

# Health and Safety Element Guiding Policies

**Description:** The Health and Safety Element presents a framework for minimizing risks posed by environmental and human-caused hazards that may impact Napa residents' health and welfare. The element aims to protect Napa residents, workers, and visitors from seismic and geologic hazards, fire hazards, hazardous materials, flooding, and other potential hazards that risk life and property. It addresses noise, including new existing noise contours as well as projected noise contours based on future traffic volumes that would arise from the Transportation Element improvements (to be produced following finalization of Preferred Plan) that will visually depict traffic noise levels in the city. Other health-related issues, such as air quality, greenhouse gas emissions, and climate change adaptation, are included in the Natural Resources and Sustainability Element.

2.3R. Needs to be rewritten.

## Geologic and Seismic Hazards

- A. Minimize the risk to life and property caused by seismic activity, soil erosion, and landslides.
- B. Investigate and mitigate geologic and seismic hazards or locate development away from such hazards, in order to preserve life and protect property.

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This seems to reinforce the concerns of past meetings with new development outside the corridors.

Read and take an additional note by getting further.

Educate by providing information to the community. Maps and links to information already available would be helpful.

## Hazards and Hazardous Materials

- C. Protect Napa residents from health and safety impacts related to the use, storage, manufacture, and transport of hazardous materials.
- D. Promote cleanup of hazardous sites and safe disposal of hazardous materials. Discourage new uses that rely extensively on the use of hazardous materials.

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What definition of Hazardous Materials is being used in this section?

Does this speak to concerns about the health and safety of our groundwater?

## Hydrology, Flooding, and Water Quality

- E. Reduce the risk to life and property from flooding, including inundation resulting from the failure of water supply reservoir dams.
  - F. Further invest in flood prevention infrastructure to reduce impacts from flooding or dam failure to downtown Napa and other areas located along the Napa River.
- The implementing policies will emphasize continued flood improvement work, including extension of integrated flooding/open space solutions.
- G. Reduce stormwater runoff by incorporating green infrastructure and sustainability strategies for new development.

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G - Provide incentives for builders to improve/incorporate better runoff systems.

Publicly report water infrastructure.

G. this is an area of emphasis

What needs to be done to complete the River Flood Project?

G. Promote new methods as they are made available to encourage improving our environmental impacts.

## Noise

- H. Minimize exposure of sensitive uses to noise and ensure that new development is compatible with the noise environment by using potential noise exposure as a criterion in land use planning and building design.
- I. Ensure that new development does not generate noise in excess of compatibility standards.
- J. Maintain designated truck routes to reduce noise impacts due to through traffic in residential neighborhoods.

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I noise only related to new development and traffic? Development only needs to use materials to get better noise propagation if it is not a high density home.

J. Add buses where there is already a major arterial like Truck route either when looking through a neighborhood.

J - I agree that buses should be added to designated truck routes.

Automobile noise in residential areas needs noise included, esp for Emergency Services and ambulances in road use.

this will be a concern as we develop the corridors with greater density

## Fire

- K. Work to prevent wildland and urban fires, and protect life and property from fire dangers.

*Note: Although the Planning Area is not designated as being located within a Fire Hazard Zone by CAL FIRE, the risk of fire is omnipresent and seemingly increasing with global warming. The Nun's and Patrick, and the Atlas Peak fires came to almost the city's western and eastern edges respectively in 2017. The City of Napa considers wildfire to be a serious risk to life and property. The City considers the densely developed perimeters of the Planning Area along the Silverado Trail to the east and Redwood Road to the west as particularly susceptible to damage from wildfires. CAL FIRE is also currently updating its mapping, building in wind as additional risk criteria, with new mapping expected to be released early to mid-2021.*

*Napa FireWise shows several areas of the city as part of the urban wildlife interface (UWI). The City could designate portions of the community as UWI with additional fire mitigation requirements - including those related to vegetation and fire-resistant construction. Designation of actual UWI zones may be better addressed through the LHMP and/or the City's Zoning Ordinance rather than the General Plan.*

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Utility supply to use fire prevention (State AG).

This section needs significant expansion and strong language on City's role for both Wild and urban interfaces.

Personal touch with Climate element. Inventory of technological opportunities or equipment services.

Yes

## Other Hazards

- L. Ensure long-term compatibility between the Napa County Airport and surrounding land uses.
- M. Inform and educate community members about natural hazards and safety procedures.
- N. Effectively coordinate disaster response and preparation strategies with county, regional, State, and federal agencies in the event of major seismic activity, flood, or wildland fire.

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Ensuring this section will be updated to include 2020 fees for additional planning to prevent these fees.

Compatibility with NC Airport surrounding land uses. Does this include not allowing larger planes to land and/or have flight patterns over residential areas. Noise plans and helicopters need to be equipped to be quieter.

