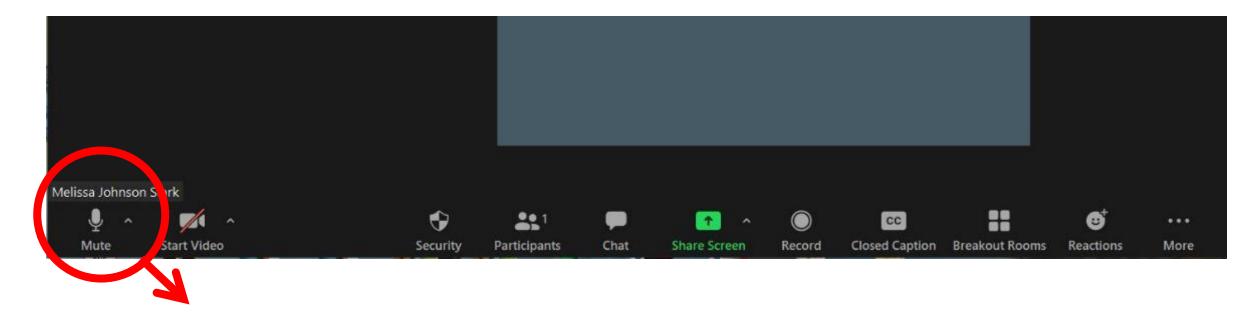


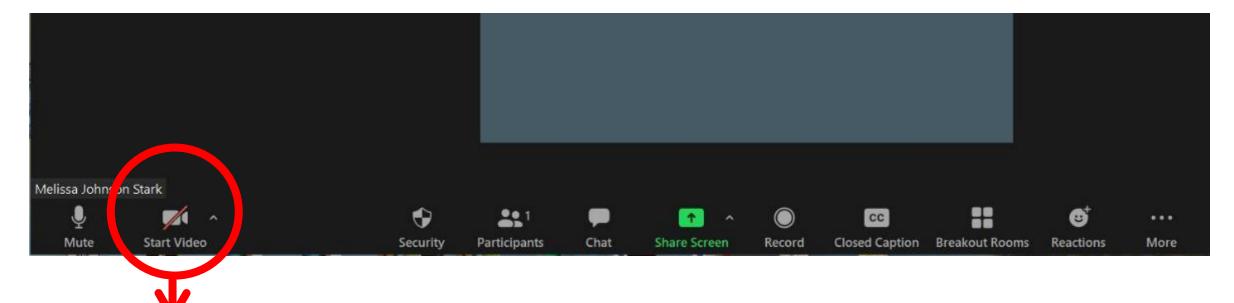
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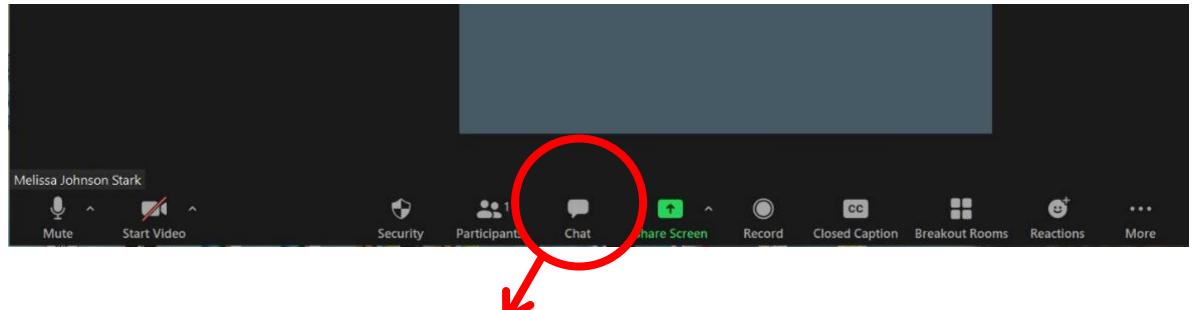
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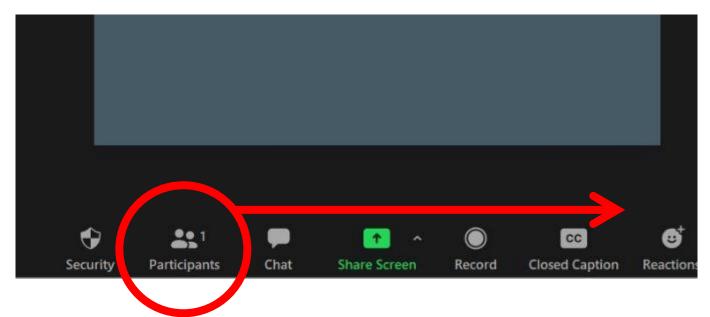
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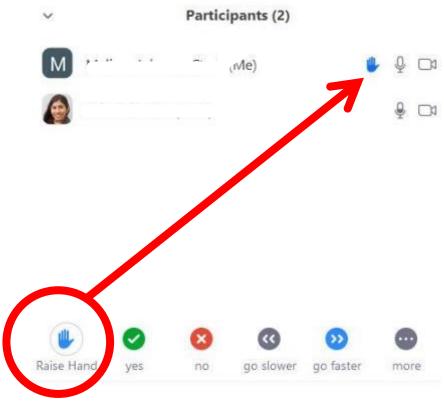
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#### Chat for Questions/Comments

