



TEMPLE CITY

MID-CENTURY PLAN

GENERAL PLAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE (GPAC)

MEETING #3 | DECEMBER 15, 2014

AGENDA

- Call to Order
- Roll Call
- Approval of Minutes from October 27
- Confirmation of Vision Statement
- Opportunity Sites Discussion
- Adjournment

VISION STATEMENT



In 2050 the City of Temple City will have maintained its small-town, family-friendly atmosphere characterized by safe and attractive neighborhoods with good neighbors; clean streets, sidewalks, and public spaces; excellent schools; and local thriving businesses. Young people who grew up in Temple City will return after college to good jobs, a home within their budget, and a thriving community where they choose to raise their own families. Downtown and other commercial areas of the City will be vibrant and economically prosperous with a diverse mix of new and expanded businesses that provide a variety of skilled jobs, quality retail, and places to gather, be entertained, recreate, and celebrate the community's history, culture, and diversity. Temple City will be "greener" and more sustainable through investments made to attain water and energy efficiency, improve accessibility, reduce vehicle commutes, and increase the health and well-being of the community. Streets will enable people to get where they need to go safely, efficiently, and cost-effectively—on foot, on bike, on transit, or by vehicle. Sidewalks will serve as the outdoor living room for the community, with places to socialize, celebrate, and play. Civic and community leaders will be innovative and collaborative, and will listen and respond to the interests of residents and the business community. Temple City will have an informed, involved, and engaged community with a strong culture of civic engagement and support for the arts, education, and services that help community members of all ages to be proud they are from Temple City.





QUALITY OF LIFE



- We treasure and maintain a relaxing, peaceful, family-friendly atmosphere.
- We cultivate community pride through special events, public art, safe and quiet neighborhoods, supporting local businesses, and spending the day at the park with family and friends.
- We celebrate the diversity in our community and appreciate everyone's differences.
- We use creativity and innovation to address community challenges.
- Our network of activities and services helps improve the health and lifestyles of individuals and families.
- We recognize that our quality of life is related to a prosperous economy and good education.





COMMUNITY CHARACTER



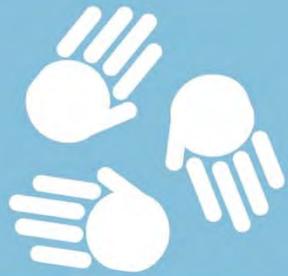
- Our community is balanced with places for living, working, shopping, recreation, entertainment, arts and culture, and education that reflect our community priorities.
- We value and protect the neighborhoods, business districts, civic facilities, and open spaces that have developed since our City's founding.
- Our new housing and commercial development is selectively accommodated in locations that complement and enhance existing uses or are underutilized to accommodate anticipated growth and change.
- We prioritize the development of new commercial uses that serve and are accessible to adjoining residential neighborhoods, lessening the need to travel to other communities for these uses.
- We recognize and build on the strengths of our pedestrian-oriented downtown as the physical, economic, cultural, and social heart of Temple City.
- Our housing and commercial uses will be scaled and designed to complement and transition with adjoining neighborhoods and districts.
- Our development patterns, mix of uses, and design of buildings, infrastructure, and public spaces contribute to a sustainable environment that minimizes consumption of scarce environmental resources, pollutants, greenhouse gas emissions.
- Our residents enjoy healthy lifestyles through development patterns that promote walking over automobile use, a robust system of parks and recreation uses, access to good foods, and a quality network of health providers.
- Our community provides numerous places and facilities for celebrations, events, and cultural enrichment where we can meet and socialize with our neighbors.
- We respect the importance of designing and maintaining our buildings, properties, and public spaces at the highest level of quality.



A VITAL ECONOMY



- Temple City has a diverse mix of vital and economically prosperous business districts that serve consumers in the City and surrounding communities and provide revenue to sustain a high level of services for our residents.
- Our development entitlement processes are responsive to and support new and expanding commercial uses within the community.
- We encourage a balance of commercial uses, including national retailers, local establishments, and new businesses.
- We place a high priority on reinvestment, and revitalization of the community to improve the quality and vitality of our downtown and commercial corridors.
- We work with educational institutions and private organizations to nurture the skill and talent of Temple City's resident workforce with marketable skills demanded by area employers.
- We accommodate uses that offer a robust base of well-paying jobs employing the marketable skills of the local workforce and lessen the need to commute to other communities.
- Our land use patterns and densities provide a substantial customer base supporting local businesses.
- Temple City provides proactive administration, review, and approval of property improvements and prospective development projects.
- Temple City proactively participates in efforts to ensure continuity of local fiscal resources and in programs that leverage external funding and resources to benefit City services.
- Temple City maintains systematic prioritized budget, negotiation, and operating practices that strengthen the City's operating position.
- Our community has a mix of uses that are flexible, innovative, and responsive to fluctuations in the market.



COMMUNITY PROGRAMS AND FACILITIES



- Our citizens are informed, involved, and engaged through community programs and active communication platforms.
- Our community facilities and programs are accessible to all community members (seniors, youth, and families)
- We have flexible and collaborative educational programs available for community members of all ages and education levels.
- Our fine arts and performing arts programs and facilities are well supported and attended as a primary way to celebrate community history, culture, and diversity.
- Our parks provide places for recreation, contribute to the health of residents, and provide opportunities for socializing with neighbors and friends.





