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Subject: General plan questions

Laurel,

I think there is a couple mistakes and I have a question or 2.

Possible errors:

1. recommendation 1 protect natural environment. It says biotic communities. Should this be symbiotic communities?
2. recommendation 3 bullet 9 new policy HAZ2-9 "...infrastructure are ubiquitous through out its town..." Should it be "the town"
3. recommendation 5 bullet 1. Says class 1 to class II. Aren't we building a class 4?

My questions:

1. The LDR category says 230 units from vacant land. Where do we have vacant land that is zone LDR. How much of it will still be LDR after housing element site selection? I think maybe we want to discourage LDR on bare land unless it is a small lot.
2. In the recommendation 1. I do not like the removal of the last line about mixed business serving residents. For a long time los gatos has focused on being a full service community where residents did not have to leave los gatos for most needs. I believe this has been lost in the vision statement with the changes. Could you suggest wording I can propose to get this idea back in the vision?
3. It is not complete clear to me the zoning in the community place districts?
4. I am interested in promoting the idea of the higher density LDR only with in 1/4 mile of the community place districts. Is it possible for staff to create a zone map of what the would look like? Anything that is already zone MDR or HDR should stay as is.

Thank You,
Rob Rennie
Los Gatos Town Mayor

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Subject: Questions about Item 1

Hi Laurel,

I believe that you correctly instructed the Planning Commission on April 27 when you said, "I think the real exercise is what total capacity would you like to see in the 2040 General Plan." Unfortunately, the Planning Commission was not presented with an analysis showing that total capacity before they voted their recommendation. (As was the case with the GPAC.) Zoning and density changes are a means to achieve an end that results in a total capacity that must meet population growth and be accompanied by an EIR that can be certified. The Council must see the total capacity before it approves the General Plan.

When the Council last approved total capacity on April 7, 2020, the Council approved Option C and there was an accompanying table showing total capacity. When the Draft 2040 General Plan was released, Table 3-1 showed 3,738 units and there were additional 166 Hillside units, for a total capacity of 3,904. In May 2022, the Planning Commission made recommendations to change zoning densities without the benefit of a staff report showing the total capacity of their actions. Subsequent to their vote, Table 3-1 has been produced to reflect the Planning Commission's total capacity of 3,280 units plus 116 Hillside, for a total of 3,396 units.

On October 19, 2021, a majority of the Council requested that the Council consider whether to perform an analysis of the total capacity representing the current RHNA allocation of 1,993 units plus a buffer. To date, this has not happened, and I cannot find a document that analyzes the 1,993 option and states what changes to the General Plan would need to be made to achieve that. It is important for that option be provided to the Council for consideration of the 2040 Draft General Plan, as a majority of residents with whom I have communicated have expressed a strong preference for 1,993 total capacity. Could staff please provide a version of Table 3-1 that totals to 1,993 plus a buffer of 15%, or approximately 2,292 total capacity?

I'm still working through the new information presented in our packet, but I wanted to give you a head's up about this.

Thanks,
Matthew

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Here are some formatting and minor edits.

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QF: Include a comprehensive What's Changed section

2. Racial, Social, and Environmental Justice Element

Key Terms

BIPOC. Acronym referring to Black, Indigenous, and Persons of Color.

Community Member. Any individual who resides, owns property, is a business owner, or is employed in the Town of Los Gatos.

Disadvantaged Community. An area identified by the California Environmental Protection Agency (CalEPA) pursuant to Section 39711 of the California Health and Safety Code or a predominately low-income area that is disproportionately affected by environmental pollution and other hazards that can lead to negative health effects, exposure, or environmental degradation.

Environmental Justice. The fair treatment of people of all races, cultures, incomes, political and religious affiliation, and national origins with respect to the development, adoption, implementation, and enforcement of environmental laws, regulations, and policies.

Equality. The state of being equal, especially in status, rights, and opportunities.

Equity. Fairness or justice in the way people are treated.

QF: better definition: "fairness and impartiality"

Implicit Bias. Attitudes or stereotypes that affect our understanding, actions, and decisions in an unconscious manner, often based on characteristics such as race, ethnicity, age, and appearance.

Resident. Any individual who resides in the Town of Los Gatos.

Social Capital. The ability for residents to feel a sense of belonging in their community and to have a meaningful connection to the place where they live.

Socially Disadvantaged Individuals and Groups. Socially disadvantaged individuals and groups who have been subjected to prejudice or some form of discrimination or bias because of their perceived identity as a member of a particular group (i.e., race, ethnicity, culture, sex, political or religious affiliation, sexual orientation, age, immigration status) without regard to their individuality and/or merit.

