



CHAPTER 12

IMPLEMENTATION PROGRAMS

This Implementation Plan will guide Hemet's elected officials, commission and committee members, staff, and the public in the overall effort to put into practice the adopted General Plan goals and policies. The purpose of the implementation programs is to ensure that the overall direction set forth in the General Plan is translated from general ideas to actions. Each implementation program is a procedure, program, or technique that requires City action, either alone or in collaboration with non-City organizations or with federal and state agencies.

Some of the implementation programs are processes or procedures the City currently administers on a day-to-day basis (such as review of development projects). Other implementation programs require new programs, plans or ordinances. Completion of each of the identified programs is subject to funding availability and staff resources. As such, completing the identified implementation programs and achieving the goals envisioned by the General Plan is a process that will occur over a period of time, and will be dependent upon City Council priorities and the allocation of financial and staffing resources.

12.1 ADMINISTRATION OF THE IMPLEMENTATION PROGRAMS

Implementing and maintaining the overall General Plan is the primary responsibility of the Community Development Department, and most particularly the Planning Division. However, because General Plan policies affect nearly every aspect of City government and of City services provided in Hemet, other departments and divisions also play key roles in ensuring that General Plan policies and programs are carried out to achieve the community's vision. Each of the City's departments has taken part in the preparation of the General Plan, and many have implementation responsibilities described in this chapter. In some cases, elements of the implementation programs may carry through to individual departments' work plans or the City's Capital Improvement Program.

It is intended that the Implementation Programs contained within this chapter be subject to ongoing review and refinement, and that new programs may be added or modified as needed without the requirement to be processed as a General Plan Amendment. As part of the required Annual General Plan Progress Report (see program LU-P-54), it is anticipated that advances made in completing the specific Implementation Programs listed on the following chart will be identified, refinements and additions to programs will be recommended, and remaining programs will be prioritized for the next fiscal year. Certain programs may advance ahead of others due to City Council directives, community need, or state-mandated requirements. All programs require the expenditure of staff resources and many also require funding allocations that should be identified and prioritized as part of the annual City Budget process.

12.2 PRIMARY IMPLEMENTATION TOOLS

The City will implement the General Plan vision, goals and policies through the use of many programs, actions, and tools. The Implementation Chart in section 12.3 is a



compendium of very specific measures that are recommended to be carried out by the various city departments to address identified needs and deficiencies. However, there are overarching implementation tools that local governments use on a daily basis to ensure consistency with the General Plan and to secure the health, safety and welfare of its citizens. As with the General Plan, these documents should not be static, but continuously reviewed and updated to guarantee that they are responsive and relevant to the City's needs and objectives. The primary tools used in the City of Hemet to implement the General Plan include the following ordinances, plans, and documents:

- ❖ Zoning Code (Chapter 90 of the Hemet Municipal Code)
- ❖ Hemet Municipal Code (including the Subdivision Ordinance, Building and Housing Codes, Environmental Regulations, etc.)
- ❖ Specific Plans and Community Plans (serves as more detailed zoning and design regulations for specific geographic areas)
- ❖ Redevelopment Area Plans and Five-Year Implementation Plan (each of the City's Redevelopment Areas has a plan to eliminate blight and foster new investment, and the Five-Year Implementation Plan addresses all of the areas and provides goals and projects to be achieved in the five-year timeframe).
- ❖ Annual Budget for the City of Hemet (establishes available funding to support programs, capital expenditures, and staff resources)
- ❖ Master Plans (for infrastructure, parks and community services)
- ❖ Capital Improvement Program (to prioritize and schedule funding for capital expenditures and infrastructure within the City)
- ❖ Citywide Design Guidelines (for new residential, commercial and industrial development)
- ❖ State and Regional Plans (compliance with adopted regional plans such as the MSHCHP, SKR HCP, TUMF, RTP, SCS, Western Riverside County NMTP, ALUP; and State required plans such as the Climate Action Plan (CAP) and the Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA), in addition to a number of other regional plans and regulations as noted under each Element chapter).
- ❖ Project Review (all new and remodeled development undergoes staff review for compliance with plans, codes, and standards; and larger projects are reviewed and approved by the Planning Commission and City Council).
- ❖ CEQA- California Environmental Quality Act (All discretionary projects and actions by the City that may disrupt or impact the environment are required to be reviewed and assessed in accordance with CEQA, and mitigation measures applied as necessary).

12.3 IMPLEMENTATION PROGRAM CHART

The following Implementation Program Chart lists various individual work programs associated with each General Plan Element, and then assigns a program number. The program number is coded with the acronym for the respective Element, (for example LU=Land Use Element), so that it can be easily identified. A brief description of the implementation measure is provided, as well as the City departments or divisions primarily responsible for creating or administering the



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program. The programs have also been categorized by the type of program that is being recommended, and can therefore be sorted by these categories in determining priorities and the allocation of funding resources. The implementation programs identified fall under one or more of the following seven categories:

- ❖ Agency Coordination
- ❖ Capital Improvement
- ❖ Funding Program
- ❖ New Plan, Program, Ordinance or Standard (NPPOS)
- ❖ Project Review Requirement or Task
- ❖ Public Outreach
- ❖ Update to Existing Plans or Standards Required



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CHAPTER 2 LAND USE			
LU-P-1	Consistency Zoning. Initiate a comprehensive program to rezone properties citywide as needed to be consistent with the General Plan Land Use designations. Update properties previously annexed under County zoning designations to be consistent with compatible City zoning categories. Consider the pre-zoning of properties within the City's sphere of influence and planning areas to facilitate future annexations in accordance with General Plan land use designations.	Planning GIS	NPPOS
LU-P-2	Comprehensive Update to the Zoning Code. The City shall complete a comprehensive revision of the zoning code, including revisions to zone districts, development standards, and zoning classifications to ensure consistency with the General Plan within a 2-year time period after approval of the General Plan. The City shall create a new zoning district for Mixed Use Development Projects and include development standards in accordance with the Mixed Use goals, polices, and implementation strategies contained in the General Plan.	Planning	NPPOS
LU-P-3	Comprehensive Municipal Code Update. The City shall continue to update the municipal code chapters as needed to be consistent with the goals and policies of the General Plan and to address changes in state and federal law, or the adoption of regional programs, as required.	All Departments	NPPOS
LU-P-4	Specific Plan Ordinance. The City shall create a new chapter in the zoning code to address the purpose, applicability, required contents and approval process for Specific Plans governing new development and mixed use areas as set forth in the General Plan.	Planning	NPPOS
LU-P-5	Development Mitigation Assessment. As a condition of approval for all discretionary projects, the City shall require applicants to document that City performance standards for infrastructure, schools, and public services provided in the Community Services and Infrastructure Element of the General Plan are met. The City shall annually assess the efficacy of development impact fees to cover the costs of infrastructure required to support new development projects, and adjust impact fees on a periodic basis to match demand.	Planning; Public Works; Engineering; Finance	Project Review; Funding Program
LU-P-6	Jobs/Housing Balance. The City shall focus economic development activities on job creation efforts that improve the City's overall job/housing balance. The City shall monitor changes in available demographics concerning income, the number of jobs by sector, workforce characteristics, and resident commuting patterns, and consult with local industry and business leader to target those with the greatest imbalance.	RDA; Planning; Community Investment	NPPOS
LU-P-7	Community Collaboration. Encourage community and stakeholder collaboration through town-hall meetings, early consultation with stakeholders, and maintaining an open and transparent governmental process.	City Council; Administration Planning	Public Outreach
LU-P-8	Sustainable Tourism. The City shall identify key sites, locations, and activities which draw tourists for natural pursuits, and develop a plan to protect, promote, and market these resources. The City shall also collaborate with the City, County, and nongovernmental organizations to share resources and plan effectively for tourism.	Community Investment	NPPOS Agency Coordination

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LU-P-9	Economic Development Strategic Plan. The City shall prepare an Economic Development Strategic Plan, including an analysis of the City's per capita sales by market category and targeted industries for job growth. Identify underserved employment and retail categories and conduct a supply and demand analysis on the targeted niche. Provide a strategy to retain existing business and explore economic development opportunities to meet the city's needs for the future. Capitalize on economic development efforts already occurring in the region and form partnerships with adjacent cities, the County of Riverside, and other local organizations to enhance economic programs and funding opportunities.	Community Investment; RDA	NPPOS
LU-P-10	Business Assistance & Retention Program. The City shall create a streamlined process to improve and clarify government requirements and the development process to provide business assistance, retention and attraction. The City shall develop programs and procedures to implement City Council Resolution No. 10-049 adopting the Business Friendly Principles of SCAG's Southern California Economic Growth Strategy, and conduct citywide staff training on customer service and economic development goals. The City will coordinate with the Chamber of Commerce, real estate professionals, and industry organizations to understand and address the business needs in the community and support entrepreneurial efforts that expand the wealth and job opportunities within the community.	Community Investment ; Community Development; Administration	NPPOS Public Outreach
LU-P-11	Redevelopment Five-Year Implementation Plan. The City will continue to update and implement the Redevelopment Agency Five-Year Implementation Plan for the redevelopment project areas, in accordance with adopted goals and available tax increment funding resources. The City will prepare an annual review of the accomplishments under the plan and continue to evaluate conditions of blight within the project areas.	RDA	Update Plans & Standards
LU-P-12	Redevelopment Incentives. Continue to use redevelopment as a financing tool in the revitalization of Downtown, Florida Avenue, and other economically distressed redevelopment areas within the City. The City shall evaluate appropriate incentives to encourage the redevelopment of existing vacant commercial and industrial buildings and infill pads in key commercial and industrial core areas.	RDA	NPPOS
LU-P-13	Marketing Plan. Develop a marketing plan and Economic Development Profile to promote the advantages of new business and industry locating in Hemet. Develop and implement a branding campaign to promote a new identity and image for the City, including the potential for an updated city logo. Create and maintain demographic and economic development information and opportunities on the City's website.	Community Investment RDA Administration	NPPOS
LU-P-14	Vacant & Underutilized Land Inventory. Create and maintain an inventory and map of vacant or underutilized properties within the City and Redevelopment Areas that can be accessed on the City's website for potential businesses, developers, and real estate professionals to access. Establish partnerships with the local real estate community to assist in promoting the City and marketing properties and attracting tenants.	Community Investment RDA Planning Engineering GIS	NPPOS Public Outreach

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CHAPTER 2 LAND USE (continued)			
LU-P-15	Fiscal Impact Analysis. Require a fiscal impact analysis for any development project requesting public funding, revenue sharing, or infrastructure participation, and for major new developments and annexations. Establish criteria and acceptable baseline data sources to be used in the preparation of fiscal impact reports. Ensure that new projects are fiscally beneficial or neutral over the long term, or provide a substantial community benefit or mitigation to outweigh the fiscal impacts.	Administration; Finance; Planning; RDA	Project Review NPPOS
LU-P-16	Development Review Process. Continue to evaluate and improve the development review process for increased efficiency and effectiveness and revise applications, procedures, and informational materials as needed. Integrate the goals, policies, and programs of the general plan into the project review process. Update the City's website to provide more useful information regarding project status, zoning and development information, and provide on-line forms and resources to minimize trips to city hall.	Planning; Building; Engineering; Public Safety; Public Works	Update Plans & Standards
LU-P-17	Downtown District Specific Plan and Design Guidelines. The City shall prepare a specific plan for the Downtown District and North State Street area that establishes key locations for desired uses, provides an inventory of design styles and development standards, details implementation methods, articulates historic preservation strategies, and includes the revitalization strategies and polices contained in the General Plan. The downtown specific plan shall incorporate the Downtown Principles and goals and policies articulated within the General Plan. The area to be included in the plan shall include all areas within the downtown core and potential areas in the Downtown District beyond the core such as North State Street. The specific plan shall include a design manual for downtown providing guidelines for building rehabilitation, building additions, and infill development that incorporates local history and downtown architectural styles. The design manual should also address parking and configuration of parking lots, streetscapes, and wayfinding plans.	Planning; RDA	NPPOS
LU-P-18	Downtown Core Historic Inventory. The City shall conduct an inventory of historic buildings and resources in the downtown core area. The inventory should prioritize identified resources for future rehabilitation. Funds shall be set aside to correct building conditions to meet the most up to date Uniform Building Code standards for those structures eligible for historic status.	Planning; RDA; Building	NPPOS
LU-P-19	Downtown Stakeholder Engagement. The City shall continue to engage the downtown business community and encourage community participation and involvement wherever possible in revitalization efforts. The City shall consult with stakeholder groups, encouraging them to actively participate in City efforts involving downtown planning, events, and revitalization.	RDA; Planning; Administration	Public Outreach
LU-P-20	Public Spaces in the Downtown. Downtown parks and plazas should be consolidated to provide a central location for events and for people to interact and socialize. A preferred location would be near other civic uses such as City Hall, the public library, and the police station.	Planning; Community Investment; RDA	NPPOS

