



# City of Seal Beach Local Coastal Program

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LCP Goals and Policy  
Workshop 3  
August 21, 2018



# WORKSHOP PURPOSE

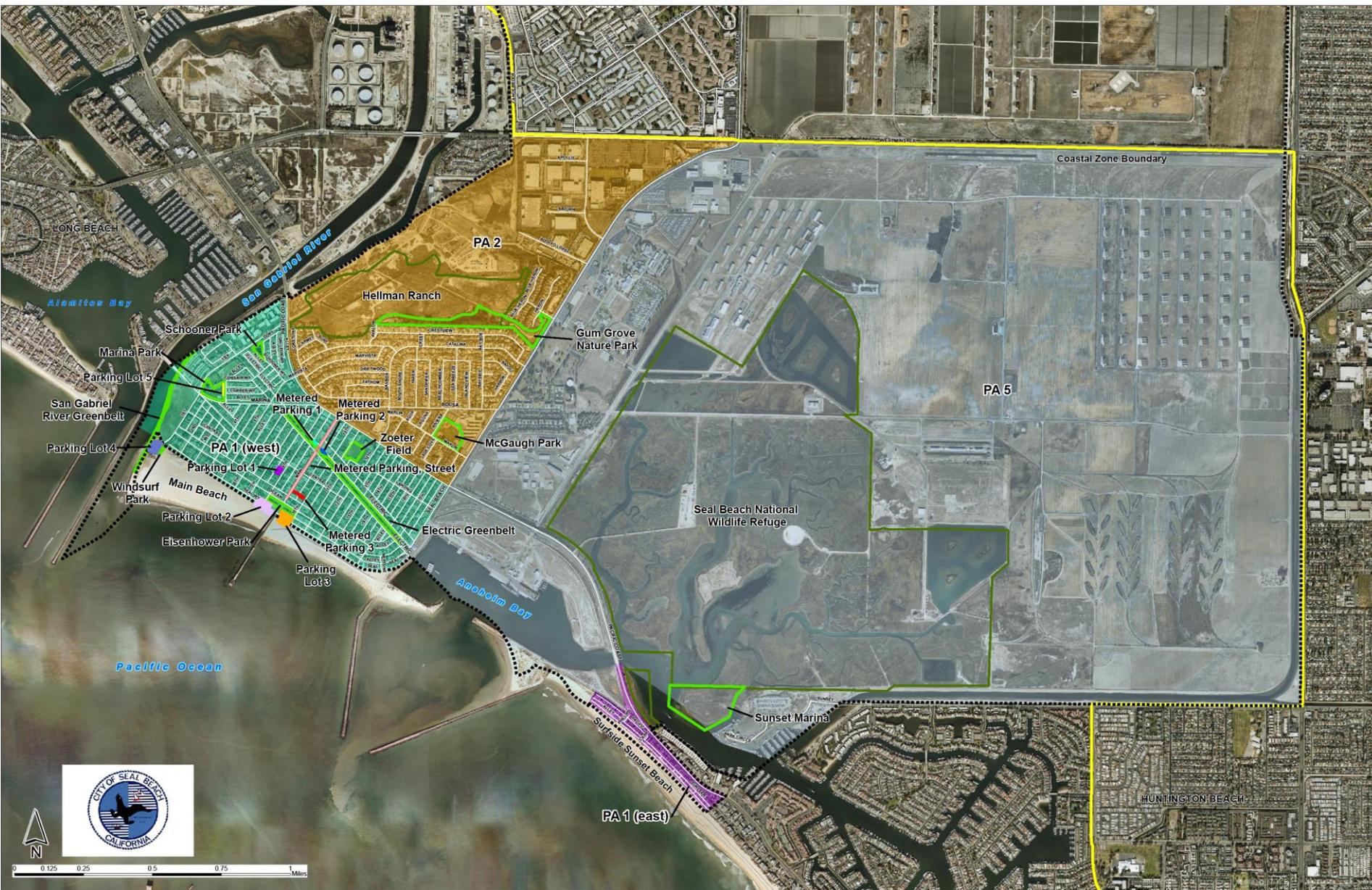
- Present LCP goal/policy topics & document organization
- Identify preferred policy approaches and priorities
- Evaluate policy alternatives suggested from the public
- Additional Resources from past workshops:
  - Vulnerability Assessment & Workshop 2 Slides:
    - <https://www.sealbeachca.gov/Departments/Departments/Community-Development/Local-Coastal-Plan-Project>
  - Coastal Commission Sea Level Rise Adopted Policy Guidance:
    - <https://www.coastal.ca.gov/climate/slrguidance.html>
  - California Coastal Act
    - <https://www.coastal.ca.gov/laws/>



# WHAT IS A LOCAL COASTAL PROGRAM

- Consists of a Land Use Plan (LUP) and Local Implementation Plan (LIP)
- Guides development in Coastal Zone once LCP is certified by the Coastal Commission
- City was awarded grant funding by the Coastal Commission to complete an LCP





Coastal Zone  
 Seal Beach City Limit

**Planning Areas**  
 PA 1 (east)  
 PA 1 (west)  
 PA 2  
 PA 4  
 PA 5

**Public Parking**  
 Metered Parking 1  
 Metered Parking 2  
 Metered Parking 3  
 Metered Parking, Street  
 Parking Lot 1

Parking Lot 2  
 Parking Lot 3  
 Parking Lot 4  
 Parking Lot 5

**Parks and Open Space**  
 City Parks  
 Open Space

Source: Esri, 2018; County of Orange, 2018; City of Seal Beach, 2018; USFWS, 2018