QF: Or "inclusion"

2.1 Racial and Social Justice

This section identifies goals and policies which seek to advance Town efforts toward diversity and inclusivity. Implementation of the programs presented will allow the Town to monitor its progress in achieving racial, social, and environmental justice. It is the Town's intent to take actionable efforts to implement a more racially and socially just Los Gatos.

The following goals and policies are intended to promote equality in Los Gatos.

RSEJ-1	Support equity, inclusion, and access to opportunities for all community members, employees, businesses, visitors, and local organizations.
RSEJ-1.1	Service Delivery Direct Town services to address inequities.
RSEJ-1.2	Community Budgeting Engage the community through multiple participation opportunities in the Town's budget process.
RSEJ-1.3	Institutional Bias Continue to build organizational and institutional skills in all Town Departments to advance equity, while identifying and eliminating institutional and structural inequities, and implicit bias.

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QF: standard definition: "fairness and impartiality" Justice is another term.

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QF: Or "inclusion"

2. Racial, Social, and Environmental Justice Element

Programs	Implements Which Policy(ies)	Responsible Supporting Department(s)	2020 – 2025	2026 – 2040	Annual	Ongoing
I Diversity, Sensitivity, and Awareness Training Develop diversity, sensitivity, and awareness training courses and curriculum for residents, business owners, and local organizations to take part in. Training could include, but is not limited to, an informational column in the weekly newsletter and/or links to recommended online material, lectures, and community engagement events.	RSEJ-2.8	Town Manager	■			■
J Citizens Police Academy Implement a Citizens Police Academy, or similar program, to educate community members in law enforcement policies, practices, and problem-solving, as well as promoting the opportunity for one-on-one interaction with Department members in a relaxed environment.	RSEJ-2.9 RSEJ-2.10	Town Manager	■			■
		Police Department				
K Community Engagement Develop mechanisms to communicate and engage members of the community who are not typically active in civic issues to foster relationships with the Town and the Police Department. This can be accomplished by leveraging technology and by focusing resources on non-enforcement interaction with the community.	RSEJ-2.9 RSEJ-2.10	Town Manager	■			■
		Police Department				
L Healthy Food Access Regulations Audit and Update To remove any administrative barriers to increase access to healthy foods, conduct an internal audit of and make necessary changes to Town regulations, including but not limited to the Zoning Ordinance. EJ HC	RSEJ-4.2	Community Development		■		
M Capital Improvement Prioritization Create a defined set of criteria that measures and prioritizes equitable distribution of Capital Improvement (CI) Projects Town-wide. EJ	RSEJ-4.4	Parks and Public Works	■			■
		Town Manager				
N Tree Canopy Study Develop a study to measure tree canopy distribution throughout the Town and encourage the use of native plants when increasing green space.	RSEJ-4.6	Parks and Public Works		■		
O Rental Multi-Family Housing Inspection Program Create a program to ensure that all rental multi-family housing is inspected on a three to five-year cycle to ensure compliance with all building, housing, and other codes for safe and sanitary housing. EJ	RSEJ-5.1	Town Manager		■		
		Community Development				
		Code Compliance				

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QF: Audit has specific meaning and in this context impractical, "review"