A "GREENER" COMMUNITY



- Temple City has replaced aging infrastructure with "greener" infrastructure.
- We have safe and sustainable infrastructure that is sufficient to meet current and future needs for water, electricity, and communication systems
- Our water and energy conservation methods and techniques are widely used in development throughout the City.
- Our state-of-the-art digital and communications infrastructure attracts new businesses.
- We have a balanced circulation system coordinated with land uses to ensure the safe, efficient, and sustainable movement of people and goods in the community.
- Our network of complete streets accommodates pedestrians, bicycles, transit, and vehicles.
- Our residential streets are safe and pleasant, with reduced traffic speed, volume, and accidents.
- An efficient parking management system allocates scarce parking resources and reduces overall parking demand.
- Our bicycle facilities provide a safe and convenient alternative to the private motor vehicle.
- We encourage innovations and best practices, effectively reducing the impacts of climate change in all sectors.
- Our development practices are sustainable and balance the needs of the economy, environment, and equity.
- We preserve and protect natural, cultural, and historic resources.
- A robust tree canopy, drought-resistant landscaping, and permeable pavement are prevalent in all our neighborhoods and business districts.



A HEALTHY AND SAFE ENVIRONMENT



- Healthy living practices and the well-being of citizens permeate all aspects of our community.
- We rely upon and support our quality law enforcement and emergency services.
- Our streets and sidewalks are clean, well maintained, and shaded.
- We are more likely to walk or bike to run errands in Temple City than they we are to drive.
- Vehicles safely share the road with pedestrians, bicycles, and transit.
- We have pedestrian or bicycle access to active and passive parks and recreation facilities from our homes.
- We have access to affordable, fresh, and healthy foods.
- New and expanding technologies are appropriately balanced with safety and privacy for members of our community.
- We have safe and healthy programs for seniors, youth, and the disabled.
- We have programs and policies that prepare homes, businesses, infrastructure, and individuals for emergencies and natural and man-made disasters, including effective notification and communication systems and emergency shelters.





RESPONSIVE GOVERNANCE



- Temple City's governance process is efficient, effective, and maintains financial stability.
- Best practices and innovation are sought out and put into practice by our civic and community leaders.
- Our City officials listen and respond to the interests of the residents and business community through a transparent process.
- Our community leaders are provided with opportunities and encouraged to participate in the governance process at all levels.
- Our City has responsive government services.



My "Community Character" Gift to Temple City would be...

Public Trasport

My "Quality of Life" Gift to Temple City would be...

Swimming pool

To: Temple City in 2050
From: Sunny



My "Community Programs and Facilities" Gift to Temple City would be...

Would love more concerts all year in the park.

My "Community Character" Gift to Temple City would be...

I like to do art in the city.



COMMUNITY FEEDBACK ON VISION STATEMENT



Quality of Life

- “More transportation—public or group.”
- “More opportunities to exchange ideas and understand cultural differences.”



Community Character

- “More trees along the streets and sidewalks.”
- “Public art in the City.”



Vital Economy

- “A vibrant downtown.”
- “Movie theater.”
- “Greater variety of restaurants.”



Green Community

- “A bike path/place to ride bikes and scooters near the park.”
- “Bioswales.”
- “Solar energy efficient schools/city property/businesses”

COMMUNITY FEEDBACK ON VISION STATEMENT



Community Programs and Facilities

- “Kid-friendly activities; more school programs for children.”
- “A community swimming pool!”
- “Community center/Senior Center/Gym.”



Safe and Healthy Environment

- “Exercise equipment at the park.”
- “Safe bike lanes.”

