

# Resilient City Development Measures Zoning Code Text Amendment

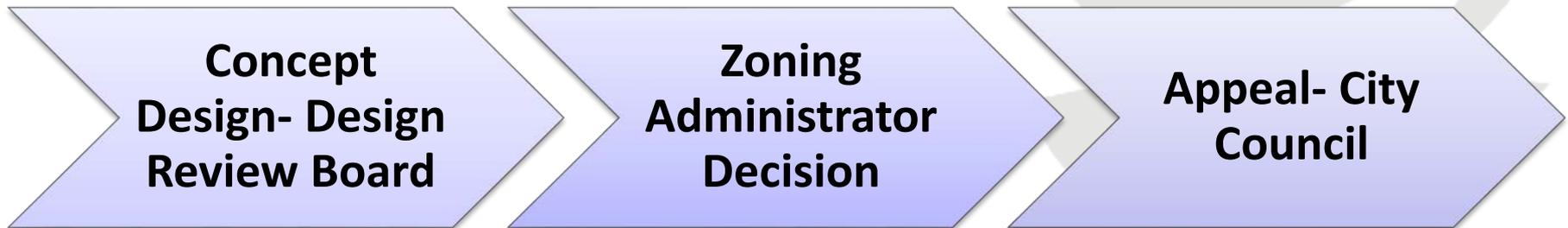
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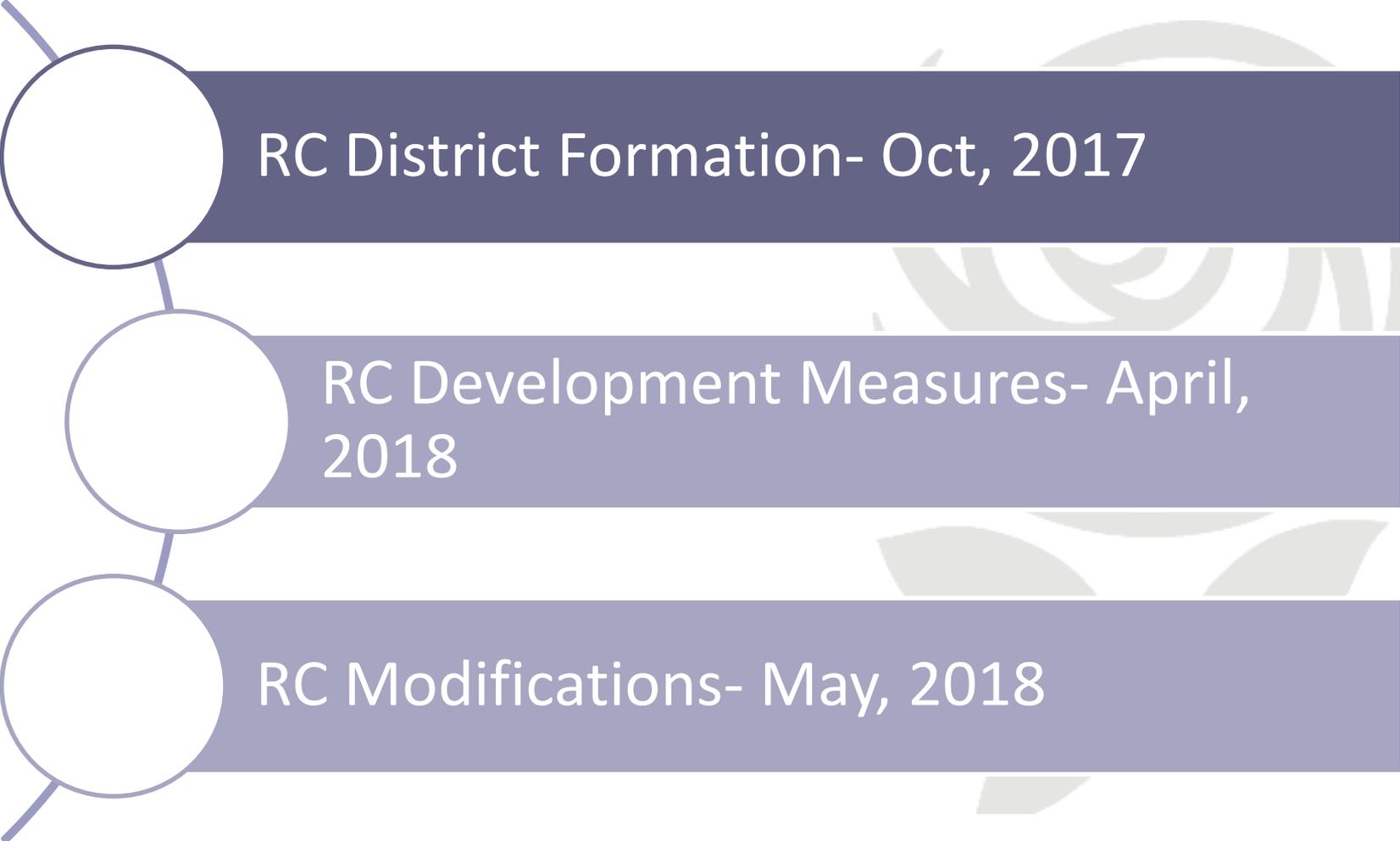
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# Project Description and Purpose

Zoning Code text amendment related to appeals for projects subject to the Resilient City Development Measures



# Regulatory History



RC District Formation- Oct, 2017

RC Development Measures- April,  
2018

RC Modifications- May, 2018

# Resilient City Measures

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The Resilient City Measures includes modifications to the Design Review process if located within one of the City's PDAs or Downtown Core

- Childcare
- Lodging
- Mixed-use development (that includes a residential component)
- Multi-family residential
- Single-room occupancy facility

# Ordinance Language

20-16.070 Modifications to the Design Review process.

*1. Subject to the provisions of subsection A.2 below, Design Review approval for new development and major remodels, with the exception of projects located within the Historic (-H) Combining District, that meet the following criteria, are hereby delegated to the Zoning Administrator, through the Minor Design Review process, on sites zoned for such uses:*

*a. Projects that are located within one of the City's Priority Development Areas or within the General Plan Downtown core boundary, as identified in Figure 1-1, Priority Development Areas and Downtown Core.*

**b. Appeals. Any appeal from a decision by the Zoning Administrator under this section shall be heard and determined by the City Council.**

# Environmental Review

## California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)

### Adoption of Ordinance is Exempt

- “Common sense exemption” - CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3)
- CEQA applies only to projects having the potential to cause a significant effect on environment

The Planning and Economic Development Department recommends that the City Council:

- Introduce an Ordinance to Amend City Code Chapter 20-16, Resilient City Development Measures, adding Section 20-16.070A(1)(b) to Chapter 20-16 to define the appeal body for projects under this Section.

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