 10± acre site.
- In 2009, the existing shopping center was constructed on the north half of the site.
- The current proposal activates the Mixed Use Overlay.
- Project would build out the south half of the site.

# Background

- The Specific Plan Amendment would allow either commercial or multi-family residential development on the southern 5 acres.
- The Tentative Tract Map subdivides the southern 5 acres into 3 lots.
- The Site Development Permit would allow the development of 71 apartments and 18 townhouses on the southern 5 acres.



# **Specific Plan Amendment**

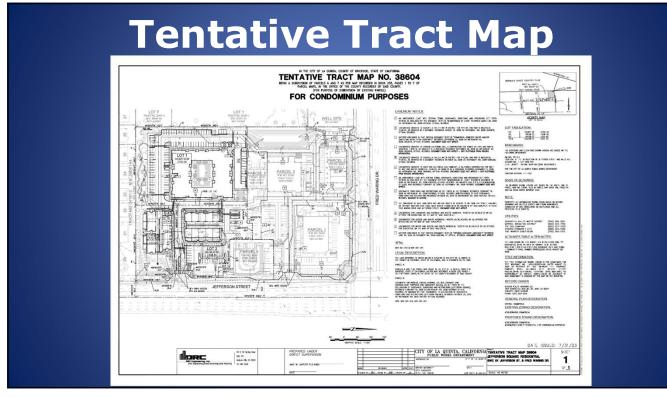
- Makes no changes to north half (PA 1) and allows either commercial or multi-family residential on south half (PA 2).
- Allows up to 95 multi-family units on south half (19 du/acre).
- Establishes standards and guidelines for residential in PA 2.

# **Specific Plan Amendment**

- MU Overlay allows height of up to 43.75'.
- SP changes to HDR standards:
  - 28' height within Image Corridor (22' is limit)
  - Reduced unit sizes:
    - 1 bedroom from 750 SF to 600 SF

# **Specific Plan Amendment**

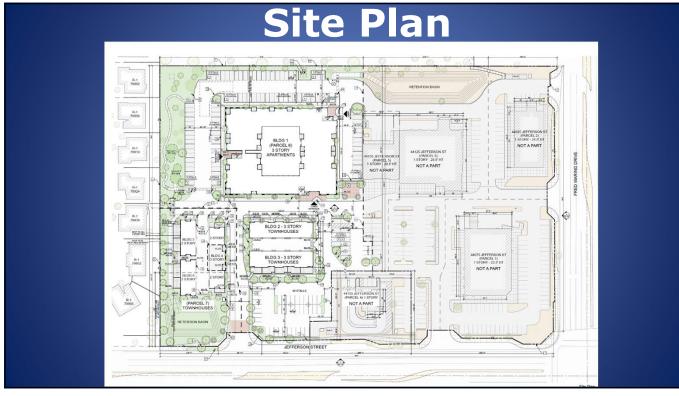
- SP changes to HDR standards:
  - Reduced parking requirements:
    - 1 Bedroom: 1.5 vs. 2.5 per unit
    - 3 Bedroom: 2.5 vs. 3.5 per unit
    - Studio & 2 Bedroom remain at 1.5 and 2.5 per unit, consistent with Zoning Code.



# Site Development Permit

- Proposes 89 multi-family units at a density of 17.5/acre.
  - 71 apartments in one building on the west half of the site.
    - Three stories, 1 and 2 bedroom units.
    - Central recreation courtyard.
    - Gym, coworking space, lobby/mail area.
    - 35 feet to parapet, maximum height 43'9".
    - 136 parking spaces required per SP; 93 located around building.