L. many complaints about noise from residents of East Napa

Are there any specific policies related to Climate Change you would like to see addressed in this element?

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See the draft Climate Element for suggestions provided by Napa Climate Now.

Included Tax Carving Subtitle

Wasted Mgr/ Climate Expand & capitalize on the benefits of the excellent green waste recycling program to keep food waste out of and fills And minimize methane production

## Additional Comments

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Please explain existing and projected noise contours.

a sustainable community should be for everyone to enjoy; promote equity and access to resources available

# Community Services Element Guiding Policies

**Description:** The Community Services (CS) Element presents a framework for the City to provide community services, safety and emergency services, and infrastructure to serve the community. Topics addressed including safety and emergency services; schools; wet utilities; and solid waste collection and disposal.

Note: Additional analysis will be performed on the Preferred Plan to determine school, infrastructure and other needs.

## General Community Services

A. Ensure the timely provision of public facilities to meet the needs of existing and future city residents.



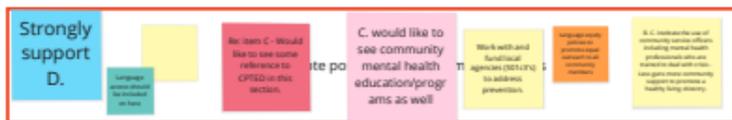
## Public Safety and Emergency Services

B. Maintain safety services that are responsive to citizens' needs to ensure a safe and secure environment for people and property in the community.

C. Reduce and prevent crime through the use of community-oriented education and involvement programs.

D. Ensure disaster preparedness for wildfires, including evacuation routes, meeting spots, wildfire mitigation strategies, and coordination with California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection and Napa County Fire Department.

Can we house a younger demographic?



## Schools and Education

E. Work cooperatively with the Napa Valley Unified School District in planning for future school facility needs.

F. Promote opportunities for higher learning and education to enhance community development and workforce diversification.



## Wet Utilities and Waste Management

G. Ensure that landfills and solid waste management services can handle future growth of the city and ensure adequate wastewater collection and treatment and the safe disposal of waste.

H. Promote sustainability measures for businesses and residents to reduce waste and water consumption, such as municipal composting, recycling, reduced water runoff, and low-impact development strategies.

I. Develop and maintain a safe, attractive and environmentally sensitive drainage system for handling runoff due to seasonal rainstorms, especially runoff in creeks and the Napa River.

J. Seek to incorporate into the City of Napa unincorporated islands in order, and decrease jurisdictional confusion and costs in the local delivery of services to these areas.



## Unincorporated 'Islands'

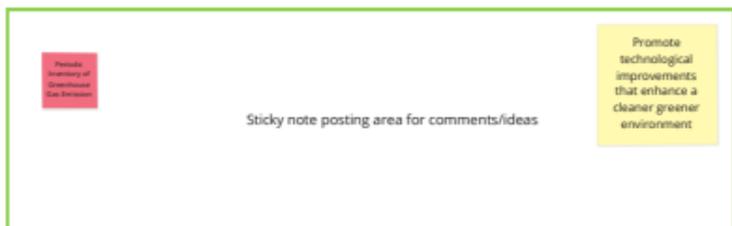
K. Support incorporation of County 'islands' designated for urban uses on the Land Use Diagram to improve delivery of municipal services and support compatible land use planning, provided the City does not incur costs for improving any needed infrastructure to City standards.

*County 'islands' are unincorporated pockets of land that are either completely or substantially surrounded by the City of Napa and are a legacy of planning dating back decades in time. There are approximately 13 County 'islands' in the Planning Area totaling about 188 acres with population of about 2,100. The City currently provides municipal water to some of the County 'islands'; upon incorporation, the City would provide water where it currently does not do so. Wastewater services in the city and most of the County 'islands' is provided by Napa Sanitation District. Infrastructure—such as sidewalks, overhead utilities, storm drainage, etc.—in some areas is not up to City standards. Either these would need to be improved to City standards prior to incorporation or a financing mechanism that does not place a burden on the City of Napa would need to be established. The General Plan establishes land use designations for all County 'islands' to ensure cohesive and compatible land use planning.*

L. Proactively work with residents, Napa County, and the Napa County Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) to pursue streamlined annexation of County 'islands', as authorized under Government Code Section 56375.



Are there any specific policies related to Climate Change you would like to see addressed in this element?



## Additional Comments



# Land Use and Community Design Element Guiding Policies

**Description:** The Land Use and Community Design (LU/CD) Element seeks to enhance the defining attributes of Napa's identity - its blend of small-town character, historic neighborhoods, and picturesque setting along Napa River, fused with vibrancy as a global destination in the heart of a premier wine-producing region; and with a resident population that is dedicated to both economic and environmental sustainability and community resiliency.

