

13 Implementation Plan



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13. IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

The Livermore 2045 General Plan will be implemented through both day-to-day decision making and long-term strategic actions. Every development project, capital improvement, zoning change, and policy will be reviewed for consistency with the General Plan’s vision, goals, and policies. Long-term strategic actions (some of which are already underway and others that will be initiated in the future) are designed to translate the General Plan’s policies into tangible outcomes. They represent the City’s commitment to aligning day-to-day operations, long-term planning efforts, and investment decisions with the priorities established in the General Plan. Together, these actions will serve as a roadmap for implementation, helping to guide City staff, elected and appointed officials, and community partners in advancing Livermore toward its desired future.

Guiding Implementation Through Policies and Actions

The General Plan includes a comprehensive set of policies that guide City staff, Committees, the Planning Commission, and the City Council. Where policies help provide direction and guide decisions, actions are intended to help prioritize work programs, allocate resources, and ensure that decisions are aligned with the community’s long-term vision.

Rather than prescribing rigid timelines or assigning departments in this chapter, the City will use the Citywide Strategic Plan to determine when and how to implement specific actions based on community needs, funding availability, and evolving conditions, consistent with General Plan policies.

Monitoring Progress and Measuring Success

To ensure the General Plan remains a living, responsive document, the City will use a monitoring and tracking framework that includes Key Performance Indicators (KPIs). These indicators will help evaluate the effectiveness of policies and City actions over time and guide adjustments as needed. Monitoring will focus on:

- **Housing Production and Affordability:** Checking progress toward meeting Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) targets and providing housing across income levels.

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- **Jobs-Housing Balance and Match:** Tracking the ratio of jobs to housing and the alignment between local wages and housing costs.
- **Economic Vitality:** Monitoring vacancy rates, business growth, and fiscal health indicators such as revenue generation and infrastructure maintenance costs.
- **Infrastructure and Public Services:** Ensuring that growth is matched by adequate capacity in transportation, utilities, parks, schools, and emergency services.
- **Environmental Sustainability:** Measuring greenhouse gas emissions, vehicle miles traveled, waste diversion, and renewable energy adoption.
- **Quality of Life:** Evaluating access to neighborhood amenities, open space, cultural resources, and community services.

Progress tracking will occur through a variety of channels such as Annual Housing Progress Reports, Climate Action Plan Annual Reports, Budgeting, Strategic Plan tracking, and Livermore’s biennial Community Survey. Together, these documents will help identify trends and challenges, spur evaluation of potential policy or programmatic adjustments, and inform updates to the General Plan, Strategic Plan, and other planning documents.

Implementation of the General Plan will be adaptive and responsive. As conditions change, whether due to economic shifts, climate impacts, or community priorities, the City will revisit and revise its policies. This flexible approach ensures that Livermore can remain resilient, equitable, and forward-thinking.

Implementation Actions by Element

The following actions support the implementation of the Livermore 2045 General Plan. These are organized by General Plan element and are intentionally broad to allow flexibility in prioritization and timing through the Strategic Plan and annual budgeting process.

Land Use Element

Goal LU-1. Create a well-integrated, sustainable, and livable community by locating new development in areas that can maximize the use of existing public services and facilities.

Actions

LU-A-1.1: Neighborhood Amenities. Amend the Livermore Development Code to better support daily needs, such as grocery stores, basic services, and recreational uses, in areas lacking these amenities, particularly in lower-income locations.

Goal LU-2. Establish a coherent and logical pattern of urban uses that protects and enhances open space and agricultural uses by providing a clear and permanent boundary for urban uses within the City’s Planning Area. The provisions of the North Livermore Urban Growth Boundary Initiative, and as readopted by the South Livermore Urban Growth Boundary Initiative, shall be amended only by a vote of the people.

Action

LU-A-2.1: Livermore Municipal and Development Code Amendments. Amend the Livermore Municipal and Development Codes to update the Transferable Development Credit (TDC) program to expand opportunities for open space conservation, vineyard protection, continued agricultural sustainability, and prevent sprawl consistent with the Urban Growth Boundary.

Goal LU-4. Establish mixed-use districts that integrate housing, commercial, and employment uses to increase housing supply, support economic vitality, and create vibrant, walkable neighborhoods with a strong sense of place.