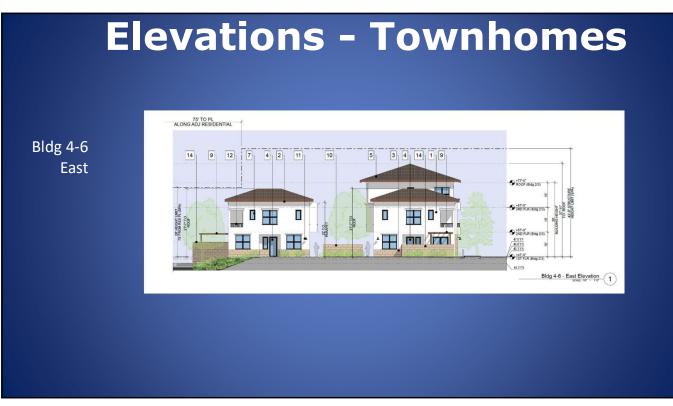
# **Site Development Permit**

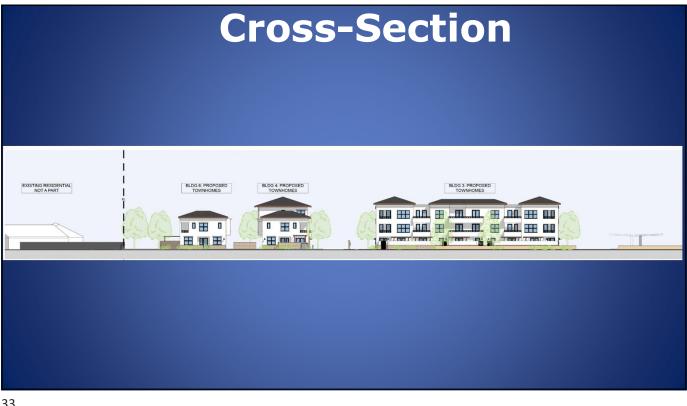
- 18 townhomes in four buildings.
  - Two and three stories.
  - Tuck-under garages.
  - Buildings 2 & 3: 3 stories, 38 feet in height.
  - Building 4: 2 & 3 stories, 28 & 38 feet in height.
  - Buildings 5 & 6: 2 stories, 28 feet in height.
  - Parking: 2-car garage + 9 guest parking.

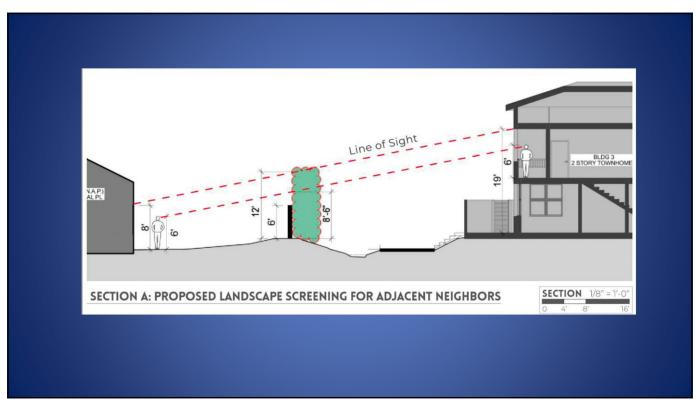
















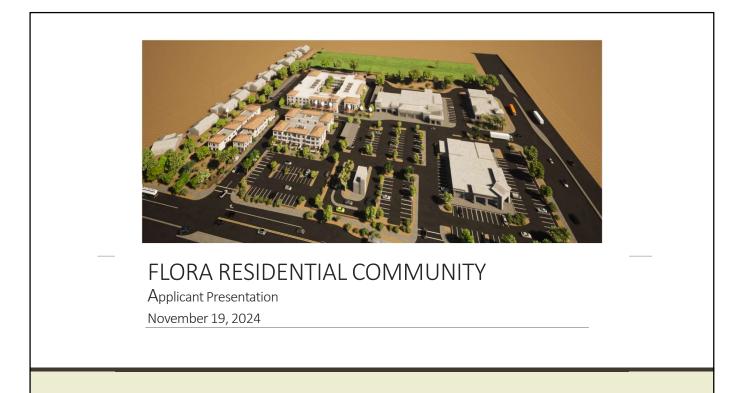


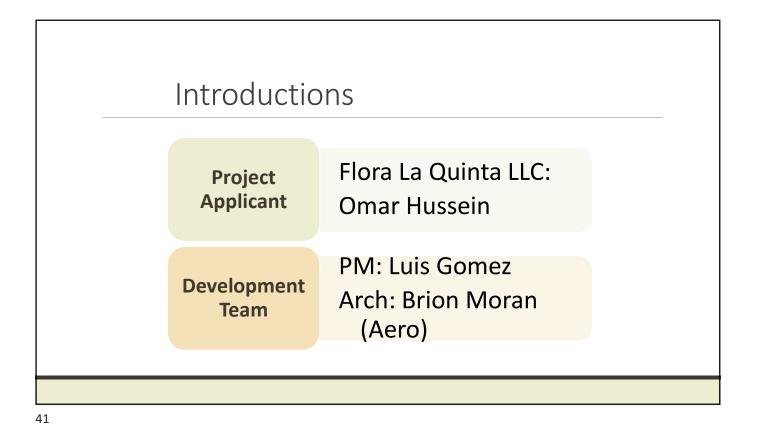


- Initial Study was prepared and circulated for public review
  - With implementation of mitigation measures, all impacts can be reduced to less than significant levels.
  - A Mitigated Negative Declaration is proposed.

