

Appendix C General Plan Goals and Policies

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AESTHETICS

The 2018 General Plan Update includes the following goals and policies that relate specifically to potential aesthetics and visual character impacts of the proposed project.

GOAL LCD-1: A balanced community with a mix of land uses that supports thriving business, all modes of transportation, complete neighborhoods, and healthy lifestyles

- **LCD 1.5 – Unique Places:** Promote and preserve Walnut’s distinct neighborhoods, unique places, and overall rural character.

Goal LCD-3: Successful commercial and industrial businesses that provide opportunities for local employment and contribute to a strong local economy

- **LCD 3.6 – Façade Upgrades:** Target design upgrades and other façade enhancements that maintain the City’s standards for high-quality and prevailing desired design aesthetics.

Goal LCD-7: Community character that reflects Walnut’s distinctive small-town identity and character

- **LCD 7.1 – Small-Town, Rural Character:** Apply design requirements that maintain and enhance Walnut’s small-town, rural character.
- **LCD 7.4 – Night Sky:** Preserve the value of the community’s night sky and avoid unnecessary light and spill-over of glare from signage, buildings, and landscape illumination and other sources of outdoor lighting.
- **LCD 7.7 – Streetscape Design:** Maintain streetscape design programs for commercial and mixed-use district frontages that create vibrant places which support walking, bicycling, transit, sustainable economic development, and overall connectivity.

GOAL LCD-8: High-quality and traditional design for all new development

- **LCD 8.1 – Enhanced Design:** Require architectural design treatments that encourage Walnut’s small-town, rural character and that can incorporate a mix of traditional and/or newer design themes, styles, and high-quality materials.
- **LCD 8.2 – High-quality Materials:** Insist that all new development incorporate high-quality building materials, textures, and finishes that embody durability and permanence.
- **LCD 8.3 – Consistent Building Themes:** Encourage non-residential development to utilize a unified or consistent design theme, particularly when involving multiple structures as part of one project. Thematic and stylistic diversity may be allowed when the overall project design achieves a harmonious effect.

- **LCD 8.4 – Landscape Design:** Develop specialized landscape and design treatments for entryways, intersections, parks, districts and neighborhoods, and public areas.
- **LCD 8.6 – Neighborhood Character Elements:** Identify positive neighborhood character elements and use these design features as design drivers for new development.

Goal C-2: Quiet streets with limited congestion

- **C 2.5 – Protect Ambience:** Preserve and maintain the most aesthetic part of the streetscape, including the natural vegetated mountain, street landscaping, and hillside edges.

Goal C-7: Provision of parking that meets evolving demands and vehicle usage

- **C 7.2 – Park Screening:** Minimize the appearance of parking lots and structures as viewed from public rights-of-ways and gateways.

GOAL COR-4: A healthy and vibrant community forest

- **COR 4.2 – Planting Program:** Prioritize the planting of street trees in new development projects, and ensure that any dying or diseased tree within a public right-of-way is quickly replaced with healthy and appropriate specimens.
- **COR 4.3 – Private Tree Preservation:** Implement effective programs that provide protection for mature trees on private properties.
- **COR 4.4 – California Black Walnut/Oak Trees:** Encourage the preservation, maintenance, and protection of California Black Walnut/Oak Trees, as well as other important native tree species Citywide.

GOAL CFI-2: Infrastructure that preserves and enhances the City’s character and rural aesthetic

- **CFI 2.1 – Infrastructure Aesthetics:** Limit negative aesthetic impacts of new public and private infrastructure.
- **CFI 2.3 – Overhead Utilities:** Reduce the visual impact of above ground and overhead utilities, including electric lines, by continuing to require the placement of utilities underground within new development and wherever possible, the realignment of existing utilities and equipment underground.
- **CFI 2.4 – Communications Infrastructure:** Support efforts to develop improved communications technology in a manner that minimizes visual and environmental impacts to the surrounding area, while benefiting government, business, education, and public safety. Encourage use of newer technologies that allow facility components to be reduced in size or improved via screening or camouflaging. Encourage co-locations of facilities to minimize visual blight.

AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY RESOURCES

There are no relevant General Plan Update policies for potential agricultural or forest resources.

