

CITY OF SAN DIEGO 12TH LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE UPDATE

POSITION: The Chamber's Public Policy Sub-Committee on Infrastructure, Housing & Land Use voted to SUPPORT the proposal on February 19, 2019. The Chamber's Board of Directors voted to SUPPORT the proposal on March 28, 2019.

RATIONALE: The proposed code update is a straightforward clean up that will bring the land development code for the City into compliance with the state, address minor errors, and bring more clarity to developers.

STATUS: The code update received support from the Technical Advisory Committee and the Code Monitoring Team at the City. It will go before the Planning Commission and City Council in late Spring/early Summer of 2019.

SUMMARY

The 12th Land Development Code (LDC Update) is a routine update to the City of San Diego's Land Development Code. Updates often include language that is derived from changes to state code, new building requirements, and minor changes including spelling fixes. The 12th code update includes 54 amendments such, as:

- Allowing for a withdrawal of an appeal to Historical Resource Board Division
- Require public distribution of environmental documents at least three days before advisory body and/or decision maker hearings
- Update code language around accessory dwelling units
- Defines permanent supportive housing and outline that PSH is allowable by-right in residential and commercial zones where multi-family housing is permitted
- Amend and outline regulations for wireless communication facilities (small cells)

INDUSTRY/IES IMPACTED

The LDC directly impacts any business with a physical presence, and the various industries that are in building, construction, and/or land use decisions.

SUPPORTERS

- Technical Advisory Committee
- Code Monitoring Team

OPPONENTS

None known

ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR

This code update is necessary to bring the City language into compliance with recently passed state laws, and helps to update policies that reflect the priorities of the City, such as getting additional housing built.

ARGUMENTS IN OPPOSITION

None known