• To submit a question or comment, please use the "Chat" feature. We will address it during public comment (time permitting).





#### Raise your "Hand" to Speak

- Please use the "Raise Hand" feature if you want to speak the team will call on GPAC members individually. Please remain muted until called on.
- Public: Please only raise your hand during public comment.

# Welcome to the GPAC!



## **Meeting Objectives**

- Initiate the General Plan Advisory Committee
- Discuss GPAC roles and responsibilities
- Provide an overview of the General Plan process
- Provide an overview of the Brown Act

# Introductions



## **City Staff and Consultants**

- Peggy Flynn (City Manager)
- Heather Hines (CDD)
- Christina Paul (Project Manager)
- Eric Danly (City Attorney)
- Eric Roberts (Zoom Moderator)

- Matt Raimi (R+A)
- Ron Whitmore (R+A)
- Kelsey Hubbard (R+A)
- Dave Javid (Plan to Place)
- Paul Kronser (Plan to Place)

## **Consultant team**

#### Raimi + Associates

Project Lead, Land Use, Urban Design, Environmental Justice, Sustainability, & Community Engagement

**Rincon Consultants** 

Environmental Analysis & EIR

**Strategic Economics** 

**Economic Analysis & Market Feasibility** 

**Veronica Tam Associates** 

**Housing Element** 

**Fehr & Peers** 

Transportation, Traffic & Circulation

**Sherwood Design Engineers** 

Infrastructure

Plan to Place

Community Engagement

**Cultural Planning Group** 

**Arts & Cultural Analysis** 

**Greensfelder Real Estate Strategy** 

Retail Resilience

Page & Turnbull

Historic & Cultural Resources Analysis

#### **GPAC Introductions**

- Let's get to know each other!
  Please share:
  - Your name
  - How long you have lived in Petaluma
  - Favorite place in Petaluma
  - Why you applied to be on GPAC
- Please try and stick to no more than 2 minutes!



## **GPAC Members**

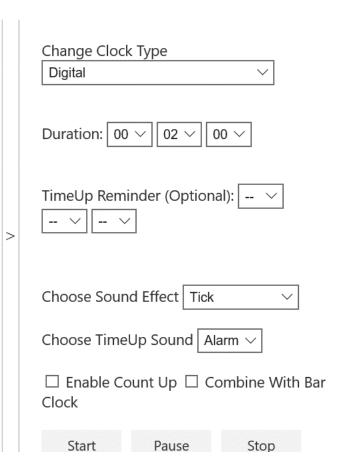
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- Stephanie Blake
- Phil Boyle
- Matt Brown
- Erin Chmielewski
- Delia Diaz
- Mary Dooley

