

We get lots of inquiries concerning the General Plan of the City of Los Angeles. The General Plan in Los Angeles is called the Framework Element. It is the strategy for long term growth and acts as a guide to update the Community Plans and Citywide Elements of the General Plan. To learn about City Planning:

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The Framework Element of the Los Angeles General Plan

The General Plan Framework is a strategy for long-term growth which sets a citywide context to guide the update of the community plan and citywide elements.

The General Plan Framework is a comprehensive, long range document containing purposes, policies and programs for the development of the City of Los Angeles.

This web page is provided as a reference version of the Framework Element of the General Plan. The layout differs from that of the printed Framework document, but adds useful hyperlinks between related sections.

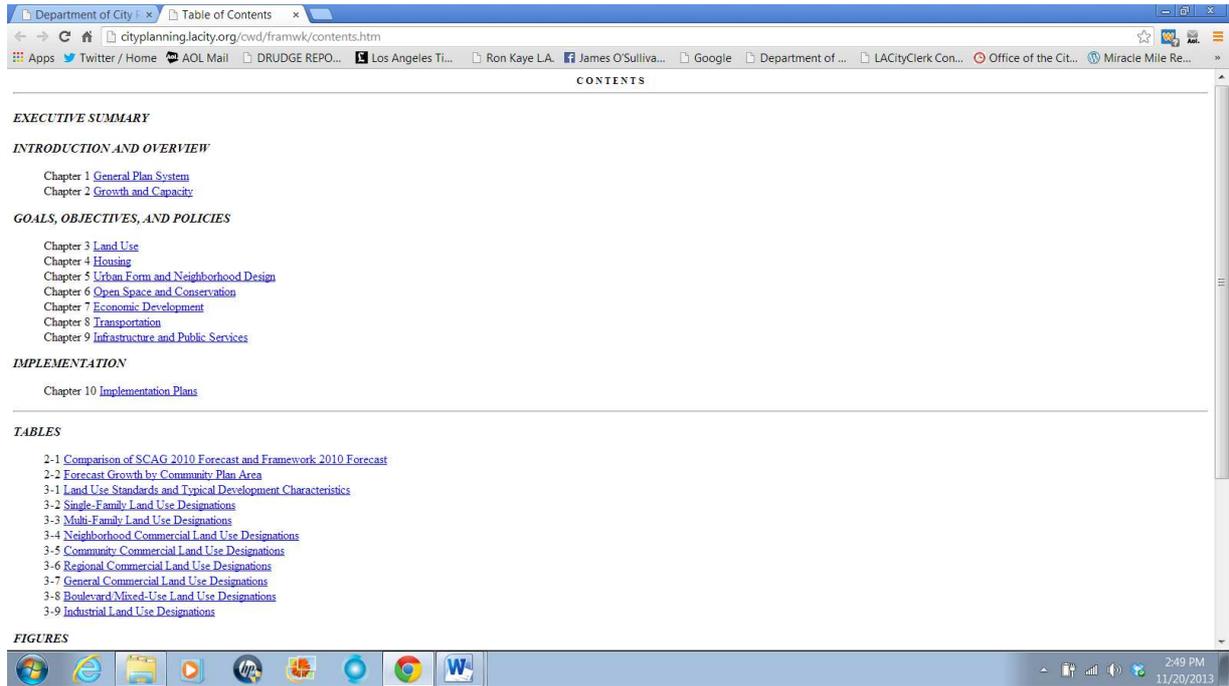
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The first place to start is the Executive Summary. This gives the reader a good basic understanding of what a general plan is, why it is necessary, how it relates to State requirements and why Land use must be compatible with the other City Elements.

For a further, deeper understanding of the whole process click on Contents which opens up the whole world of Planning.



For more information click on the Framework Final EIR (Final Environmental Impact Report). This is the document that had to be approved by the City Council and signed by the Mayor in order for the Framework Element to become our new General Plan.

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All discretionary projects quote the Community Plan. In the Miracle Mile that is the Wilshire Community Plan. Going back to the GENERAL PLAN tab on the left, click on Community plans.

