



Shape the Future 2025 / Motion by the Ocean Community Forum Summary Report



Meeting Information:

Meeting Date:	May 2, 2005
Organization Name:	Santa Monica Conservancy
Name of Contact Person:	Joel Brand
Location:	Ken Edwards Center
Duration of Meeting:	1 hour
Number of Participants:	14
Staff Representation:	Liz Bar-EI, AICP, Associate Planner Beth Rolandson, AICP, Senior Transportation Planner
City Council and/or Planning Commission Members Present:	None.

General Comments:

Staff presented an update on the Shape the Future 2025/Motion by the Ocean processes, distributed the emerging themes from the Emerging Themes Report, and outlined the next stage of the process after the Opportunities and Challenges report is completed, which will involve the community with a major workshop and other opportunities to provide input. Further input from the Conservancy membership would best be provided as the focus narrows on more specific proposals, alternatives and focus areas.

The group discussed issues related to incorporating the City's adopted preservation policies (Historic Preservation Element) into the Land Use Element. The incentives that the HPE calls for should be reflected in the LUCE. There was discussion about the merits of using restrictions to further preservation goals, such as reduced height limits to deter replacement of smaller historic buildings, versus using incentives such as transfer of development rights (TDRs) and other tools. Using TDRs would work best if certain areas were defined in the LUCE as the appropriate receiving site(s) for transferred rights from historic properties. Concern was expressed about keeping the character of Main Street given the current Code that allows four stories on some sections of the street. Participants discussed how the emerging themes reflect preservation and conservation goals and the connection with sustainability goals. Some expressed that the industrial area should be designated to accommodate the new housing that the City will require. The important economic sectors of the city should be integrated into the LUCE.

Follow – Up Issues:

Integrate HPE policies into the LUCE.