Action

LU-A-4.1: Missing Middle Housing. Amend the Livermore Development Code to create development standards and incentives for Missing Middle Housing by allowing a broader range of small-scale, multi-unit housing types—such as duplexes, triplexes, fourplexes, and cottage courts—in appropriate residential zones, while ensuring compatibility with neighborhood scale and promoting housing diversity and affordability.



LU A-4.2: Commercial Revitalization. Amend the Livermore Development Code to allow residential uses in neighborhood commercial districts to promote continued investment and revitalization. Ensure appropriate development standards and conditions are applied to maintain compatibility, support mixed-use development, and preserve the character and functionality of these areas.

Goal LU-5. Establish commercial development that will support and enhance a vibrant community, serve existing residents and workers, provide local jobs, and meet regional needs.

Action

LU-A-5.1: Allowed Uses in Commercial Districts. Amend the Livermore Development Code to allow a broader range of commercial uses and services that reflect current community needs and market trends, supporting continued investment and revitalization in neighborhood commercial districts.

Goal LU-6. Designate sufficient industrial land to maintain existing businesses and attract new businesses that provide local jobs with living wages.

Action

LU-A-6.1: Industrial Zoning. Update and modernize industrial zoning districts to support a range of industrial uses, tenant sizes, facilitate adaptive reuse of underutilized spaces, and promote economic development through flexible, future ready land use strategies.

LU-A-6.2: Commercial and Industrial Land Inventory. Maintain an inventory of commercial and industrial land sufficient to support a diverse and robust local economy with high quality jobs through regular inventory analysis and strategic decisions in land use conversion, zoning changes, and long term planning for a range of commercial, production, distribution, and innovation-oriented light industrial uses.

Goal LU-10. Advance a strong and resilient Livermore through sustainable land use planning.

Action

LU-A-10.1: CAP Development Consistency. Update the development application checklist to account for consistency with the Climate Action Plan (CAP). Identify CAP strategies and other sustainability best management practices as conditions of approval for discretionary development applications.



Goal LU-11. Maintain Downtown Livermore as the heart of the community.

Action

LU-A -11.1: Downtown Specific Plan Amendment. Amend the Downtown Specific Plan to broaden permitted commercial, visitor-serving, and entertainment uses, revise development standards to allow greater flexibility, and study fee modifications and reductions, with the goal of stimulating economic activity, enhancing the visitor experience, and strengthening Livermore’s local economy

Goal LU-12. Preserve and enhance the South Livermore Valley as a premier agricultural region, a thriving wine country economy, and visitor destination.

Action

LU-A-12.1: South Livermore Valley Specific Plan Update. Amend the South Livermore Valley Specific Plan to expand the range of permitted commercial and visitor-serving uses and revise development standards to allow greater flexibility, with the goal of stimulating economic activity, enhancing the visitor experience, and creating additional demand for wine country products and services in ways that strengthen the local economy and provide lasting benefits to the Livermore community.

Goal LU-14. Further El Charro as a regional destination for retail, dining, lodging, and entertainment.

Action

LU-A-14.1: El Charro Specific Plan Land Area. Continually monitor and assess the appropriate boundaries for, and uses permitted within, the El Charro Specific Plan, ensuring sufficient land area to accommodate future changes in land use patterns, trends, and needs.

Goal LU-15. Create a complete mixed-use neighborhood in the Midtown Area.

Action

LU-A-15.1: Midtown Specific Plan. Initiate the development of the Midtown Specific Plan to guide the revitalization and redevelopment of the Midtown area with a focus on mixed-use infill, housing diversity, multimodal connectivity, and public realm improvements. The plan should establish a cohesive vision, land use framework, and design standards to support economic development, enhance livability, and align with citywide sustainability and equity goals.

Goal LU-16. Establish the Vasco Row area as a mixed-use district and visitor destination that supports production and maker spaces that serve as a gateway to South Livermore wine country.

Action

LU-A-16.1: Vasco Row District Plan. Develop the Vasco Row District Plan to support the evolution of this industrial and artisan district into a vibrant employment and maker space hub. The plan will identify infrastructure needs, land use refinements, fiscal strategies, and design guidelines to accommodate a range of light industrial, creative, and small-scale manufacturing uses while preserving the district’s unique character and supporting long-term economic vitality.

Goal LU-17. Cultivate the transition of new complete neighborhoods that have access to community amenities, respect the design of the surrounding area, and support multimodal transportation options.