- Sierra Downey
- Jessie Feller
- Ali Gaylord
- Yensi Jacobo
- Roger Leventhal
- Iliana Inzunza Madrigal
- Roberto Rosila Mares

- Kris Rebillot
- Bill Rinehart
- John Shribbs
- Joshua Riley
  Simmons
- Janice Cader Thompson
- Bill Wolpert

## **Approximately 2 minutes please!**

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# GPAC Roles and Responsibilities



## **GPAC Purpose**

- 21-member ad-hoc committee
- Provide feedback and guidance
- Help interpret community feedback from engagement activities
- Share ideas and serve as sounding board for new concepts and approaches
- Help develop vision, guiding principles, goals, and policies
- Review plan materials at key milestones
- Connect the GP team with diverse community members
- Spread the word about public engagement activities



## **Level of Commitment**

- Attend GPAC meetings
- Share your ideas your honest and thoughtful input is critical
- Review materials prior to meetings (sent via email)
- Participate in topic-specific "working groups"
- Attend community workshops and other community meetings (strongly) encouraged)
- "Host" General Plan sponsored events with groups you are connected to

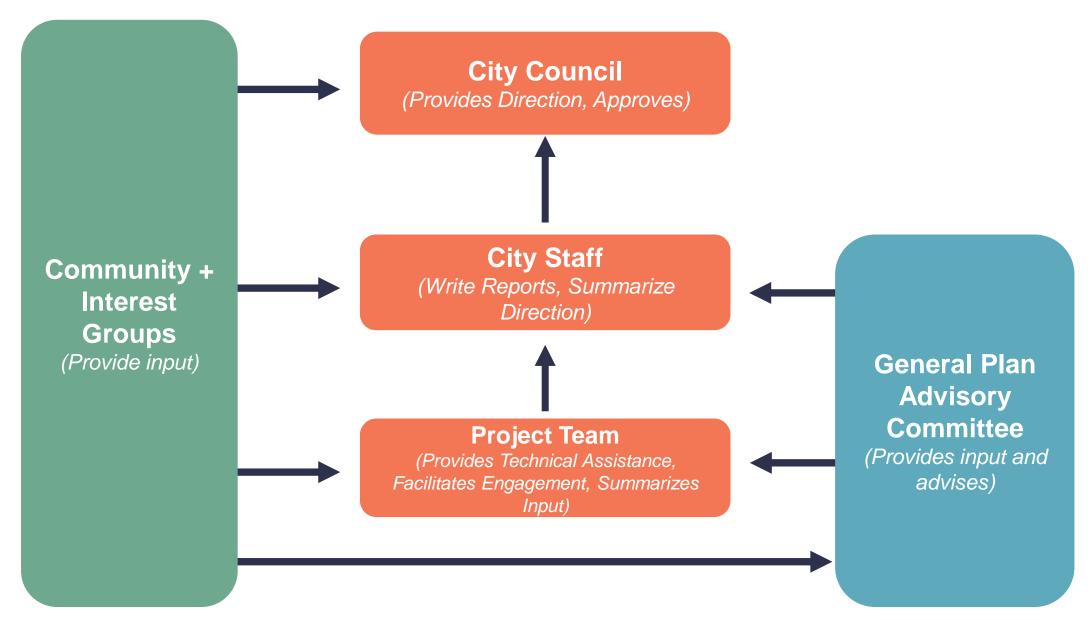
## **Meeting Format**

- The GPAC is not a decision-making body; it provides recommendations to help guide the planning process
- Meetings will be run by the General Plan Team; no Chair or Vice Chair
- Meetings will be dynamic, interactive and informal
- The GPAC will operate in the spirit of consensus
  - Roll call votes will not occur on any specific topic or issue
  - Straw polls (online voting) will occur
- Each member is responsible for communicating his/her position, intentions, and/or concerns
- City staff and the consultant team will draft a meeting summary following each session, which will be used to set broad policy direction

#### **Ground Rules**

- Participate in good faith and respect your fellow members
  - Allow space for differences of opinion
  - Operate in the spirit of consensus
  - Ask questions for clarification and mutual understanding
- Be a good listener
  - Share the floor
  - Do not interrupt one another
- Put yourself in each other's shoes seek to understand diverse viewpoints
- Do not engage in unprofessional, divisive, or disrespectful behavior during or between meetings.
- Other....