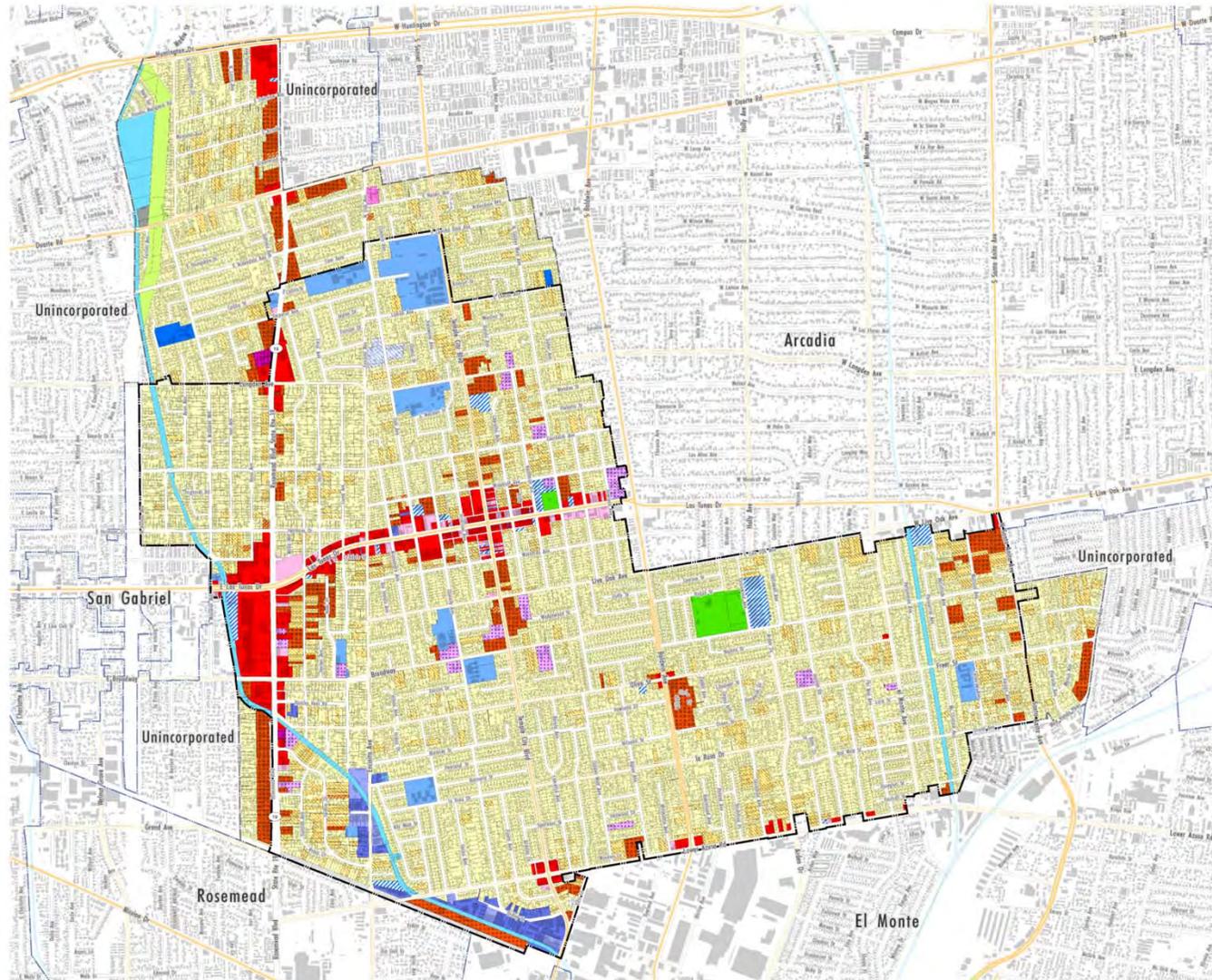


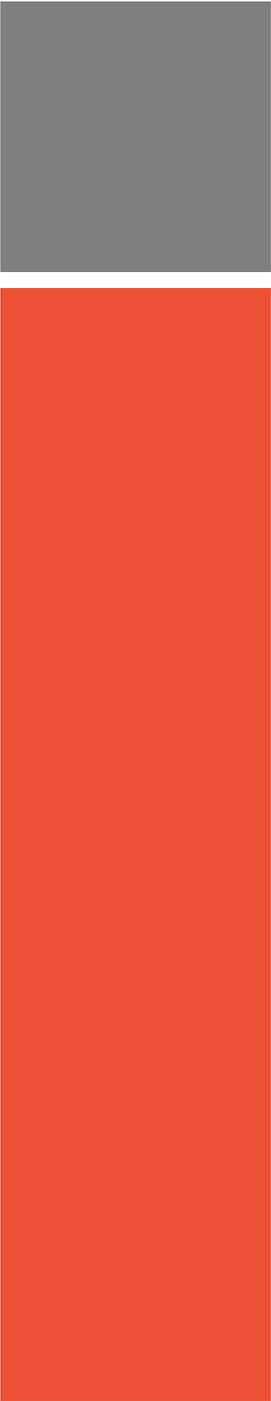
Responsive Governance

- “Pave the streets more often.”
- “A youth representative for City Council.”
- “More ambitions in developing our City.”

Opportunity Sites

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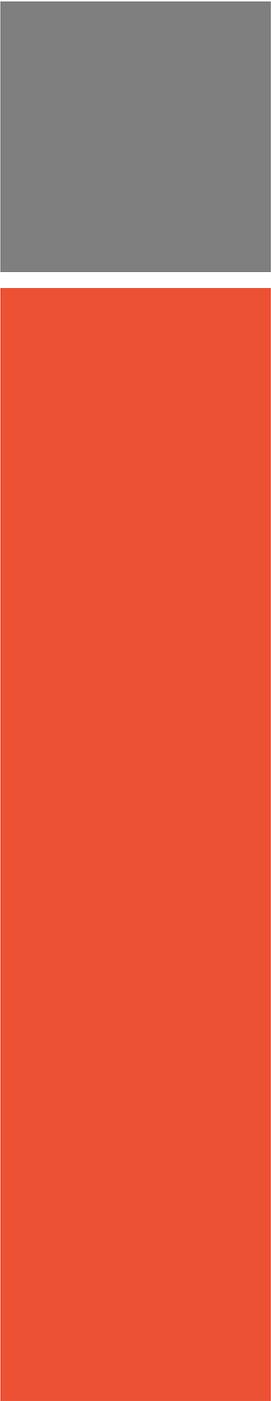