Action

LU-A-17.1: Las Colinas Neighborhood Plan. Prepare the Las Colinas Neighborhood Plan to guide future development, infrastructure investment, and community enhancements in this growing residential area. The plan will address land use compatibility, housing variety, mobility improvements, parks and open space, and neighborhood-serving amenities to ensure a complete, connected, and resilient community.

Community Identity Element

Goal CI-3. Celebrate Livermore's history and identity through arts and culture.

Action

CI-A-3.1: City Design Standards. Amend City design standards to provide guidance for incorporating Livermore's science and innovation identity into the design of buildings and spaces.

Goal CI-10. Protect scenic views of areas surrounding Livermore.

Action

CI-A-10.1: Scenic Overlay District. Amend Livermore Development to establish Scenic Overlay Districts to ensure development promotes views of Livermore's scenic resources, is subordinate to natural landforms, reflects Livermore's urban aesthetic qualities.

Goal CI-11. Protect the nighttime sky of Livermore as a significant scenic resource.

Action

CI-A-11.1: Lighting Ordinance. Update the Livermore Development Code and Standard Details to create design standards to regulate lighting quantity, intensity, and design, minimizing glare, light trespass, and sky glow while ensuring adequate nighttime illumination for public safety.

Goal CI-14. Incorporate graceful transitions between areas of different uses and scales.

Action

CI-A-14.1: Transition Design Guidance. Develop objective design standards for integrating and transitioning developments of different scales and densities together in a way that is visually pleasing and compatible with Livermore's identity.

CI-A-14.2: Transect and Transition Zoning. Update Livermore's form-based Development Code to reflect current best-practices in planning and design.

Mobility Element

Goal MO-2. Reduce the number and length of single-occupancy vehicle trips.

Action

MO-A-2.1: Transportation Demand Management Ordinance. Adopt and implement a citywide Transportation Demand Management (TDM) ordinance for new developments, incorporating tiered trip reduction and vehicle miles traveled (VMT) reduction targets and monitoring requirements that align with the goals of relevant area plans. Develop a toolbox of strategies to reduce VMT and create incentives for existing developments to participate.

MO-A-2.2: Carbon Fee. Evaluate and establish a carbon fee on new development to fund transit, active transportation, and zero-emission vehicle infrastructure, building electrification incentive programs, and other greenhouse gas emission reduction strategies that support community-wide carbon neutrality targets.



Goal MO-4. Make transit a viable option by supporting frequent, reliable, cost-efficient, and connected service.

Action

MO-A-4.1: Transit-Supportive Infrastructure. Coordinate with LAVTA to conduct a feasibility study of roadway system changes to improve bus speeds and reliability, including strategies such as transit signal prioritization, queue jump lanes, and bus-only lanes.

MO-A-4.2: Regional Transportation Improvements. Establish plan lines that identify the right-of-way along Interstate 580 freeway to support regional transportation improvements, including Valley Link service and high-occupancy vehicle lanes. Infrastructure improvements (e.g., frontage road and utility relocations) necessary solely for the Interstate 580 regional transportation improvements will be the responsibility of the implementing agency. Such improvements will be coordinated with adjacent development.

Goal MO-5. Provide a local circulation system for the safe, efficient, and convenient movement of people and goods while balancing safety with acceptable levels of service.

Action

MO-A-5.1: Proven Safety Countermeasures. Implement the City's Vision Zero Plan to eliminate traffic-related fatalities and serious injuries by prioritizing street design, speed management, safe crossings, and data-driven safety improvements across all modes of transportation.

Goal MO-7. Develop and maintain a Downtown circulation system that is pedestrian-oriented and supports Downtown as a destination.

Action

MO-A-7.1: Downtown Access and Parking. Develop and implement a Downtown Access and Parking Strategy that enhances multimodal connectivity to Downtown, prioritizes access to the Livermore Transit Center and public parking facilities, and supports walkability and bicycle access.

Goal MO-8. Use parking, enforcement, and curb management strategies to effectively administer parking supply and maximize use of public assets.

Action

MO-A-8.1: Citywide Parking Policy. Build on the City’s Downtown Parking Study and adopt a comprehensive parking policy for the entire city that encourages carpooling and the use of zero-emission vehicles and transportation. Parking time limits in the Downtown should also be evaluated regularly along with selective enforcement to ensure compliance.

MO-A-8.2: Maximum Allowed Parking. Amend Livermore Development Code to establish maximum parking standards for various land uses in order to facilitate efficient land use, reduce impervious surfaces, and to discourage underutilized open-land activities.

