

Open Space Plan and Conservation Element General Plan Update

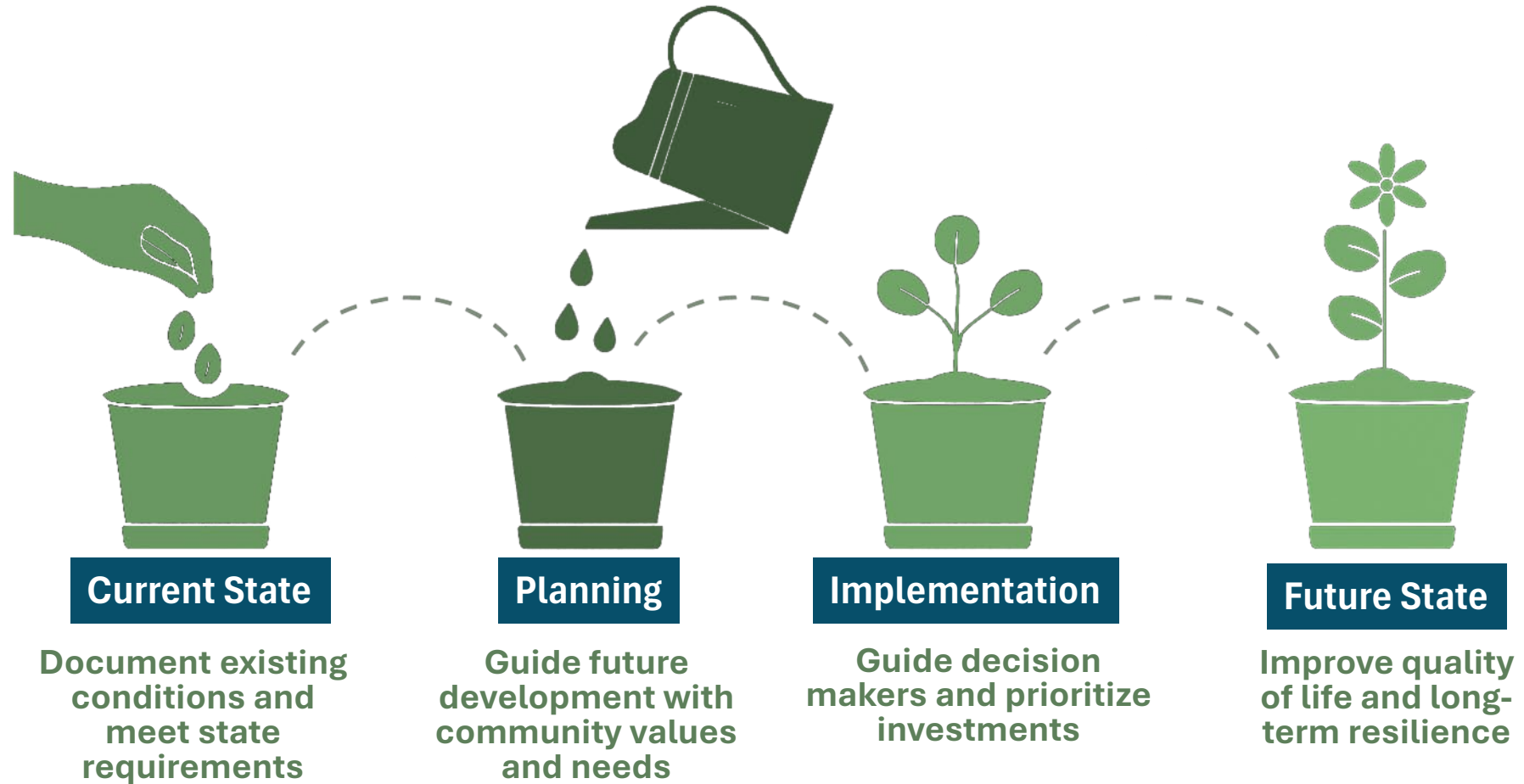
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