

LEGISLATIVE DIGEST

[Planning Code and Zoning Map - Delete Life Science and Medical Special Use District]

Ordinance amending the Planning Code and Zoning Map to eliminate the Life Science and Medical Special Use District; and affirming the Planning Department's determination under the California Environmental Quality Act; making findings of consistency with the General Plan and the eight priority policies of Planning Code, Section 101.1; and adopting findings of public necessity, convenience, and welfare under Planning Code, Section 302.

Existing Law

The Planning Code, Section 249.36, established the Life Science and Medical Special Use District, to allow medical services, life science laboratories, and life science offices as principally permitted uses in this Special Use District. Section 249.36 also exempts these uses from Production, Distribution and Repair (PDR) replacement requirements, use size limitations and vertical zoning controls.

Amendments to Current Law

The proposed legislation deletes this Section 249.36, which would eliminate the exemptions from PDR replacement requirements, use size limitations and vertical controls. The medical services, life science laboratories, and life science office uses would be subject to the underlying zoning in the area, which is zoned Urban Mixed Use (UMU) for most of the area, and a small portion is zoned PDR-1-G.