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CHAPTER 2 LAND USE (continued)			
LU-P-21	Civic Center Expansion. The City shall establish a plan for future expansion of the civic center to meet Hemet's growing population needs. Cultural uses such as movie theaters, art galleries and civic uses, such as City hall, Council Chambers, and other government facilities should continue to be concentrated within the downtown core.	Administration; RDA; Planning	NPPOS
LU-P-22	Access Consolidation. As part of the development review process for new construction and reuse projects, the City shall encourage consolidation of driveway access points along both Florida Avenue and State Street. The City shall encourage reciprocal access agreements where such agreements will facilitate minimizing driveway access along commercial corridors and within commercial nodes.	Planning; Engineering	Project Review
LU-P-23	Downtown Parking. The City shall effectively manage existing parking supply, and develop short- and long-term parking strategies evaluating: the need for future parking structures if necessary to serve downtown and the potential to designate the most visible parking as pay parking, while locating free parking on the inner streets. Landscaping for parking lots should be provided to create an attractive pedestrian environment. The City shall monitor future parking needs as problems arise.	Engineering; Planning; RDA	NPPOS
LU-P-24	<p>Downtown Neighborhood Plans. As a part of the downtown specific plan, the City shall establish a series of neighborhood plans to maintain the predominately residential character of key areas by directing their structural and aesthetic revitalization, to promote infill development on vacant sites consistent with surrounding uses, and to adjust zoning districts to reduce or eliminate inconsistencies. These plans will serve as a guide for future land use decisions, including establishing the distribution and intensity of future growth desired within each of the neighborhood areas. neighborhood plans shall be established for the following neighborhoods within the Downtown District:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Downtown Core ❖ High Density Transit-Oriented Residential Area: surrounding the future Metrolink station at Menlo Avenue, generally located north of Oakland Avenue and west of Buena Vista Avenue; ❖ State Street Mixed-use Area: located on both sides of State Street from Kimball Avenue to Johnston Street; ❖ Medical District: surrounding the Hemet Valley Medical Center located west of San Jacinto Street and north of Florida Avenue; ❖ Historic Residential Areas: located in the northeast end of the downtown core, north of Oakland Avenue and east of Buena Vista Avenue; and ❖ Residential Support Areas: south of the downtown core area and Kimball Avenue. 	Planning; RDA	NPPOS

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LU-P-25	Hemet Stock Farm. The City shall adopt a specific plan directing revitalization of the Hemet Stock Farm that captures the site's historical integrity while incorporating newer and more intense land uses. The specific plan should include designs for a high-quality mixed-use project that builds on the site's history and relationship to the downtown core.	Planning; RDA	Project Review
LU-P-26	Metrolink Station and Greenbelt. The City shall consult with Riverside County Transportation Commission and Southern California Regional Rail Authority to establish a commuter rail station between State Street and Buena Vista Avenue north of the downtown core, and to finalize the location, timing, environmental compliance, construction schedule, and funding so that the station is constructed efficiently and timely. The City will continue to support the concept of a greenbelt trail system connecting the Metrolink station to the downtown core within the design of the Metrolink site and adjacent transit village.	Administration; Planning; Engineering; RDA	Agency Coordination
LU-P-27	Medical District Zoning Revisions. The City shall complete a comprehensive revision of the zoning code, including revisions to zone districts and provisions addressing the medical district surrounding Hemet Valley Medical Center. Particularly, the area surrounding the Hemet Valley Medical Center that is designated for Office Professional use on the Land Use Map (Figure 2.1) should be rezoned to permit expansion of the Medical Center. Additionally, zone districts applied to this area should permit new medical offices and commercial uses supporting the medical complex.	Planning	NPPOS
LU-P-28	West Hemet Community Plan. Coordinate with property owners and stakeholders to develop an overall community plan for the West Hemet area that identifies land use patterns, backbone infrastructure improvements, funding mechanisms, development standards, and the community design and landscape framework, in accordance with the goals, policies, and strategies for the West Hemet area as contained in the General Plan.	Planning Engineering Community Investment	NPPOS
LU-P-29	West Hemet Infrastructure Improvements. The City shall examine development fees, and update fees if necessary, to ensure that west Hemet developments pay their fair share of the cost for infrastructure improvements and additional public services costs necessitated by that development. The City shall develop guidelines for infrastructure and telecommunications improvements in west Hemet that complement and work with existing and proposed Citywide infrastructure systems.	Public Works; Engineering; Planning; Finance	Funding Program; NPPOS
LU-P-30	West Hemet Metrolink Station. The City shall consult with Riverside County Transportation Commission and Southern California Regional Rail Authority regarding future establishment of a Metrolink station in west Hemet. The City shall consult with the appropriate agencies to ensure that the west Hemet station is added to the Metrolink system, that construction plans are established, and that funding sources are identified in a timely manner.	Administration; Planning; Engineering	NPPOS

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LU-P-31	MSHCP Criteria Cell Refinement. Coordinate with property owners and resource agencies to pursue a criteria cell refinement for the MSHCP criteria cells within the western Hemet area in order to preserve and enhance viable habitat while allowing for a reasonable and coordinated development footprint. Consult with a biologist and hydrology engineer to determine potential criteria cell refinement alternatives. A proposal for a Criteria Refinement will need to demonstrate an equivalency analysis as set forth in Section 6.5 of the MSHCP.	Planning Engineering Community Investment	NPPOS Public Outreach Agency Coordination
LU-P-32	<p>Florida Avenue Corridor Zoning Revisions. The City shall complete a comprehensive revision of the zoning code, including revisions to zone districts and provisions addressing the Florida-Devonshire-Acacia Corridor. Particularly, within the area bounded by the western city limit, Devonshire Avenue, State Street, and Acacia Avenue; existing mobile home parks (but not mobile home subdivisions) shall be evaluated for zoning designations that would allow for residential densities greater than existing uses. This action should provide incentives for transforming these properties through private development, as well as providing replacement housing for those displaced by the removal of mobile home parks.</p> <p>The City shall also establish a new zone district allowing for mixed-use development combining residential, commercial, and office uses within the Florida-Devonshire-Acacia Corridor. Some properties east of downtown Hemet will also be designated for mixed use to provide landowners with more flexible development options.</p>	Planning	NPPOS
LU-P-33	<p>Florida Avenue Corridor Development Continuity and Infill. Pursuant to the Land Use Map and as part of the ongoing development review process, the City shall actively recruit desirable uses for vacant buildings and lots along Florida, Devonshire, and Acacia Avenues. Commercial uses shall be concentrated in distinct activity centers from the western gateway to Sanderson Avenue. Such uses should be more or less continuous along Florida Avenue through central Hemet from Sanderson Avenue to San Jacinto Street, interspersed with some mixed-use parcels.</p> <p>East of downtown Hemet, the City shall attract new and retain current businesses along Florida Avenue that serve both local residents and visitors, concentrating commercial activity in multiple activity centers from San Jacinto Street to the eastern city boundary.</p>	Community Investment; RDA; Planning	NPPOS
LU-P-34	Senior Housing Conversion Ordinance. The City shall continue to enforce the Senior Housing Conversion Ordinance that requires conversion from age-restricted housing to non-age-restricted housing to undergo a public review process and pay their full fair share of impact fees for infrastructure and public services in addition to the requirement that all applicable development standards such as parking be met.	Planning; Code Enforcement; Housing	Project Review

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LU-P-40	Annexation Conceptual Land Use Review. Develop procedures for a Conceptual Land Use Review by the City Council of any annexation proposals, before formal application submittal.	Planning	NPPOS; Project Review
LU-P-41	Annexation Plan of Services. In conjunction with an application for annexation, require a preliminary Plan of Services shall be submitted to the City that demonstrates how adequate levels of public services and facilities will be provided to serve the new development, and any existing development, within the annexation area. The format and content of the preliminary Plan of Services shall be consistent with Riverside County Local Agency Formation Commission requirements and the City of Hemet Planning Department's submittal requirements for annexation applications.	Planning	Project Review
LU-P-42	Annexation Infrastructure Analysis. Require that annexation proposals demonstrate that available circulation, drainage, water supply and sewer treatment capacity exists, or will be provided, to serve the new development. For large-scale annexations, infrastructure master plans shall be prepared to identify the timing and need for additional infrastructure capacity and facilities.	Planning; Engineering	Project Review
LU-P-43	Annexation Fiscal Analysis. In conjunction with an application for annexation, a Fiscal Analysis shall be required that identifies all ongoing costs of services, the annual revenue to be derived from the development/annexation, and the net effect on the City's general fund. The fiscal analysis shall include an examination of the fiscal and service costs of the proposed annexation/development on roads, water, drainage, fire, police, parks, libraries, sanitation, and other city services. The format and content of the Fiscal Analysis shall be consistent with the City of Hemet Community Development Department's submittal requirements for Annexation Applications.	Planning; Finance	Project Review
LU-P-44	Annexation Statement of Project Benefits. In conjunction with an application for annexation, a Statement of Project Benefits shall be required that explains how the proposed annexation or future development provides an overall benefit to the community. Project benefits may include one or more of the following categories, or additional categories as warranted: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Job Creation; ❖ Positive Fiscal Impact; ❖ Promotes Tourism; ❖ Provision of Recreational, Cultural or Entertainment Facilities; ❖ Essential Services: provision of new hospitals, medical facilities, fire, police or emergency services facilities; ❖ Educational Opportunities: provision of K–12 school sites, university education facilities, or specialty schools; ❖ Enhanced Circulation: Provision of master planned roadways or right-of-way, transit, bikeways, pedestrian corridors, or improvements to traffic flow; or low impact on existing traffic conditions; 	Planning	Project Review

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Infrastructure: provision of on and off-site master planned infrastructure for water, sewer, drainage, or reclaimed water systems; ❖ Environmental Preservation: preservation or enhancement of existing environmental resources, open space amenities, or scenic vistas; ❖ Public Safety: project design or use that enhances public safety or minimizes the need for emergency services, including projects consistent with the Airport Land Use Plan; ❖ Water Conservation: use of reclaimed water, project design that allows for groundwater recharge, and water conservation irrigation products and landscape design; ❖ Sustainability: use of Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design or green building techniques and sustainable concepts in site design; Historic Preservation, Arts and Culture: preservation or reuse of historic structures, art in public places, outdoor venues for cultural events; ❖ Target Housing Needs: assisting the City in meeting its housing objectives by market segment, with an appropriate mix and phasing of product so as to not overbuild, and thus devalue, the housing stock; ❖ Superior Design: in site planning, architecture or streetscape elements and landscaping; ❖ Additional Amenities: provision of project or community amenities that are in addition to the minimum required by the City's codes; and ❖ Other Project Benefits particular to the individual development/annexation. 		
LU-P-45	Annexation Benefit Areas. Establish separate benefit areas, Community Facilities Districts, and development impact fees for annexation areas as appropriate to reflect required infrastructure and public service needs.	Engineering; Planning; Finance	Funding Program
LU-P-46	Annexation Public Financing Policies. Establish public financing policies to guide requests for new Community Facilities Districts and Lighting and Landscaping Maintenance Districts within annexation areas.	Finance; Engineering; Planning	Funding Program
LU-P-47	Right-to-Farm Ordinance. The City has adopted and will continue to maintain a "right-to-farm" ordinance to balance the rights of farmers to produce food and other agricultural products with the rights of non-farmers who own, occupy, or use land within or adjacent to agricultural areas.. New residents of properties that lie within 300 feet of land designated for primarily agricultural use will be notified upon purchase of property that no agricultural activity, operation, or facility or appurtenances thereof, conducted or maintained for commercial purposes in the City of Hemet, and in a manner consistent with proper and accepted customs and standards, as established and followed by similar agricultural operations in the same locality, shall be or become a nuisance, private or public, due to any changed condition in or about the locality, after the same has been in operation for more than three (3) years, if it was not a nuisance at the that it began.	Planning	Project Review