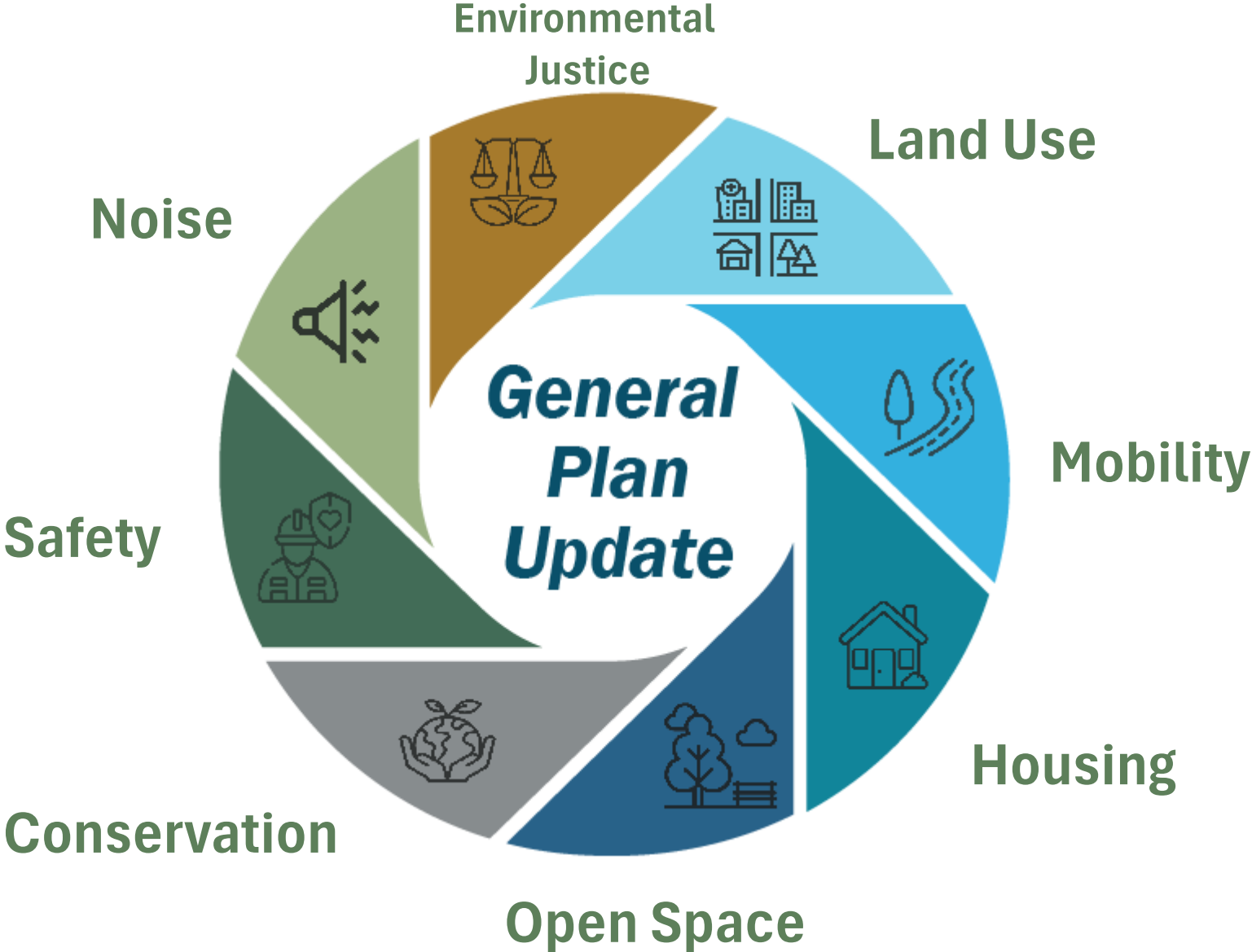
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What is a General Plan?

