

# **Glendale 2035 General Plan Update & Steering Committee**

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# General Plan

- The City's current General Plan, Glendale 2025, was adopted by the City Council and approved by voters in 2002
- The General Plan:
  - Is required by state law
  - Serves as the official policy statement of the city to guide the public and private development of the community
  - Guides new development and redevelopment initiatives
  - Must be updated approximately every 10 years
  - Many Valley cities have recently completed their General Plan updates or are in the process of doing so

# General Plan Update

- Staff is updating the current General Plan
  - The update will reflect current conditions such as the development of employment and transportation corridors of Loop 101, Loop 303 and Northern Parkway
  - Will recognize the Sports & Entertainment District
  - Furthers Glendale's partnership with Luke Air Force Base
- Work on the update will continue through the rest of the year and most of 2014
- City Council approval and voter approval will be required
- General Election is planned for November 4, 2014

# Steering Committee

- Ten years ago, as part of the development of Glendale 2025 a steering committee known as the General Plan Focus Group was formed
- The Focus Group assisted staff and built capacity for support of the planning endeavor
- Staff is seeking guidance to form a Steering Committee to assist with the development of Glendale 2035

# Steering Committee (cont.)

- In accordance with current practices, recruitment will be processed by the Government Services Committee (GSC) with two members being recruited and appointed by the Mayor & each Councilmember for a total of 14 Council appointees
- An additional seven members consisting of business and community leaders selected by staff will be recommended to GSC and Council for appointment
- The total membership of the Steering Committee will be approximately 21 members

# Next Steps

- The Steering Committee will work closely with staff and a planning consultant who will be hired to assist with the update
- Early next year Planning staff will ask Council to adopt an Ordinance forming the Steering Committee
- Also early next year Planning staff will ask Council to approve a contract to procure the planning consultant
- The Planning Commission will be heavily engaged in this endeavor

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