## **Decision Making Process**



## **Public Participation**

- All meetings will be open to the public
- Meeting schedules, materials, and notes will be published on the project website
- Meetings will be recorded and televised
- Community members will be invited to participate in meetings, as feasible
  - Questions and comments during meetings as time allows
  - Parallel small group discussions
  - Public comment period at end of each meeting



#### **Discussion Questions**

- Are there any other ground rules that should be added?
- Do you have any questions about the role or function of the GPAC?

# What is a General Plan?

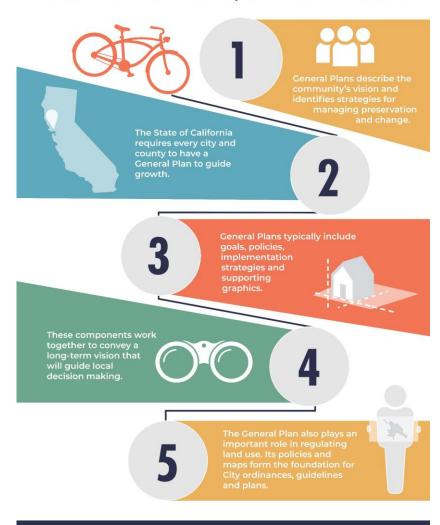


## **Purpose of a General Plan**

- Long-term policy document to guide the future actions
- Establishes the City's vision for the next 25-30 years
- Preserves and enhances community strengths
- Addresses topics of concern
- Enables the community to come together to develop a shared vision for the future
- 8 required Elements
  - 1. Land Use 5. Conservation
  - 2. Circulation 6. Safety
  - 7. Open Space 3. Housing
  - 4. Noise 8. Environmental Justice

#### WHAT IS A GENERAL PLAN?

A General Plan is like a road map for the future of Petaluma



## Why Update the General Plan?

- Refresh existing General Plan
- Hold a "community conversation" about growth
- Address critical topics affecting Petaluma
  - Housing

- Health and equity
- Sea level rise
- Mobility
- Wildfire risk
- Economy
- Address new State requirements
- Integrate the General Plan with other documents and processes
- Holistically integrate the Housing Element with the General Plan



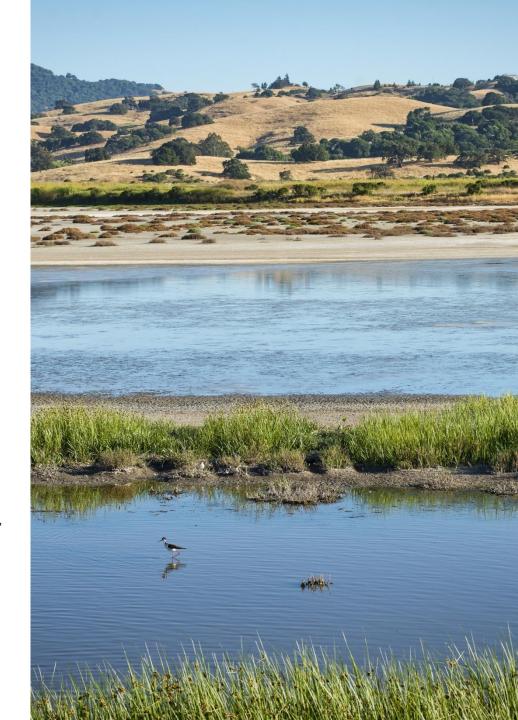
## **Key Outcomes**

#### A successful General Plan will result in:

- An active and engaged community
- Citywide consensus on the City's direction
- Strategies to address housing challenges
- A plan to achieve carbon neutrality by 2030
- Address social equity challenges
- Integration with other City documents and initiatives
- An approach to implement, evaluate and monitor the General Plan

"Create the best General Plan ever!"