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Steps

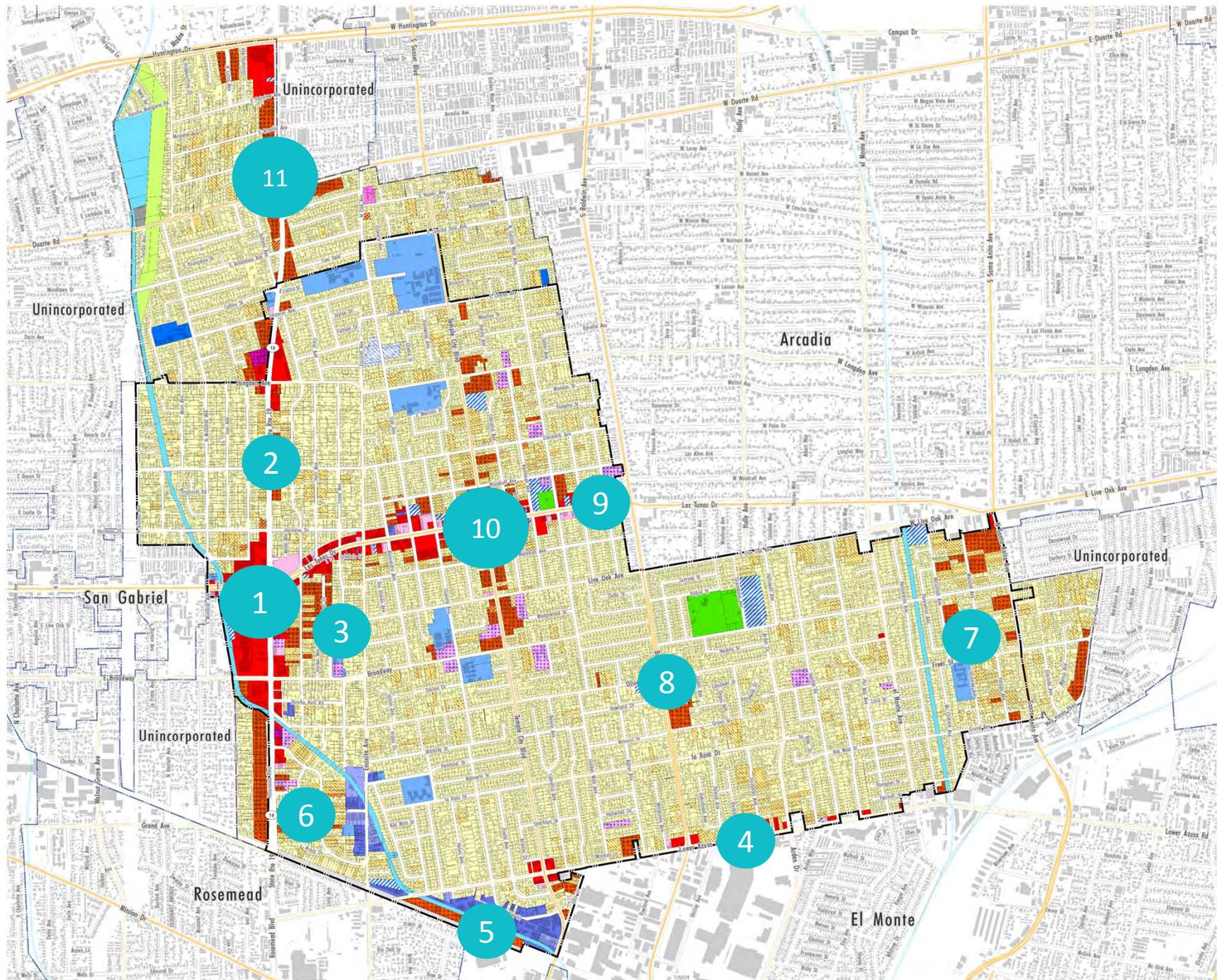
1. Identify areas for preservation of existing uses and densities
2. Identify locations for new housing, commercial, and industrial uses
3. Do not identify properties for new civic uses, parks, open spaces, schools, or other public uses (considered a “taking”)