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LU-P-48	<p>Agricultural Buffers. The City will develop an ordinance to apply an agricultural buffer policy in areas adjacent to long-term ongoing agricultural operations. New residential development proposed adjacent to cultivated agricultural lands shall provide buffers to reduce potential conflicts. The width of such buffers will be determined for each project, considering prevailing winds, crop types, agricultural practices, and other factors. Buffers should be designed to minimize adverse dust, spraying, and noise impacts to newly established residents near ongoing agricultural operations and to avoid nuisance complaints from these newly established residents against nearby agricultural operations. The width of public rights-of-way, drainages, and easements may count as part of the buffer. Within agricultural buffer areas, allowed land uses include drainage swales, trails, other infrastructure, community gardens, landscaped areas, linear parks, roads, and other uses that would be compatible with ongoing agricultural operations. Appropriate maintenance standards for buffers shall be defined for each project to avoid growth of nuisance vegetation.</p>	Planning	NPPOS
LU-P-49	<p>Interagency Coordination. Coordinate programs, plans and development activity with neighboring cities, the County of Riverside, and other federal, state, and local agencies to establish regional strategies and partnerships to better represent the interests of Hemet and the surrounding region. Promote multi-jurisdictional partnerships in seeking grant funding or cost-sharing in providing infrastructure, public services, master plans, and economic development programs.</p>	City Council All departments	Agency Coordination
LU-P-50	<p>Development Coordination. Coordinate with adjacent jurisdictions and public agencies in developing compatible land uses and infrastructure facilities on lands adjacent to the City or within the Planning Area, to minimize potential impacts and provide the most benefit to area residents and businesses. Participate in the review of development plans and environmental assessments for proposed projects in adjacent jurisdictions.</p>	Planning Engineering Public Safety	Agency Coordination Project Review
LU-P-51	<p>Sustainable Design Features. As part of the project review process for new and rehabilitated development projects, require compliance and integration of Smart Growth Principles and the Sustainable Design Policies as compiled within Appendix A of the General Plan. Develop checklists and informational materials to assist project applicants and development department staff in their review.</p>	Planning Building Engineering	Project Review
LU-P-52	<p>Achieving a Healthy Community. As part of the project review process for new and rehabilitated development projects, require compliance and integration of the Healthy Community Policies as compiled within Appendix F of the General Plan. Develop a Healthy Development Checklist and informational materials to assist project applicants and development department staff in their review for compliance. Coordinate with Riverside County Department of Health on providing informational materials regarding public health and achieving healthy home and business environments, and the availability of resources to assist the public.</p>	Planning Building Engineering Public Safety Housing Community Investment Code Enforcement	Project Review Public Outreach

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LU-P-53	Healthy Community Ordinances. Continue to update and enforce ordinances that address potentially unhealthy conditions, uses, and substances such as related to tobacco, alcohol, medical marijuana, body piercing/tattoo parlors, smoking lounges, unlicensed food vending, and unsanitary housing conditions.	Panning Public Safety Code Enforcement	Update Plans & Standards Public Outreach
LU-P-54	Annual General Plan Progress Report. The City shall prepare and submit a General Plan Annual Progress Report to the City Council, State Office of Planning & Research (OPR) and the Department of Housing & Community Development (HCD), in accordance with California Government Code Section 65400. The purpose of the Annual Progress Report is to provide information regarding the effectiveness of the General Plan goals and policies and the progress regarding its implementation, as well as required reporting concerning the implementation of the Housing Element pursuant to Government Code Sections 65583 and 65584. The progress report also provides an opportunity to evaluate and suggest changes to goals, policies and programs as may be needed in order to keep the General Plan current and representative of the Community's collective vision and values.	Planning Housing All Departments	NPPOS Agency Coordination
LU-P-55	General Plan EIR Mitigation Monitoring & Reporting Plan. Upon certification of the City of Hemet Comprehensive General Plan Update Final EIR, the City shall include the MMRP as an Appendix to the General Plan document and ensure that all mitigation measures are adhered to in the implementation of the general plan policies and programs, and in the review of development projects, as applicable.	Planning	Project Review
LU-P-56	<p>Measure C/Ordinance 1293. As part of the project review process for new and rehabilitated development projects, require compliance with the performance standards and consequences of Measure C/Ordinance 1293 as presented in Appendix G of the General Plan. Where the Ordinance 1293/Measure C performance standards are not being met as the result of existing development, the following procedures shall be implemented:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The City shall determine the nature and geographic extent of the deficiency, and establish a Public Facilities Improvement Target Area. 2. The City Council shall adopt a program to ensure that the performance standards will be met at the earliest reasonable date. 3. As part of the adoption of the program to cure the identified deficiency, the City Council shall set an annual limit on new development within the Public Facilities Improvement Target Area as required to accomplish resolution of the deficiency. The annual limit shall remain in effect until the deficiency is resolved. 4. New development within the Public Facilities Improvement Target Area shall be required to provide such facilities as are necessary to ensure that performance standards are met for the public services and facilities provided to new development, and that existing public services and facilities are not further downgraded. 	Planning, Public Works, Fire, Police Engineering	Project Review NPPOS

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CHAPTER 3 COMMUNITY DESIGN			
CD-P-1	<p>Gateways. Create entrances to the City that define the arrival to major gateways of the City or that establish the boundaries of a particular neighborhood or district through a variety of techniques including landscaping, signage, public art, and standards. Create gateways at locations including, but not limited to, the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Sanderson Avenue and Esplanade Avenue, ❖ Sanderson Avenue and Domenigoni Parkway, ❖ Warren Road and Esplanade Avenue, ❖ Warren Road and Domenigoni Parkway, ❖ South State Street, ❖ North State Street, ❖ West Florida Avenue, ❖ East Florida Avenue, and ❖ North San Jacinto Street. 	Planning, RDA	Capital Improvement; Project Review
CD-P-2	<p>Entries, Edges, and Districts. The City shall implement design techniques to identify entries, edges, districts and neighborhoods. Improvements that call attention to these areas may include landscaping, entry features, signage, street furniture, public art, and other design features.</p>	Planning; Public Works; Engineering	NPPOS Capital Improvement
CD-P-3	<p>Commercial and Industrial Design Guidelines. The City shall update and expand existing commercial and industrial design guidelines to incorporate walkable design elements, site design and architectural standards. Common walkable design elements include discouraging inward-facing developments, managing automobile access to commercial centers, encouraging pedestrian corridors and connections, clustering new commercial uses in identified areas to prevent strip development, and locating commercial uses at focal points along major arterial streets or freeways, where appropriate.</p>	Planning	Update Plans & Standards
CD-P-4	<p>Neighborhood Design Guidelines. The City shall update the Residential Design Guidelines for areas requiring special consideration, including rural residential, hillside residential areas and older residential neighborhoods. Newer developing areas should focus on the desired interface between residential and commercial development, emphasizing the need for well-designed transitions, maintaining each neighborhood's sense of place, and encouraging coordinated development. The Design Guidelines for Stoney Mountain Ranch and other project-specific design guidelines that are not within a specific plan, shall be included in the Residential Design Guidelines as appendices.</p>	Planning	Update Plans & Standards

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CHAPTER 3 COMMUNITY DESIGN (continued)			
CD-P-5	Citywide Design Guidelines and Development Code. The City shall prepare and update Citywide guidelines and codes to include new design criteria for public gathering places, tourist and commercial uses, rural neighborhood character, viewshed protection and preservation, and additional policies for Mixed Use development and Transit Oriented Development. New design criteria should also include landscape standards that provide open space buffers and other appropriate transitions between lower density, single-family neighborhoods, and higher density development, as well as standards for the provision of community gathering spaces within private development. Such guidelines shall incorporate green building, green streets and neighborhood design principles advocated by the USGBC Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) or equivalent standards, and the California Green Building Code.	Planning	NPPOS
CD-P-6	Landscape Guidelines and Standards. The City shall create Landscape Design Guidelines and update the zoning code to provide landscaping requirements for new and existing development, public parkways, drainage basins, and other public use areas. Minimum required landscaping and property maintenance requirements shall also be included.	Planning	NPPOS
CD-P-7	Updated Sign Ordinance. The City shall update and expand the sign ordinance to include standards applicable to: downtown Hemet, commercial areas, districts and neighborhoods throughout the city. Require a program for the replacement of existing signs that are inconsistent with the goals, policies and programs of the General Plan and applicable ordinances and the abatement of abandoned signs. The City shall require that future discretionary commercial development projects portray a precise concept for adequate signage, including provisions for sign placement and quantity, as well as sign scale in relationship to the building. Design guidelines and the design review process should limit the effects of new development on scenic vistas and viewsheds.	Planning; Code Enforcement	Update Plans & Standards
CD-P-8	Hemet Scenic Highway Setback Program. The City shall update and revise the Scenic Highway Setback manual to include California Friendly Landscape Palette, more dominant and consistent street trees, and include new scenic highway corridors as identified in the General Plan.	Public Works; Planning	Update Plans & Standards

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CHAPTER 3 COMMUNITY DESIGN (continued)			
CD-P-9	<p>Streetscape Programs. Establish a comprehensive streetscape program for major streets in the City, including a unified landscaping, light, pavement, median and other public improvements for the following streets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ State Street ❖ San Jacinto Street ❖ Sanderson Avenue ❖ Warren Road ❖ Domenigoni Parkway ❖ Stetson Avenue ❖ Florida Avenue ❖ Esplandade Avenue 	Public Works; Planning; Engineering, RDA	NPPOS
CD-P-10	<p>Pedestrian-Scale Improvements. The City shall encourage private property owners to complete building rehabilitations and additions throughout the city in a manner consistent with a pedestrian-scale environment. The City shall emphasize pedestrian-friendly site planning and design, especially between Florida and Latham Avenues, and shall concentrate pedestrian-friendly uses in the area bounded by Florida Avenue, Juanita Street, Latham Avenue, and Inez Street to create an urban village of mixed use and character.</p> <p>Design techniques that encourage a pedestrian-scale environment include, but are not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Orienting development toward the street; ❖ Placing parking lots behind or to the side of buildings; ❖ Incorporating human-scale design details such as awnings, storefront windows, and light fixtures; ❖ Discouraging wide expanses of parking lot between the sidewalk and the front of commercial buildings; ❖ Providing safe, easily identifiable pedestrian access through the parking lot from multiple access points; ❖ Providing pedestrian links between individual uses within individual centers, between centers, and along commercial corridors; ❖ Using street furniture (planters, benches, drinking fountains, newspaper racks, bike racks, trash receptacles) within commercial areas to create and enhance urban open spaces within commercial areas and to emphasize appropriate architectural themes; and ❖ Designing commercial buildings and projects so as to have a central plaza or main visual focus or feature which is oriented toward pedestrian and transit connections. 	Planning; Building; Engineering	Project Review

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CHAPTER 3	COMMUNITY DESIGN (continued)		
CD-P-11	<p>Hillside Protection. Throughout the ongoing development review process, the City shall employ the following hillside preservation and protection techniques:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Enforcing the City's Hillside Development Ordinance and updating the Ordinance to reflect policies of the General Plan not already contained in the ordinance and to reflect hillside development patterns and trends. ❖ Adopting design standards and guidelines specific to hillside development that address, for example, site architecture, building heights, location, grading, materials, and street layout. ❖ Encouraging clustering of dwelling units as an acceptable hillside preservation technique. Clustering units should not result in a density that exceeds the maximum density established by the Hillside Residential land use designation. ❖ Developing roadways, driveways, and other access points in a manner that enables adequate emergency access. ❖ Strictly enforcing provisions in the Hemet Municipal Code for Wildland Interface Areas (Chapter 14, Article IX, Division 2) to ensure hillside development proceeds in a fire safe environment. ❖ Identifying, preserving, and protecting prominent ridgelines, canyons, and other natural land forms such as rock outcroppings. ❖ Ensuring new development is consistent with all applicable regulations, including but not limited to, the Hemet Municipal Code and the <i>Western Riverside County Multiple-Species Habitat Conservation Plan</i>. 	Planning; Building; Engineering; Public Safety	Project Review; Update Plans & Standards
CD-P-12	Downtown Parking Landscaping. Upgraded landscaping for parking lots should be provided to create an attractive pedestrian environment.	Public Works; RDA	Capital Improvement
CD-P-13	<p>Downtown Infill Development. The City shall encourage attractive new development and redevelopment projects within downtown to revitalize current residential areas. Through implementation of the downtown specific plan (see also Program CD-P-13), the City shall work with property owners and developers to convert vacant downtown lots into attractive, viable, high-quality, and context-sensitive infill uses. Expand new development upward by selectively increasing appropriate building heights, and encouraging a vertical mix of uses, with residential and office uses located above retail.</p> <p>Through the development review process, the City will require use of high quality materials and design in new construction that does not replicate the neighborhood style. Rather, new development should be sensitive to context while improving the overall quality of the neighborhood.</p> <p>Increasing some building heights to at least three stories, stepped away from Florida Avenue, will make downtown a vibrant, active, and pedestrian-friendly place. Maintaining a continuous street façade is essential and should be encouraged.</p>	Planning; RDA	Project Review