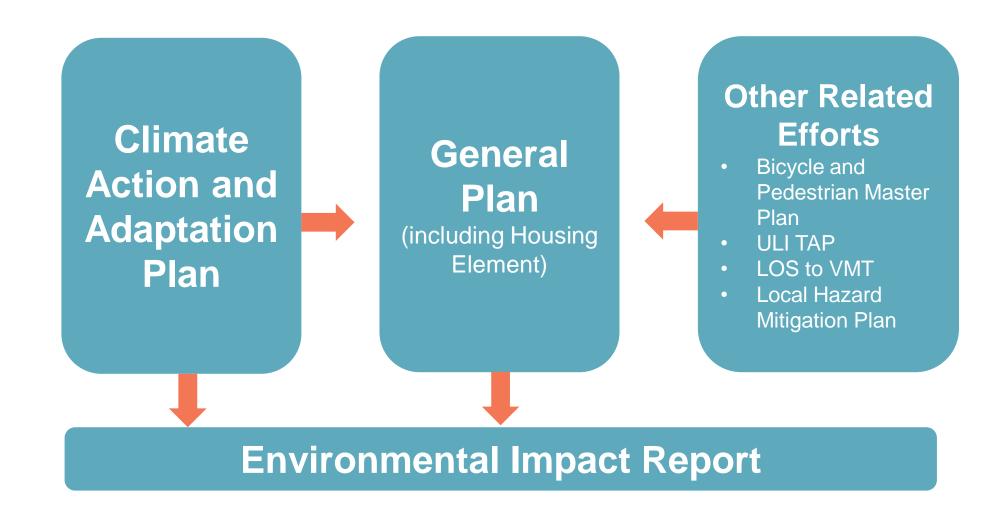
- Peggy Flynn



# General Plan Update Process



## What is the Project?



## **Topics Addressed**

- Land Use, Urban Design and **Community Character**
- Housing
- Mobility
- Public Facilities and Services
- Parks and Recreation
- Natural Environment
- Environmental Justice, Health and **Equity**

- Climate Change, Sustainability, Adaptation and Sea Level Rise
- Safety
- Noise
- Arts and Culture
- Historic and Cultural Resources
- Economic Development and Fiscal Sustainability

## **Project Roadmap**



## **Major Deliverables by Phase**

#### Initiation

- Engagement Plan
- Project Fact Sheet

#### **Discovery**

Existing Conditions Reports

Engagement Summary

White Papers

#### **Visioning**

- Vision and Guiding Principles
- Engagement Summary Report

#### **Alternatives**

- Alternatives Briefing Book
- Preferred Alternative

#### **Policy Development**

Topic-specific Policy Frameworks

#### Plan Development

- Draft General Plan
- Draft CAAP

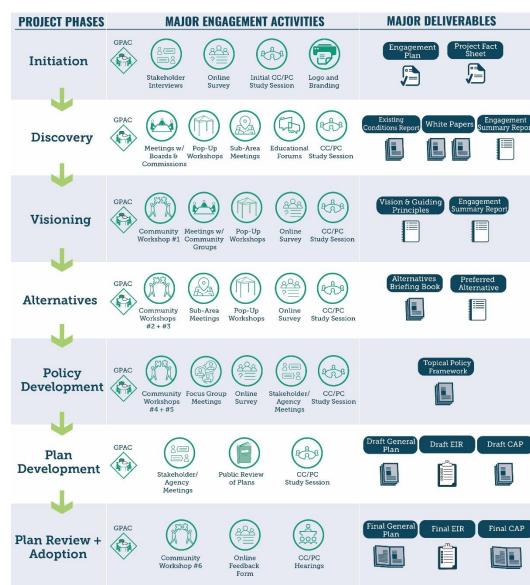
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# Plan Review and Adoption