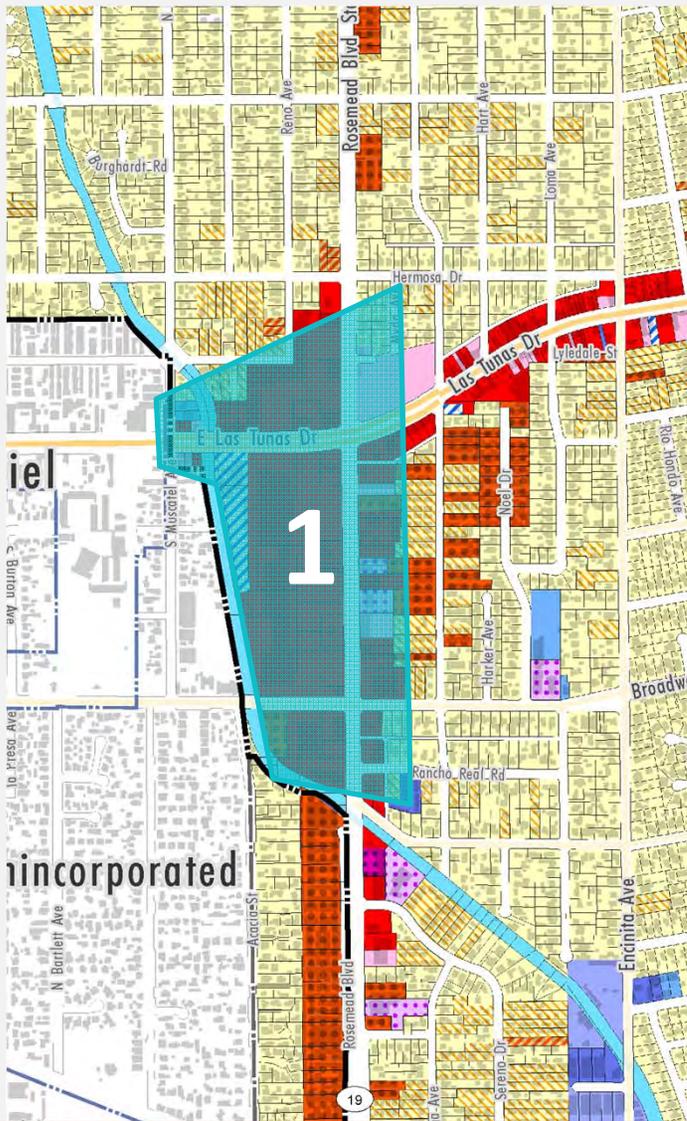


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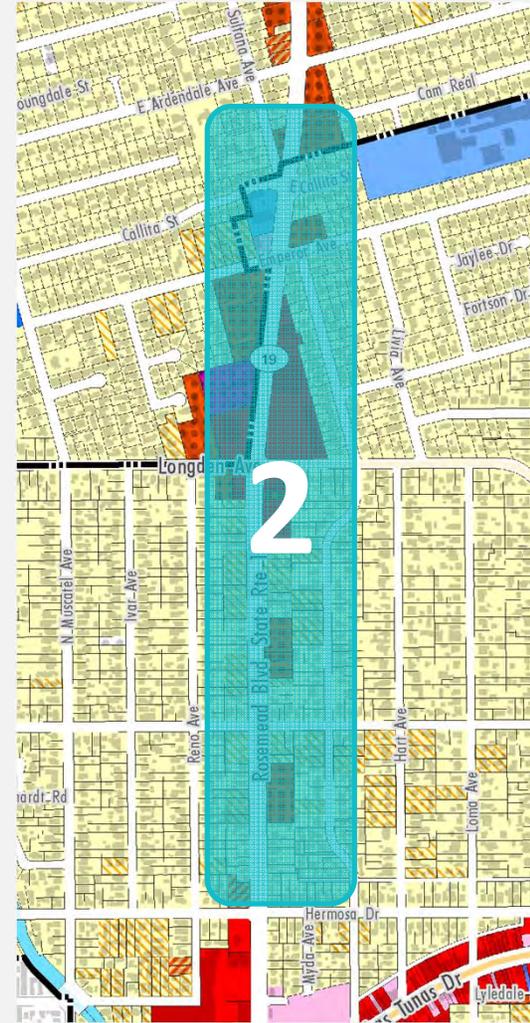
Criteria for Identifying Possible Opportunity Sites

- **Properties developed below permitted densities/intensities**
- **Economically underdeveloped properties**
 - Improvement/land value ratio is less than 1/1
 - Marginal business activity/lack of market support
 - Vacant buildings and properties
- **Opportunistic/Entrepreneurial**
- **Community Visions and Values for Place**





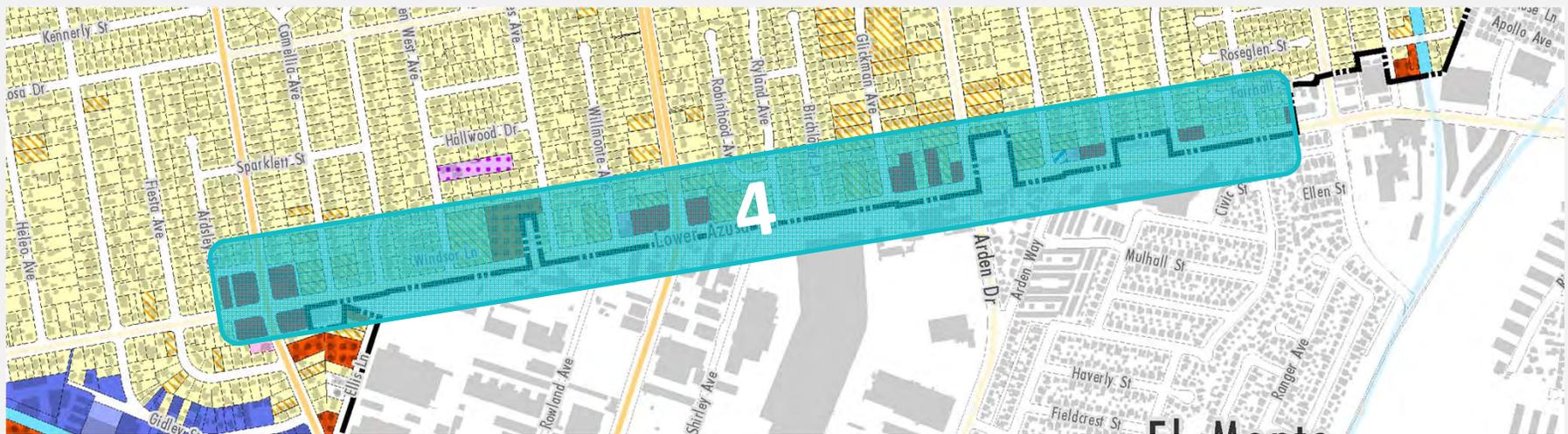
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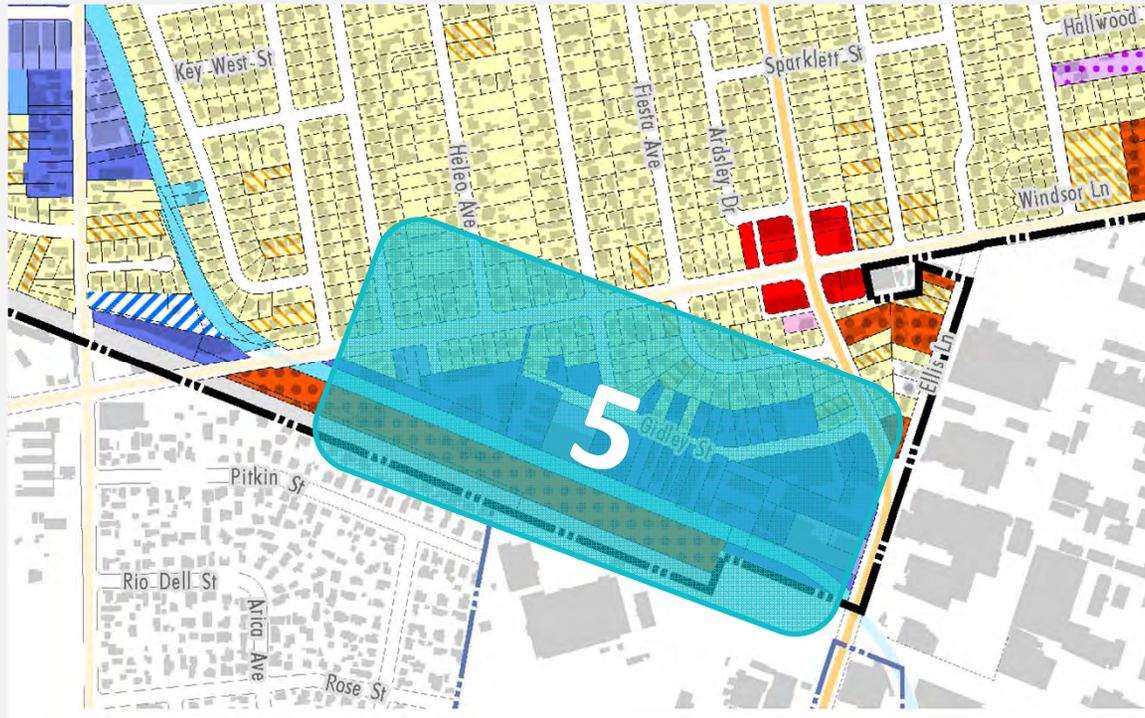
2. Rosemead Boulevard



