

REDWOOD CITY INNER HARBOR SPECIFIC PLAN

TASK FORCE MEETING # 6

Tuesday, January 14, 2014 | 7:00 pm – 9:30 pm

Seaport Conference Center, 459 Seaport Court, Redwood City, CA 94063

Guiding Principles – Draft

I. Precedent Documents and Key Recommendations

A. Bayfront Area Visioning Study (May 2003)

Land Use and Development

1. Follow City's Smart Growth and Nice Places objectives.
2. Support development of pedestrian and water oriented residential district north of Redwood Creek.
3. US 101 frontage uses should enhance appearance and serve as buffer to north.
4. Reduce auto use, and support pedestrian, bicycle and transit circulation.

Circulation and Transportation

1. Reduce auto use and minimize road and intersection widenings.
2. Configure the Blomquist extension for local access, and discourage through traffic.
3. Improve auto, pedestrian, and bicycle linkages between the Bayfront and city west of US 101.

Urban Design

1. Create attractive public places and spaces.
2. Expand community and visitor use of the Bayfront.
3. Provide continuous water-edge public access where possible.
4. Complete Bay Trail segments and other open space links.

B. General Plan (October 2010)

Built Environment Element: Urban Form and Land Use - Waterfront Neighborhoods
(pages BE-21:22)

1. Encourage higher density housing and floating homes with waterfront and pedestrian focus.
2. Retain industrial and workplace districts along US 101 as buffer to other land uses.
3. Provide docks and access to the Bay.
4. Expand community and visitor use of the Bayfront.
5. Reduce auto dependence and encourage Complete Streets that includes pedestrians, bicycles and transit.
6. Create continuous waterfront public access where possible.
7. Complete continuous Bay Trail and open space linkages where possible.

II. Redwood City Inner Harbor Specific Plan Guiding Principles – DRAFT For review at Task Force Meeting #6, January 14, 2014

These statements—subject to review and revision by the Task Force—will guide development of a preferred land use and circulation plan for the Inner Harbor Specific Plan.

1. Serve as a model for land use and mobility approaches that respond creatively and appropriately to projected sea level rise.
2. Achieve a balance among habitat, recreation, educational, and revenue-generating uses within the Inner Harbor.
3. Optimize and maximize use of the waterfront for public-oriented, water-dependent uses and activities.
4. Enhance and emphasize boater access to Redwood Creek and the Bay for recreation and educational purposes, with particular attention given to human-powered watercraft.
5. Create new and improved pedestrian, bicycle, and auto connections between the Inner Harbor and Downtown Redwood City, and between the Inner Harbor and adjacent developed areas along the Bay.
6. Complete the Bay Trail connection through the Inner Harbor.
7. Accommodate a floating home community in location(s) suitable for residential use to the extent allowed by applicable laws.
8. Ensure compatibility and connectivity with adjacent institutional and industrial uses.
9. Require that sustainable and adaptable development approaches be incorporated into land use and infrastructure improvements within the Inner Harbor.
10. All development will provide public benefits.