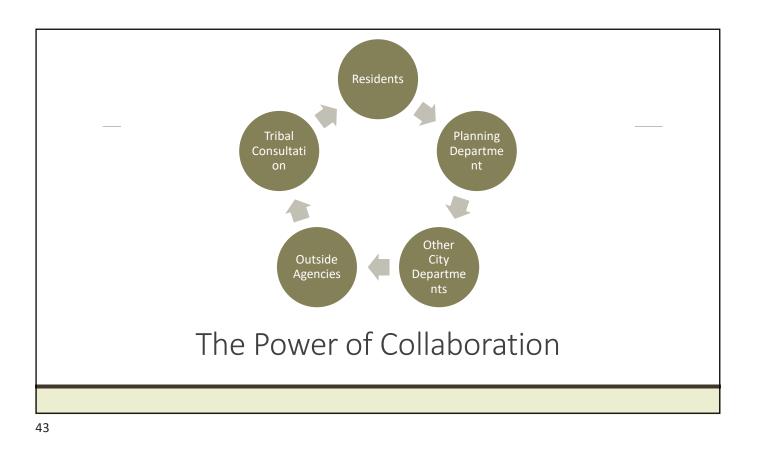
# Recommendation

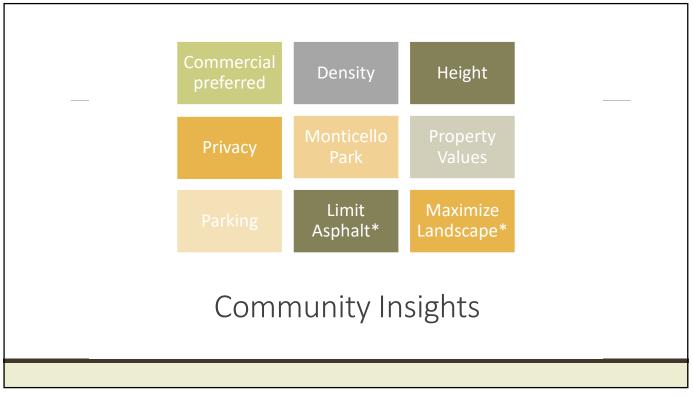
- Adopt a resolution adopting the Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Jefferson Square project (EA 2022-0012).
- Adopt a resolution approving Specific Plan 2022-0004 (SP 2002-062, Amendment 3), Tentative Tract Map 2022-0003 (TTM 38604), and Site Development Permit 2022-0015.