AIR QUALITY

The 2018 General Plan Update includes several policies that would reduce air quality emissions associated with development projects in the city.

Goal LCD-9: A built environment with development approaches that apply sustainability principles

- **LCD 9.1 – Conservation:** Encourage the use of building design and materials that conserve energy and material resources.
- **LCD 9.6 – Vehicle Charging Station:** Encourage the implementation of programs that support electric vehicle charging readiness Citywide. Permit the installation of electric vehicle charging stations on private property.

GOAL COR-5: Municipal practices and private actions that promote environmental sustainability

- **COR 5.3 – Efficient Design:** Encourage energy-efficient design of all new projects (public and private), including appropriate structure orientation and the use of shade trees to maximize cooling and reduce fossil fuel consumption for heating and cooling.

GOAL COR-10: Clean local air quality and reduced greenhouse gas emissions

- **COR 10.5 – Green Buildings:** Require LEED or similar building efficiency certifications for all new public facilities and buildings, and encourage similar green building certifications for private development projects.
- **COR 10.6 – Minimize Air Quality Impacts:** Minimize air quality impacts of new development projects on established uses.
- **COR 10.7 – Air Quality Goals:** Ensure that land use and transportation plans support air quality goals, with new development projects reducing vehicle miles traveled and vehicle trips.
- **COR 10.10 – Alternative Fuels:** Prioritize alternative fuel vehicles for City use. Incorporate alternative fuel charging stations into public and private development projects.

BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES

The 2018 General Plan Update includes the following goals and policies that are relevant to biological resources.

GOAL COR-4: A healthy and vibrant community forest

- **COR.4.2 – Planting Program:** Prioritize the planting of street trees in new development projects, and ensure that any dying or diseased tree within a public right-of-way is quickly replaced with healthy and appropriate specimens.
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- **COR.4.4 – California Black Walnut/Oak Trees:** Encourage the preservation, maintenance, and protection of California Black Walnut/Oak Trees, as well as other important native tree species Citywide.

CULTURAL RESOURCES

The 2018 General Plan Update includes the following goals and policies that are relevant to cultural resources.

GOAL COR-9: The recognition and prioritization of cultural and historical preservation

- **COR 9.2 – Archaeological Resources:** Assure that all development properly addresses the potential for subsurface archeological deposits.
- **COR 9.3 – Cultural Resources:** Review all development and re-development proposals in the City for the possibility of cultural resources. This may include the need for individual cultural resource studies, including subsurface investigations.

ENERGY

The 2018 General Plan Update includes the following goals and policies that are relevant to energy.

GOAL LCD-1: A balanced community with a mix of land uses that supports thriving businesses, all modes of transportation, complete neighborhoods, and healthy lifestyles

- **LCD 1.5 – Sustainability:** Promote land use and development projects that demonstrably reduce greenhouse gas emissions, water usage, and electricity and natural gas demand.

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GOAL COR-10: Clean local air quality and reduced greenhouse gas emissions

- **COR.10.4 – Solar Energy Systems:** Encourage the use of solar energy systems or any other technology that similarly reduces the use of power from the grid in residential and commercial uses.
- **COR 10.5 – Green Buildings:** Require LEED or similar building efficiency certifications for all new public facilities and buildings, and encourage similar green building certifications for private development projects.

- **COR 10.10 – Alternative Fuels:** Prioritize alternative fuel vehicles for City use. Incorporate alternative fuel charging stations into public and private development projects.

GEOLOGY AND SOILS

The 2018 General Plan Update includes the following goals and policies that are relevant to geology and soils.

GOAL PS-3: Minimized risks associated with seismic and geologic hazard

- **PS 3.2 – Geotechnical Evaluation:** As appropriate, require geotechnical evaluation and recommendations prior to new development. Such geotechnical evaluation shall analyze the potential hazards from landslides, liquefaction, expansive soils, and mud and debris flow. Recommendations will include mitigation to avoid or minimize the identified hazards.
- **PS 3.4 – Seismic Building Codes:** Require that all new development comply with the most recent State of California seismic building codes and the Seismic Hazards Mapping Act. As appropriate, require mitigation of potentially adverse impacts of geologic and seismic hazards.

GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS

The 2018 General Plan Update includes several policies that would reduce GHG emissions associated with future development projects in the City.

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Goal LCD-9: A built environment with development approaches that apply sustainability principles

- **LCD 9.1 – Conservation:** Encourage the use of building design and materials that conserve energy and material resources.
- **LCD 9.3 – Sustainable Building Features:** Require that development incorporate sustainability, including features that minimize energy and water use, limit carbon emissions, provide opportunities for local power generation and food production, and provide areas for recreation.
- **LCD 9.6 – Vehicle Charging Station:** Encourage the implementation of programs that support electric vehicle charging readiness Citywide. Permit the installation of electric vehicle charging stations on private property.

GOAL C-6: Reduction in total vehicle miles traveled to help improve local air quality and reduce greenhouse gas emissions

- **C 6.1 – Reduced Vehicle Miles Travelled:** Implement development and transportation improvements that help reduce greenhouse gas emissions by reducing per capita Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT), reducing

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impacts on the City's transportation network, and maintaining the desired levels of service for all modes of transportation.

GOAL COR-5: Municipal practices and private actions that promote environmental sustainability

- **COR 5.3 – Efficient Design:** Encourage energy-efficient design of all new projects (public and private), including appropriate structure orientation and the use of shade trees to maximize cooling and reduce fossil fuel consumption for heating and cooling.

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HAZARDS AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

The 2018 General Plan Update includes the following goals and policies that are relevant to hazards and hazardous materials.

GOAL PS-2: Minimize risks associated with wildland fires

- **PS-2.1 – Wildfire Hazards:** Minimize the intensity of new residential development in the Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone. Require fire protection plans for any new development located within the Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone.
- **PS 2.2 – Development Review:** Involve the Fire Department in the early design stage of all projects requiring public review to ensure Fire Department input and appropriate modifications and fire safe design is incorporated in future development.
- **PS-2.3 – Emergency Access/Evacuation:** Ensure adequate emergency access and evacuation routes for all new hillside development, including adequate ingress and egress access.
- **PS-2.4 – Hillside Development:** Require that new hillside development have frequent grade breaks in access routes to ensure timely response from fire personnel in an emergency situation.

- **PS-2.5 – Public Education:** Conduct public education for residents of hillside properties and in high fire hazard areas to provide information about defensible space, evacuation routes, fuel modification, and legal brush clearance requirements.
- **PS-2.6 – Fuel Modification:** Continue to monitor and require short term and longterm maintenance of fuel modification zones and vegetation clearance for hillside development and public and private roads in and adjacent to the Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone.
- **PS-2.7 – Roadway Vegetation Clearance:** Develop a program that requires ongoing maintenance of vegetation clearance on public and provide roads within residential hillside areas and in the Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone.
- **PS 2.11 – Address and Signage:** Require all newly constructed or approved roads, streets, and buildings to be designated by names or numbers, posted on signs clearly visible and legible from the roadway to facilitate emergency response personnel and to avoid delays in response.

Goal PS-5: A high degree of community awareness and participation in the proper storage and disposal of hazardous waste materials

- **PS 5.1 – Hazardous Materials Handling:** Ensure the safe handling, storage, and transportation of hazardous materials citywide.
- **PS 5.3 – Proper Storage and Disposal:** Require the proper storage and disposal of hazardous materials to prevent leakage, potential explosions, fire, or the release of harmful fumes. Maintain information channels to the residential and business communities about the illegality and danger of dumping hazardous material and waste into the storm drain system and creeks.

GOAL C-1: Streets that are designed and managed to enable safe access for all users, including pedestrians, equestrians, bicyclists, motorists, and transit riders of all ages and abilities

- **C 1.9 – Emergency Coordination:** Consult with regional and local emergency service providers to ensure that roadways allow efficient access to recovery sites, and are easily accessible by emergency vehicles.

GOAL PS-2: Minimize risks associated with wildland fires

- **PS 2.2 – Development Review:** Involve the Fire Department in the early design stage of all projects requiring public review to ensure Fire Department input and appropriate modifications and fire safe design is incorporated in future development.
- **PS 2.11 – Address and Signage:** Require all newly constructed or approved roads, streets, and buildings to be designated by names or numbers, posted on signs clearly visible and legible from the roadway to facilitate emergency response personnel and to avoid delays in response.