MO-A-8.3: Additional Bicycle Parking. Identify locations where more bicycle parking would be beneficial and install bicycle racks and bicycle storage facilities, as funding becomes available (Resolution 2014-183).

MO-A-8.4: Intelligent Curb Use. Amend the Livermore Municipal Code to establish curbside management requirements including designated loading/unloading zones for passenger, rideshare, and delivery services. Coordinate with service providers and commercial operators to ensure proper routing to these zones and prevent obstruction of bike lanes, sidewalks, and/or vehicle travel lanes.

Goal MO-9. Support the continued operation of the Livermore Municipal Airport as an integral component of the local and regional transportation system, enhancing connectivity for people and goods and coordinating with other transportation modes and infrastructure.

Action

MO-A-9.1: Multi-Modal Access. Develop a multimodal access plan to improve transit, bike, pedestrian, and vehicle connections to Livermore Municipal Airport and integrate it with regional transportation networks.

Infrastructure Element

Goal INF-1. Improve infrastructure using a fiscally and environmentally sustainable approach that responds to changing conditions.

Action

INF-A-1.1: Citywide Asset Management System. Develop and maintain a citywide asset management system that tracks the condition, lifecycle costs, and replacement schedules of public infrastructure to inform Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) priorities and funding decisions.

INF-A-1.2: Public Service Capacity. Monitor new development to ensure that public services such as public safety, school facilities, sewage treatment capacity, treated domestic water, public parks and recreation, keep pace with growth.

Goal INF-2. Provide sufficient water supplies and facilities that meet current and future needs in an efficient and sustainable manner.

Action

INF-A-2.1: Water Master Plan Update and Implementation. Update and implement a comprehensive Water Master Plan that identifies infrastructure needs, conservation strategies, and system upgrades to ensure long-term water supply reliability. Coordinate with Zone 7 and retail water providers to promote water-efficient development, and integrate climate-resilient practices into water system planning and operations.



Goal INF-3. Plan, manage, and develop wastewater collection, treatment, and disposal systems in ways that are safe, sanitary, resilient to climate change, and financially sound.

Action

INF-A-3.1: Water Treatment Plan Upgrade. Upgrade the City's wastewater treatment plant to increase capacity, efficiency, and financial sustainability through modernizing infrastructure, enhancing treatment technologies in compliance with regulatory and environmental standards.

INF-A-3.2: Citywide Inflow and Infiltration Reduction Program. Implement a citywide inflow and infiltration (I&I) reduction program to identify and repair sources of excess stormwater entering the wastewater system, thereby preserving treatment capacity and reducing costs.

INF-A-3.3: South Livermore Valley Sewer Extension Project. Coordinate with Alameda County, as the lead agency, to implement the South Livermore Valley (SLV) sewer extension project by executing necessary agreements, facilitating interagency coordination, and identifying funding mechanisms. Ensure project phasing aligns with infrastructure planning goals, groundwater protection objectives, pretreatment practices and requirements, and the City's Urban Growth Boundary policies.

Goal INF-4. Collect and convey stormwater in ways that are safe, sanitary, environmentally acceptable, and financially sustainable.

Action

INF-A-4.1: Green Stormwater Infrastructure. Install green stormwater infrastructure (e.g., bioswales, permeable pavement) where feasible on City-owned properties and in public right-of-way projects to reduce runoff and improve water quality.



Goal INF-5. Reduce the generation of solid waste, increase the diversion of materials from landfills, and support efficient, environmentally responsible solid waste collection, recycling, composting, and disposal systems.

Action

INF-A-5.1: Dedicated Waste and Recycling Areas. Update the Livermore Development Code to require new commercial and multifamily developments to include dedicated, accessible storage areas for landfill, recycling, and organic waste bins, sized to meet service provider standards.

Goal INF-6. Ensure the provision of utilities in ways that are safe, environmentally sustainable, and benefit all members of the community.

Action

INF-A-6.1: Utility Undergrounding. Coordinate with utility providers and seek grant funding to underground overhead utility lines in priority areas during major roadway or infrastructure projects, and identify opportunities to expand utility capacity—such as electricity, broadband, wireless phone service and wastewater and water systems—to support future growth, improve system reliability, enhance safety, and align with citywide sustainability and resiliency goals.



Community Services Element


Goal CS-1. Facilitate education facilities that meet the needs of Livermore residents.