# LCP HISTORY AND PROCESS



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- 2017: Coastal Commission provided grant funding to prepare and certify an LCP
  - The City selected Michael Baker International as a consultant to conduct community outreach and prepare the LCP
  - Moffat & Nichol serves as subconsultant to conduct the sea level rise vulnerability assessment
- 2018: Initiated LCP Preparation in coordination with the Coastal Commission



# BENEFITS OF A CERTIFIED LCP

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- Development applications and permit issuance authority within the Coastal Zone is delegated to the City
- Coastal Development Permit processing is streamlined through the City instead of Coastal Commission
- City controls local decision making in accordance with the Coastal Act
- A Certified LCP does not put additional regulations or burdens on City residents





# COMPONENTS OF AN LCP

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- Land Use Plan
  - Similar to a General Plan
  - Contains land use goals and policies to be used by decision-makers when reviewing projects within the coastal zone
- Local Implementation Plan
  - Incorporated as part of the Zoning Ordinance
  - Program to identify systems, procedures, or techniques that implement LCP goals and policies



# GOALS & POLICIES

- **Goal** - Seal Beach General Plan Example
- *Maintain participation in a public transit system that provides mobility to City residents and employees as a logical alternative to automobile travel*
- **Policy** - Seal Beach General Plan Example
- *Coordinate with OCTA and other appropriate entities to improve bus service to and within the City*



# COASTAL ACT POLICY PRIORITIES

- Coastal Dependent Land Uses
- Environmentally Sensitive Habitat Areas
- Low Cost Visitor Serving Facilities
- Marine Resources
- Public Access
- Recreational Facilities
- Sea Level Rise
- Scenic Resources



# LUP DOCUMENT ORGANIZATION

- Chapter 2: Land Use and Development
  - General development policies, visitor-serving facilities, coastal related development, tidelands/submerged lands, transportation, and other development.
- Chapter 3: Public Access and Recreation
  - Shoreline access, recreation facilities, vessel launching and storage
- Chapter 4: Coastal Resources
  - Environmentally sensitive habitat areas, scenic resources, water quality, cultural resources
- Chapter 5: Coastal Hazards
  - Sea level rise, floods, erosion, geologic/seismic, fire



# HOW POLICIES ARE DEVELOPED



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- The Coastal Act
- Coastal Commission LCP Preparation Guidance
  - *Ongoing coordination throughout LCP process*
- Seal Beach General Plan
- Previous Seal Beach LCP (not certified)
- Reviewed Recently Certified LCP Land Use Plans
- Community Input



# COMMUNITY OUTREACH SUMMARY

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- Stakeholder Meetings
  - April 10<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> at City Hall
- Pop-Up Booth Workshop: Vision, Issues and Opportunities
  - April 27<sup>th</sup> at the Seal Beach Car Show
- Sea Level Rise Vulnerability Assessment and Adaption
  - July 17<sup>th</sup> at the Marina Center
- LCP Goals and Policy Workshop
  - August 21<sup>st</sup> at the Marina Center



# INPUT INFORMS POLICY

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- Public Concern: Trash brought to the beach via San Gabriel River after heavy storms
  - *Potential LCP Policy: Pursue a regional approach to watershed management, particularly in regard to the San Gabriel River, and coordinate improvements within the coastal zone with local, state, federal and community-based organizations and agencies, including all jurisdictions located upstream on the San Gabriel River.*



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- **Public Concern: Congested parking during the summer months**
  - *Potential LCP Policy: Provide sufficient, well-designed, and convenient on-street and off-street parking facilities throughout the coastal zone.*
  - *Potential LCP Policy: Consolidate parking, where appropriate in the coastal zone, to eliminate the number of ingress and egress points onto arterials.*
  - *Potential LCP Policy: Ensure new development within the coastal zone provides adequate parking facilities consistent with applicable city parking regulations.*



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- Public Concern: Coastal flooding and erosion south of the pier on Main Beach
  - *Potential LCP Policy: Maintain wide sandy beaches through sand replenishment programs to provide critical protection against tsunamis, storm surge, and rogue waves.*



# HOW WILL MY INPUT BE USED?

- Participants will be informed about the process of developing an LCP consistent with Coastal Commission regulations
- Gathering information and public feedback that will help inform LCP policy development
- Identify key priority areas and policy suggestions to inform our approach moving forward





# ACTIVITY A

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## Top Priority Activity

- Review Coastal Commission priority policy topics
- Consider priority policies within the context of the Seal Beach Coastal Zone and your knowledge of the community
- Vote on your priority policy topic with a painters dot sticker on the board
- Review what others consider their priority policy topic





# ACTIVITY B

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## Future Seal Beach

- Consider your future aspirations for the Seal Beach Coastal Zone
  - What do you hope the community looks like in 10 years? 20 years? 50 years?
- Write down your thoughts and post on the board
  - One thought per post-it note
- Review what others aspire for future Seal Beach





# ACTIVITY C

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## Coastal Zone SWOT

- Consider the strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats for the Seal Beach Coastal Zone
  - Review the prompts on the board to spur your understanding of SWOT considerations within the context of Seal Beach coastal zone
- Post your thoughts on the board, and review what others have posted





# ACTIVITY D

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## Write Your Own LCP Policy

- Consider Coastal Commission priority policy areas (Activity A), your aspirations for Seal Beach (Activity B), and your responses to the SWOT analysis (Activity C)
- Define a goal you want to achieve
- Draft your policy to define a strategy or implementation step to achieve the goal
- Follow the steps to write your own LCP Policy





# ACTIVITY E

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## Comment Card

- For any additional thoughts, concerns or comments on the LCP process
- Located on the clipboards at the back table





**THANK YOU FOR  
YOUR PARTICIPATION!**

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