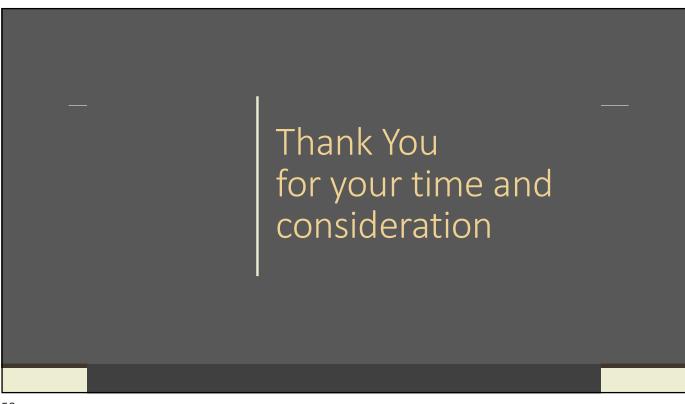


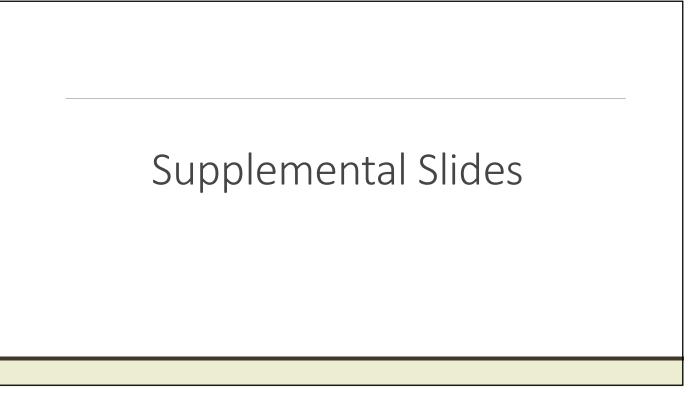


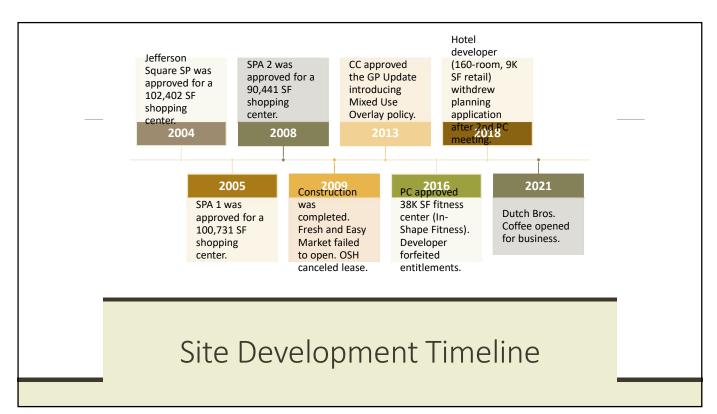






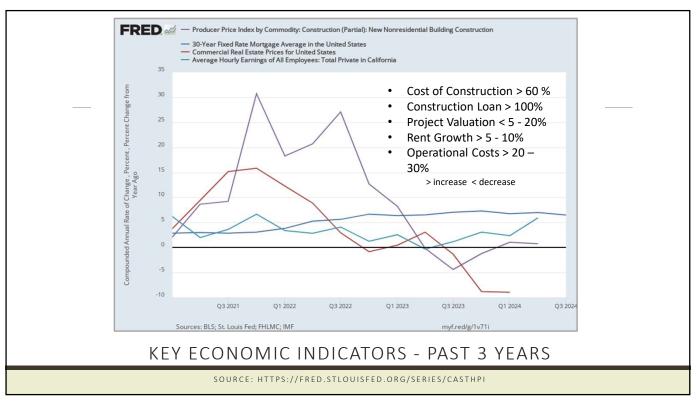






# Parking Codes in the Valley

	La Quinta	Indian Wells	Jefferson SP	Rancho Mirage	Coachella	Palm Desert	Riverside County	Palm Springs	Indio
1 bedroom	84	84	42	42	42	84	53	53	42
2 bedroom	58	58	58	58	29	58	65	44	44
3 bedroom	54	36	36	36	18	36	50	41	36
guest	45	24	45	45	90	0	0	22	18
Total Required	241	202	181	181	179	178	167	159	139





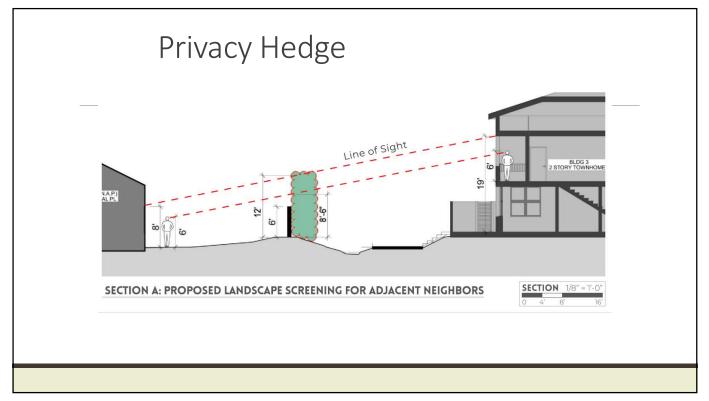
	Development Standard	PA 2 - SPA No. 3	RH	MU	SDP
	Min. / Max. development intensity (du/ac)	12/24	12/16	12/24	17.5
	Maximum structure height (ft.)	43.75	40	43.75	43.75
	Max structure height within 150 ft. of Jefferson Street (ft.)	28	22	22	28
	Max structure height within 75 ft. of southern property line where adjacent to single-family residential	28	NA	NA	28
Development	Maximum number of stories	3	3	-	3
Standards	Maximum number of stories within 75 ft. of southern property line where adjacent to single-family residential	2	3		2
	Minimum livable area excluding garage (sq. ft.)				
	One-bedroom apartment	600	750	-	697
	Two-bedroom apartment	800	750	-	1,063
	Three-Bedroom plus apartment	1,000	750	-	-
	Townhome or Condo	1,200	750	-	1,734
	Building Setback From Residential and Parks and Recreation districts (ft.)	30	20 (rear- yard)	30	~41

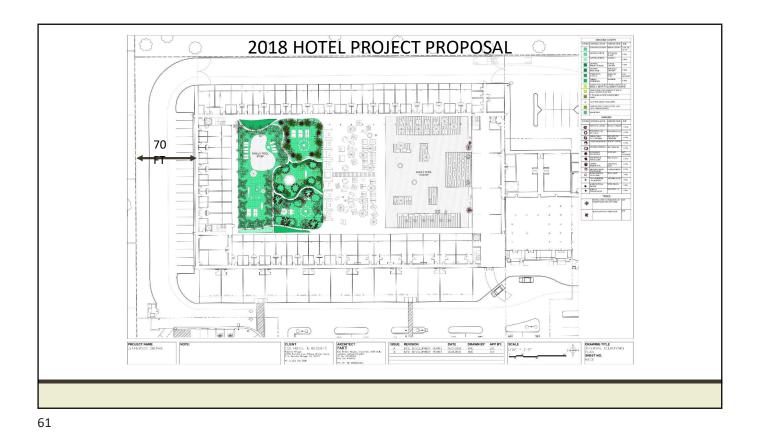
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Development Standard	Jefferson Square SP	RH
Studio	1 covered space per unit, plus 0.5 guest spaces per unit	1 covered space per unit, plus 0. guest spaces per unit
One-bedroom	1 covered space per unit, plus 0.5 guest spaces per unit	2 covered spaces per unit plus 0. guest spaces per unit
Two-bedroom	2 covered spaces per unit plus 0.5 guest spaces per unit	2 covered spaces per unit plus 0. guest spaces per unit
Three-bedroom	2 covered spaces per unit plus 0.5 guest spaces per unit	3 covered spaces per unit plus 0.5 covered spaces per each bedroom over three, plus 0.5 guest spaces per unit
Four or more bedroom	3 covered spaces per unit plus 0.5 covered spaces per each bedroom over three, plus 0.5 guest spaces per unit	