Action

CS-A-1.1: Information-Sharing Process. Work with the Livermore Valley Joint Unified School District to develop and follow a process to provide timely information about new development and its impact on school capacity.


Goal CS-2. Ensure an adequate range and supply of childcare services to meet the needs of all Livermore residents.

Action


CS-A-2.1: Childcare Site Inventory and Planning. Create and maintain an inventory of underutilized properties citywide that could support existing or future childcare facilities. This inventory will be used to study current childcare capacity, geographic distribution, and service gaps. The findings will inform programs and land use planning, including potential zoning updates or infrastructure investments, to support the equitable expansion of childcare services across Livermore. 


Goal CS-3. Facilitate access to healthcare and healthy food for all Livermore residents.

Action

CS-A-3.1: Healthy Food Regulatory Barriers. Identify and amend the Livermore Development Code and development regulations to remove barriers to healthy food retailers, urban agriculture, and community food production to improve equitable access to healthy foods. 

CS-A-3.2: Edible Landscaping. Update the Livermore Development Code, Municipal Code, and applicable development standards to allow and encourage the integration of edible plants and fruit-bearing trees in public and private landscaping.


CS-A-3.3: Farmers Markets. Facilitate periodic farmers’ markets and similar outdoor community events in neighborhoods throughout the city by identifying suitable locations, streamlining permitting, and exploring partnerships to improve access to fresh, local food. 

CS-A-3.4: Food Pantry Locations. Review and update the Livermore Development Code as needed to permit food pantries in appropriate locations to support the needs of Livermore residents. Support community partners who provide needed food pantry services and share information about how to access services with those seeking assistance. 

Goal CS-5. Deliver public services and facilities that serve the needs of seniors, are age friendly, and allow residents to age in place.

Action

CS-A-5.1: Age-Friendly Action Plan. Create an Age-Friendly Action Plan to work toward Livermore becoming an age-friendly city.

CS-A-5.2: Senior Services. Identify the needs of Livermore’s senior population, (defined broadly as older adults) by considering age, income, mobility, abilities, and other relevant factors. Evaluate existing infrastructure, land uses, transportation, and services that support seniors. Partner with LARPD, LAVTA, and local nonprofits to strengthen and expand services as needed. 

Open Space and Conservation Element

Goal OS-1. Conserve the value and function of Livermore’s open space for natural resource protection, recreation, and scenic value.

Action

OS-A-1.1: Open Space Acquisition Funding. Utilize available funding sources to acquire and maintain high priority open space acquisitions and easements.

OS-A-1.2: Open Space Acquisition Prioritization. Develop an implementation plan for acquisition and/or preservation of open space areas to prioritize the use of open space preservation fees or funds received by the City.

OS-A-1.3: Open Space Stewardship and Management Program. Develop and implement a program to manage City-owned open space lands using sustainable practices such as grazing, invasive species control, habitat restoration, and fire risk reduction. The program should include partnerships with local ranchers, and conservation organizations to support ecological health, scenic value, and long-term maintenance of open space areas.

OS-A-1.4: Conservation Easement Program Development. Establish a program to identify, prioritize, and implement conservation easements (including on City-owned open space lands), or other strategies and investments, that support agricultural, recreation, and habitat values. Collaborate with land trusts (Tri Valley Conservancy), LARPD, and other regional partners to secure easements that protect scenic views, wildlife corridors, and working landscapes in perpetuity.

Goal OS-2. Preserve and enhance biological resources.

Action

OS-A-2.1: Biological Resource Preservation Agency Coordination. Collaborate with Alameda County, East Bay Regional Park District, Livermore Area Recreation and Park District, and other agencies and organizations to preserve natural and near-natural landscape communities, such as the Springtown Alkali Sink, Brushy Peak, Corral Hollow, Cedar Mountain and Sycamore Grove.

Goal OS-3. Protect Livermore’s groundwater resources, waterways, tributaries, and associated riparian habitats.

Action

OS-A-3.1: Groundwater Recharge Map. Coordinate with relevant agencies to study areas potentially suitable for groundwater recharge or other environmental functions to inform planning and land use development decisions.

OS-A-3.2: Integrated Pest Management. Implement an integrated pest management (IPM) program for City-managed landscaping areas based on industry Best Management Practices (BMPs).

Goal OS-4. Protect agricultural land and working landscapes as vital parts of the Livermore open space network in and around the Planning Area.

