

Draft Guiding Principles for Bay Point

The following guiding principles articulate the values, priorities, and aspirations for the future shared by community members at our first community meeting for Bay Point:

COMMUNITY CHARACTER

- Bay Point is a great place to raise a family. Its small-town community-mindedness and relative affordability should be preserved and supported for future generations.
- The entire Bay Point community should enjoy streetscapes and open spaces that are free from abandoned cars, debris, and litter, and improved lighting to make people feel safer walking at night.
- More local, high-quality jobs are needed for Bay Point residents from a diverse business base. Businesses should be encouraged to hire locally and provide living wage jobs.
- Additional retail development should be encouraged along Willow Pass Road.

MOBILITY

• Bay Point residents enjoy a central location in the Bay Area, with easy regional access via multiple transportation modes. Quality access to local and regional transportation should be maintained and enhanced, including by increasing bus service to the Pittsburg/Bay Point BART Station and providing more direct bus routes between destinations.

HOUSING

• Bay Point residents who lack housing should have access to quality services and programs that will help, including a new shelter, increased mental health and substance abuse services, and facilities that are targeted to specific age groups (e.g., seniors and teens). Bay Point residents who are at risk of losing housing should be protected from displacement.

RECREATION AND ACCESS TO NATURE

• Bay Point's waterfront north of the railroad tracks should be developed with water recreation and commercial uses.

SAFETY & RESILIENCY

- The many great agencies that provide community services in Bay Point should coordinate efforts to maximize effectiveness and reach all those who need the services.
- Bay Point residents should be safe from short- and long-term hazards associated with industrial facilities in and near the community, including the Tesoro Refinery and Keller Canyon Landfill. Industrial facilities should be held to strict air quality regulations, and the community should be educated about appropriate evacuation routes in the event of an industrial accident.
- Bay Point should be resilient to the near- and long-term hazards associated with sea level rise.