



SOUTHWEST FRESNO SPECIFIC PLAN & EIR

Help Plan Southwest Fresno's Future!

You are invited to attend a series of community workshops to discuss how southwest Fresno can grow and change in the future. Come share your ideas!

Save the Dates!

Community Workshop #1: Intro and Develop Concepts Tuesday, September 15th, 2015

Learn about the project, vision, and goals. Help analyze the study area and start the process of developing concepts for the Specific Plan.

Community Workshop #2: Review Concepts *Tuesday, October 13th, 2015*

Refine the plan concepts to address community concerns and issues.

Community Workshop #3: Confirm Concepts Tuesday, January 12th, 2016

Review the refined plan concepts and select preferred components of each concept.

All workshops will be located at:

Gaston Middle School, Multi-purpose Room 1100 E Church Avenue Fresno, CA 93706

6:00 pm - 8:30 pm

- Light refreshments provided
- Spanish translation available

For further information about the Specific Plan, visit:

www.fresno.gov/Government/DepartmentDirectory/DARM/AdvancedPlanning

or contact: Sophia Pagoulatos, Planning Manager

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PLAN ESPECIFICO PARA EL SUROESTE DE FRENSO

Ayudenos a diseñar el suroeste de Fresno!

Los envitamos a compartir sus ideas sobre el nuevo diseño de el suroeste de Fresno en una serie de talleres communitarias. Estamos muy interesados en escuchar sus ideas!

Anoten las fechas!

Taller Comunitario #1: Introducciones y Desarrollamineto de Objetivos *Martes, 15 de Septiembre, 2015*

Este taller sera dedicado a compartir la vision y objetivos de el proyecto. Ayudenos a analizar la zona de estudio y empezar a desarrollar los conceptos de el Plan Especifico.

Taller Communitario #2: Evalucción de Objetivos Martes, 13 de Octubre, 2015

Este taller sera dedicado a evaluar el proyecto para asegurar que incluye soluciones para lograr satisfacer las necesidades comunitarias.

Taller Communitario #3: Finalizar los Objetivos Martes, 12 de Enero, 2016

Este taller sera dedicado a la evalución y selección de objetivos preferidos.

Los talleres communitarios seran localisados en:

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6:00 pm - 8:30 pm

- Serviremos refrescos
- Toda la información sera traducida en Español

Visiten el sitio web para mas información sobre el Plan Especifico:

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COMMUNITY WORKSHOP 2/TALLER COMUNITARIO 2

Thank you for your valued participation in the first workshop. Please remember to join us for the next workshop!

Muchas gracias por su participación en el primer taller comunitario. iPor favor recuerden reunirse con nosotros para el siguiente taller!

Date/Fecha: Tuesday, October 13

Martes, 13 de Octubre

Time/*Tiempo*: **6:00pm - 8:30pm**

Location/ Salon de Evento:

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Fresno, CA 93706

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COMMUNITY WORKSHOP 3/TALLER COMUNITARIO 3

We are hosting our third community workshop for the Southwest Fresno Specific Plan to get the community's feedback on three alternatives for development in the southwest area.

Please join us. We want to hear from you!

If you would like to learn more in advance of the workshop, please visit the project website at the link below. Thank you for your valued participation in planning the future of southwest Fresno.

Estamos organizando nuestro tercer taller comunitario para el Plan Específico del Suroeste de Fresno, queremos obtener opiniones y comentarios de la comunidad sobre las tres alternativas.

Por favor acompáñenos. ¡Queremos oír de usted!

Si desea aprender más antes del taller, por favor visite el sitio web del proyecto en el enlace abajo. Gracias por su participación en la planificación del futuro del Suroeste de Fresno.