# **Plan Modifications**

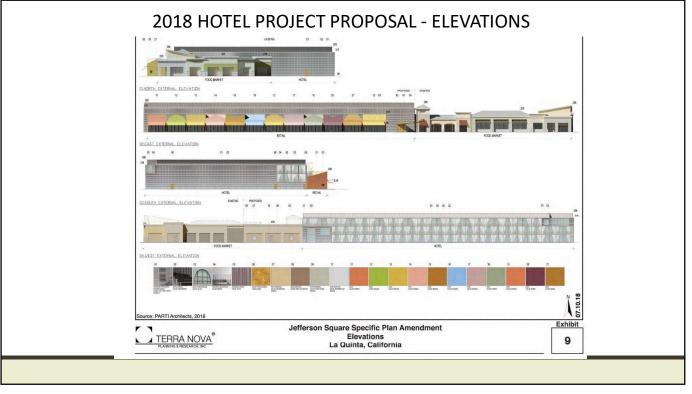
Description	June 2022 Plan	Proposed Plan
Unit Count	112 (22 units per acre)	<mark>89 (17.5 units per acre or 20% drop)</mark>
Apartments / Townhomes	100 / 12	71/18
Amenities	Unknown	Pool, spa, outdoor cooking and seating areas, walking path, playground, extensive landscape, gathering areas, gym, community room, co-working space, lobby, private garages, and private outdoor living space.
Stories	3-Story throughout	2 story along southern PL (2-story max within 75' of southern PL)
Height	43.75 ft	BLDG 1: 43.75' <mark>(35' to parapet)</mark> BLDGS 2 & 3: 38' (32' to parapet) BLDGS 5 & 6: 28' (22' to parapet)
Building Setbacks	30 ft from southern PL	BLDG 1: ~134' from southern PL BLGG 5 & 6: ~41 ft from southern PL
Privacy	Not addressed	12' tall privacy hedge, 165' in length along southern PL
Parking	Not provided	1-bedroom: 1 covered stall 2-bedroom: 2 covered stalls Townhome: Private 2 car garage Guest Parking: 0.5 stalls per unit

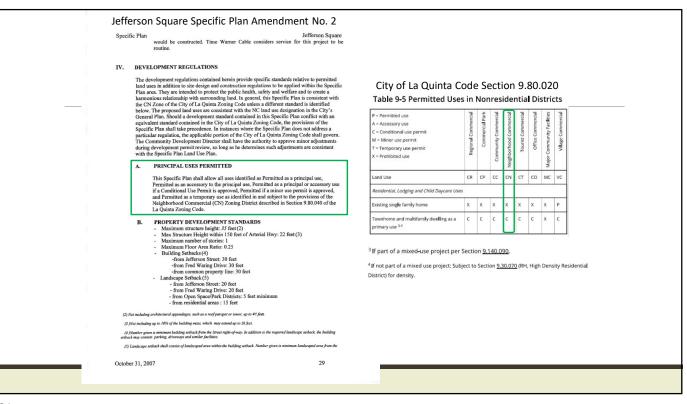
















### City Council Meeting November 19, 2024

### PH3 – ZOA 2024-0001 Zoning Code Updates



# Background

- Staff periodically reviews the municipal zoning code and proposes amendments to update or clarify standards.
- Update Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) regulations to meet State housing law
- Staff also reviews for opportunities for development code streamlining, design flexibility, and Code Clean-ups

# **Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU)**

- Changes are being made to comply with changes in State law.
  - Clarification of definition and references to State Code sections.
  - Explicitly requires owner-occupancy for houses that contain a Junior ADU.
  - Allows for the sale of an ADU separate from the home under very specific circumstances:
    - Must be associated with a non-profit organization.
    - Both the primary house and the ADU must be restricted to low income household owners for 45 years.

# **Temporary Use Permits**

 TUP's are required for various
 temporary uses allowed in the Code and have time limits set according to the particular use

# Temporary UsesChristmas tree sales, subject to Section 9.100.080Halloween pumpkin sales, subject to Section 9.100.080Stands selling fresh produce in season, subject to Section 9.100.090Sidewalk sales, subject to Section 9.100.120Temporary outdoor events, subject to Section 9.100.130Use of relocatable building, subject to Section 9.100.180

- The proposed additions would give a maximum time limit of 18 months to TUPs that do not fall under those sections
- One time extension of 12 months would be allowed

# Clarification of Village Parking Allowances



- Simplifies Village Build Out Area 50% parking reduction allowance.
- Residential projects must include at least one on-site parking space
- Mixed use parking reduction allowances will not apply to Village Build Out area.

