

re:code LA Updates to the Planning and Land Use Management Committee

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WebCode Update:

- The **re:code LA** team will present the Beta WebCode system at the American Planning Association (APA) conference in Pasadena on October 24th in a session called, “Evolution of the Online Zoning Code: WebCode.”
- The first open source release of the WebCode Toolkit will be made publicly available on the City’s GitHub account in October, in advance of the APA conference.
- Although not originally intended for release during the Downtown Open Studio, the **re:code LA** team is working toward having the Beta WebCode system ready for the public to check out by October 6th.

Downtown Open Studio and Design Charrette:

- The Downtown Community Planning team is hosting the *DTLA 2040 Open Studio and Design Charrette* at the Historic Bradbury Building Monday October 3rd through Saturday, October 8th. The **re:code LA** team will have staff available daily to discuss the proposed zoning system and draft code options.
- As part of the Open Studio, on Thursday, October 6th, join the **re:code LA** team for a special meeting of our Zoning Advisory Committee from 6-9 pm at the Bradbury Building when the team will unveil the initial draft of the Downtown zoning code options.

Other re:code LA Updates:

- The initial draft of the Downtown zoning code options will be presented to City Planning Commission on October 13th for comment (no action requested).
- The team is working with the Mayor’s Office to engage the **re:code LA** Technical Advisory Committee in October to discuss and receive feedback on the initial draft of the Downtown zoning code options.
- The team is working with the Boyle Heights Community Planning team to create zoning options for the Community Plan Update.
- A draft of the processes and procedures for the new code will be presented to City Planning Commission for comment (no action requested) on December 8th.
- The team is getting ready to execute research on the public benefits Downtown has set as priorities for its Community Plan Update. This analysis will set the methodology / approach for applying the new zoning code’s public benefits system elsewhere in the City.
- The team received feedback from LA Sanitation that it’s often at a late stage in project design that developers learn they need to comply with the City’s Low Impact Development Ordinance. Updates to the Department of City Planning’s standard application form have been identified to address this issue. This should aid in streamlining the development review process.