Date/Fecha: Tuesday, February 16

Martes, 16 de Febrero

Time/*Tiempo*: **6:00 pm - 8:30 pm**

Location/ Salon de Evento: Gaston Middle School Multi-purpose Room 1100 E Church Avenue Fresno, CA 93706

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COMMUNITY UPDATE & SCOPING MEETINGS/REUNIONES DE COMMUNIDAD PARA EXPLICAR EL PROGRESO DEL PLAN Y DE ALCANCE DEL INFORME MEDIOAMBIENTAL

You are invited to two meetings on the Southwest Fresno Specific Plan:

1) Plan Update & 2) Scoping Meeting for the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) Los invitamos a dos reuniones sobre el Plan Especifico Para el Suroeste de Fresno: 1) Progreso del Plan & 2) Alcance del Informe Medioambiental

1) Update/ Thursday, February 23 Jueves, el 23 de Febrero Progreso 6:00pm - 8:00pm del Plan:

> 2) Scoping/ Wednesday, March 1 Alcance del Informe Miercoles, el 1 de Marzo Medioambiental: 6:00pm - 8:00pm

Salon de Evento para ambas reuniónes:

Location for Both/ Gaston Middle School Multipurpose Room 1100 E Church Avenue Fresno, CA 93706

- Come learn about the future of Southwest Fresno & help guide the EIR
- Ven a informarse sobre el futuro del Suroeste de Fresno y ayudenos guiar el analysis medioambiental
- Light refreshments and Spanish and Hmong translation will be available.
- Se proveerá merienda ligera y servicios de traducción en Español y

Questions or Comments? Preguntas o comentarios? email Southwestcomments@Fresno.gov or call (559) 621-8180



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Unable to attend? Send your questions or comments to:

No puede asistir? Envianos preguntas o comentarios a nuestro correo electronico o llame al telefono gratis:

Southwestcomments@Fresno.gov or call (559) 621-8180

www.fresno.gov/southwestplan

The specific applications filed for the Project are described as follows:

- 1. Plan Amendment Application No A-17-13 proposes to repeal the Edison Community Plan, pertaining to approximately 10,019 acres located in the DA-1 South Development Area.
- 2. Plan Amendment Application No. A-17-14 proposes to adopt the October 2017 Redline Draft and accompanying technical map changes of the Southwest Fresno Specific Plan, pertaining to approximately 3,255 acres located in the DA-1 South Development Area.
- 3. Plan Amendment Application No. A-17-15 proposes to update the Land Use Map (Figure LU-1) and the Dual Designation Map (Figure LU-2) of the Fresno General Plan to incorporate the land use changes proposed in the Southwest Fresno Specific Plan and to correspondingly amend the Fresno Chandler Executive Airport Land Use Compatibility Plan and the Fresno-Chandler Downtown Airport Master and Environs Specific Plan.
- 4. Text Amendment Application No. TA-17-08 proposes amendments to the Citywide Development Code (Fresno Municipal Code Chapter 15) to incorporate the Kearney Boulevard Historic Corridor (KB) Overlay District and the California Avenue Transit Corridor (CA) Overlay District.
- 5. **Rezone Application No. R-17-17** proposes to establish the Kearney Boulevard Historic Corridor (KB) Overlay District and the California Avenue Transit Corridor (CA) Overlay District.
- 6. **Rezone Application No. R-17-18** proposes to rezone approximately 892 acres of property within the Southwest Fresno Specific Plan area to be consistent with the planned land uses proposed in the Southwest Fresno Specific Plan.
- 7. PROGRAM ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT RE-PORT SCH No. 2017031012: In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), a Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) was prepared by the City to consider potential impacts associated with implementation of the project, and to provide mitigation measures that would reduce impacts to less than significant levels. The Draft PEIR was released for a 45-day public review period beginning on August 9, 2017 and ending on September 25, 2017. A Final PEIR will be released on October 13, 2017 which will include all comments received during the public review period, City responses to issues raised regarding adequacy of the Draft PEIR, and minor edits to the Draft PEIR.

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO PROVIDE COMMENTS:

www.fresno.gov/southwestplan



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- Wednesday, October 18, 2017
- **(**) 6:00 p.m., or thereafter
- City Hall Council Chamber Second Floor 2600 Fresno Street Fresno, CA 93721

FRESNO CITY COUNCIL

Thursday, October 26, 2017

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To be considered at Fresno Planning Commission & City Council

The Southwest Fresno Specific Plan marks a historic milestone for the Southwest Fresno community. The Plan provides guiding principles, policies, development criteria, and implementation strategies that were developed by residents & stakeholders to coordinate private development and public improvements given the unique opportunities and characteristics of this important part of the city of Fresno.

