



**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**  
**City Council**  
**January 21, 2020 at 5:30 P.M.**

**General Plan Conservation Element Streamside Protection Areas  
Policy Amendment Initiation (Case No. 19-135-GPA)**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Goleta City Council will conduct a public hearing to consider initiating a General Plan Amendment. The date, time, and location of the public hearing are set forth below. The agenda and staff report for the hearing will also be posted at least 72 hours before the meeting on the City website here: <http://www.cityofgoleta.org/i-want-to/news-and-updates/government-meeting-agendas-and-videos>.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:**

**Case No. 19-135-GPA:** Pursuant to California Government Code Section 65358, the City Council will consider initiating the processing of a City-requested General Plan Amendment to consider amending Conservation Element subpolicy CE 2.2: Streamside Protection Areas. Subpolicy CE 2.2 establishes a streamside protection area (SPA) buffer along both sides of City creeks. The purpose of the designation is to preserve the SPA in a natural state in order to protect the associated riparian habitats and ecosystems. The policy currently outlines the size of the buffer, 100 feet, and identifies under what situations a reduction in the buffer may be allowed. The initiation would provide staff instruction to begin processing amendments to any and all part of CE 2.2, including but not limited to the size of the SPA buffer and to the situations in which a buffer reduction may be granted. The initiation does not obligate the City to any further action in the future. If initiated, staff will proceed with analysis, including environmental review, and return with possible amendments for Planning Commission's consideration and recommendation to the City Council for final action.

**PROJECT LOCATION:** The policies and regulations would apply citywide, including areas within the Coastal Zone.

**DATE AND TIME:** Tuesday, January 21, 2020, at 5:30 P.M.

**PLACE:** City of Goleta, Council Chambers  
130 Cremona Drive, Suite B  
Goleta, California 93117

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** All interested persons are encouraged to attend the public hearing and to present written and/or oral comments. Written submittals concerning agenda items may be sent to the City Clerk Group e-mail: [cityclerkgroup@cityofgoleta.org](mailto:cityclerkgroup@cityofgoleta.org); or mail: Attn: City Council and City Clerk at 130 Cremona Drive, Suite B Goleta, California 93117. In order to be disseminated to the City Council for consideration during the Council meeting, written information must be submitted to the City Clerk no later than Monday at noon prior to the City Council meeting. Material received after this time may not be reviewed by the City Council prior to the meeting.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:** Additional information is on file at the Planning and Environmental Review Department, Goleta City Hall, 130 Cremona Drive, Suite B, Goleta, CA 93117. Contact Anne Wells at (805) 961-7557 or [awells@cityofgoleta.org](mailto:awells@cityofgoleta.org) for more information regarding the project. More information is also posted on [CityofGoleta.org](http://CityofGoleta.org). [Para información en español, por favor llame Sr. Jaime Valdez, (805) 961-7568.]

**Note:** In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need assistance to participate in this hearing, please contact the City Clerk's Office at (805) 961-7505. Notification at least 72 hours prior to the hearing will enable City staff to make reasonable arrangements

**Note:** If you challenge the City's final action on this project in court, you may be limited to only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City on or before the date of the hearing (Government Code Section 65009[b][2]).