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CHAPTER 3 COMMUNITY DESIGN (continued)			
CD-P-14	Downtown Viewsheds. The City shall update the zoning code and design guidelines to restrict future building heights along Florida Avenue within the downtown core to two stories to maximize views of the San Jacinto Mountains and place a height overlay restriction on both sides of Florida Avenue within portions of the Downtown District outside the downtown core. Through the development review process, the City shall maximize views toward Idyllwild, the San Jacinto Mountains, and other scenic resources.	Planning	NPPOS
CD-P-15	Metrolink Station Connection to Downtown. The City shall consult with Riverside County Transportation Commission and Southern California Regional Rail Authority to establish links to a future metrolink station located north of the downtown core. Links could include pedestrian trails, transit feeder service to the station, and pedestrian-oriented urban design within the downtown core along routes leading to the station. The City also supports creation of a greenbelt adjacent to the railroad tracks.	Planning; RDA; Engineering	Agency Coordination
CD-P-16	Florida Avenue Dededesignation and Enhancement. The City shall consult with the California Department of Transportation regarding the opportunities and responsibilities associated with the potential future transfer of Florida Avenue to the City's jurisdiction. If Florida Avenue is dedesignated, improvements should be made to the street, including enlarging the sidewalk for pedestrian use, modifying landscaping, and potentially adding a median at select locations, such as the downtown, to physically and aesthetically improve Florida Avenue, and to provide connections north and south of the street. Other circulation improvements, including traffic calming measures, and signal timing should also be considered and implemented.	Public Works; Engineering	Capital Improvement
CD-P-17	<p>Downtown Sign Regulations. The City shall modify current sign regulations to improve the character, quality, scale and appearance of signs citywide, with particular emphasis within downtown. Specifically, these revisions should incorporate the following standards into a new design review process for downtown signs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Ensure that signs are integrated into the overall site and architectural design theme of commercial developments. ❖ Require that sign placement, heights, size, materials, proportions, and design within commercial areas be consistent with the low-profile nature and scale of the community. ❖ Avoid freestanding pole signs in favor of monument-type signs, wall signs, and/or secondary projecting signage. ❖ Establish distinct sign guidelines for Florida Avenue, due to the larger scale of the roadway and the types of land uses it supports. 	Planning;	NPPOS

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CHAPTER 3 COMMUNITY DESIGN (continued)			
CD-P-18	<p>Downtown Sidewalk Shade and Shelter. The City shall increase shade along pedestrian routes within the downtown core, and shall encourage downtown merchants to replace existing storefront brow canopies in need of rehabilitation with newer, thinner, and stronger canopies that allow some light to shine through. Specific sizes and varieties of canopies desired in downtown will be identified within the design guidelines to accompany the downtown specific plan.</p> <p>Outdoor restaurant and coffee house seating along Harvard, Carmalita, and Front Streets shall be sufficiently shaded during the summer months. The City shall install “merchant-friendly” trees with semi-transparent canopies and minimal leaf litter where street trees are missing within the downtown. Specific tree species will be identified in the downtown specific plan and design guidelines.</p>	Public Works; Planning; RDA	Capital Improvement
CD-P-19	<p>Downtown Streetscape Amenities and Gateway Monuments. The City shall complete streetscape improvements, including special paving treatments, enhanced lighting, and new street furniture to strengthen the role of Harvard, Carmalita, and Front Streets north of Florida Avenue as downtown Hemet’s primary retail streets. Streetscapes shall incorporate public art and other design features, such as fountains and monuments, within public spaces to attract visitors and residents and establish local landmarks.</p> <p>Gateway features, such as a street-spanning arch or monument signs, shall be located at downtown entry points, particularly at southbound State Street and eastbound Florida Avenue. These signs identify the entry to the Hemet downtown area and the appearance of the signs shall complement the historic style of downtown.</p>	Public Works; Planning; RDA	Capital Improvement
CD-P-20	<p>Light Pollution and Reflective Materials Aesthetics Program. Require lighting practices that reduce light pollution in new development areas but provide adequate lighting for public safety. New lighting fixtures shall cast light downward toward the ground and spillover light. Existing light fixtures requiring replacement or repair shall be upgraded so they also cast light downward. Exterior building materials in new development shall be composed of a minimum 50% low-reflectance, non-polished finishes, and bare metallic surfaces found on infrastructure such as pipes and poles shall be painted to minimize reflectance and glare.</p>	Building; Planning	Project Review
CD-P-21	<p>Pedestrian Linkages. The City shall provide well-defined linkages to land uses of interest within the downtown area. These major points of interest include the Santa Fe Depot and Museum, historic Harvard Street, the Civic Center, Hemet Valley Medical Center, Weston Park, and the proposed metrolink station.</p>	Planning; Engineering	Project Review; NPPOS

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CHAPTER 4 CIRCULATION			
C-P-1	Roadway Systems Evaluation. Perform an evaluation of the existing roadway system to address local access issues such as inadequate rights-of-way, safety and congestion issues resulting from delays at commercial driveways, and parking demand. This evaluation will be used to guide decisions regarding the allocation of funds for roadway improvements such as right-of-way acquisition, roadway realignments and restriping, and commercial driveway improvements. This evaluation should also assess circulation issues on rural roadways and determine if systemwide improvements such as designated urban and commercial corridors could redirect traffic away from rural roads that are not designed for higher volume traffic.	Engineering; Public Works	Capital Improvement
C-P-2	Capital Improvement Program. Prepare an annual update to the capital improvement program (CIP) in conjunction with the budget process to prioritize, finance, and complete circulation improvements identified in the CIP and to update available funding sources. Continue to implement and update the CIP to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ address phasing, construction, and maintenance of improvements to roadways and intersections; ❖ fund right-of-way acquisition to improve local circulation and congestion issues; ❖ acquire and expend funds from available transportation financing and other programs to assist in financing new roadways and pedestrian and bicycle trails; and ❖ monitor the performance of critical intersections and roadways identified in the <i>City of Hemet Circulation Master Plan</i>. Ensure that critical intersections approaching LOS E and roadways approaching LOS D are prioritized for improvement within the City's CIP. 	Engineering; Public Works	NPPOS
C-P-3	Development Impact Fees. Update Development Impact Fees to include full costs of improvements related to circulation, bike paths, and signalization.	Finance; Engineering	Funding Program
C-P-4	Regional Coordination. To reduce expenditure, improve design, and minimize traffic congestion, coordinate with regional agencies and neighboring jurisdictions to facilitate local street improvements with major transportation system improvement projects. Projects that could benefit from coordination with other agencies include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ the realignment of State Route 79, ❖ the development and designation of entry corridors into the City, ❖ the development of local retail and commercial centers in the eastern Planning Area, ❖ the allocation of funds for roadway improvements in converted agricultural areas in eastern Riverside County, and ❖ the development of a signal system along the entire lengths of Florida Avenue and State Street and throughout the San Jacinto Valley. 	Engineering; Planning	Agency Coordination

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CHAPTER 4 CIRCULATION (continued)			
C-P-5	Riverside County Development. Work with Riverside County to establish a mutual recognition of the impacts of new development on roadways across jurisdictional boundaries and to establish a system to define and mitigate the impacts of County development within the City.	Planning; Engineering	Agency Coordination
C-P-6	East Hemet Planning Area. Work with Riverside County to achieve long-term solutions to potential traffic constraints in the eastern portion of the Planning Area (Valle Vista), including, but not limited to, ensuring that if the area presently designated Agricultural in the County's General Plan is, at some future time, to be converted to rural or urban use, appropriate improvements are made to the planned roadway system in the eastern portion of Hemet's sphere of influence.	Planning; Engineering	Agency Coordination
C-P-7	Promoting Through Streets. Assess on a case-by-case basis the feasibility of opening previously closed streets or completing construction of local connector streets that benefit citywide circulation. Establish a review process for the future closing of any local street that requires the City to determine whether the closure adversely affects citywide circulation. Work with the Hemet Unified School District to pursue reopening Devonshire Avenue and Santa Fe Street through routes paralleling Florida Avenue in conjunction with any new or reuse development at the Santa Fe Middle School/Jacob Wiens Elementary School site complex.	Planning; Engineering	Project Review; NPPOS; Agency Coordination
C-P-8	Corridor Plans. Investigate the feasibility of establishing corridor study overlays for streets determined to be entries into the City with the intent of developing specialized standards integrating traffic safety, transportation, and enhancement programs into one comprehensive program for each corridor.	Planning; Engineering	NPPOS
C-P-9	Truck Traffic. Work with representatives of the trucking industry to direct trucks to truck routes to avoid traffic impacts on local roadways and to divert commercial truck traffic to off-peak periods to reduce congestion and diesel emissions.	Planning; Engineering	Public Outreach; Project Review
C-P-10	Railway Issues. Monitor changes in railway usage. Evaluate railroad street crossing features if freight demand substantially increases within the developed portions of the City, or when Metrolink service is provided.	Engineering	NPPOS; Agency Coordination
C-P-11	Traffic Impact Analysis. Prepare and publish guidelines for the preparation of traffic impact analyses. For projects that increase volume to capacity by .01 or more on affected intersections or roadway segments experiencing unacceptable level of service conditions without the proposed project, traffic impact analyses must propose binding mitigation strategies to be incorporated within the project. Traffic impact analyses must also consider impacts related to traffic increases at rail crossings and propose binding mitigation.	Engineering	Project Review; NPPOS
C-P-12	Bikeway Funding. Solicit all possible sources of funding to plan, acquire, and construct bikeways. Sources can include, but are not limited to, development mitigation fees, private foundation grants, and/or funds from federal, state, regional, and local government entities and partnering with community organizations.	Engineering; Planning	Funding Program

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CHAPTER 4	CIRCULATION (continued)		
C-P-13	Bike Paths Required. Require the provision of bike paths and trail systems in conjunction with new development. In established neighborhoods, program bike paths as part of the annual CIP process, and include with associated street projects. Design bike trails and routes in accordance with the guidelines contained in the Circulation Element and Recreation and Trails Element, and the WRCOG Non-Motorized Transportation Plan.	Engineering; Planning	Project Review; Capital Improvement
C-P-14	Improved Transit Service. Coordinate with Riverside Transit Agency for bus turnouts and implement standards for bus shelter design in conjunction with new development	Engineering; Planning	Agency Coordination; Project Review
C-P-15	Improved Transit Service. Work with public and private transit providers to improve transit service and encourage ridership through the following actions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ coordinate with the Riverside County Transportation Commission and the Riverside Transit Agency to get more frequent service and broader transit coverage serving employment, shopping, educational, recreational, and residential areas; ❖ work with transit providers to identify and receive additional funding sources for additional transit services; ❖ collaborate with transit providers to identify needs and provide special transit services beyond fixed-route buses; ❖ provide subscription or dial-a-ride service for lower density residential areas; ❖ explore the feasibility of offering limited transit service between outlying residential areas and the City's commercial/employment core; and ❖ provide incentives for senior or affordable housing to locate near transit corridors or stations. 	Engineering; Public Works	Agency Coordination
C-P-16	Future Rail Corridor. Promote future commuter or light rail service connecting Hemet to Orange County, Los Angeles, Riverside, and San Diego. Require new commercial, industrial, or mixed-use development in areas surrounding proposed stations to include transit-oriented features.	Planning; Engineering	Agency Coordination; Project Review
C-P-17	Prioritize Ongoing Coordination with Transportation Agencies. Hemet will need to continue an active presence on regional agency boards such as RCTC, WRCOG, and the Riverside Transit Agency (RTA) to ensure that the City's needs and transportation priorities are addressed, particularly in regard to the construction of Highway 79, the extension of the Metrolink line, and the establishment of a regional transit center.	Council; Administration; Engineering; Planning	Agency Coordination