# **Vinyl Fencing**

- Recommend allowing vinyl fencing in the front yard area to allow for flexibility in affordable materials.
- Materials to be approved by the Design and Development Director



# **Bed and Breakfast Inns**

- Ends redundant process
- Short Term Vacation Rental Permits can be issued for Homeshares which require an owner reside at the residence during the temporary occupants stay
- Key distinctions:
  - Maximum size /number of temporary occupants
  - Permit Term

# **Clean-up Items**

- Garage Setbacks
- Conditional Use Permits
- Public Hearings for Tentative Maps

# **Residential Special Events**

- Governed by 9.060.170
- Characteristics of Special Event
- Permit Tier Levels
- Staff Review and Decision

# Concerns

- Poor management of event
  - Attendance exceeds approval
  - Not enough resources provided to manage event
  - Parking/traffic disruptions
  - Amplified music beyond approved operation time
- Late special event application submittals

# **Proposed Changes**

- Eliminate tiers and process individually
- Require finding made that a parking plan demonstrates sufficient parking is available for anticipated attendance
  - Evaluate parking impacts on surrounding neighborhood and impose conditions

# **Proposed Changes**

- Eliminate requirement for special event approval for STVR properties exceeding the total daytime number of occupants
  - Let criteria for residences apply
- Establish administrative fines
- Impose two-strikes policy

# CEQA

 The project is exempt from environmental review pursuant to Section 15061 (b)(3) of CEQA, common sense exemption, in that it can be seen that the project would not cause any adverse impacts of the environment.



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S1 – Sphere Of Influence

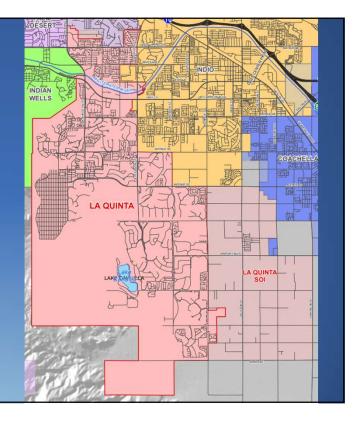


# Background

- On August 2, 2022, Council reviewed the status of the City's Sphere of Influence (SOI), and directed Staff to:
  - Prepare a Fiscal Impact Analysis to consider the financial costs and revenues associated with the annexation of the existing SOI
  - Consider potential additional lands for an extension of the SOI
- On April 4, 2023, Council reviewed the Fiscal Impact Analysis
- On March 19, 2024, Council further discussed Fiscal Impacts
  - Staff survey of the existing conditions of public improvements in the existing
    - SOI area

# Southern SOI

- 7,665 acres
- East of Monroe, south of Avenue 52, north of Avenue 62, and west of Van Buren and Harrison
- Part of the Vista Santa Rosa Community of Interest
- Included in General Plan and Zoning maps

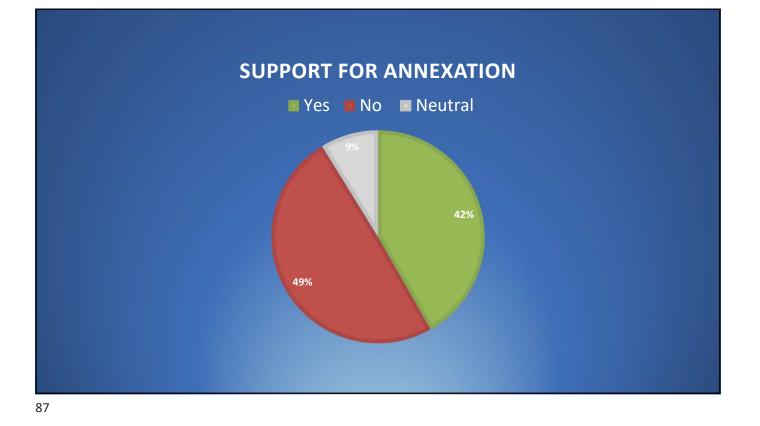


# **Public Outreach**

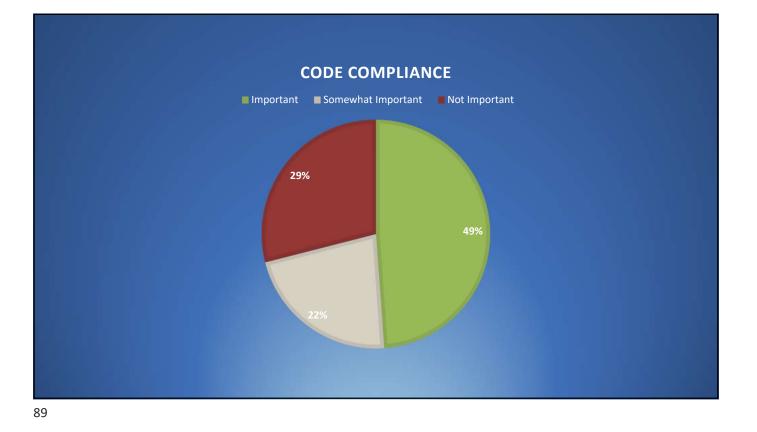
- Post card mailed to property owners, tribal governments, and registered voters within the Southern SOI boundaries
- Staff Presentation and Announcements at the Vista Santa Rosa Community Council
- An email to La Quinta-based HOA's located adjacent to the Southern SOI