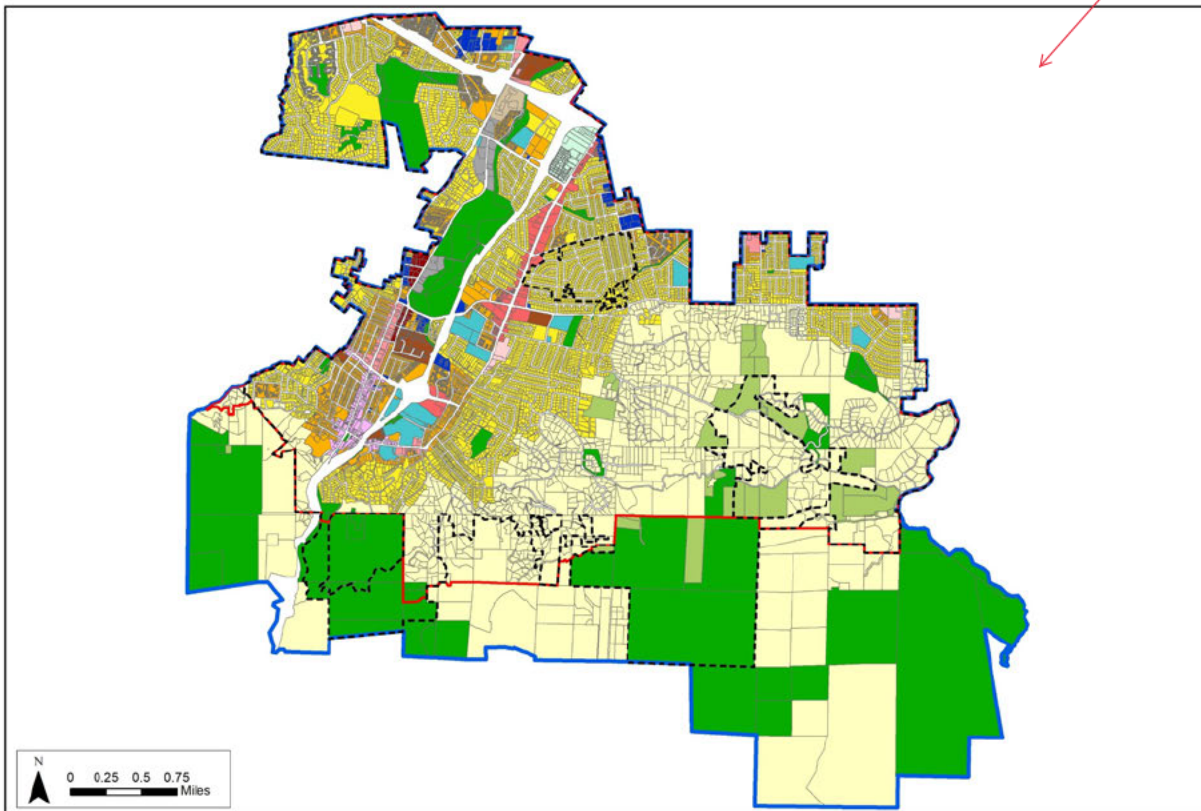
3. Land Use Element

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Figure 3-6: Land Use Diagram

- Land Use Designation**
- Hillside Residential (HR)
 - Low Density Residential (LDR)
 - Medium Density Residential (MDR)
 - High Density Residential (HDR)
 - Mixed Use (MU)
 - Neighborhood Commercial (NC)
 - Community Commercial (CC)
 - Central Business District (CBD)
 - Office Professional (OP)
 - Service Commercial (SC)
 - Light Industrial (LI)
 - Public (PUB)
 - Open Space (OS)
 - Agriculture (AG)
 - Albright Specific Plan (A-SP)
 - North Forty Specific Plan (NF-SP)
- Town of Los Gatos**
- Town Limit
 - Planning Area
 - Urban Service Area



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Designation / Map Color	Description	Standards	Compatible Zoning
Commercial Designations			
NC Neighborhood Commercial	The purpose of this designation is to provide for necessary day-to-day commercial goods and services required by the residents of the adjacent neighborhoods. This designation encourages concentrated and coordinated commercial development at easily accessible locations. Residential uses, developed using a mixed-use format, are allowed in the designation.	Density: 10 – 20 du/ac FAR: Up to 1.0 Max. Height: 35 feet	C-1
CC Community Commercial	The purpose of this designation is to provide for commercial goods and services to support residents, businesses, and visitors, and located to serve the entire community. Residential uses, developed using a mixed-use format, are allowed in the designation.	Density: 20 – 30 du/ac FAR: Up to 3.0 Max. Height: 45 feet	C-1
CBD Central Business District	The purpose of this designation is to encourage a mixture of community-orientated commercial goods and services within the Downtown CBD. This designation applies exclusively to the Downtown CBD, with the goal to accommodate and retain local merchants and preserve the Town's character. New development in the CBD shall integrate with existing structures of architectural and historical significance. Residential uses, developed using a mixed-use format, are allowed in the designation.	Density: 20 – 30 du/ac FAR: Up to 2.0 Max. Height: 45 feet	C-2
Employment Center Designations			
OP Office Professional	The purpose of this designation is to provide for professional and general business offices, incubator spaces, and innovation centers. This designation applies to various locations throughout the Town, often in proximity to neighborhood- or community-oriented commercial facilities, or as a buffer between commercial and residential uses. The intent of this designation is to satisfy the community's need for general business and professional services, and local employment. Residential uses, developed using a mixed-use format, are allowed in the designation.	Density: 30 – 40 du/ac FAR: Up to 1.0 Max. Height: 35 feet	O
SC Service Commercial	The purpose of this designation is to provide for service businesses. These businesses include automobile repair, building materials sales, paint suppliers, janitorial services, towing businesses, contractor offices and yards, laundries and dry cleaners, as well as wholesaling and warehousing activities. Residential uses, developed using a mixed-use format, are allowed in the designation.	Density: 20 – 30 du/ac FAR: Up to 1.0 Max. Height: 35 feet	LM

QLU: ZONE Need
"principally or
primarily"

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QF: Need "principally or primarily" required. Otherwise any business that provides goods for even one resident in neighborhood can be considered neighborhood, even if it is principally or primarily a regional business.

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