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CHAPTER 4 CIRCULATION (continued)			
C-P-18	Periodically Update the Circulation System and Capital Improvement Program. As part of an ongoing monitoring program, Hemet shall periodically assess the circulation plan presented in this element and the CIP to determine whether the changes are needed during the planning period of 2010-2030. In this manner, the City can take a proactive approach to regional circulation needs and changes and take appropriate steps before any system constraints develop.	Engineering; Planning	Project Review; Update Plans
C-P-19	Actively Pursue Transportation Funding Sources. A variety of Federal, State and Local funding sources and grants are available for transportation, bikeway and pedestrian improvements and should be regularly pursued for transportation related improvements in the City.	Engineering	Funding Program
C-P-20	Evaluate Interim Circulation Conditions. While new development typically pays for circulation improvements, a lag time frequently exists between development activity and construction of supporting roads. This is especially true for off-site circulation improvements in the City of Hemet where a landowner or developer does not control the right-of-way necessary for improvements. This issue is compounded by the circulation network's reliance, to a large degree, on several large projects such as the SR 79 realignment project and Metrolink to provide regional capacity. The City of Hemet shall continually monitor ongoing transportation activities and minimize potential impacts associated with interim development conditions.	Engineering; Planning	Project Review
C-P-21	Require Studies that Address Project Level Conditions. Many traffic studies look at the future when the entire circulation system is developed. The City shall require that projects assess traffic impacts based on existing and opening-day conditions of individual projects to ensure that adequate capacity exists to serve any new development project.	Engineering; Planning	Project Review
C-P-22	Complete Streets. Where possible, design new street systems as "complete streets", and develop a Design Manual for desired components and best practices. Develop an inventory of existing streets and their existing and planned multi-modal characteristics and connectivity to other complete streets.	Engineering; Planning	Project Review NPPOS
C-P-23	Neighborhood Electric Vehicle Plan. Prepare a citywide NEV plan based on established NEV design criteria and an appropriate transportation network linking residential uses to activity nodes.	Engineering; Planning	NPPOS

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CHAPTER 5 COMMUNITY SERVICES AND INFRASTRUCTURE			
CSI-P-1	Groundwater Management Plan. Adopt the multiagency groundwater management plan to protect and enhance groundwater resources.	Administration; Engineering; Public Works; City of San Jacinto; Riverside County; Eastern Municipal Water District (EMWD); Lake Hemet Municipal Water District (LHMWD)	NPPOS; Agency Coordination Funding Program
CSI-P-2	Water Supply Assessment. Ensure that projects proposing 500 dwelling units or more comply with California Water Code Section 10910 (Senate Bill 221), requiring the preparation of a water supply assessment indicating that a long-term water supply (for a 20-year time frame) is available. Written acknowledgement that water will be provided by a community or public water system with an adopted urban water management plan that includes consideration of the project's water consumption and supply shall constitute compliance with this requirement.	Public Works; Engineering	Project Review
CSI-P-3	Reclaimed Water Facilities. During project review of discretionary projects, require that provision be made for reclaimed water lines and hardware. For tentative tract maps, plans should include provision for reclaimed water lines connecting and serving the overall project. Require the use of recycled water to irrigate public landscape areas, where available, and to create public water elements or lakes to add community design value. In coordination with EMWD, implement a "fair share contribution" mechanism for all discretionary projects so that a reclaimed water network can be achieved Citywide in the future and so that a funding mechanism will be in place to incrementally extend reclaimed water trunk lines to serve new projects.	Public Works; Engineering; EMWD	Project Review; Funding Program

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CHAPTER 5 COMMUNITY SERVICES AND INFRASTRUCTURE (continued)			
CSI-P-4	<p>Project Review for Storm Drainage. Require project applicants to decrease stormwater runoff and increase groundwater recharge by reducing pavement in development areas and using design practices such as permeable parking bays and parking lots with bermed storage areas for rainwater detention, or using other best management practices, as appropriate. Downstream drainage studies and improvements or easements may also be required as appropriate to the scale and location of development projects, and shall be in accordance with Drainage Master Plans or Sub-Area Plans. Funding mechanisms and maintenance entities shall be determined at the time of project review for the long term maintenance of the drainage facilities. To the extent practicable, facilities shall be designed in accordance with Riverside County Flood Control standards for dedication to the District.</p> <p>Update codes, standards and design review to promote the incorporation of Low Impact Development techniques, green infrastructure and technology, and Best Practices in compliance with the 2010 Riverside County MS-4 Permit</p>	<p>Engineering</p> <p>Engineering</p>	<p>Project Review</p> <p>Update Plans & Standards</p>
CSI-P-5	<p>Master Flood Control and Drainage Plan. Update the City's master flood control and drainage plan, or create sub-area drainage plans to identify drainage infrastructure needs and design standards. Prioritize drainage solutions and sub-area plans for the Tres Cerritos, Northwest Hemet, and West Hemet Districts. As part of these master plans, identify storm drains and facilities that need to be upgraded, establish a consistent maintenance schedule for storm drains, and coordinate with Riverside County Flood Control District on design standards and maintenance agreements. The plan should incorporate an assessment of drainage facilities and identify 5-year facility needs and best management practices. The plan should also incorporate features to both accommodate development and support vernal pool areas in the west Hemet area. Include a watershed-based stormwater management plan for open drainage ways that will serve multiple purposes including flood protection, water quality, groundwater recharge, habitat hydration, public green spaces and trails, and water basin design amenities.</p>	<p>Engineering</p>	<p>Update Plans & Standards</p>
CSI-P-6	<p>Capital Improvement Program. Establish a formal 5-year capital improvement program for City storm drains, water and sewer lines, streets, parks, and other infrastructure improvements that defines benefit areas, establishes capital improvement zones, and/or creates a master drainage plan development fee. Provide annual updates in concert with the budget process. Prioritize infrastructure projects and funding resources to address the City's most critical economic and improvement needs, and link capital improvements with General Plan goals and policies.</p>	<p>Public Works; Engineering Finance</p>	<p>NPPOS</p>

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CHAPTER 5 COMMUNITY SERVICES AND INFRASTRUCTURE (continued)			
CSI-P-7	Coordination with Utility Providers. Continue to work with local utility providers to allow them adequate time to prepare plans for servicing new planned growth and major development projects. Encourage the use of new, clean technologies and aesthetic low-impact designs in providing for utility infrastructure. Provide early consultation with utility companies for any proposed multi-use or conservation proposals on utility-owned lands to insure that the proposed uses or conservation activities are compatible with the primary purpose of the easement.	Public Works; Edison; The Gas Company; Verizon	Project Review
CSI-P-8	Energy Standards. Create standards within the municipal code that encourage green building orientation, design, construction, and operation techniques to be used during the construction and lifespan of developments. During the preliminary process to evaluate the subdivision design and development review of residential and nonresidential project proposals, review projects to ensure that proposed plans incorporate energy-efficient design, building, and materials.	Planning; Building; Engineering	Project Review
CSI-P-9	Coordination with School Districts. Provide information to the Hemet Unified School District, San Jacinto Unified School District and other area school districts when considering General Plan amendments, specific plans, zone changes, subdivisions, and other land use decisions that may impact schools.	Planning	Project Review; Agency Coordination
CSI-P-10	Future School Sites. Coordinate with developers and the Hemet Unified School District to ensure that school sites are adequately sized and located to meet increases in demand. Require proposed projects with school sites to include a phasing plan that links project development with provision of a school facility when needed. Encourage the joint use of schools and other public facilities to maximize community benefit and minimize costs.	Planning; Engineering	Project Review; Agency Coordination
CSI-P-11	School Impact Fees. As permitted under state law, the Hemet Unified School District and other area school districts impose developer fees on new residential construction within their districts. Each area school district prepares and adopts a "School Facilities Needs Analysis" annually as required by law. These fees shall be paid before building permits are issued unless a community facilities district has otherwise been formed to fund school facilities.	Area School Districts; Building	Project Review; Agency Coordination
CSI-P-12	Health Facilities Needs Assessment. Determine the health care needs of the community on a per capita basis (e.g., hospital beds, medical facilities, urgent care facilities) and work with the health care industry to meet these requirements.	Planning; Community Investment	Agency Coordination
CSI-P-13	Library Funding. Identify and solicit funding from non-City sources to supplement cultural, community, and library facilities and services. Such funding sources may include federal and state grants and loans, public and private donations, sponsorships by national and local corporations and other private individuals and groups.	Library	Funding Program

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CHAPTER 5 COMMUNITY SERVICES AND INFRASTRUCTURE (continued)			
CSI-P-14	Municipal Code Standards. Amend the municipal code to include standards for building construction and siting that promote energy and water conservation.	Building	Update Plans & Standards
CSI-P-15	Grant Funds Explore use of grant funds and programs with SCE and non-profit agencies to establish programs for energy conservation (e.g., home weatherization, Energy Star appliances) and transition to the use of clean and renewable energy (e.g., photovoltaic retrofits, solar hot water heaters and pumps.)	Housing; Building; Community Investment	Funding Program
CSI-P-16	Waste Handling Strategy. Update the City's waste handling strategy or contract with a private entity to ensure continued capability to provide waste collection and disposal for the City as landfill options change. This strategy shall describe the City's collection method, and identify a disposal site for the City's solid waste. The strategy must identify how the City will procure long-haul trucks and transfer facilities, contract with a private entity for solid waste collection and disposal, or identify additional solid waste collection and disposal solutions prior to the closure of the Lamb Canyon Landfill.	Public Works; Administration; Finance	NPPOS; Funding Program
CSI-P-17	Joint -Use Facilities. Pursue opportunities for the joint use, operation, and maintenance of public facilities and amenities operated by the City and other agencies, utilities, and non-profit organizations and community groups to provide greater cost-effectiveness and breath of program offerings.	Administration Public Works	NPPOS
CSI-P-18	Infrastructure and Facilities Funding. Pursue a variety of funding approaches including impact fees, assessments, benefit districts, transportation funds, CDBG, federal and state grants, Redevelopment, and other programs to revitalize and upgrade infrastructure within the City. Evaluate the total burden of property taxes and special assessments on new development to ensure a financially viable lien to value ratio.	Engineering Public Works Finance	Funding Program
CSI-P-19	Water and Sewer Performance Standards Through the development review process ensure that adequate fire flow as established by the Hemet Fire Department will be maintained, along with sufficient storage for emergency situations and adequate service pressure. Ensure that sanitary sewers will exhibit unrestricted flow and that the rated capacity of the treatment facility will not be exceeded.	Public Works Engineering	Project Review; Agency Coordination

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CHAPTER 6 PUBLIC SAFETY			
PS-P-1	Seismic Hazard Monitoring. Monitor ongoing research on regional seismic and seismic-related hazards, seismic hazard mitigation, and support efforts to identify the location, potential activity, and dangers associated with earthquake faults.	Engineering; Building	NPPOS
PS-P-2	Seismic Hazard Mitigation. Develop hazard mitigation approaches for areas with identified geological, seismic-related, or other natural hazards to minimize potential future damage. Require structural and nonstructural assessment and, when necessary, mitigation of potentially hazardous buildings.	Building; Engineering	NPPOS; Project Review
PS-P-3	Seismic Safety Studies. During review of development and redevelopment proposals, require state-licensed surveys of soil and geologic conditions, as appropriate. Examples of when these surveys are required are: (1) for projects within earthquake fault regulatory zones delineated by the state for liquefaction, fault ruptures, and seismically induced landsliding, in accordance with the California Geologic Survey; and (2) before any area with slopes more than 15 percent are developed. Ensure that site-specific seismic analysis is conducted for critical and emergency facilities and sites that use or store acute hazardous materials.	Building; Engineering	Project Review
PS-P-4	Geological Mitigation for Slope and Hillside Areas. For development occurring on steep terrain, require geotechnical and geologic investigations and an evaluation of site stability, including any possible impact on adjacent properties, before final project design is approved, pursuant to all applicable building codes. Require that engineered slopes be designed to resist seismically induced failure or settlement. During permit review, identify, and require mitigation of on-site and off-site slope instability, debris flow, and erosion hazards on lots undergoing substantial improvements. Support mitigation on existing public and private property located on unstable hillside areas, especially slopes with recurring failures where City property or public right-of-way is threatened from slope instability, or where considered appropriate and urgent by the City of Hemet Public Works Department, Fire Department, or Police Department.	Engineering	Project Review
PS-P-5	Safety Related Materials and Technology. Continue to monitor new building materials and construction technologies to improve seismic and seismic-related safety. Encourage research into new foundation design systems that better resist the local climatic, geotechnical, and geological conditions. Incorporate such information into plan check comments when applicable.	Building	NPPOS; Project Review
PS-P-6	Uniform Building Code. Continue to enforce the most updated building standards using the uniform building code. Incorporate updated standards into the City's municipal code. Require applicants to meet applicable standards during project review.	Building; Code Enforcement	Update Plans & Standards; Project Review