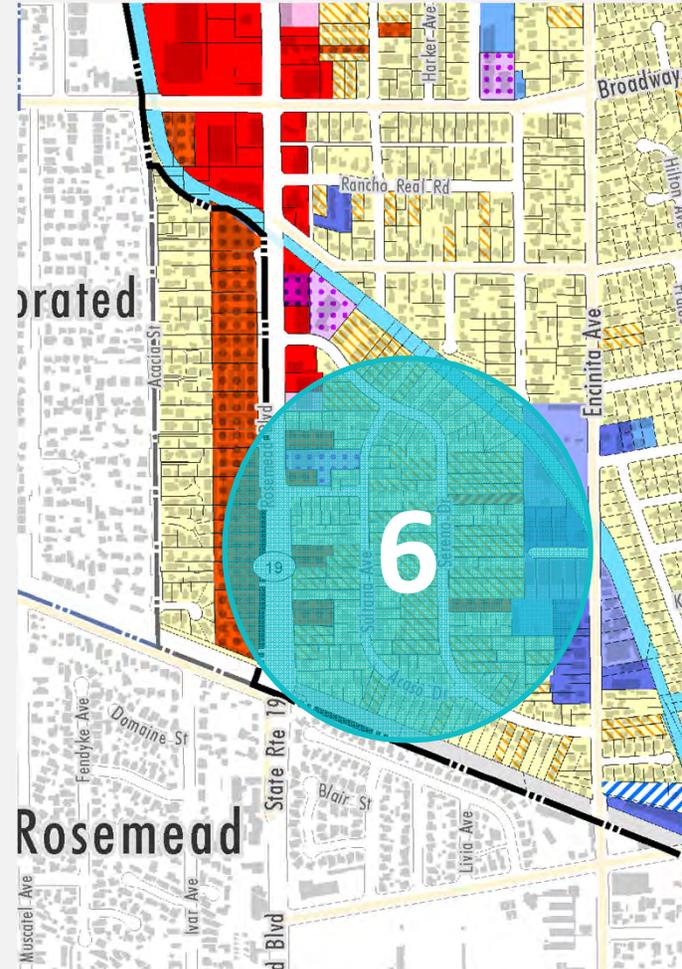
3. Sultana Avenue



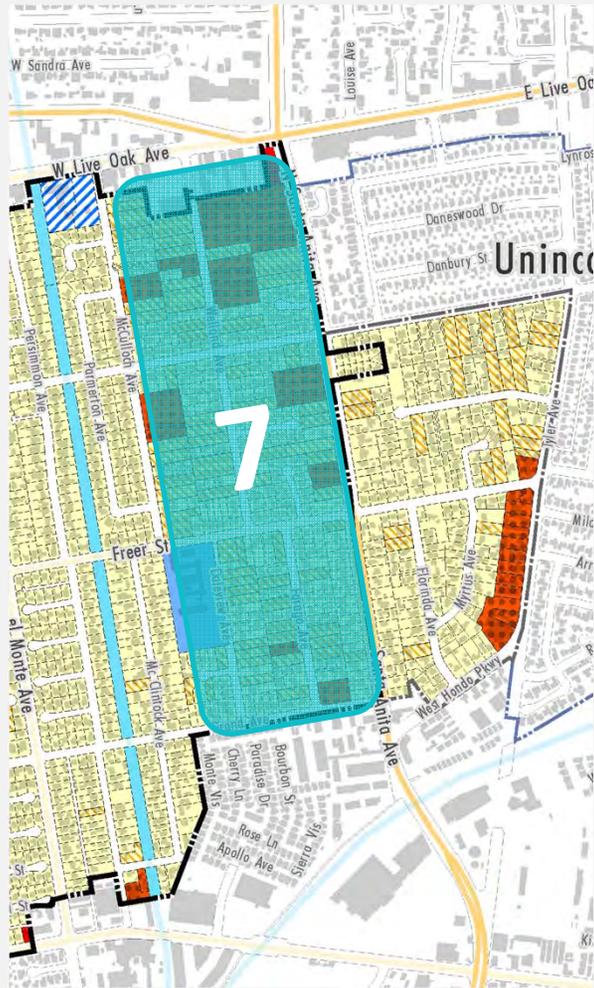
4. Lower Azusa Road (inclusive of Temple City Blvd. intersection)



