# City of Baldwin Park

HOUSING, ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE, AND SAFETY ELEMENTS

agenda
- Focused General Plan Update Overview
  - Housing
  - Environmental Justice
  - Safety
- Public Engagement Overview and Input to Date
- Discussion

# Planning Commission/ City Council Study Session #1

Wednesday, January 27, 2021
6 PM - 7 PM

## KEY THEMES

- housing around transit
- ADUs
- incentives for locals
- flexible and fast
- preserve single family
- sustainability
- open space
- environmental justice
- community engagement

## HOUSING

### *major housing issues and challenges*

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| Parking and traffic concerns | 4.1 persons per household/overcrowding concerns | Fulfill assisted living needs - at all income levels |
| Development process/ timeline limits small development | Protecting parks and open space | Limited vacant land |
| Middle housing stock | Measured and mitigated impacts of higher development residential | Limited reach with Housing survey |
| Ensure ADU development doesn't heighten the lack of affordable units citywide | Covid recovery and extended timelines - no anticipated adjustments to housing need projections | |

### *next steps*

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| Share SCAG methodology and RHNA for surrounding cities | Share ppt presentation |

### *policies to address local housing needs*

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| Vigorous emphasis on affordable homeownership production and preservation | Goals of enabling people to continue living in BP while also enjoying opportunities to build equity and increase economic mobility | Maintain small town feel |
| Housing compatible to the surrounding area(s)/ neighborhoods | ✔ Preserve single family neighborhoods | Clear development standards |
| Lease to own programs | First time home buyer incentives/ down payment assistance | Local preference |
| Consider inclusionary housing | Review development fees | Partnerships with local non-profit developers |
| ✔ Multi-use high density development - around transit and downtown areas | CBDG/HOME funds | Consider in-lieu fee option |
| Provide a blend of income levels | Update to the Downtown Specific Plan | Mitigate effects of ADUs on signle family neighborhoods |
| Fast-track development process for small res buildings/ affordable housing | Prioritize usable open space - Flexibility for developers | Adaptive reuse and redevelopment |
| Maintain integrity of existing residential neighborhoods (single-family, higher density, etc.) | Amended ADU ordinance/ ADU study is underway | SGVCOG conducted a stakeholder input process - highlighted challenges around housing development which are now being addressed with the support of the Regional Housing Trust Fund. Reference for additional resources. |
| Partner with community organizations and organizers to spread the word about EJ survey | Tie ADUs to income levels, create more affordable housing | Consider tiny homes |
| There are several incentives ADU programs that require only a few years of commitment that are established in LA County | Project Homekey | Tiny homes might be better for transitional, emergency housing while making arrangements for permanent housing. To get people off the street right away. Much better than shelters which lack privacy and security. |