

OLD TOWN NEWHALLSPECIFIC PLAN UPDATE

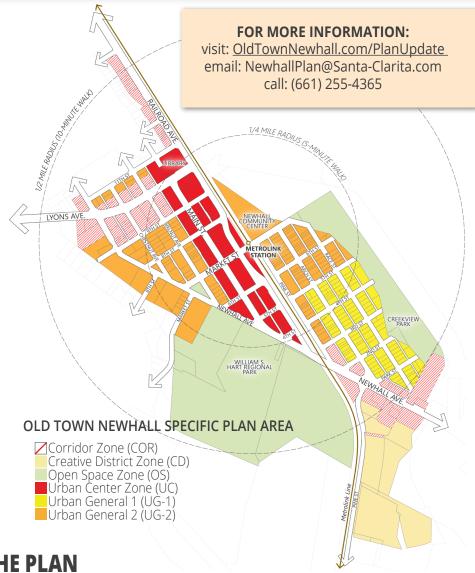
OVERVIEW

The City of Santa Clarita is currently updating the existing **Old Town Newhall Specific Plan** – the regulatory document that establishes the overall vision for Old Town Newhall and guides its growth, development, and revitalization.

Since 2005, the Plan has been successful in revitalizing Old Town Newhall, encouraging new use and development, and transforming a state highway into the City of Santa Clarita's official **Arts & Entertainment District**.

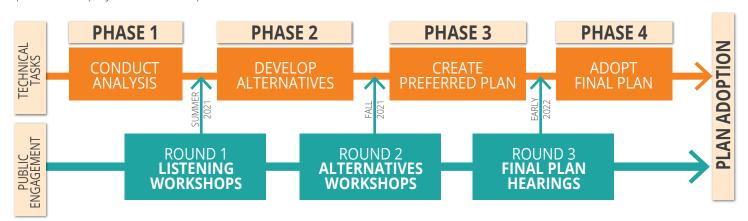
Building on this success, the City is updating the Plan to recognize the accomplishments of the past and fine-tune it for the next 15 to 20 years. Informed by community input.

An updated Plan will help property owners, businesses, and developers better understand the development objectives for Old Town Newhall, refocus on the Arts & Entertainment theme with new development that Old Town Newhall can support.



THE PROCESS TO UPDATE THE PLAN

Whether you're a resident, business owner, developer, or visitor, by engaging in this effort, you will be able to shape the way Old Town Newhall grows over the next 20 years. The Plan update process commenced in March 2021. It is expected to last 10 months, culminating in a City Council hearing in early 2022 for review and potential adoption. The update process will play out over four phases as illustrated below.



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

WHAT IS THE OLD TOWN NEWHALL SPECIFIC PLAN?

The current Old Town Newhall Specific Plan was adopted in 2005. The Plan establishes the overall vision for Old Town Newhall and has successfully guided its growth, development and revitalization over the last 15 years. The Plan is a regulatory document that codifies development standards, design guidelines and implementation measures for the development of buildings, places, streets and infrastructure. These regulations are ultimately intended to implement the goals and policies of the City's General Plan, as they apply to the 20-block area of Old Town Newhall.

HOW WILL AN UPDATE TO THE OLD TOWN NEWHALL SPECIFIC PLAN BENEFIT ME?

The proposed Plan update will be shaped by the ideas and input of the community and will generally ensure that future improvements are addressing your needs and aspirations. Specifically:

- If you are a property owner within the Plan area, you can expect to see greater clarity on what and how you can use and develop your property.
- If you are a resident of the Plan area, you can expect to see more amenities that address your needs, as well as safer streets and opportunities for jobs and housing.
- If you are visitor, you can expect to see Main Street and Old Town Newhall build on their success as vibrant destinations that offers a mix of retail, food and creative experiences.

CAN I PARTICIPATE IN THIS PROCESS IF ENGLISH IS NOT MY PREFERRED LANGUAGE?

Yes! Any member of the public who needs accommodations should email or call the Planning Division Administrative Assistant at raclark@santa-clarita.com or (661) 286-4083.

HOW WILL COVID-19 AFFECT MY ABILITY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PLANNING PROCESS?

All outreach efforts will be consistent with COVID-19 public health guidelines to ensure your safety. Public engagement will be flexible to accommodate a variety of activities to ensure high-quality engagement through virtual methods and socially distanced activities. Virtual meetings will be held where appropriate and in-person workshops will be outdoors and socially distanced, with options for self-guided tours and an exploration of alternatives presented.

HOW IS THIS PROJECT FUNDED?

This planning effort is being conducted by the City of Santa Clarita and is supported by grant funding from the California Department of Housing and Community Development.

HOW CAN I BECOME INVOLVED IN THIS PROJECT?

The project's success depends on community members' and stakeholders' involvement in shaping and forming the Old Town Newhall Specific Plan. Visit

www.oldtownnewhall.com/planupdate where you can subscribe to our e-mail list, stay up to date on the progress of the project, and be notified of upcoming events. Or call (661) 255-4365 or email NewhallPlan@santa-clarita.com with thoughts and questions.