5. Gidley Street



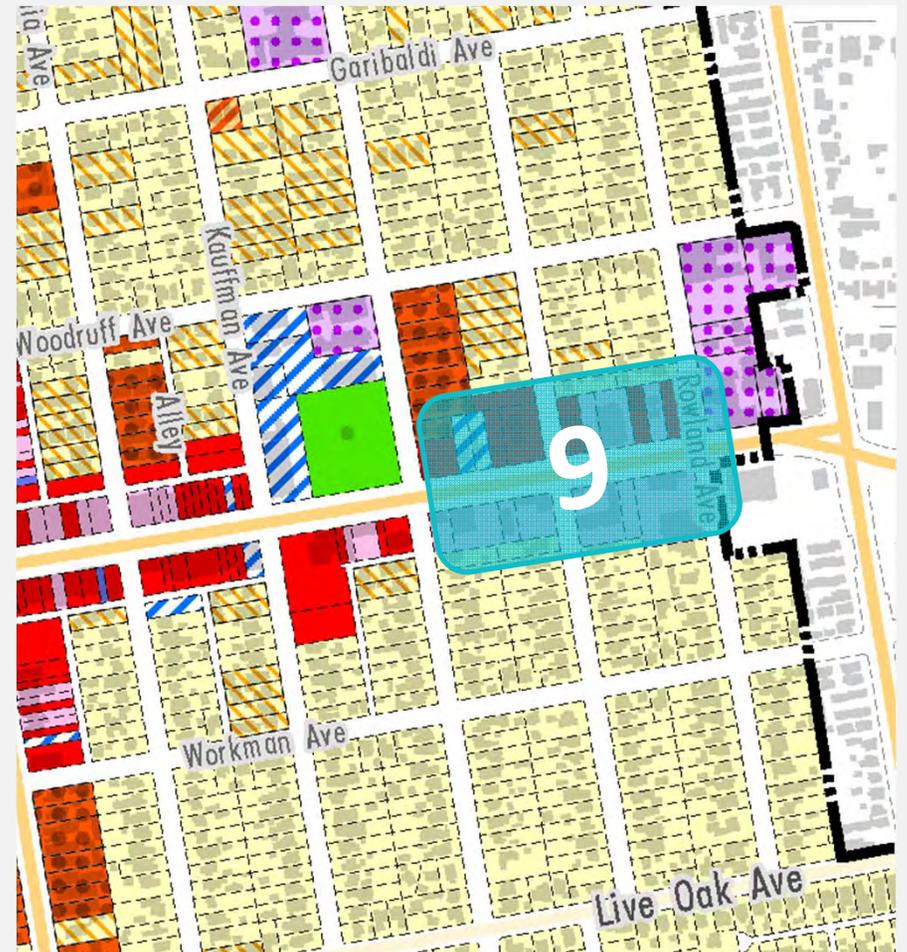
6. Sereno Drive



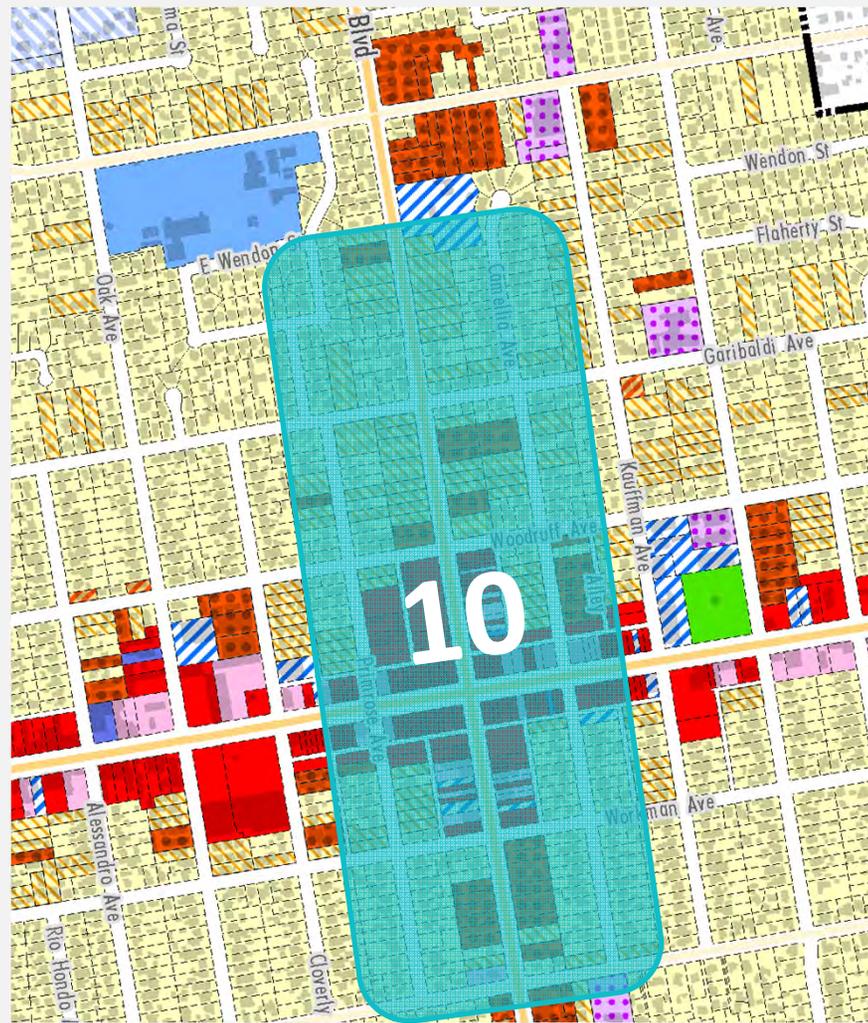
7. Welland Avenue



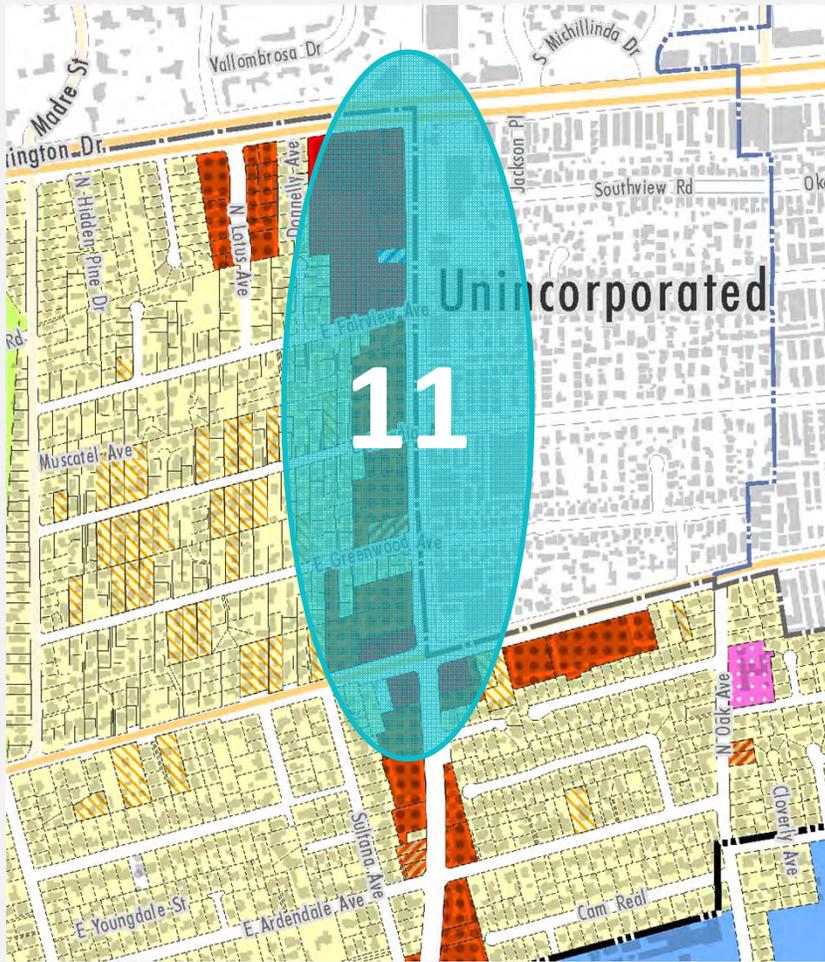