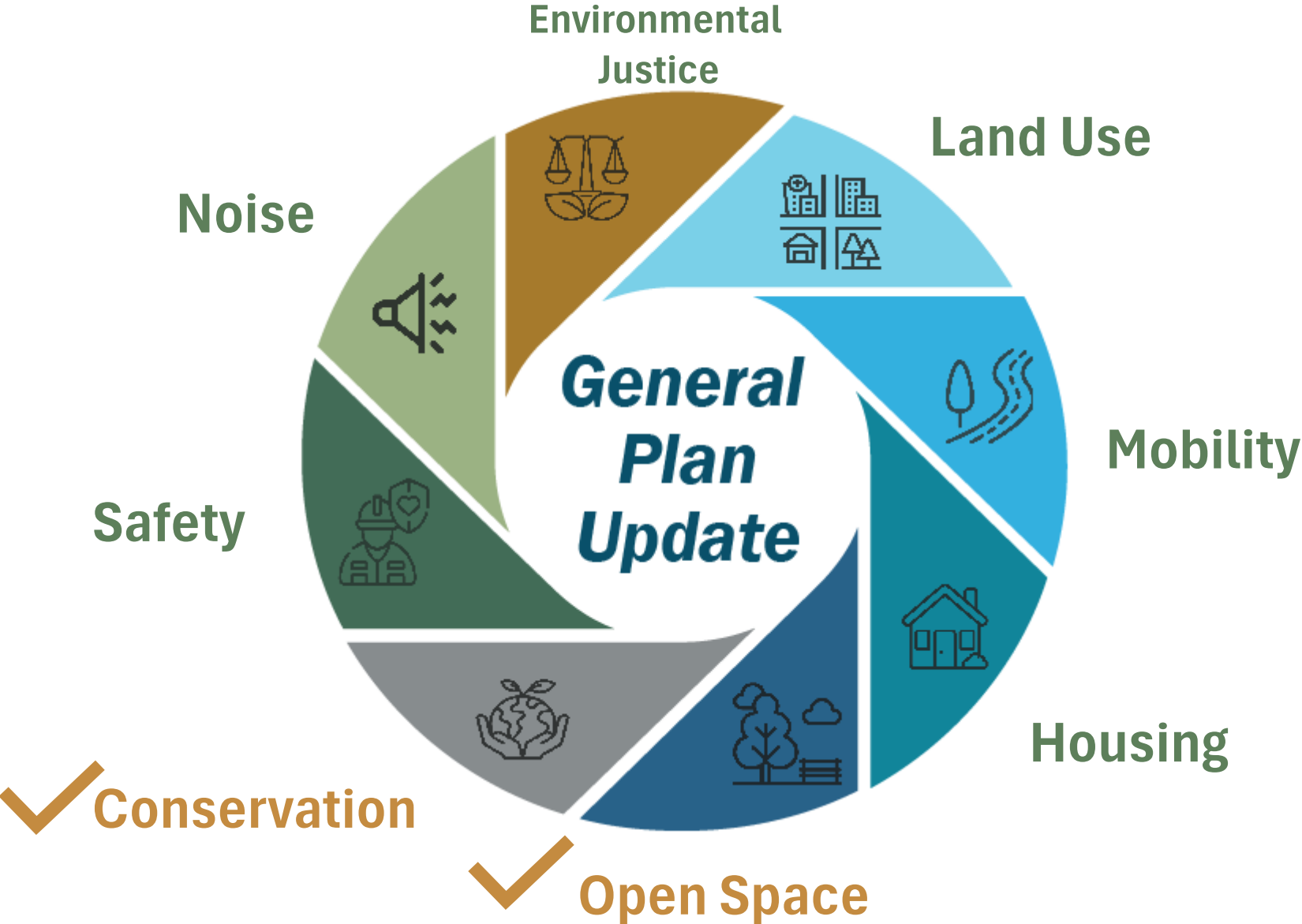
A BLUEPRINT for Growth and Change



Elements of a General Plan



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Why Are We Updating It?

- **State Law Compliance**

- SB 1425- Enhance Climate Resiliency, Expand Equitable Park Access, Strengthen Wildlife Habitat Connectivity.
- AB 1889- Identify and Analyze Existing and Future Habitat Connections to Promote Biodiversity.