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CHAPTER 6 PUBLIC SAFETY (continued)			
PS-P-7	<p>Dam and Flood Hazard Mitigation. Identify flood control improvements for existing flood hazards and potential hazards from new development, and establish a schedule and funding sources for improvements. Obtain the latest dam inundation maps from the Governor's Office of Emergency Services (OES) and use this information to prepare and update any emergency response plans in the City, including the Hemet Fire Department's emergency operation plan.</p>	Engineering; Fire	Project Review; Update Plans & Standards
PS-P-8	<p>Flood Zone Restrictions. Incorporate federal or state regulations on construction and uses within flood-prone areas, whichever is more restrictive, into the Hemet Municipal Codes.</p> <p>Ensure that critical public facilities, hospitals, and dependent care facilities and uses involving the use and/or storage of substantial quantities of hazardous materials meet all federal and state regulations regarding flood proofing.</p> <p>Within the Federal Emergency Management Agency-delineated floodplains, certificates of occupancy shall not be granted until engineering inspectors have approved all flood-proofing mechanisms.</p>	Engineering; Building	Project Review
PS-P-9	<p>Adequate Flood Control Facilities. Require that appropriate flood control facilities be constructed for proposed development and redevelopment projects.</p> <p>As needed, require hydrologic studies to determine required flood/storm-control facilities for proposed development and redevelopment projects, and require that recommendations of the studies be incorporated into the design of projects.</p>	Engineering	Project Review
PS-P-10	<p>Flood Prevention Measures. Coordinate with the Riverside County Flood Control District to design flood control improvements that preserve, to the maximum extent feasible, important natural features and resources of the local creeks and riparian habitat of the San Jacinto River.</p>	Engineering; Planning	Agency Coordination
PS-P-11	<p>Floodway Modification. If substantial modification to a floodway is proposed, design it to reduce adverse environmental effects to the maximum extent feasible, considering the following factors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ stream scour, ❖ erosion protection and sedimentation, ❖ wildlife habitat and linkages, ❖ groundwater recharge capability, ❖ adjacent property, and ❖ natural design (examples include soft riparian bottoms and gentle bank slopes, wide and shallow floodways, minimization of visible use of concrete, and landscaping with native plants to the maximum extent possible). 	Engineering; Public Works	Project Review

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CHAPTER 6 PUBLIC SAFETY (continued)			
PS-P-12	<p>Floodway Setbacks. Based on site-specific study, all development shall be set back from the floodway boundary a distance adequate to address the following issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ public safety, ❖ erosion, ❖ riparian or wetland buffer, ❖ wildlife movement corridor or linkage, and ❖ slopes. <p>Consider designating floodway setbacks for greenways, trails, and recreation opportunities on a case-by-case basis.</p>	Engineering; Public Works	Project Review
PS-P-13	<p>Airport Safety and Land Use Restrictions. Evaluate land use restrictions outlined in the most recent adopted <i>Hemet-Ryan Airport Land Use Compatibility Plan</i>, <i>California Airport Land Use Planning Handbook</i>, and Federal Aviation Administration notice responses for applicability to development projects, and evaluate the appropriateness of subject discretionary development projects. Require the preparation of Airport Compatibility studies as needed for new development proposed to be located within the airport influence areas. (refer to LU-P-35 for additional Airport Implementation requirements)</p>	Planning	Project Review
PS-P-14	<p>Updated Fire Protection Requirements. Periodically update fire protection requirements for both new construction and existing structures in the hazardous fire areas noted in Figure 6.4, "Wildland Fire Hazard Severity Zones" of this element and in areas located at the transition between developed and undeveloped land.</p>	Fire; Building	Update Plans & Standards; Project Review
PS-P-15	<p>Fire Protection Regulations. Adopt and enforce the latest building construction codes to guide future development, and continue to update and amend building and fire codes as necessary to maintain fire safety in Hemet. Considerations should include, but not be limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ multiple access routes for both the public and emergency vehicles, particularly in hillside areas; ❖ brush clearance, particularly along roadsides, hillsides, and rural areas; ❖ automatic fire control and safety systems; ❖ evacuation routes, particularly within high-occupancy or dependent-care facilities; ❖ fire protection during construction; and ❖ fire-resistant roofs, particularly in fire-susceptible areas. 	Fire; Building	Update Plans & Standards

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CHAPTER 6 PUBLIC SAFETY (continued)			
PS-P-16	Fire Department Master Plan. Prepare and maintain a fire department master plan assessed annually and updated every 5 years. The plan should assess fire prevention and suppression services, evaluating the adequacy of facilities and equipment, the status and adequacy of mutual aid agreements, fire education programs, and personnel staffing and program needs. Prepare 5-year projections of equipment, facility, and staffing needs based on anticipated growth, incident rates, and voter-approved performance standards. Develop programs to fund fire protection needs in the community and execute operations proposals based on the updated master plan.	Fire	NPPOS; Funding Program
PS-P-17	Fire Department Development Review. Involve Hemet Fire Department personnel in the review process for new development and redevelopment proposals through participation in a development review committee and by referring development applications to the fire department for review and comment.	Planning; Fire	Project Review
PS-P-18	Emergency Plans and Procedures. Regularly evaluate the City's emergency preparedness plans and procedures to provide for adequate police, fire, and protection services in the event of an emergency. Ensure compliance with the requirements and provisions of the State Emergency Management System. Conduct exercises to perfect and test emergency preparedness procedures.	Fire; Police	Update Plans & Standards
PS-P-20	Community Safety Programs. Use public education activities to inform residents, businesses, and City staff about earthquake preparedness and response procedures, fire hazard education and fire prevention programs, community policing and crime prevention, and hazardous materials handling and disposal.	Fire; Police; Public Works	Public Outreach
PS-P-21	Emergency Preparedness for High-Risk Facilities. Require that high-risk facilities such as railroads, utility facilities, hospitals, schools, government buildings, and water facilities maintain emergency preparedness plans.	Fire; Police	Agency Coordination
PS-P-22	Hazardous Material Regulations. Update the Hemet Municipal Code for commercial, industrial, and agricultural activities to require building owners, users, and farm operators to comply with all federal, state, and local laws regulating the use, storage, transportation, and disposal of hazardous materials and wastes. Follow all California Integrated Waste Management Board and California Department of Toxic Substances requirements regarding hazardous materials and wastes, and consult the databases of regulatory agencies to determine if sites may have toxic substances.	Fire; Public Works Engineering	Update Plans & Standards
PS-P-23	Household Hazardous Material Drop-off. Continue to operate the City's household drop-off center for antifreeze, batteries, oil, and paint. Publicize the center and monitor and evaluate its performance. Implement changes deemed necessary, if any, to the center's operation, or partner with other organizations for cost effectiveness and efficiency.	Public Works	Public Outreach

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CHAPTER 6 PUBLIC SAFETY (continued)			
PS-P-24	<p>Police Department Master Plan. Prepare and maintain a police department master plan assessed annually and updated at least every 5 years. The plan should assess crime prevention and law enforcement services, evaluating the adequacy of facilities and equipment, the status and adequacy of mutual aid agreements, neighborhood and business watch programs, and personnel staffing and program needs.</p> <p>Prepare 5-year projections of equipment, facility, and staffing needs based on anticipated growth, incident rates and voter-approved performance standards. Develop programs to fund Hemet Police Department needs through local funds, special districts, or from outside grants and execute operations proposals based on the adopted master plan.</p>	Police	NPPOS; Funding Program
PS-P-25	Police Department Development Review Committee Participation. Involve Hemet Police Department personnel in the review process for new development proposals through participation in a development review committee and by referring development applications to the Hemet Police Department for review and comment.	Planning; Police	Project Review
PS-P-26	<p>Community Safety Programs. Support community participation in crime prevention and safety through the maintenance and expansion, as necessary, of programs related or similar to the:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Crime Free Multi-Housing Programs; ❖ Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) Program; ❖ Drug Enforcement Program; ❖ Gang Suppression Program; ❖ Neighborhood Watch Program; ❖ Police Activities League (PAL); ❖ Safety Services Volunteer Programs; ❖ School Crime Reduction Program; and ❖ Traffic Fatality Reduction Program. 	Police	Public Outreach
PS-P-27	Noise Standards. Utilize the noise standards described in Table 6-4 for design purposes in new development. Where new development is proposed within areas where the noise levels identified in Table 6-4 are likely to be exceeded, require an acoustical study to be prepared to determine appropriate mitigation, and incorporate such mitigation into the project design.	Planning	Project Review

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CHAPTER 6 PUBLIC SAFETY (continued)			
PS-P-28	<p>Noise Reduction through Project Design. Promote the use of berms, landscaping, setbacks, or architectural design for noise abatement, in addition to conventional wall barriers, to enhance aesthetics and minimize barriers to pedestrian travel. When site and architectural design features cannot sufficiently reduce adverse noise levels, or cannot economically be provided, require the provision of noise barriers, noise berms, or barriers and berms in combination.</p> <p>Development of noise-sensitive land uses in areas exposed to existing or projected levels of noise from roadways, rail lines, the airport, or stationary sources exceeding, or estimated to exceed, levels specified in Table 6-4 shall require traffic calming, site planning, buffering, sound insulation, or other methods to reduce noise exposure in interior spaces to the levels specified in Table 6-4.</p>	Planning	Project Review
PS-P-29	<p>Acoustical Studies. When proposed projects include potentially significant noise generators, require acoustical studies to be prepared by an expert, including specific recommendations for mitigation when (1) the project is located near noise sensitive land uses or land that is planned for noise sensitive land uses or (2) the proposed noise source would violate provisions of the General Plan or City noise ordinance. For purposes of consistency, require that acoustical studies incorporate the following methods:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Assume 3 dBA attenuation with doubling of distance for the natural attenuation of noise emanating from roadways (with the exception of freeways, where a 4.5 dBA attenuation with doubling of distance may be assumed). ❖ Use the design capacity of roadways as outlined in the Circulation Element and the posted speed limit to quantify the design noise levels adjacent to master planned transportation routes for mitigation purposes. 	Planning	Project Review

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CHAPTER 7 OPEN SPACE AND CONSERVATION			
OS-P-1	Update Zoning Standards. Include appropriate restrictions within the Open Space zoning and the Hillside Overlay to effectively preserve the natural open space character of the City and respond to other requirements of the designations	Planning	Update Plans & Standards
OS-P-2	Resource Preservation. Evaluate and pursue the preservation of areas with high biological resource significance. Methods may include dedication of conservation, open space, and scenic easements; transfer of development rights; and impact fees/mitigation banking.	Planning	Project Review
OS-P-3	Vernal Pools. Protect Hemet's vernal pool riparian habitat by ensuring appropriate criteria cell refinement and the management of natural water courses that feed native plants and wildlife.	Planning; Engineering	Project Review
OS-P-4	Nature Education. Pursue opportunities and multi-organizational partnerships to establish a low impact hiking trail and nature education display at the potential vernal pool complex and other natural habitat areas, as appropriate..	Planning; Public Works	Agency Coordination
OS-P-5	Replacement Tree Ordinance. Prepare an ordinance that establishes a specific fund in the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) budget for urban forestry to fund the planting of new or replacement trees annually at City parks, City facilities, or in the public right-of-way. The ordinance would also require replacing any tree that has been removed on private property and having a trunk diameter greater than 4 inches with a tree of similar shape and size or with smaller trees at a 3:1 ratio, as reasonably feasible. Replacement trees shall be California-friendly trees and on the City's approved tree list.	Planning; Public Works	NPPOS; Capital Improvement
OS-P-6	Outreach Programs. Partner with local businesses, nonprofit groups, and other agencies to distribute information to the community about the benefits of urban forestry and green infrastructure and to provide incentives to plant trees and install light-colored or "green" roofs on private property.	Public Works; Building	Public Outreach
OS-P-7	Revegetation of Graded Slopes. During project review, require revegetation of graded slopes concurrent with project development to minimize erosion and maintain the scenic character of the community. Develop minimum planting standards including shrubs, ground cover and trees to stabilize slopes and provide attractive landscaped areas.	Planning; Engineering	Project Review; NPPOS
OS-P-8	Open Space Connections. During project review, require provision of pedestrian, bikeway, and/or passive open space connections between open space/recreation areas and adjacent developments or publicly owned recreation areas, where appropriate.	Planning	Project Review
OS-P-9	Preservation Design Standards. Encourage the on-site preservation of attractive and significant natural resources such as rock outcroppings, viewsheds, native vegetation, and landmark trees through the development review process.	Planning	Project Review
OS-P-10	View Corridors. During project review, analyze the project's impact on view corridors of the mountains, slopes, significant rock outcroppings, historic and landmark trees, and other natural features for both the project location and neighboring properties.	Planning	Project Review

