

Community Development Department
Memorandum



Date: March 18, 2008

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SUBJECT: Status Report – Comprehensive General Plan Update
Planning Division File No. GP 07-04

Attached is the monthly status report on the General Plan Update prepared by Rincon Consultants.

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The purpose of this memorandum is to provide a progress report regarding preparation of the City of Lompoc General Plan Update.

Recent Accomplishments

The General Plan Update team continued the public outreach phase of the General Plan Update. This phase of the process is intended to develop General Plan Update policy direction, and the identification of potential land use alternatives. Over the past 6 weeks, three public workshops were conducted, as follows:

February 12, 2008 - Public Educational Workshop #2: Housing. This workshop continued the series of three educational workshops intended to present issues and constraints, answer questions, and gather public input regarding key issues that will be addressed in the General Plan Update. At the Housing Educational Workshop, the General Plan Update team, including housing expert Tom Figg, discussed housing issues that face the City, and explained State mandates regarding the provision of adequate housing sites. A community survey was conducted to gather direct input regarding preferences for housing provision in the City.

February 26, 2008 - Public Educational Workshop #3: Annexation. This workshop concluded the series of three educational workshops. At the Annexation Educational Workshop, the General Plan Update team discussed issues and constraints, including infrastructure concerns and potential environmental and land use constraints, associated with potential annexation areas to the north, south, east, and west of the existing City Limits. The advantages and disadvantages of annexation relative to infill development were also discussed. Community participation activities were conducted to gather direct public input regarding preferences for annexation and infill development through the General Plan build-out horizon.

March 13, 2008 – Joint Council/Commission Meeting. The General Plan Update team solicited input from City Councilmembers and Planning Commissioners regarding their vision for the future of Lompoc. The team gathered decision-maker guidance as to which potential infill development areas, annexation/expansion areas, and components of the existing General Plan Vision Statement should be carried forth for consideration in developing land use scenarios for consideration at a future hearing.

A discussion of upcoming meetings will be provided in future status reports.