HYDROLOGY AND WATER QUALITY

The 2018 General Plan Update includes the following goals and policies that relate specifically to potential hydrology and water quality impacts of the proposed project.

GOAL LCD-1: A balanced community with a mix of land uses that supports thriving business, all modes of transportation, complete neighborhoods, and healthy lifestyles

- **LCD 1.5 – Sustainability:** Promote land use and development projects that demonstrably reduce greenhouse gas emissions, water usage, and electricity and natural gas demand.

GOAL LCD-9: A built environment with development approaches that apply sustainability principles

- **LCD 9.4 – Building Design:** Support building designs that assist with the management of stormwater runoff, preserve and enhance soil permeability, and reduce other negative effects of urban development.

GOAL COR-5: Municipal practices and private actions that promote environmental sustainability

- **COR 5.3 – Efficient Design:** Encourage energy-efficient design of all new projects (public and private), including appropriate structure orientation and the use of shade trees to maximize cooling and reduce fossil fuel consumption for heating and cooling.
- **COR 5.7 – Water Supply:** Allow new development only when it can be demonstrated that sufficient water is available over the long term to supply that development.
- **COR 5.8 – Recycled Water:** Support the expansion of recycled water use wherever possible and feasible.

GOAL COR-7: Protected and healthy groundwater basins

- **COR 7.1 – Green Infrastructure:** Require low-impact designs such as vegetated treatment systems (bioswales, drainage swale, vegetative buffers, constructed wetlands) and other green infrastructure improvements for storm water discharge pollution removal.

GOAL CFI-6: Storm water infrastructure that minimizes flood risks and achieves water quality goals

- **CFI 6.1 – Storm Water and Drainage System:** Implement best practices in storm water management to reduce demand on the drainage system and to maintain low pollution impacts.
- **CFI 6.3 – Storm Water Runoff:** Minimize the impact of development on the City’s drainage system by reducing the amount of impervious surface associated with new development and encouraging low impact design features or landscaping that capture runoff.
- **CFI 6.4 – National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES):** Encourage on-site retention of storm water and compliance with requirements of the NPDES.

LAND USE AND PLANNING

Relevant 2018 General Plan Update goals and policies are reviewed in detail in Section 5.10, Table 5.10-2, *General Plan Consistency Analysis*. Applicable General Plan policies for specific environmental topics are listed in this appendix.

MINERAL RESOURCES

The 2018 General Plan Update does not include any mineral resources goals or policies that are relevant to the proposed project.

NOISE

The 2018 General Plan Update includes the following goals and policies that relate specifically to potential noise impacts of the proposed project.

GOAL N-1: Quiet neighborhoods: Coordinate the City’s land use policies promoting a small-town ambience with the appropriate measures to control, and to measure noise impacts.

- **N 1.3 – Minimize Noise Impacts:** Minimize noise impacts in the community to ensure that noise does not detract from Walnut’s quality of life.
- **N 1.5 – Commercial Delivery Areas:** Locate delivery areas for new commercial and industrial development away from existing or planned homes.
- **N 1.6 – Stationary Noise Sources:** Minimize stationary noise impacts on sensitive receptors, and require control of noise from construction activities, private developments/ residences, landscaping activities, and special events.
- **N 1.7 – Noise Mitigation:** Require development projects to implement mitigation measures, where necessary, to reduce noise levels to meet adopted standards and criteria. Such measures may include, but are not limited to, berms, walls, and sound-attenuating architectural design and construction methods.
- **N 1.9 – Industrial Uses and Equipment:** Require analysis and implementation of techniques to control the effects of noise from industrial sources, utilities, and mechanical equipment.

POPULATION AND HOUSING

There are no relevant General Plan Update policies for population and housing.

PUBLIC SERVICES

The 2018 General Plan Update includes the following goals and policies that are relevant to public services.

GOAL CFI-1: Quality community facilities that meet the needs of the community in a fiscally responsible manner

- **CFI 1.2 – New Development Impacts:** Require that development projects fully address impacts to public facilities and services. Ensure new development pays proportional fair share costs of public facilities through applicable fees and assessments.
- **CFI 1.3 – Adequate Services:** Continue to allow new development and the intensification of existing development only where and when adequate public services and facilities can be provided.