- Final General Plan, CAAP and EIR
  Final CAAP
- Digital General Plan

## **Public Engagement**

- Community engagement plan
- Logo + branding
- Website + social media
- Informational materials
- Stakeholder meetings + interviews
- General Plan Advisory Committee (20x)
- Community workshops
- Educational forums
- Pop-up workshops
- Sub-area workshops
- Surveys (statistically valid and opt-in)
- PC and City Council Study Sessions
- · Other activities as needed

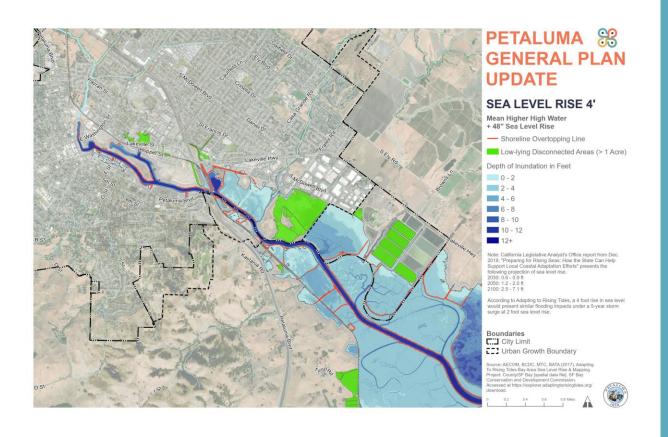


#### Virtual Engagement



## Climate Action and Adaptation Plan (CAAP)

- Proposes actions to mitigate community contributions to climate change
  - Establishes GHG reduction targets across a range of sectors (e.g., transportation, domestic energy use)
  - Recommends goals and policies designed to achieve reduction targets
- Aims to enhance community resilience to anticipated impacts of climate change
  - Wildfires, sea level rise, extreme heat, other natural hazards
- Goal: Carbon neutrality by 2030!



## Related Projects (ongoing and relevant)

- Climate Emergency Action Framework
- ULI TAP Report
- Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan
- Petaluma Fairgrounds visioning
- Local VMT standards
- Objective Design Standards for Multifamily development
- Permit-ready ADU plans
- Water Model Plan and Sewer Modeling
- Groundwater Master Plan
- Urban Water Management Plan
- Flood Plain Model Update and Adoption (HEC-RAS 2D)
- Sonoma County Regional Climate Protection Authority Climate Action 2020
- RCPA Climate Mobilization Strategy

- Central Petaluma Specific Plan (CPSP)
- Petaluma SMART Rail Station Areas: TOD Master Plan
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  - Appendix A: SmartCode Amendments
- A Street Historic District Preservation Guidelines and Standards
- Petaluma Historic Commercial District Design Guidelines (complete)
- Oakhill-Brewster Historic District Preservation Guidelines and Standards
- River Access and Enhancement Plan
- Public Art Master Plan
- Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) and Environmental Review
- Local Hazard Mitigation Plan



#### **Discussion Questions**

- Do you have any questions about the role of the General Plan?
- Do you have any questions about the update process or schedule?

## Brown Act Overview

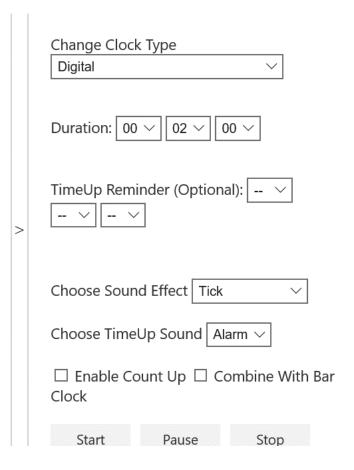


# **Public Comments**



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# Closing and Next Steps



## **Next Steps...**

#### For GPAC...

- 1. April GPAC Meeting
  - Issues and Opportunities
  - Engagement Plan Strategies
- 2. Planning 101 Session (date tbd)
- 3. Engagement Working Group

#### For Consultant Team...

- 1. Engagement Plan
- 2. Project Fact Sheet
- 3. Review of Existing Plans
- 4. Demographic Snapshot
- 5. Existing Conditions Reports





