

NEIGHBORHOOD CHARACTER MOTION (PENDING)

Moved by Commissioner Nejati, Seconded by Commissioner Richmond

Motion to move the three bullet points and revised first sentence for those bullet points to become the second paragraph where this language is proposed in the Land Use and Urban Design Chapter; accept the modified CNA description of neighborhood character with parking and noise also to be removed from the list of attributes; change the last sentence of the CNA recommendation with the last sentence of staff's fourth bullet recommendation.

As proposed for a vote, the following language would be included in the Land Use and Urban Design Chapter of the Comprehensive Plan:

Neighborhood character is an amalgam of various elements that give a neighborhood its distinct "identity." Neighborhood characteristics are not stagnant and will change over time. Consideration of neighborhood character will vary by the unique features of a neighborhood and includes its physical attributes that contribute to its sense of place and identity. These elements may include, but are not limited to, a neighborhood's land use, urban design, visual resources, and/or historic resources. This includes design elements of buildings (mass, scale, materials, setting, and setbacks), parks and open space, provision of City utilities, street grids and connections, and street trees.

Our community considers it essential that all neighborhoods become accessible, sustainable, and culturally inclusive.

- *Accessible: Includes ADA compliancy, multimodal mobility, and housing affordability.*
- *Sustainable: Promotes a healthy environment, a diverse and resilient local economy, and historic preservation, including, reuse, and adaptability of existing buildings.*
- *Culturally inclusive: Recognizes, supports and promotes diverse housing types, strong arts and historic preservation, and the various contributions of diverse Olympians, past and present.*

Neighborhood character will be balanced with other plan goals and policies, such as increasing the variety of housing types and providing pedestrian oriented streets, and implemented through the City's development regulations.