GOAL CFI-9: Superior educational facilities and resources for residents of all ages and backgrounds.

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- **CFI-9.1 -- Walnut Library:** Maintain, enhance, and promote the Walnut Library as an important central resource for informational materials, lifelong learning, and personal development.
- **CFI-9.2 -- County of Los Angeles Public Library:** Support the County of Los Angeles Public Library in efforts to provide a superior level of educational, informational, and cultural services for the Walnut community.
- **CFI-9.6 -- School Capacity:** Consult with school districts to ensure educational facilities with sufficient permanent capacity are available to meet the needs of current and future projected enrollment. Consult with the school districts on policies and projects that affect the provision of educational facilities and services.

GOAL PS-1: Effective and comprehensive crime prevention/protection and fire services that respond to the community's safety needs

- **PS 1.1 – Law Enforcement and Fire Services:** Maintain law enforcement and fire prevention and protection services that maximize protection of life and property.
- **PS 1.3 – Development Review:** Engage the Los Angeles County Sheriffs' Department in the review of development applications for security and public safety measures.
- **PS 1.8 – Environmental Design:** Look at design approaches that deter crime and vandalism for both public and private projects when reviewing development proposals and the design of public spaces. Consult methods found in Crime Prevention through Environmental and Design resources.

GOAL PS-2: Minimize risks associated with wildland fires

- **PS-2.1 – Wildfire Hazards:** Minimize the intensity of new residential development in the Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone. Require fire protection plans for any new development located within the Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone.
- **PS 2.2 – Development Review:** Involve the Fire Department in the early design stage of all projects requiring public review to ensure Fire Department input and appropriate modifications and fire safe design is incorporated in future development.
- **PS-2.3 – Emergency Access/Evacuation:** Ensure adequate emergency access and evacuation routes for all new hillside development, including adequate ingress and egress access.
- **PS-2.4 – Hillside Development:** Require that new hillside development have frequent grade breaks in access routes to ensure timely response from fire personnel in an emergency situation.
- **PS-2.5 – Public Education:** Conduct public education for residents of hillside properties and in high fire hazard areas to provide information about defensible space, evacuation routes, fuel modification, and legal brush clearance requirements.
- **PS-2.6 – Fuel Modification:** Continue to monitor and require short term and longterm maintenance of fuel modification zones and vegetation clearance for hillside development and public and private roads in and adjacent to the Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone.

- **PS-2.7 – Roadway Vegetation Clearance:** Develop a program that requires ongoing maintenance of vegetation clearance on public and provide roads within residential hillside areas and in the Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone.
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RECREATION

There are no relevant General Plan Update policies for recreation.

TRANSPORTATION

The 2018 General Plan Update includes the following goals and policies that are relevant to transportation/traffic impacts of the proposed project.

GOAL LCD-5: Land use and development patterns that promote a healthy community

- **LCD 5.7 – Reduce Vehicular Trips and Miles Traveled:** Coordinate land use patterns with the Circulation Element to improve and protect air quality, reduce vehicular trips, and promote walkability.

Goal LCD-7: Community character that reflects Walnut’s distinctive small-town identity and character

- **LCD 7.5 – Pedestrian Scale:** Maintain a pedestrian scale for new development. Require that non-residential development provide amenities that promote pedestrian activity and community gathering.

GOAL C-1: Streets that are designed and managed to enable safe access for all users, including pedestrians, equestrians, bicyclists, motorists, and transit riders of all ages and abilities

- **C 1.1 – Complete Streets:** Pursue and implement Complete Streets strategies to accommodate all users of different ages and abilities.
- **C 1.5 – Universal Access:** Identify and evaluate the system for potential improvements to accommodate seniors and disabled persons and to comply with ADA requirements.
- **C 1.7 – Multimodal:** Use available public rights-of-ways to provide wider sidewalks, bicycle lanes, trail facilities, and transit amenities.
- **C 1.9 – Emergency Coordination:** Consult with regional and local emergency service providers to ensure that roadways allow efficient access to recovery sites, and are easily accessible by emergency vehicles.
- **C 1.10 – Beautiful Complete Streets:** Promote an enhanced aesthetic image through streetscaping, median improvements, and careful implementation of non-essential signage when revising infrastructure for complete streets.

