

## **Palm Springs Workshop #1**

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### Summary of Station Comments

(\*does not include online Vision/priorities survey)

#### Circulation

- Improve Transit
  - Mitigate CEQA VMT with transit service
  - Increase headways, increase service
  - Increase cross-town service
  - More “Buzz” trolley service
  - More transit options connecting to Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, Los Angeles
  - Enhance access to train station
- More pedestrian amenities
  - Finish the CV Link
  - Increase lighting
  - Increase shade
  - Safer intersections
  - Wider sidewalks/more pedestrian space downtown
  - Improve safety
  - Fill sidewalk gaps on major thoroughfares
- Bikes
  - Finish the CV Link
  - Close gaps between existing bike paths
  - Desire for more separated bike lanes
  - Improve bike path signage
  - Improve safety
  - Support and opposition to increasing bike infrastructure
- Vehicular
  - Traffic calming at specific locations (Ramon, Gene Autry, etc.)
  - Support for street widening and increased speeds
  - More electric vehicle charging infrastructure
  - More parking
  - More readable street name signs
  - Road maintenance
  - Better signage for trail parking

#### Housing

- Top 3 most pressing issues
  - Different or more types of housing options (27 votes)
  - Homelessness (23 votes)
  - Sustainable Developments (21 votes)
  - Remaining categories received 11 votes or less
- Support for:

- Low income/affordable housing (mentioned multiple times)
- Mid-rise housing development
- Mixed-use
- Multi-family
- Special needs/homeless housing and services
- High-density low-rise housing
- Replace Golf Courses with housing
- Densify
- Affordable housing and mobile home park preservation
- Limit impacts of vacation rentals
- Opposition to:
  - High-density

#### Land Use

- Protect and increase open space, parks, pocket parks (mentioned repeatedly)
- Improve park access in underserved areas
- Turn golf courses into public open space, rec areas
- Educational signage along Tahquitz Creek
- Revise hillside ordinance
- Maintenance, signage and parking for Hiking Trails
- Targeted higher density, walkable areas
- Address health and safety issues in Mobile Parks
- Enhance 5G infrastructure
- Preserve and enhance unique character of neighborhoods
- Green parking lots
- More mid-rise residential (like The Rowan)
- Expand north end (Indian Canyon to Hwy 62, North of 10)
- Integrate sustainability master plan into corresponding GP elements
- Enhance walkability through land use and tree canopy
- More housing (apartments and low-income)

#### Vision

- Recommended Additions:
  - Environment and diversity
  - Expand our boundaries
  - Monorail or cross-town freeway
  - Smoke-free city
  - Equality and Diversity
  - Mandate trees in parking lots
  - Finish the CV link
  - Less resort, more resident focused
  - More open space
  - More bike lanes
  - Better traffic flow

### Priorities

- Recommended Additions:
  - Focus on mental and physical health and well-being of the citizens of our community
  - Focus on residents over tourists
  - Foster diversified economic development beyond tourism
  - Future tech proofing
  - More public art
  - More diversity
  - Focus on the neighborhoods that need help with beautifying the community of low housing
  - Complete sidewalk network
  - Save some natural desert
  - Reduce unnecessary turf on city space
  - More parks
  - Preserve night sky
  - Become a smoke free city
  - Regulate “bird” bikes
  - City-wide disaster preparedness