- The Plan marks the culmination of a two year community process
- The community came out to 16 Steering Committee Meetings, 6 workshops, and 3 community conversations
- A Specific Plan focuses on issues of importance to the community within a defined geographiocal area
- Let us know your thoughts!
 See back cover for more information

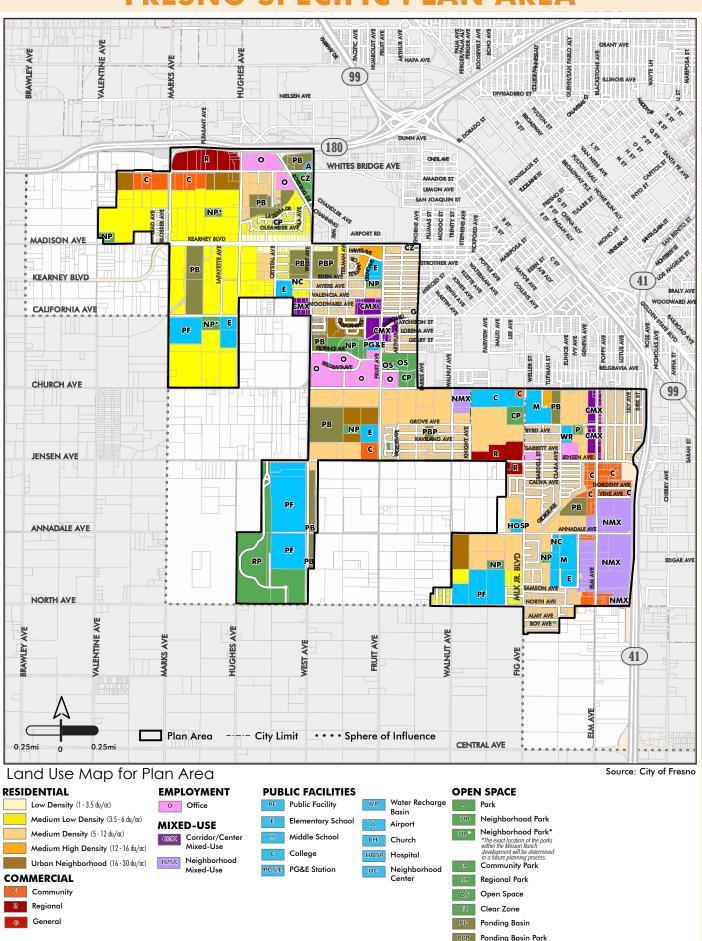
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PROPOSED LAND USE FOR THE SOUTHWEST FRESNO SPECIFIC PLAN AREA



GUIDING PRINCIPLES SUMMARY



Provide a mix of high quality housing types located close to amenities, with an emphasis on single-family housing that is affordable to a mix of household income levels. Encourage new housing that is compatible with the community character and historic architecture of Southwest Fresno.



Attract retail to serve Southwest Fresno residents and reduce vehicle miles travelled. Retail needs include department stores, restaurants, healthy grocers, and services. Discourage the expansion of potentially controversial retail establishments such as liquor stores and short-term loan shops.



Refine the standard for what is defined as "parkland" to include truly usable parks, as opposed to standards that include unusable spaces in ponding basins or parkland located on landfill or toxic sites. Prioritize improving existing parks with better and more amenities. Provide parks that are safe, healthy, social, and active spaces for residents especially families and youth, to visit.



Prepare, mentor, and train Southwest Fresno residents, including youth, to become better qualified for existing and future employment opportunities within Southwest Fresno and encourage a shift from unskilled, low-wage jobs to skilled, higher-education jobs. Locate employment uses so that they do not conflict with residential areas, but are still conveniently accessible by various modes of transportation and located near retail and regional access points.



Provide visible, complete, safe, and regularly maintained transportation infrastructure, such as roads, crosswalks, sidewalks, and traffic lights. Connect and expand access to regional transportation networks and locate transit on routes near residential areas that provide access to desired destinations. Accommodate both motorized and non-motorized modes of travel for people of all ages and abilities.



Locate new industrial development away from Southwest Fresno residential neighborhoods. Increase transparency and communication between government representatives, residents and stakeholders regarding proposed industrial uses and/or improvements. Restrict the proximity of truck routes near residential areas to the maximum extent feasible.

RS-4 - Residential Single-Family, Medium Low Density
Primarily single family residential uses on lots of at least 5,000 square
feet in size.