GOAL C-4: Connected pedestrian and bicycle network

- **C 4.6 – Parking Lot Pathways:** Require that parking lots include clearly defined paths for pedestrians and bicyclists to provide a safe access to building entrances and to surrounding public sidewalks.

GOAL C-6: Reduction in total vehicle miles traveled to help improve local air quality and reduce greenhouse gas emissions

- **C 6.1 – Reduced Vehicle Miles Travelled:** Implement development and transportation improvements that help reduce greenhouse gas emissions by reducing per capita Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT), reducing impacts on the City’s transportation network, and maintaining the desired levels of service for all modes of transportation.

GOAL C-10: Ability to respond and adapt to technological advances in the field of transportation and mobility

- **C 10.3 – Ride Sourcing and Ridesharing:** Require new non-residential developments to provide access and facilities that enable safe pick-up/drop-off locations of passengers of ride sourcing and ridesharing services. Encourage ride sourcing and ridesharing services to complement services provided for seniors, disabled persons, those who have impaired mobility, and those who live in isolated residences.

TRIBAL CULTURAL RESOURCES

There are no relevant General Plan Update policies for potential tribal cultural resources.

UTILITIES AND SERVICE PROVIDERS

The 2018 General Plan Update includes several policies that would reduce impacts to utilities and service providers associated with future development projects in the City.

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GOAL LCD-9: A built environment with development approaches that apply sustainability principles

- **LCD 9.1 – Conservation:** Encourage the use of building design and materials that conserve energy and material resources.
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Goal COR-5: Municipal practices and private actions that promote environmental sustainability

- **COR 5.4 – Recycling:** Work to reduce landfill waste and increase recycling.
- **COR 5.6 – Water Conservation** Support the efforts of all water agencies serving Walnut to reduce water consumption at all times, not just during times of drought.

- **COR 5.7 – Water Supply:** Allow new development only when it can be demonstrated that sufficient water is available over the long term to supply that development.

GOAL COR-7: Protected and healthy groundwater basins

- **COR 7.1 – Green Infrastructure:** Require low-impact designs such as vegetated treatment systems (bioswales, drainage swale, vegetative buffers, constructed wetlands) and other green infrastructure improvements for storm water discharge pollution removal.

GOAL CFI-1: Quality community facilities that meet the needs of the community in a fiscally responsible manner

- **CFI 1.2 – New Development Impacts:** Require that development projects fully address impacts to public facilities and services. Ensure new development pays proportional fair share costs of public facilities through applicable fees and assessments.
- **CFI 1.3 – Adequate Services:** Continue to allow new development and the intensification of existing development only where and when adequate public services and facilities can be provided.

GOAL CFI-2: Infrastructure that preserves and enhances the City's character and rural aesthetic

- **CFI 2.3 – Overhead Utilities:** Reduce the visual impact of above ground and overhead utilities, including electric lines, by continuing to require the placement of utilities underground within new development and wherever possible, the realignment of existing utilities and equipment underground.

GOAL CFI-5: Wastewater system that meets current and future needs

- **CFI 5.2 – Development:** Require developers to pay their fair share of costs for localized wastewater infrastructure upgrades to ensure that service levels are met.

GOAL CFI-6: Storm water infrastructure that minimizes flood risks and achieves water quality goals

- **CFI 6.1 – Storm Water and Drainage System:** Implement best practices in storm water management to reduce demand on the drainage system and to maintain low pollution impacts to the surface waters and Walnut's local creeks.
- **CFI 6.3 – Storm Water Runoff:** Minimize the impact of development on the City's drainage system by reducing the amount of impervious surface associated with new development and encouraging low impact design features or landscaping that capture runoff.
- **CFI 6.4 – National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES):** Encourage on-site retention of storm water and compliance with requirements of the NPDES

GOAL CFI-8: Efficient and economical solid waste management

- **CFI 8.3 – Collection and Recycling:** Ensure that all development provide on-site collection facilities to meet the waste diversion requirements.

WILDFIRE

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