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CHAPTER 7 OPEN SPACE AND CONSERVATION (continued)			
OS-P-11	Riverside County Hillside Development. Coordinate with Riverside County on hillside preservation policies and project review.	Planning	Project Review
OS-P-12	Resource Conservation Easements. Evaluate scenic or resource conservation easements or Williamson Act agreements as suitable means for protecting open space or prime farmland located adjacent to residential areas and where the property does not qualify for inclusion in an agriculture preserve program	Planning	Project Review
OS-P-13	Agricultural Land Conservation Programs. In cooperation with individual farmers, farming organizations, and farmland conservation organizations, the City shall support Riverside County's efforts to improve the viability of farms and ranches and thereby ensure the long-term conservation of viable agricultural operations within Bautista Canyon.	Planning	Agency Coordination
OS-P-14	Coordination with Non-Governmental Organizations. Encourage landowners to participate in programs that reduce soil erosion, improve soil quality, and address issues that relate to pest management. To this end, Hemet shall work with Riverside County to promote coordination between the Natural Resources Conservation Service, Resource Conservation Districts, UC Cooperative Extension, and other agencies and organizations, as needed.	Planning	Agency Coordination
OS-P-15	Mineral Resources and Williamson Act. Accept California Land Conservation (Williamson Act) contracts, subject to the use and acreage limitations established by Riverside County, on land identified by the state as containing significant mineral deposits.	Planning	Agency Coordination
OS-P-16	Conservation Planning and Agency Coordination. Continue to participate and represent the City of Hemet in multi-species habitat conservation planning, watershed management planning, and water resource management planning efforts. Notify and consult with staff of the RWQCB, Army Corps of Engineers, California Department of Fish and Game, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and WRC-RCA when a proposed land development project may impact vernal pools or streambeds. Impacts to vernal pools and mitigation plans shall also be reported through the CEQA process.	Planning; Engineering	Agency Coordination
OS-P-17	MSHCP Compliance. Development in the City shall be required to comply with the applicable terms of the MSHCP including, but not limited to, the payment of mitigation fees, narrow endemic surveys, riparian/riverine policy, and other applicable surveys. Anyone applying for a discretionary permit for property located in an MSHCP-designated Criteria Area/Criteria Cell(s) shall submit a Habitat Evaluation and Acquisition Negotiation Strategy (HANS) Application to the City for transmittal to the Riverside Conservation Agency (RCA).	Planning	Project Review
OS-P-18	Incentives for Conservation. Provide incentives for land conservation in areas subject to natural floodways, floodplains and water courses. Use the MSHCP Property Owner Initiated Habitat Evaluation and Acquisition Negotiation Strategy (HANS) to promote conservation of areas subject to inclusion in the MSHCP Conservation Area.	Planning	Project Review

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CHAPTER 7 OPEN SPACE AND CONSERVATION (continued)			
OS-P-19	Vegetation Mapping. In conjunction with project-related biological studies, provide updates to the local environmental database of habitat types (e.g., Vegetation Map) for Hemet in consultation with the RCA, California Department of Fish and Game, the Natural Diversity Database, the U.S. Forest Service, and other knowledgeable agencies. The City shall coordinate with Riverside County to also provide these agencies with data as needed.	Planning	Project Review; Agency Coordination
OS-P-20	Energy Conservation Practices. In response to the California Green Building Standards Code, encourage Tier 1 standards for new and remodeled construction that achieve the equivalent of Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Silver certification.	Building; Planning ; Engineering	Project Review
OS-P-21	Techniques to Reduce Energy Use. Train City staff to assist project applicants in designing energy-efficient projects through site planning techniques, building orientation, building design, and building materials to reduce energy use and promote the use of renewable and alternative energy generation such as fuel cells, solar energy, and other sources.	Building; Planning; Engineering	NPPOS; Project Review
OS-P-22	Energy Regulation. Update zoning and building codes to require new development to comply with the California State Energy Regulation requirements. Enforce all current residential and commercial California Energy Commission energy conservation standards during project review. Permit and encourage the use of passive solar devices and other state-of-the-art energy resources at appropriate locations and subject to development standards. Apply as appropriate the State Solar Shade Control Act, which promotes all feasible means of energy conservation and all feasible uses of alternative energy supply sources.	Building; Planning	NPPOS; Project Review
OS-P-23	Energy Efficient Appliances. Promote the use of fuel-efficient heating and cooling equipment and other appliances, such as water heaters, swimming pool heaters, cooking equipment, refrigerators, furnaces, and boiler units through community education programs in cooperation with local utility providers.	Building	Public Outreach
OS-P-24	Energy Conservation in Public Facilities. Promote Silver LEED certification and encourage Gold LEED certification or a similar level of green building achievement for all new public facilities, Redevelopment Agency projects, and Housing Division projects, where feasible. Promote the use of high-efficiency heating and cooling systems, advanced lighting systems, and passive solar systems in public institutions to reduce energy use. Specify energy-efficient materials and systems, including shade design technologies, for government buildings.	Building; Planning; Public Works	Project Review
OS-P-25	New Energy Sources. Support the development of new energy sources in cooperation with other organizations. Consider the environmental, cultural, aesthetic, archaeological, and social effects of new energy sources. Promote the use of clean air technologies such as fuel cell technologies, renewable energy sources, UV coatings, and alternative, nonfossil fuels. Coordinate with Southern California Edison and the Southern California Gas Company to jointly determine what new energy options are appropriate as development proceeds.	Planning; Building; Public Works	Agency Coordination

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CHAPTER 7 OPEN SPACE AND CONSERVATION (continued)			
OS-P-26	Minimize Water Demand. Work with the water districts to promote water conservation and ultimately reduce demand for peak-hour water supply and wastewater capacity. Continue current conservation efforts and actively pursue water storage and source alternatives, including dry-year water transfer options and use and production of reclaimed water.	Engineering; Public Works	Agency Coordination
OS-P-27	Water Conservation. Continue to review and update the City's adopted zoning and building codes and require the use of water conservation measures to reduce water consumption. Such measures may include the use of plumbing fixtures that reduce water use. low-flow toilets. drip irrigation systems. and xeriscape landscaping that maximizes use of drought-tolerant plant species. Continue to implement a recycled water ordinance in accordance with the Water Recycling in Landscaping Act. Where feasible, incorporate reclaimed water systems into landscape irrigation plans. Convert existing City of Hemet nondomestic water uses to recycled water use in accordance with Sections 13550-13556 of the State Water Code when feasible. Use reclaimed water for the irrigation of parks, golf courses, public landscaped areas, and other feasible applications as service becomes available from the Hemet Water Department, Lake Hemet Municipal Water District, and Eastern Municipal Water District. Encourage the installation of water-conserving systems such as dry wells and graywater systems, where feasible and environmentally sound. The installation of cisterns or infiltrators shall also be encouraged to capture rainwater from roofs for irrigation in the dry season and flood control during heavy storms.	Planning; Building; Public Works	NPPOS; Project Review
OS-P-28	Groundwater Resources. Protect groundwater resources from depletion and sources of pollution. Participate in the development, implementation, and maintenance of a Groundwater Management Plan program to recharge the aquifers underlying the Planning Area. The program shall make use of flood and other waters to offset existing and future groundwater pumping, except where groundwater quality would be reduced, where available groundwater aquifers are full, or where rising water tables threaten the stability of existing structures. Work with appropriate agencies to encourage groundwater recharge facilities along flood control channels and creeks.	Public Works; Engineering	NPPOS
OS-P-29	Water Resource Management. Participate in water resource management planning to facilitate the long-term availability of water resources for Western Riverside County. Create additional water storage where needed, in cooperation with federal, state, and local water authorities. Additionally, support and/or engage in water banking in conjunction with these agencies where appropriate, as needed. Implement, where appropriate, Water Resource Management Guidelines drafted by the subcommittees comprised of Eastern Municipal Water District and other local jurisdictions.	Engineering; Public Works	Agency Coordination
OS-P-30	Water Conservation Education. Educate the public about water conservation methods, new technologies, and drought-resistant landscapes. Participate in regional or other agency outreach programs, when available.	Public Works	Public Outreach
OS-P-31	Fugitive Dust Control. Cooperate with federal, state, regional and local jurisdictions to control fugitive dust from stationary, mobile, and area sources.	Public Works; Engineering	Project Review

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CHAPTER 7 OPEN SPACE AND CONSERVATION (continued)			
OS-P-32	Aggregate Transport. Enforce regulations that do not allow vehicles to transport aggregate or similar material on a roadway unless the material is stabilized or covered, in accordance with state law and South Coast Air Quality Management District regulations.	Engineering	Project Review
OS-P-33	Public Awareness to Reduce Air Pollution. Encourage the participation of environmental groups, the business community, civic groups, special interest groups, and the general public in the formulation and implementation of programs that effectively reduce air pollution.	Planning; Public Works	Public Outreach
OS-P-34	Climate Action Plan. Develop and adopt a climate action plan (CAP) for the City of Hemet. The CAP will have two primary objectives, which are to reduce total greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions in the City by 2020 and create adaptation strategies to address the impacts of climate change on the City, such as increased risk of flooding and wildfires, diminished water supplies, and public health. The City intends to design the CAP to function as a Plan for the Reduction of GHG Emissions, as defined in the State CEQA Guidelines (Section 15183.5). The CAP will be adopted in a public process following environmental review (State CEQA Guidelines Section 15183.5(b)(1)(F)).	Planning; Engineering; Public Works	NPPOS
OS-P-35	Baseline GHG Emissions Inventory and Forecast. The City has completed a baseline GHG emissions inventory for the year 2009, and 2020 and 2030 emissions forecasts to support the General Plan EIR (State CEQA Guidelines Section 15183.5(b)(1)(A)). The CAP will use these forecasts to describe efforts necessary to achieve communitywide GHG reductions to 6.6 MT CO ₂ e/SP/yr by 2020 and 4.9 MT CO ₂ e/SP/yr by 2030 (State CEQA Guidelines Section 15183.5(b)(1)(B)).	Planning; Engineering; Public Works	NPPOS
OS-P-36	GHG Emissions Reduction Strategies and Measures. The CAP will describe the strategies and measures necessary to reduce GHG emissions at both the statewide level (State CEQA Guidelines Section 15183.5(b)(1)(C)) and through local actions in the planning area that on a project-by-project basis would collectively achieve the reduction target (State CEQA Guidelines Section 15183.5(b)(1)(D)). Policies and measures will be created with public input from all stakeholders. Each measure will include a timeline and assign responsibility to implementing agencies and departments. In addition to direct GHG reduction measures, the CAP will incorporate public education efforts to raise awareness on the importance of minimizing GHG emissions and methods for reducing emissions from individual's lifestyles. GHG emissions reduction General Plan policies and programs will be referenced within the CAP. Policies, benchmarks, and measures will be evaluated according to current state law and applicable guidance each time the General Plan is updated. Measures applicable to existing and new development will be identified. It is anticipated that both mandatory and voluntary measures will be recommended by the CAP. The City will establish an implementation tool that enables tiering of future development projects by making otherwise voluntary measures binding and enforceable for new projects (State CEQA Guidelines Section 15183.5(b)(2)).	Planning; Engineering; Public Works	NPPOS

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CHAPTER 7 OPEN SPACE AND CONSERVATION (continued)			
OS-P-37	Protection and Adaptation Strategies. The CAP will describe strategies, policies, and measures that will be used to protect the City from and facilitate adaptation to the potential effects of climate change. Potential effects to be evaluated include, but are not limited to, increased frequency and magnitude of flooding, diminished water supply, habitat loss, and possible effects on public health and the local economy, including agriculture. Each measure will include a timeline and assign responsibility to implementing agencies and departments.	Planning; Engineering; Public Works	NPPOS
OS-P-38	Benchmarks and Next Steps. The CAP will identify benchmarks, monitoring procedures, and other steps needed to ensure the City achieves its GHG reduction, protection, and adaptation goals (State CEQA Guidelines Section 15183.5(b)(1)(E)). Monitoring and verifying progress of GHG emissions reduction measures will be conducted on an ongoing basis. Monitoring will provide important feedback that can be used to demonstrate overall progress toward emissions reduction targets and improve measures over time. Benchmarks will be established to serve as intermediate goals and motivate compliance with reduction targets. Benchmarks for strategic responses to climate change impacts should be based on the expected timescale of the specific impact and will be established during development of individual strategic plans. As the CAP is to be implemented over a period of several years, knowledge surrounding climate change and implementation measures are likely to evolve. The CAP will contain provisions to evaluate measures to ensure successful GHG emissions reduction and protection of the City.	Planning; Engineering; Public Works	NPPOS