RM-1 - Residential Multi-Family, Medium High Density Primarily multi-family residential uses with no more than 16 units per acre.

RM-2 - Residential Multi-Family, Urban Neighborhood Primarily multi-family residential uses with no more than 30 units per acre.

RS-5 - Residential Single-Family, Medium Density

Primarily single family residential uses on lots of at least 2,500

NMX - Neighborhood Mixed Use Combinations of various residential, retail, and office uses a

Combinations of various residential, retail, and office uses are allowed at heights of up to 40 feet.

CMX - Corridor/Center Mixed Use

Combinations of various residential, retail, and office uses are allowed at heights of up to 60 feet.

CC - Commercial Community Primarily retail and office uses at heights of up to 35 feet.

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CR - Commercial Regional

square feet in size.

Primarily regional-serving retail uses at heights of up to 75 feet.

O - Office Primarily office uses with some supporting retail uses at heights of up to 60 feet.

PR - Park and Recreation
Parks and other public recreation areas.

OS - Open Space

Primarily open spaces and environmentally sensitive areas.

Kearney Boulevard Historic Corridor (KB) Overlay District The Kearney Boulevard Historic Corridor Overlay requires that any new development along the corridor match the existing development in terms of setbacks, building orientation and fence height, and requires continuation of the street tree and landscaping pattern that currently exists along Kearney Boulevard.

PI - Public and Institutional

Schools, hospitals, utilities, and other public facilities.

California Avenue Transit Corridor (CA) Overlay District
The California Avenue Transit Corridor Overlay requires that any new
development along the corridor be oriented to face the street, provide
pedestrian access, and limit any fencing to 3 feet in height.



2600 Fresno Street, Third Floor Fresno, California 93721-3604 (559) 621-8277 FAX (559) 498-1012 Development and Resource Management Department Jennifer Clark, AICP, Director

October 16, 2017

Dear Southwest Fresno Property Owner:

Re: Update on the Southwest Fresno Specific Plan

This letter is to let you know that after over 2 years of planning and working with community stakeholders and residents, the Southwest Fresno Specific Plan is now ready for consideration by the City Council. You may be aware of the planning process, as mailers were sent to all property owners in the project area at the commencement of the process, and again in February of 2017. In addition, 17 Steering Committee meetings, 6 workshops, 10 topic group meetings and 3 community conversations have been held during the planning process, all of which were public meetings. Two notices were also recently published in the Fresno Bee to announce the upcoming City Council hearing.

The Plan includes guiding principles, objectives and policies aimed at making Southwest Fresno a more healthy, vibrant and connected community by catalyzing both public and private investment. One of the foundational principles of the plan is preserving existing residential neighborhoods while focusing new development on vacant or partially vacant opportunity sites. Among the Plan's priorities are the location of a West Fresno Community College campus and a park at the southwest corner of Church Avenue and Martin Luther King Boulevard. More information about the planning process and the latest version of the Plan, as well as the Environmental Impact Report, is posted at the City of Fresno webpage at www.fresno.gov/southwestplan.

The plan proposes changes to the planned land use and zoning for some properties within the plan area. You are receiving this letter because your property may be affected (see attached zoning and overlay map). Most of the proposed changes are minor in nature (such as changing from Business Park to Office or a change in residential density), although some are more substantial. The proposed zoning changes also include new overlay zoning districts that would apply to properties along Kearney Boulevard and California Avenue. These overlays would not change the base zoning on these properties, but they do add requirements to new development to preserve or create certain qualities along these streets.

It is important to note that businesses, land uses, and buildings that were legally established under older regulations may continue indefinitely, regardless of the plan that is ultimately adopted. Any new regulations that are adopted will only apply to new construction and new businesses/uses. Such *legal non-conforming* protections are provided in Article 4 of the Citywide Development Code (www.fresno.gov/code).

If you have any questions about the proposed land use and zoning changes or the overlays, please do not hesitate to contact me at (559) 621-8062 or by email at Sophia.pagoulatos@fresno.gov. If you wish to address the City Council about any of the proposed changes, the hearing is scheduled for October 26, 2017 at 4:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, Fresno City Hall, 2600 Fresno Street, Fresno, CA 93721.

Sophia Pagoulatos, PLANNING MANAGER



Proposed Zoning Changes in the Southwest Fresno Specific Plan Area



Development and Resource Management Department