The Veta Senta Rosa Community area is in the City of La Quint's Sphere of Influence, w of the La Quint City boundaries. The City of La Quint's evaluating possible annexation survey so that we can learn what is important to you. For further information, please count at 760-777-7069 or sneeport]Baujithance, and . An online version of this survey can be four English and Spanish versions of the survey have been por Return one completed survey per person by using the enclosed sta <u>Please Mark Your Answer in the Box/Space Provi</u>	of this area. Please take a short ntact Scott Nespor, Senior Planner, nd using this QR code: vided.	<ul> <li>2024 Vista Santa Rosa Survey</li> <li>1,507 Mailed surveys on July 27</li> </ul>
1. Please indicate your connection to Vista Santa Rosa (Check all that apply)?	Resident     Property Owner     Business Operator in Vista Santa	2024
<ol> <li>Do you support Vista Santa Rosa becoming part of the City of La Quinta (Annexation)?</li> <li>Please describe why you do or do not support becoming part of the City of La Quinta?</li> </ol>	Yes No Neutral (Please Answer in the Space Below)	<ul> <li>Property Owners</li> </ul>
HOW IMPORTANT TO YOU ARE THE FOLLOWING PUBLIC SAFETY SER	DVICE5?	Registered Voters
4. Fire Protection/Public Safety/Emergency Response Time	Important Somewhat Important	
<ol> <li>Code Compliance Enforcement (ie response to complaints regarding noise, short term vacation rentals, construction without building permits, nuisances)</li> </ol>	Not Important Important Somewhat Important Not Important	<ul> <li>35 Questions</li> </ul>
6. Please provide any additional comments regarding public safety you would like to share.	(Please Answer in the Space Below)	<ul> <li>28 Multiple Choice</li> </ul>
WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE ANY OF THE FOLLOWING BUSINESSES IN VIST	A SANTA ROSA?	7 Open and ad auastions
7. Stores/Services such as Grocery Stores, Retail, and Restaurants	Yes No Neutral	<ul> <li>7 Open-ended questions</li> </ul>
8. Office, Medical Office, or Industrial Park	Yes No Neutral	
9. Automotive Service and Repair Facilities	□Yes □No □Neutral	
<ol> <li>Agricultural related businesses, such as farm stands, agriteurism, Community Supported Agriculture operations</li> </ol>	□Yes □No □Neutral	<ul> <li>Topic areas include: Public</li> </ul>
11. Learning Centers, Trade Schools	Yes No Neutral	
12. Small Event Centers/Ranchos 13. Please provide any additional comments regarding businesses you would like to share.	Yes No Neutral (Please Answer in the Space Below)	Cofoty / Codo Compulsono Novy
Is, Prease provide any additional comments regarding businesses you would like to share.	(Prease Answer in the space below)	Safety/Code Compliance, New
WOULD YOU LIKE ANY OF THE FOLLOWING BE INCLUDED AS PROPERTY OWNERS DEVELOP TH	HEIR PROPERTY IN VISTA SANTA ROSA?	Businesses, Future
14. Design Guidelines for Future Development (i.e Vista Santa Rosa Design Guidelines)	□Yes □No □Neutral	
15. A Vista Santa Rosa Town Center	Yes No Neutral	
16. Preservation of Agricultural Lands	Yes No Neutral	Development Housing,
17. Expansion of Equestrian Properties and Activities	Yes No Neutral (Please Answer in the Space Below)	bevelopment housing,
18. Please provide any additional comments regarding future development in Vista Santa Rosa you would like to share.		Recreation, and Public Utilities







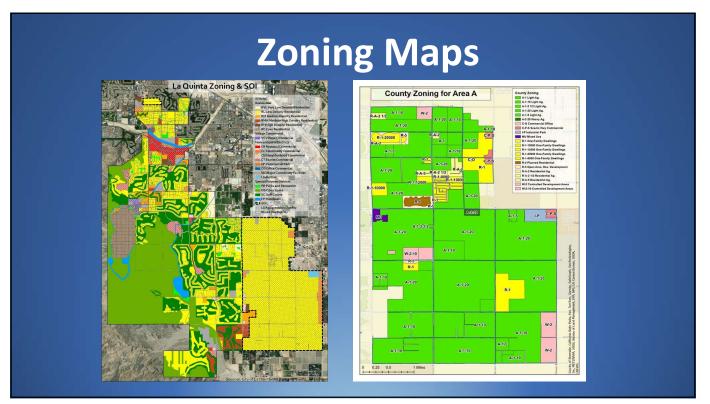






# **Zoning Standards**

- City developed the Agricultural/Equestrian Overlay after the approval of the General Plan.
  - Its basis is the County's Zoning Ordinance
  - Broadens City's permitted uses
- Low Density Residential with the Overlay was applied to all residential lands in the Sphere.
- In addition to Permitted Uses and Development Standards, Overlay includes a Right to Farm Policy.