Action

OS-A-4.1: Agriculture and Vineyard Expansion Strategy. Collaborate with agencies and organizations to develop funding strategies to support the preservation and expansion of vineyards and agricultural uses.



Goal OS-6. Protect and improve Livermore’s air quality.

Action

OS-A-6.1: Air Filtration Systems. Develop programs and seek grant funding to help low-income members of the community obtain air filtration systems and conduct other home retrofits and improvements to enhance indoor air quality and minimize exposure to poor air quality associated with smoke and vehicle emissions.



Goal OS-8. Promote a clean, reliable, and equitable energy system by increasing energy efficiency, expanding the use of renewable and carbon-free energy sources, and reducing greenhouse gas emissions from buildings, transportation, and infrastructure.

Action

OS-A-8.1: Climate Action Plan Updates. Update the Livermore Climate Action Plan (CAP) at least every five years, maintaining the CAP as a Qualified Greenhouse Gass (GHG) Reduction Strategy under the Guidelines for the California Environmental Quality Act as laid out by the State and Bay Area Air Quality Management District. The CAP shall include an inventory of the level of GHG emissions within the city for a recent year, in comparison to a 2005 baseline, and shall set out specific policies and actions to be undertaken by the City to reduce GHG emissions to a level that meets or exceeds State GHG reduction targets. The policies and actions will include incentives, actions, and requirements to reduce the city’s GHG emissions, the GHG emissions of the private sector, and actions that the City will take in concert with public agencies, the private sector, and other stakeholders to reduce GHG emissions. Updates to the CAP will include a public and stakeholder engagement process.



OS-A-8.2: Climate Action Plan Implementation. Continue to implement the Climate Action Plan (CAP). Identify key City staff and partner agencies responsible for implementing CAP strategies and actions. Integrate CAP strategies and actions into annual department workplans and budget. Continue to identify and pursue funding mechanisms for CAP implementation.



OS-A-8.3: Climate Action Plan Monitoring and Reporting. Include mechanisms to ensure annual review of progress toward the GHG emission reduction targets established by the CAP, report progress to the public and responsible officials annually, and revise the plan as appropriate, using principles of adaptive management. Prepare GHG inventories every three to five years to support monitoring of progress toward carbon neutrality.



OS-A-8.4: Climate Awareness. Maintain a climate protection action-awareness campaign as well as support and coordinate other similar efforts in order to make residents, public institutions and businesses aware of the link between their everyday energy use and greenhouse gas emissions.



Noise Element

Goal N-1. Minimize the exposure of community residents to excessive noise.

Action

N-A-1.1: Noise Ordinance. Update the Noise Ordinance, as necessary, to improve the City’s ability to reduce noise impacts, including single event noise to the extent practicable.

Safety Element

Goal S-1. Strengthen community preparedness, response, and resilience to hazards.

Action

S-A-1.1: Emergency Warning Mechanisms. Identify and work with appropriate agencies to increase access to and participation in emergency warnings systems and, when technically feasible, ensure that emergency notifications are provided in formats and languages appropriate for the demographics of Livermore.

S-A-1.2: Evacuation Study. Conduct an evacuation study to identify constraints in Livermore’s evacuation network. Carry out improvements, including to physical infrastructure, to improve the effectiveness of future evacuations.

S-A-1.3: Evacuation Access. Work with local transit and paratransit providers to develop evacuation plans for those with special access or functional needs.

S-A-1.4: Evacuation Route Publicity. Identify suitable evacuation routes for residential, commercial and industrial neighborhoods. Publicize information about emergency response and evacuation procedures, including where to look for information in the event of an emergency, on the City's website and at public events and venues.

S-A-1.5: Impacts of Climate Change. Establish a process and criteria to assess climate change impacts and risks during development review, including but not limited to severe weather, drought, wildfires, and air pollution.




Goal S-6. Reduce impacts from geologic and seismic hazards.

Action

S-A-6.1: Setback Requirements. Require detailed fault shear zone studies to define building setback requirements in earthquake fault zones. The ultimate setback required will be determined as geotechnical investigations are made as a condition of processing development proposals.


Goal S-9. Reduce the impact of drought on Livermore communities by supporting resilient water supplies.


Action


S-A-9.1: Water Conservation Measures. Implement water conservation measures across City facilities and operations in partnership with Livermore Municipal Water and California Water Service. Coordinate with these agencies to identify and adopt best practices, technologies, and retrofits that reduce municipal water use, promote water efficiency, and serve as a model for the broader community. 

