

Los Angeles City Planning Updates - September 2022

Citywide

Proposed Oil and Gas Drilling Ordinance Update

- This proposed ordinance which would ban existing and future oil and gas drilling activities in the City is expected to go to the City Planning Commission on September 22, 2022.
- A public hearing was held on August 30, 2022, the audio recording of the presentation and Q&A session are now available <u>here</u>
- An additional presentation and Q&A session were hosted by Plan Check NC on August 13, 2022, and the audio recording is available here.

Mills Act Assessment - Public Feedback

- The Mills Act offers a unique tool for historic preservation to retain and protect historic resources.
- To strengthen and potentially expand the program, City Planning commissioned an assessment study to identify operational and administrative improvements to make the program more effective and sustainable, with a focus on how to encourage more equitable distribution of the program's tax benefits.
- The deadline to provide feedback on the Mills Act report recommendations has been extended to September 15, 2022.

• Proposed Al Fresco Program

 On September 6, 2022, City Planning presented a status update on extending the Al Fresco program in the Planning and Land Use Management Committee. This report includes recommendations on how to make the outdoor dining program permanent. In the coming months, City Planning will be releasing the proposed ordinance for public comment before holding an informational workshop and public hearing later this year. The PLUM recording can be found here.

Processes and Procedures

- A <u>report</u> regarding the Department's ordinance implementation plan and a processes comparison chart has been prepared and submitted to the City Council in advance of the final Processes and Procedures Ordinance forthcoming from the City Attorney.
- The proposed ordinance is the initial part of a larger effort to streamline the City's Zoning Code to make it more responsive and accessible to the public. To receive future updates on this proposed ordinance, please sign up here.