8. Baldwin Avenue and Olive Street



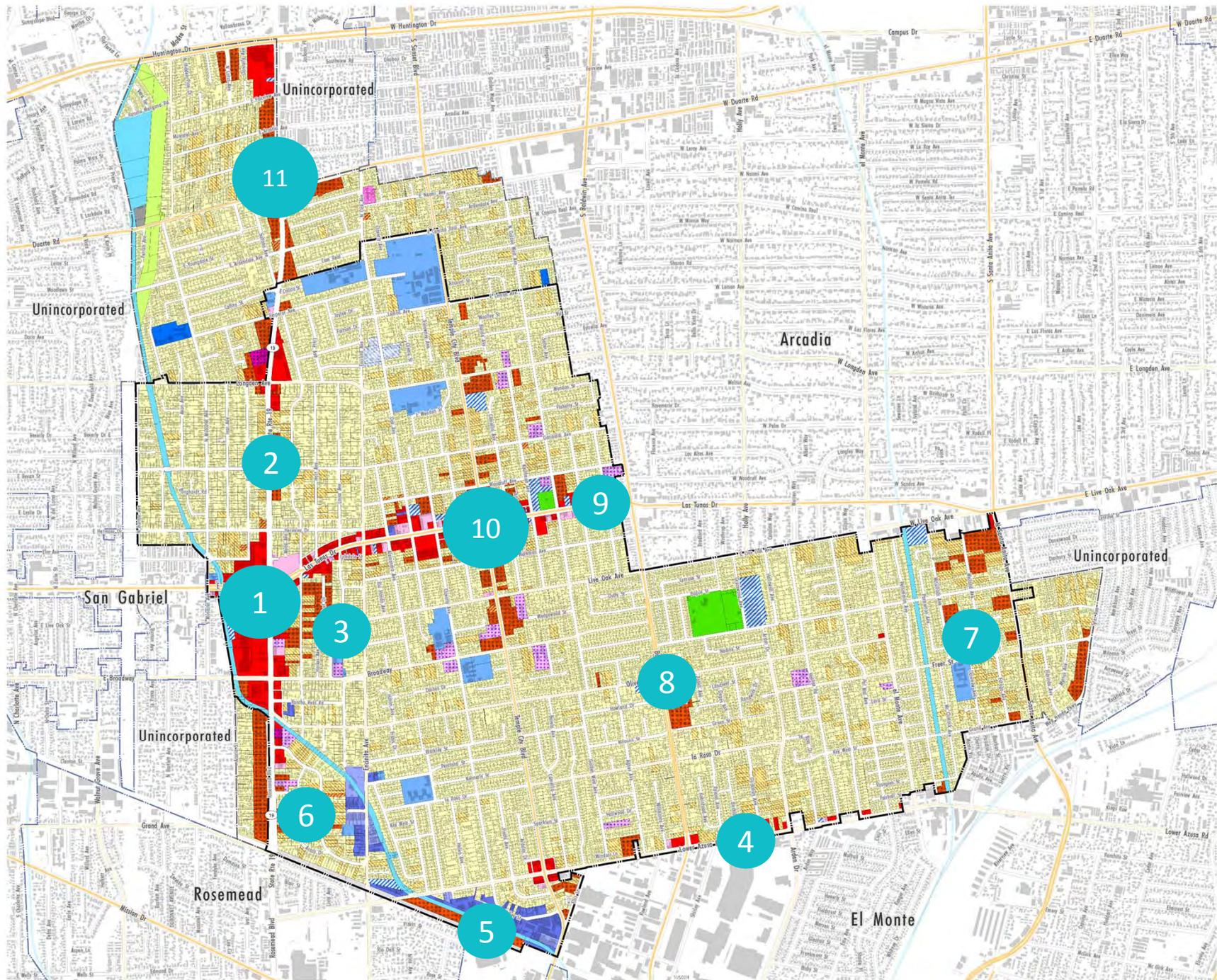
9. Las Tunas East



10. Temple City Boulevard



11. SOI Rosemead Boulevard



**NEXT MEETING:
January 12, 2015**

ADJOURNMENT