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CHAPTER 8 RECREATION AND TRAILS			
RC-P-1	<p>Park and Recreation Master Plan. Update the City's park and recreation master plan by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ identifying potential sites for additional parkland, assessing demand for parkland and facilities concurrent with demographic trends, and prioritizing potential parkland acquisitions, expansions, and improvements within a 5-year park improvement program; ❖ establishing park standards to promote a hierarchy of parks with at least four levels and determining the allocation of those parks by number, size, and location; ❖ prioritizing new park sites to underserved areas of the City; ❖ establishing trail standards to promote the use and integration of a hierarchy of trail systems; ❖ requiring developers of new residential developments to provide on-site recreational or open space amenities or contribute fees to pay for the provision of recreational facilities; ❖ establishing financing mechanisms to increase the amount and quality of parkland inventory and considering the inclusion of revenue-generating activities at City parks and facilities; ❖ pursuing agreements with the Hemet Unified School District, Valley-Wide Recreation and Park District, and Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, as appropriate, to address joint-use issues and the expansion of park facilities in the City; ❖ incorporating, where feasible, the use of the Salt Creek Channel and other drainage channels and easements for recreational and open space uses; ❖ conducting annual assessments to ensure that facilities are maintained, renovated, and upgraded regularly; ❖ establishing a program to serve the recreational needs of City residents; and ❖ identifying an administration and management system for parks, trails, and other recreational amenities. 	Public Works; Planning	NPPOS; Funding Program; Agency Coordination
RC-P-2	Quimby Fees. Review Quimby Act fees on an annual basis to ensure that the in-lieu fees are appropriately determined and applied.	Public Works; Finance	Funding Program
RC-P-3	Sustainable Park Design. Require new parks and landscaping to incorporate recycled water standards in park design, naturalized drainage channels, and energy conservation measures as appropriate. Require the replacement any mature tree removed from a park setting with a California-friendly or shade tree of similar size and shape or with smaller trees at a 2:1 ratio, as reasonably feasible.	Public Works; Planning	Project Review
RC-P-4	Disabled Access. Identify and implement the best means of ensuring access to and within parks for the disabled and the elderly through curb cuts, access paths, railings, benches, and other best management practices.	Public Works; Building	Project Review
RC-P-5	Park Development Fees. Review the development fee structure periodically and adjust as needed to ensure the adequate provision of local and regional parks and trails.	Public Works; Finance	Funding Program

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CHAPTER 8 RECREATION AND TRAILS (continued)			
RC-P-6	Off-road Trails. Identify unpaved trails in Simpson Park for use by mountain bikers and hikers. Work with local residents, biking and hiking groups, service organizations, and environmentalists to encourage a maintenance schedule for these trails.	Public Works; Planning	NPPOS; Public Outreach
RC-P-7	Nature Education. Research potential opportunities to pursue federal or state grant opportunities and to partner with the University of California at Riverside, San Jacinto Community College, Hemet Unified School District, the Western Science Center, the Southwestern Riverside County Multi-Species Reserve Management Committee, or other organizations to establish trails and education centers at the vernal pools, the Santa Rosa Hills, the Lakeview Mountains, or the Southwestern Riverside County Multi-Species Reserve.	Planning; Public Works	Agency Coordination
RC-P-8	Recreational Tourism Programs. Partner with other organizations to provide recreational programs that bring people into the City. Such programs could include a "Pines to Vines" cycling event from the Idyllwild mountain community to the Temecula wineries, bike races and tours, wine tasting, and rail travel adventures.	Community Investment; Public Works	Agency Coordination
RC-P-9	Recreational Marketing. Promote recreational facilities as tourist destinations. These include Diamond Valley Lake, Diamond Valley Lake Recreation Center, local museums, the Ramona Bowl, Simpson Park, Maze Stone Park, and other historic and cultural destinations.	Community Investment	NPPOS
RC-P-10	Tree Replacement Program. Update and consolidate the City's current tree replacement programs, policies, and procedures in a comprehensive document. Continue to fund the City's Annual Tree Replacement Budget in a manner sufficient to facilitate replanting consistent with General Plan policies and consider opportunities for cost recovery through donations and community groups. Continue to update the City's inventory of publically maintained trees and track removal and replacement efforts.	Public Works	Update to existing plans and standards; Capital Improvement Funding Program
RC-P-11	Simpson Park. Re-evaluate the timing and duration for when Simpson park is closed to the public to allow increased public access and use of this parkland by the community. Pursue opportunities for partnering with local organizations and volunteers to provide additional oversight, security and maintenance activities. Evaluate the potential for a user permit system to assist in controlling access during periods when the park is not open to the general public.	Public Works Fire	

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CHAPTER 9 HISTORIC RESOURCES			
HR-P-1	Demolition Delay Ordinance. Establish a 30-day demolition delay ordinance for all resources listed on either: the 1983 historic resources inventory, the Eastern Information Center Historic Data Files for Riverside County (Appendix B), structures located within the downtown historic area shown in Figure 9-3, or as otherwise noted as historically significant to the City of Hemet. The delay allows staff enough time to determine the appropriate level of environmental mitigation. No permit for alteration or demolition of properties identified by the City shall be issued until alternatives to demolition have been considered. At a minimum, the standards of the California Environment Quality Act shall prevail.	Planning; Building	NPPOS; Project Review
HR-P-2	Historic Resources Ordinance. Enact an implementing ordinance that sets forth the standards and regulations governing the identification, protection, restoration, maintenance, alteration, reuse, relocation, or removal of historic resources. Historic resources include structures, sites, landscape features, roads, landmark trees, and trails, as well as archaeological and paleontological resources. Accompanying Guidelines should include preservation of and public access to significant scenic vistas, viewpoints, and view corridors, as feasible.	Planning	NPPOS
HR-P-3	Historic Resources Register. In conjunction with the Historic Resources Ordinance, establish a Historic Resources Register that meets the State Office of Historic Resources requirements for local registers and is based on the 1983 historic resources inventory, the Eastern Information Center Historic Data Files for Riverside County, the downtown historic area shown in Figure 9-3, or as otherwise noted as historically significant to the City of Hemet. The register should be updated every 10 years.	Planning	NPPOS
HR-P-4	Review of Demolition and Development Applications. Prior to permitting demolition or substantial modification of a historic structure, require the applicant to prepare an evaluation of the condition of the structure and the cost for rehabilitation. The application must include alternatives to demolition such as architecturally compatible rehabilitation, relocation, and adaptive reuse possibilities that are consistent with its historic value.	Planning; Building	NPPOS; Project Review
HR-P-5	Preservation Incentive Programs. Establish incentive programs to encourage property owners to maintain, preserve, restore, or reuse their historic properties. Examples include the Riverside County property tax reduction program commonly known as the Mills Act, the Historic Homes Plaque Program in conjunction with the Hemet Heritage Foundation, and the use of Community Development Block Grant funds and/or redevelopment tax increments funds to extend low interest financing to owners of historic properties for architectural, financial, and preservation services. When possible, allocate resources and/or tax credits to prioritize retrofit of historic structures, which are irreplaceable.	Planning; Community Investment; Redevelopment; Housing	NPPOS; Funding Program
HR-P-6	Planning Procedures. Establish clear and efficient procedures for the processing of development applications on historic properties in coordination with other City departments and affected jurisdictions. Ensure that rehabilitation programs are carried out without damaging the integrity of historic structures by inappropriate alterations.	Planning; Building	NPPOS; Project Review

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CHAPTER 9 HISTORIC RESOURCES (continued)			
HR-P-7	Architectural Design Guidelines. In conjunction with the Historic Resources Ordinance adopt appropriate design guidelines for restoring, rehabilitating, or adaptively reusing historic and architecturally significant properties. The guidelines should include, but not be limited to, the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties with Guidelines for Preserving, Rehabilitating, Restoring, and Reconstructing Historic Buildings and address building heights, setbacks, proportions, patterns, and rhythms of architectural details, roof types, projections, surface textures and colors, landscape treatment, as well as overall site design and architectural scale with respect to the historical integrity of the structure and its surroundings. Additionally, the guidelines should address the context of site location by ensuring that uses and zoning of and around historic structures are consistent with the community's desire for preservation of those structures, and do not conflict with, or lead to the depreciation in value of those structures or their demolition	Planning; Building	NPPOS
HR-P-8	Training Programs. Provide training to City Building, Code Enforcement, Planning, Public Works, Housing, and Redevelopment staff on salient codes and policies, and encourage participation in preservation efforts.	Planning; Building	NPPOS
HR-P-9	Inventory of Archaeological Sites. Maintain a secure inventory of known archaeological sites as a resource for the review of development proposals.	Planning	Project Review
HR-P-10	Studies and Surveys. Use the development and environmental review processes for private sector, public facilities, and public infrastructure projects to require effective mitigation where development may affect archaeological or paleontological resources. Require appropriate archaeological and paleontological surveys and documentation of findings prior to project approval.	Planning; Engineering	Project Review

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CHAPTER 9 HISTORIC RESOURCES (continued)			
HR-P-11	<p>Tribal Consultation. The City shall establish a formal process regarding development projects proposed on previously undeveloped property that involve major earth-disturbing activities or that are located in areas with previously identified cultural resources. The process will include the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ All projects shall be evaluated by a qualified archeologist by conducting a site records search, and if feasible, a Phase I walkover survey, and if necessary, a Phase II survey prior to project approval to identify the potential for the presence of significant cultural resources. ❖ If significant resources are located on the project site, or a high probability for cultural resources exists, the local band of Indians shall be consulted in the identification of mitigation measures to address impacts consistent with California requirements, including provisions to address inadvertent discoveries. ❖ During on-site grading activities in areas with cultural resources, or with a high potential for cultural resources, a qualified archeologist shall be on-site to monitor grading operations; tribal monitors shall also be consulted. ❖ In the event of the discovery of a burial site, human bone, or suspected human bone, grading in the immediate area shall be immediately halted, the site protected, and the county coroner and representatives from the local bands of Indians notified. 	Planning; Engineering	NPPOS; Project Review; Agency Coordination
HR-P-12	Partnerships. Work with the Hemet Heritage Foundation, the Hemet Museum, the Hemet Public Library, the Soboba Indians, the Western Science Center, the Ramona Bowl Association and Amphitheatre, and other persons or organizations that are safeguarding Hemet's heritage to implement a preservation program. Promote tourism, filming, and economic development in association with its historic resources. Initiate or support applications for federal, state, or regional funding for the rehabilitation, restoration, education, or preservation of historic properties or resources.	Planning; Community Investment; Library	Agency Coordination
HR-P-13	Public Awareness. Work with the City's historic preservation partners to provide education and outreach to the community that includes information about the area's history and historic resources as well as information about the City's historic preservation policies and practices. Inform property owners on the benefits of being listed as a historic property, and provide information on conservation methods and professional resources. Encourage public participation in historic preservation decision making.	Planning; Community Investment; Library	Public Outreach

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CHAPTER 10 ART AND CULTURE			
AC-P-1	Public Art Programs. Consider the establishment of an Art in Public Places Ordinance and fee program that uses City policies, incentives, land use regulations, and design guidelines to weave art into public spaces within the community. Create opportunities and incentives for private developers to include art spaces in their projects. Establish standards and guidelines for artist selection, project siting, installation, and funding.	Planning	NPPOS; Project Review
AC-P-2	Public Facilities. Provide spaces for public art in new or existing public places, plazas and courtyards, when appropriate.	Public Works; Planning	Project Review
AC-P-3	Promotional Events. Partner with local arts, cultural, and sports organizations to sponsor or promote local and regional events highlighting Hemet and its cultural amenities.	Community Investment	Public Outreach
AC-P-4	Joint Use Arrangement. Collaborate on strong joint-use arrangements between public and private sectors to promote Hemet's museums, art and cultural events, and to development new artistic venues.	Community Investment; Planning	Agency Coordination
AC-P-5	Public Awareness. Develop a comprehensive plan to utilize and develop various avenues of communication and marketing, including development of a section on the City's website for arts and culture events, liaisons with corporate and business partnerships, to explore and plan for new events and facilities, and to recruit involvement in the existing events and programs.	Community Investment; Library	Public Outreach
AC-P-6	Tourism. Explore ways the City and the arts community can market effectively to tourists, and work with local venues and tourism organizations to develop tour packages on offerings from the arts and cultural communities, and host familiarization tours for both meeting and tour planners.	Community Investment	Agency Coordination
AC-P-7	Gateways. Establish image gateways and/or arts corridors on key roadways and pedestrian linkages within the City at intersections, entry points, and open space areas to increase resident and visitor awareness and recognition of Hemet's cultural identity.	Planning; Community Investment	NPPOS

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CHAPTER 11	HOUSING		
	Because the Housing Element is updated more frequently than the rest of the General Plan on a schedule mandated by the California Department of Housing and Community Development, Housing Element programs are included in Chapter 11.	Housing Planning; Community Investment	Various

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