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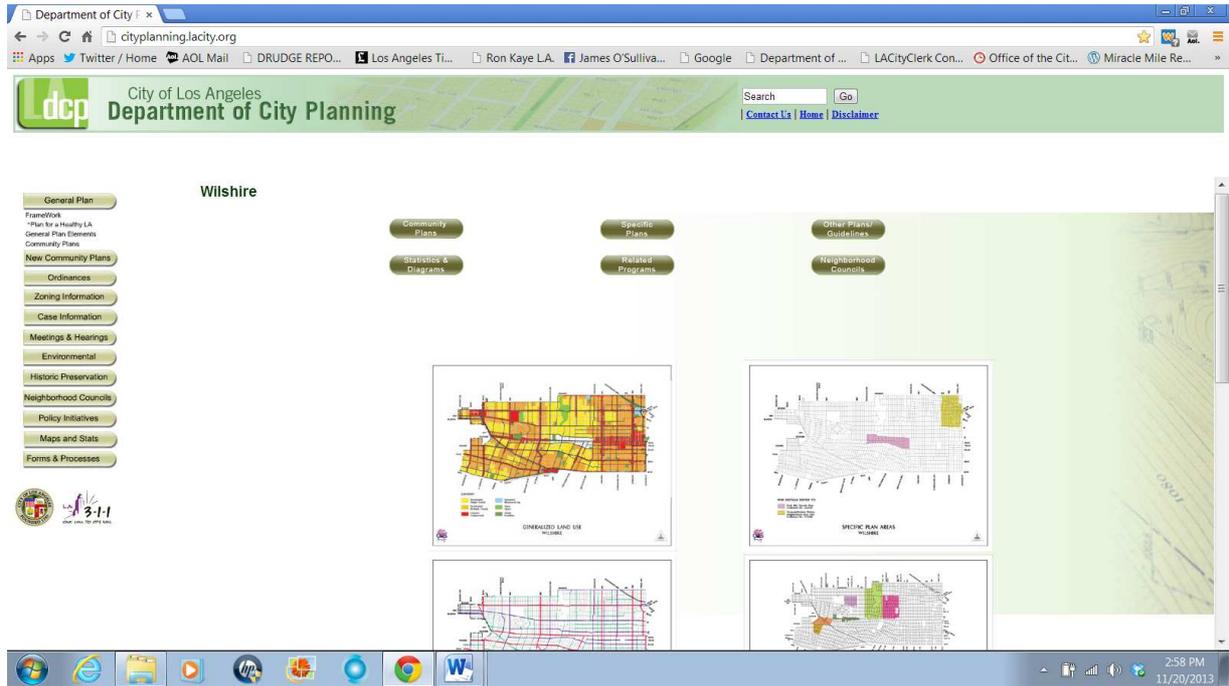
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The land use element of the General Plan is comprised of 35 community plans; they are the official guide to the future development of the City of Los Angeles. The community plans are intended to promote an arrangement of land uses, streets, and services which encourage and contribute to the economic, social and physical health, safety, welfare and convenience of the people who live and work in the community.

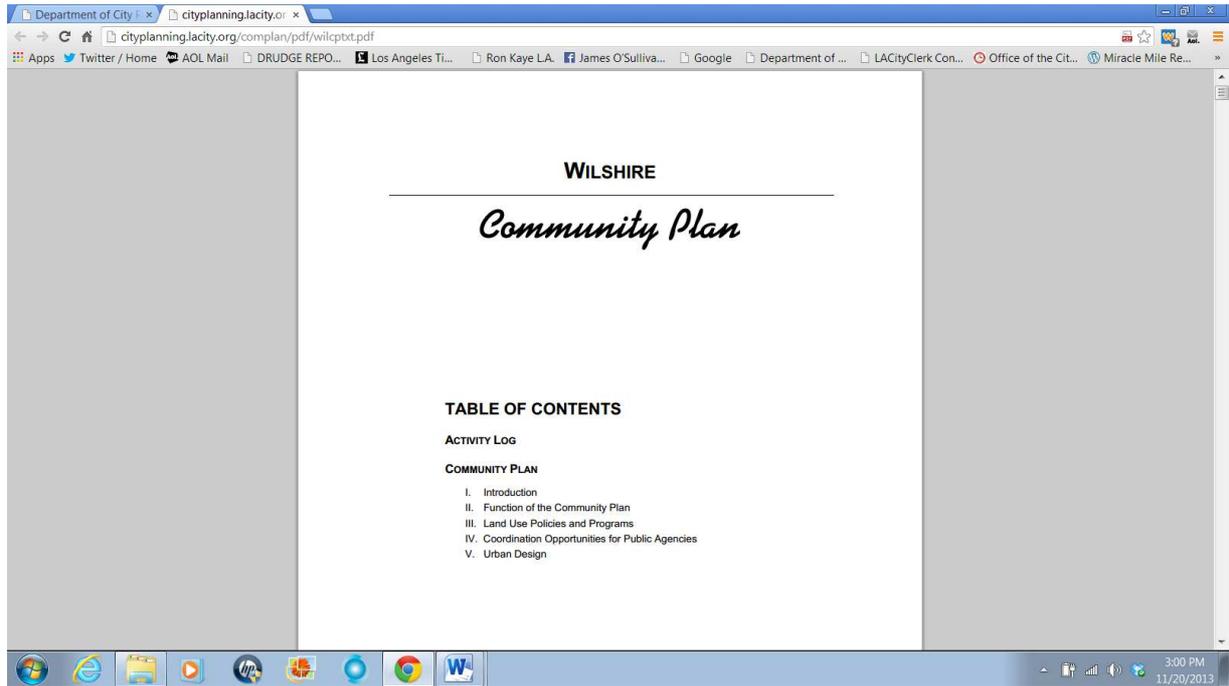
The community plans ensure that sufficient land is designated which provides for the housing, commercial, employment, educational, cultural, social and aesthetic needs of the City's residents.

Community Plans (Land Use Element)

- ▶ 35 Community Plans
- ▶ LAX Plan
- ▶ Port of Los Angeles Plan
- ▶ Specific Plans
- ▶ Historic Preservation
- ▶ Other Plans/Guidelines
- ▶ Related Programs



There is lots to explore but I usually suggest clicking on the Community Plan tab which brings up the document which governs all development in the Miracle Mile.



After that there is a tremendous amount of information about our area that can be found by clicking on the rest of the buttons. Happy reading.