



Downtown Oakland Specific Plan





A Industrial Conversion



Considerations:

- How can the neighborhood retain the historic building fabric and light industrial uses while also adapting to new and necessary uses?
- How can the historic assets that define the Jack London District be preserved, celebrated and activated?



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- What will the future street design of the Embarcadero look like? What attributes will the improves street have?
- A "quiet zone" for trains along the Embarcadero is a common suggestion for mitigating noise pollution in the Jack London District.

BUILT ENVIRONMENT

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JACK LONDON DISTRICT (WEST)





Considerations: • How can the walkability and the urban realm in Jack London District be improved through near-term solutions? Specifically, how can landscaping, murals and other design techniques be used to help improve blank walls and other less desirable conditions? • How can graffiti and blight in the Jack London District be addressed in the long-term through plan policies?



Considerations:

• How can a neighborhood grocer be accommodated in the Jack London District? • Where can a grocer be located? What physical design details are important for the store building? How can access be improved?

Improved Urban Realm

E Howard Terminal



• How might Howard Terminal evolve in the future? Which uses or events would be most beneficial to the City of Oakland? • Can Howard Terminal evolve in a way that allows multiple phases of development? What might that look like over time?





A Victory Court



Considerations:

- How can potential new development contribute to an appropriate neighborhood scale, including the recent Brooklyn Basin project?
- How can new development provide better access and connectivity to the Lake Merritt Channel and Laney College opportunity sites?

B Embarcadero



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JACK LONDON DISTRICT (EAST)



















C West of Embarcadero

Considerations:

• How could a new Water Street alignment help to improve circulation within the disconnected condo developments?

I-880 and Connections to Chinatown

Considerations:

• How can the freeway underpass be improved?

• How can Chinatown better connect to the waterfront? How can Jack London better connect to Chinatown/Lake Merritt BART station?

E Webster Green, Produce Market & Historic Resources



Considerations:

• Webster Green will be a key connection to Chinatown. What are the steps to implementation? • How can the historic produce market adapt to meet contemporary needs while retaining the valuable historic architecture?

F Lower Broadway & Views to the Waterfront



• What might an iconic gateway street along Broadway look like? How can circulation be improved between east-west in Jack London? • How can the waterfront grow to accommodate growth while also retaining iconic views?





BUILDING TYPES & ARCHITECTURAL FEATURES

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Small Scale Multifamily Residential Types



Building Types for Downtown Oakland Throughout the planning process and in coordination with the community, the Plan Downtown team has analyzed the parcels and building types along each street and in each neighborhood Downtown.

Based on the desire for variety in future development, multiple building types have been designed to "fit" on the typical lot sizes that are found in Downtown Oakland. The range of building types fit on the range of parcels in the study area. By preserving a variety of parcel sizes and building types, new development can include a wide assortment of unit types, commercial and light industrial spaces as well as other uses.

Character Defining Features



Waterfront

- The waterfront provides a unique opportunity to experience bridges, piers, wharves and iconic views.
- The Bay Trail takes advantage of waterfront access, providing active public space. Details like the transparent bridge (left) allow views through to the Bay.
- Future improvements can include more public and open space for gathering and events.





Industrial Buildings typically have a distinct structural shape, with tall walls that have a large floor-to-ceiling height (compared to other building types). The facades are typically transparent and are often repetitive; industrial buildings create a unique sense of place and are often easy to adapt or change into a new use.



Medium Lot Size: 100 feet by 150 feet



New Building Type: Warehouse Lot Size: 100' x 150' or other Number of floors and units varies depending on site.



Warehouse floor plan varies; may include commercial, light industrial, residential, or a variety of other uses.

Industrial Buildings can accommodate a variety of facade treatments, including paint or murals. The large, open interior floor plan makes warehouses and industrial spaces ideal for events and gatherings. The example (above) is the former Metropolitan Opera House.

Large Lot Size: 150 feet by 150 feet







Tall Option: Lot Size: 150' x 150' Pedestal +6 floors x 8 units/floor +11 floors x 8 units/ floor =136 units 22,500 s.f. lot => 267 du/ac Medium Option: Lot Size: 150' x 150' Pedestal +4 floors x 8 units/floor + 8 floors x 8 units/ floor =96 units 22,500 s.f. lot => 188 du/ac Tallest Option: Lot Size: 150' x 150' Pedestal + 9 floors x 8 units/floor + 14 floors x 8 units/

floor = 184 units

Industrial Buildings are often constructed of a material that was affordable and local during the specific era of construction. Patterned brickwork, arched windows and parapet details are common characteristics. Patterned brick work often creates decorative accents, large floor to ceiling sash windows are common and a covered sidewalk (awning or arcade), make the pedestrian experience more comfortable.

PRODUCE MARKET

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ILUSTRATIVE PLAN

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DOWNTOWN NEIGHBORHOODS





LAKESIDE

CENTER

OAKLAND

CHINATOWN

JACK LONDON DISTRICT



OPPORTUNITY SITES

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Opportunity Sites: Synthesis Map (03.01.16)

Anticipated Development*

Infill Sites

Major Redevelopment Opportunities

*Includes projects that are approved or under review, as well as buildings under construction.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION

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JACK LONDON DISTRICT (PLAN ALTERNATIVE #1 & #2)

PERSPECTIVE VIEW

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PERSPECTIVE VIEW

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JACK LONDON DISTRICT (PLAN ALTERNATIVE #3)