- **Update Data / Information**

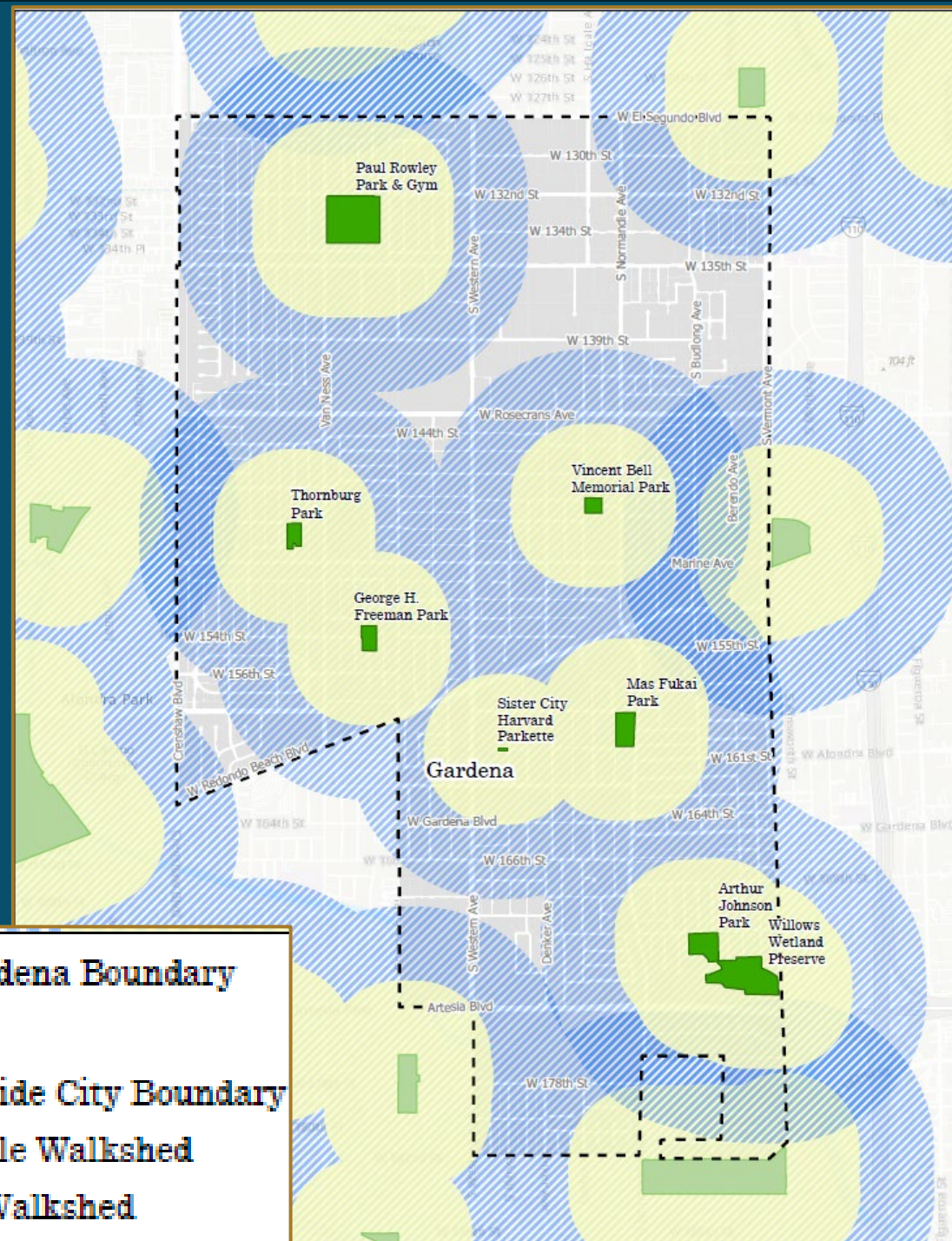
- **Update to Reflect Community**




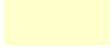

- **Align City Policies with Today's and Future Needs**

An Open Space Plan is required chapter of a city's General Plan that focuses on providing and managing parks, recreational, trails facilities in the City

- Expands safe and equitable park access
- Guides investments that enhance health and quality of life
- Protects resources and identifies new park opportunities
- Builds climate resilience through greening and tree canopy

5- and 10- minute Walkshed Map



-  City of Gardena Boundary
-  City Parks
-  Parks Outside City Boundary
-  Quarter Mile Walkshed
-  Half Mile Walkshed

A Conservation Element is required chapter of a city's General Plan that focuses on the protection and sustainable management of natural resources.

- Manages water, energy, air, and biological resources
- Protects habitats, wildlife corridors, and biodiversity
- Balances growth with resource conservation
- Builds climate resilience through open space and emissions reduction

Why Are We Here Today?

- ✓ **Learn About the General Plan**
- ✓ **Learn About the Elements**
- ✓ **Dot Exercise**
- ✓ **Post-it Exercise**
- ✓ **Map Exercise**
- ✓ **Comment Box**



Survey

Next Steps

Public workshop
May 2026



**EXISTING
CONDITIONS**

**GOALS AND
POLICIES**

**ADMINISTRATIVE
DRAFT**

**PUBLIC REVIEW
DRAFT**

**ADOPTION
HEARINGS**

March 2026
to
June 2026

May 2026
to
June 2026

August 2026
to
September 2026

September 2026
to
October 2026

October 2026
to
November 2026

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