

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS UPDATE

Community & Economic Development Department

Land Use, Sustainability and Resilience Committee

December 12, 2022



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BACKGROUND

2015-2016

 Council directs staff to reexamine existing policies and regulations for industrial development including 2008 Good Neighbor Guidelines

November 2020

 Updated GNG-2020 and related amendments to Title 19 (Zoning) for new or modified industrial development adopted by Council

January 25, 2022:

 Following Council approval of Sycamore Hills Distribution Center project, Councilwoman Plascencia requested update on current regulations and a report on industry best practices be brought to Land Use, Sustainability and Resilience Committee

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BACKGROUND

June 13, 2022

- Staff presented an update to Committee on current industrial regulations, best practices in the region, state and regional regulatory efforts, sensitive receptor protections and community benefits
- Vacant Site Analysis conducted to identify potential locations for warehouse development and percentage of available land

Future Meeting Items

- Initiate outreach efforts with key stakeholders to determine if further changes are needed to Zoning Code
- Conduct geo-spatial analysis to evaluate the proximity of industrially zoned land to sensitive receptors
- Further explore best practices

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REGULATORY & REGIONAL UPDATES



Assembly Bill 2840 (Eloise Gomez-Reyes, D-San Bernardino)

- Would have established 1,000-foot setback from sensitive receptors for warehouse projects and required construction careers agreement.
- June 2022 held in the Senate Governance & Finance Committee.

SCAQMD Rule 2305 & WAIRE Program

- Regulates the vehicles travelling to and from logistics facilities as indirect sources and requires that owner/operators submit annual report showing compliance.
- Phase 1 Warehouses > 250,000 sq.ft.
 - Initial compliance period ends 12/31/2022.



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REGULATORY & REGIONAL UPDATES

Moratoriums

- Cities throughout the region have extended or implemented moratoriums on warehouse development
- Assessing cumulative impacts & externalities
- Some cities include Pomona, Vernon, Norco, Redlands and Colton

Municipal Ballot Initiatives

- Measure J City of Redlands
- November 2022 Municipal General Election
- Amend Municipal Code to increase business license tax rate from \$.047 per sq. ft. to \$.105
- Estimated general fund revenue of \$530,000

City of Perris – GNG 2022

- August 2022 Adopted Good Neighbor Guidelines as policy framework
- Silver LEED Certification for qualifying buildings
- Installation of solar panels to supply energy

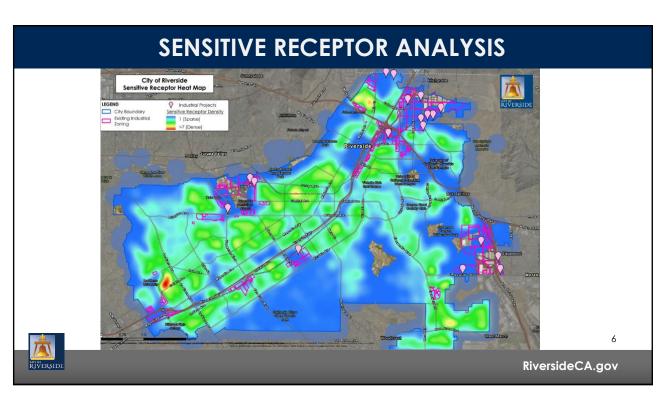






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COMMUNITY OUTREACH

- Five community meetings virtual and in person
 - ✓ September 13 (Virtual)
 - ✓ September 21 (City Hall)
 - ✓ September 29 (Virtual)
 - ✓ October 6 (Cesar Chavez Community Center)
 - ✓ October 26 (Virtual)
 - 50 participants overall
 - Residents, neighborhood organizations, developers, labor groups, environmental groups, professional business associations and community interest groups



October 6th Meeting at the Cesar Chavez Community Center

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COMMUNITY FEEDBACK

Discussions across all five meetings highlighted differing opinions of the role warehouses should have in the City

Key themes identified:



Neighborhood Compatibility

















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FUTURE CONSIDERATION

Three options available for consideration and address key theme identified in outreach process

Modify Existing Policy – Sustainability, Transparency and Compatibility

Sustainability

- LEED Certification for qualifying buildings
- Solar generation requirements
- Expand scope of industrial development standards to include sensitive receptors
- Sustainable construction practices
- Preserve open space

Transparency

- Increase project notification radius
- Require public signage on subject site if proposed project
- Require earlier public notification

Compatibility

- Require architectural variation and building massing modifications
- Require building massing to vary in depth, plane and form, and include recessed features



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PROPOSED OPTIONS

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II. Community Benefits Framework – Innovation and Cooperation

Innovation

- Establish Warehousing and Distribution Facilities (WDF) Overlay Zone
- Require Community Benefit and/or Development Agreements for qualifying projects

Cooperation

 Require community meetings between project applicant and ward residents



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III. No Changes or Alternative Option Not Considered

Maintain current regulations

Pursue option not considered within report

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RECOMMENDATIONS

Staff recommends that the Land Use, Sustainability and Resilience Committee:

- Receive and file an update on the City's current development regulations related to warehouse & distribution facilities; and
- 2. Provide staff with policy direction on changes for future consideration.

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