Goal S-10. Make Livermore resilient to the impacts of severe weather and extreme temperatures.

Action

S-A-10.1: Extreme Heat Action Plan Coordination. Work with other Tri-Valley jurisdictions to prepare and adopt a regional extreme heat action plan. 

S-A-10.2: Mobile Cooling Centers. Establish mobile cooling centers that can transport water, fans, and other small cooling devices to vulnerable community members who may be unable to reach cooling centers. 

S-A-10.3: Shade Access. Update the Livermore Development Code to require minimum shade coverage in new development areas—such as parking lots, streets, and loading zones—while promoting urban forest expansion through climate-resilient tree planting, integrated site design, and updated requirements for street trees and landscaping strategies. 

Economic Development Element

Goal ED-1. Promote local land uses that celebrate Livermore’s heritage, support a strong community, and enhance quality of life for visitors and residents.

Action

ED-A-1.1: Public Realm Activation Program. Develop and implement a program to activate public spaces through regular community events, pop-up markets, and temporary installations that foster social connection, civic pride, and a vibrant street life in key areas such as Downtown, Midtown, Isabel, and neighborhood centers.

ED-A-1.2: Creative Economy Incubator and Shared Space. Establish shared workspaces, incubators, or maker hubs in flexible commercial or mixed-use zones to support local entrepreneurs, artists, and small-scale producers prioritizing locations and uses that serve as community anchors and attract visitors.

ED-A-1.3: Visitor Experience and Tourism Development Plan. Develop a coordinated plan to expand and fund visitor-serving services and amenities in the wine country and Downtown to encourage multi-day visits by combining wine tasting, culinary experiences, outdoor recreation, and cultural events to strengthen tourism and local economic vitality.

Goal ED-2. Foster a thriving, diverse, and resilient economy that supports Livermore’s long-term prosperity, enhances job quality and density, and strengthens fiscal sustainability.

Action

ED-A-2.1: Economic Development Strategy. Update and implement a comprehensive Economic Development Strategy that identifies priority industry sectors, workforce development needs, commercial land use opportunities, and strategies to increase job density and quality. The strategy should include actions to support small businesses, attract and retain diverse employers, promote innovation and entrepreneurship, capitalize on cultural assets, and enhance fiscal sustainability through targeted investment and land use.

Goal ED 3. Facilitate the growth of Livermore’s innovation economy by supporting advanced industries, fostering talent development, and creating an environment where research, entrepreneurship, and high-value job creation can thrive.

Action

ED-A-3.1: Branding and Marketing Strategy. Develop and carry out a branding and marketing strategy to promote Livermore as a destination for business, innovation, and quality of life. This includes updating the City’s economic development website, creating promotional materials, running targeted digital campaigns, and partnering with regional organizations to amplify outreach.

ED-A-3.2: Data-Driven Economic Messaging and Dashboard. Create and maintain a digital dashboard that tracks key economic indicators. Use this data to tailor marketing efforts, respond to emerging trends, and demonstrate the City’s commitment to transparency and economic growth.

ED-A-3.3: Residential and Industrial Use Compatibility. Evaluate the feasibility of integrating residential land uses with small-scale light industrial uses, co-working spaces, and maker or flex spaces in key areas such as the Priority Production Area (PPA) and Midtown. The study should assess zoning compatibility, infrastructure needs, market demand, and potential benefits for innovation, workforce housing, and economic diversity.

ED-A-3.4: Airport Area Zoning Update. Amend the Livermore Development Code to update Airport-related zoning regulations, allowing advanced manufacturing, innovation-oriented businesses, and other employment-generating uses that align with the City’s economic development goals. Ensure all revisions comply with applicable Alameda County Airport Land Use Compatibility Plan policies and Federal Aviation Administration regulations.

Goal ED-4. Strategically design land use regulations to drive real estate investment, employment growth, fiscal stability, and long-term vitality.

Action

ED-A-4.1: Growth Areas. Designate Economic Development Districts in strategic locations and create supportive regulatory conditions that facilitate targeted industry clusters, increase job creation, and support industry growth. Launch coordinated branding and marketing efforts for these districts to promote these areas as premier destinations for innovation and continued investment.

ED-A-4.2: Permit Streamlining. Conduct a review of City regulatory requirements and identify feasible revisions that would reduce costs, shorten review time, and increase certainty for businesses.

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