# **Permitted Uses**

Land Use	City Ag/Equ	County A-	County R-1	County W-2
Residential Uses				
Single-family detached dwellings	Р	Р	Р	Р
Farmworker housing	С	P or C		
Migrant agricultural worker MHP				с
Mobile home parks	С	С	С	С
Mobile home subdivisions and mobilehomes or manufactured homes on individual lots	Ρ			
Child daycare facilities as an accessory use, serving 8 or fewer children, subject to Section 9.60.190	А			
Child daycare facilities as an accessory use, serving 9—14 children, subject to Section 9.60.190 Child Daycare Center (number undefined)	м			
		PP	PP	PP
Caretaker's residence	Р			
Open Space and Recreational Us				
Public parks playfields and open space	Р	Р	PP	PP
Trail bike parks				с
Bicycle, equestrian and hiking trails	Р			
Tennis court or other game court as an accessory use associated with a private residence	Р			
Tennis court or other game court for public use	М			
Golf course and country club, with or without driving range	Р	Ρ	PP	
Driving range with or without lights	С			

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Permitted I				
Equestrian and Agricultural Uses				
Stables, private	Р			
Stables, commercial or riding academy	С	С		С
Commercial breeding operations		С		
Polo grounds, including stables, clubhouse	С			PP
Veterinary offices and hospitals	С			С
The grazing and breeding of cattle, horses, llamas, or other farm stock or animals, not including hogs, not to exceed five animals per acre of all the land available	Ρ	Р	Ρ	Ρ
The grazing and breeding of sheep or goats, not to exceed 15 animals per acre of all land available	Ρ	Р	Ρ	Р
Farms for rabbits, fish, frogs, chinchilla or other small animals	Ρ	Р	Р	P (1 AC min)
Mink farms				
		С		
Nurseries, greenhouses, orchards, aviaries, apiaries	Ρ	Р	PP	P (1 AC min)
Tree crop farming	Р	Р	Р	Р
Field crop or turf farming	Ρ	Р	Р	Р
Winery and incidental uses with established vineyard	Р	PP		
Produce stands, subject to Section 9.100.100	Р	P or PP		
The drying, packing, canning, freezing and processing of produce resulting from permitted uses when such activity is conducted within permanent buildings and structures	Ρ	Ρ		P or C
Noncommercial raising of hogs, not to exceed two per acre	Р	Р	Р	Р
Community auctions and sales yards (2 acre minimum)	С	С		С
Feed stores	С	PP		
Kennels and catteries, 5 to 10 animals	м			
Kennels and catteries, 10 to 25 animals on 1 acre minimum	С			
Menageries	С	с		с
Commercial composting facilities	С			

Permitted l	Jse	S	
Uses Permitted Only in the County			
Planned residential developments		Р	
Keeping and raising of crowing fowl	Р	Р	Р
FFA or 4-H projects	Р	Р	Р
Outside storage of materials (100 SF on improved ½-1 AC, 200 SF on 1 AC or more)	Р	Р	Р
Solar power plant, 10 AC or larger	С		С
Mining operations subject to CA SMRA	Р		С
Mining operations not subject to CA SMRA	С		С
Packaged dry fertilizer storage, including processing	С		
Meat cutting and packaging (no slaughtering or rendering)			PP
Oil production, not including refining or processing	С		
Airport or landing field			C
Cemetery, pet or human			С
Commercial fairgrounds and exhibitions			C
Drive-In theaters			С
Dune buggy parks			С
Hog ranches			С
Hunting clubs			С
Lumber mills, commercial logging			С
Manufacture of brick or terra cotta, cement & cement products, gypsum and lime or lime products			с
Racetracks			C
RV Parks			С
Rifle, pistol, skeet or trapshooting range			C
Rodeo arenas			С
Recreational lakes			С
Trailer and boat storage			С
Disposal service operations			С
Printers, publishers, film studios and recording studios			с
Outdoor film studios			С
Extraction and bottling of well water inc. bottle manufacturing			С
Camps			С

# **Permitted Uses**

Comb	barative Developme	nt Standards		
Development Standard	City Ag/Equ	County A-1	County R-1	County W-2
Minimum building site	10,000 sf/	20,000 sf	7,200 sf	20,000 sf
	20,000 sf			
	multifamily			
Minimum lot frontage (ft)	100	100	60	100
Maximum structure height (ft.)	28	40 SFD	40	40 SFD
		Other: 50		Other: 50
Maximum lot coverage	40%		50%	
Maximum number of stories	2		3	



# **City v. Owner Annexation**

- City-sponsored:
  - City selects lands to be annexed all or a portion of the Sphere
  - Processed through LAFCo
  - If LAFCo Board approves, protest hearing follows.
  - Protest hearing required if the land is inhabited.
    - Simple majority vote of land owners and registered voters who participate decide the outcome.