The LU/CD Element directs the location, form, and character of future development, shaping where people will live, work, play, and shop in Napa. It presents the desirable pattern for the ultimate development of the city for the General Plan horizon (year 2040), and seeks to ensure that land use planning reflects the community's evolution and changing demographics, conserves the natural environment, and promotes synergies between land uses to promote walking, biking, and sustainable lifestyles. This section includes goals and key policies that will form the basis of the LU/CD element in the General Plan.

## Land Use

- A. Maintain a compact urban form, with development contained within the city's Urban Limit Line, and open space and agricultural resources surrounding the community.
- B. Ensure Napa remains a "complete community" with a diverse array and balance of uses, while recognizing the city's linkages to the broader Bay Area region. Promote a diversity of compatible land uses throughout the city to enable people to live close to job locations, have adequate and convenient commercial services, and enjoy public support systems such as transit, parks, and schools.
- C. Balance tourism with local needs. Promote jobs/housing balance. Foster production of housing to meet the needs of the city's increasingly diverse and changing population, and opportunities for a greater share of workforce to live in the community.
- D. Accommodate a diversity of business establishments in appropriately scaled settings reflecting Napa's position as the center of commerce of Napa Valley, provide employment for Napa residents, and promote economic growth in the city. Range of uses would encompass industrial and research and development uses; regionally scaled shopping and neighborhood-serving commercial centers; and smaller-sized stores, restaurants and offices to meet community needs. Provide enhanced opportunities for new hotels and visitor-services in desirable locations.
- E. Ensure that new development fosters a sense of community and is designed with the focus on residents, including children, the disabled and the elderly, by providing: safe, pedestrian-friendly, tree-lined streets; walkways to everyday destinations such as schools, bikeways, trails, parks and stores; buildings that exhibit visual diversity, pedestrian-scale, and street orientation; central gathering places; and recreation amenities for a variety of age groups.
- F. Promote the community's river orientation by incorporating open spaces as part of flood-improvement projects and ensuring that new development is oriented toward the river. Enhance public access to the river through trails and linkages to neighborhoods.
- G. Promote sustainable and energy-efficient site and building development patterns.
- H. Promote a range of business establishments, including small businesses, incubators uses, and start-up home-based businesses to foster entrepreneurship, workforce development, and job creation.

2.3.3. Change "promote" to "prioritize"

2.3.4. Need room for artist studios, etc.

2.3.4.1. Support All under Corridors

Artist studio



2.3.4. What is meant by "increased workforce participation"?

C. I agree. We need to increase & maintain synergy between the tourists & locals living on the riverbank, but not target.

A. Clarify RUL vs Urban Limit Line.

Emphasis on affordable and workforce housing

A. We also have an affordable housing need about to be addressed by a change in the way we do business in the city.

More specifically to see provide for an elderly, especially those on low income?

Page 4; Low Density Residential needs to have the ability for multiple units.

## Corridors

- I. Promote development of key corridors as tree-lined boulevards, accommodating a principal share of the city's new housing needs in integrated, mixed-use, walkable environments, that also serve as pedestrian-oriented focal for adjacent neighborhoods.
- J. Promote infill development along corridors that makes efficient use of limited land supply, while ensuring compatibility and integration with adjacent uses. Ensure that infill properties develop with uses and development intensities supporting a cohesive development pattern.
- K. Allow a range of mixed-use centers in strategic locations that maximize access to commercial services from transit and residential areas.
- L. Orient buildings towards the street, creating an active, walkable, and enjoyable street frontage. Incorporate active uses on the ground floor of buildings that face pedestrian-oriented streets.
- M. Enhance major gateways into the city to create a sense of arrival and reflect the uniqueness that defines Napa.



in many states will be far less used? The plan suggests that the corridors will absorb the principal share. Is this realistic?

## Transects

- N. Promote revitalization of aging older developments with a mix of uses, while preserving the vibrant commercial clusters that offer the largest collection of neighborhood-oriented stores in the community.
- O. Promote more pedestrian-oriented design, including trees, sidewalks, and crossings, while respecting Transect's role as an automobile-oriented arterial that provides regional access.



## Jefferson

- P. Promote mixed-use development (retail, housing, office), while retaining Jefferson's role as a community-oriented spine of smaller stores, restaurants, and cafes.
- Q. Foster redevelopment of Jefferson as a tree-lined pedestrian-scaled spine, with widened sidewalks, and active street frontages.



## Soscol North (Soscol and Lincoln)

- R. Maintain the area as light industrial hub, with maker, research, incubation, and repair uses, while extending hospitality uses the Napa River to entice redevelopment.
- S. Develop connection to Napa River, and extend and connect Napa River Trail as development occurs.

