# Altadena Coalition of Neighborhood Associations (ACONA)

Let's keep Altadena
"The best neighborhood in LA
County"!
March 27, 2018

# Agenda for Tonight's Meeting 7:00 PM – 8:30 PM

- 7:00 PM 7:05 PM Quick introductions and welcome
- 7:05 PM 7:25 PM Trash Pick Up Altadena- recyclables & bulky items
  - Jessica Aldridge- Sustainability Manager Athens Services North Central Office
- 7:25 PM –7:45 PM Urban wildlife and Coyotes
  - Jim Hartman, Deputy Agricultural Commissioner/Sealer, Integrated Pest Management Division, Los Angeles County Agricultural Commissioner
- 7:45 PM 8:05 PM Altadena Community Standards Update (CSD) on Fences and Hedge Heights
  - Richard Marshalian, Senior Regional Planner, LA County
  - Mark Herwick, Supervising Regional Planner, LA County
  - Alex Garcia, Supervising Regional Planner LA County
  - Barbara Childers, Principal Engineer LA County
- 8:05PM 8:30 PM Open discussion Q&A
- 8:30 PM Meeting end

# Your ACONA Team

- Elliot Gold
- Nina Ehlig
- Melody Comfort Dale Comfort
- Sussy Nemer
- Captain Vicki Stuckey
- Sgt. Harvey "Sandy" Crosthwaite

- Holly Rundberg
- Carlotta Martin
- Ellen Walton

# 7:05 PM – 7:25 PM Trash Pick Up Altadena- recyclables & bulky items

Jessica Aldridge- Sustainability Manager
 Athens Services North Central Office



# Altadena and Kinneloa Mesa

Family-Owned, Los Angeles Based Company Since

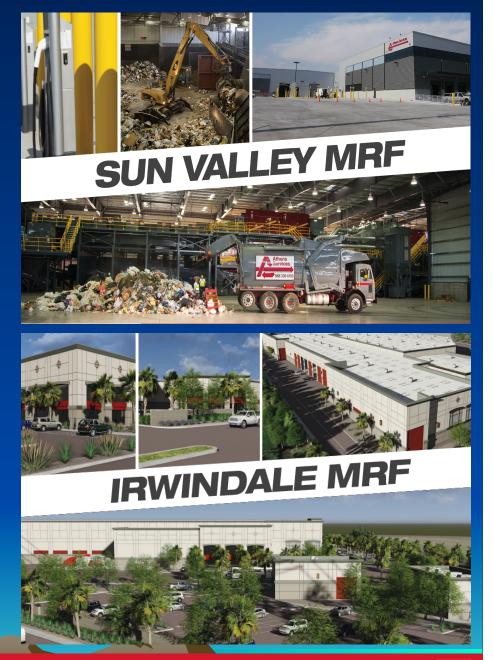
in its 4th Generation

- > Largest Hauler in LA City and LA County
- > Six Operations Service Facilities
- > Three Recycling Facilities (MRF)
- One Composting Facility
- San Bernardino Landfills and Transfer Stations Operator

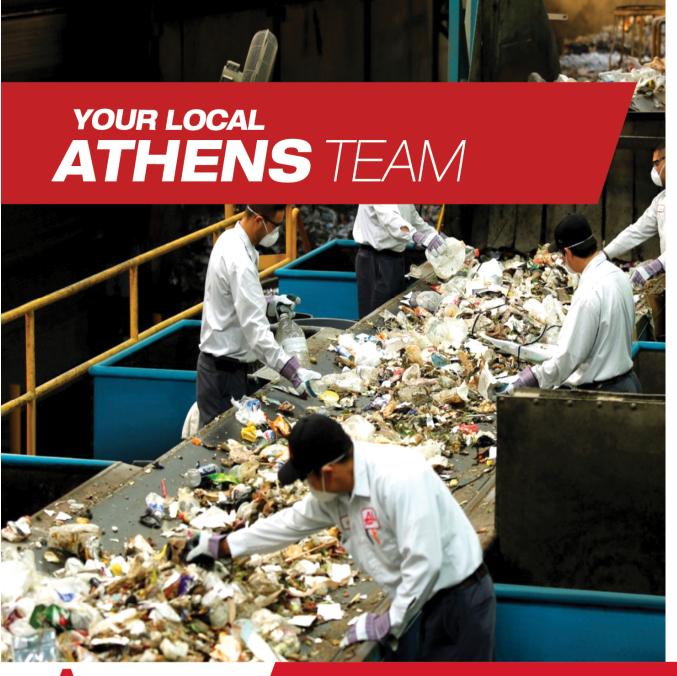












- Athens employs over 1,200
   employees in Los Angeles and surrounding areas.
- ► Athens has **over 300** employees residing in Los Angeles.
- Over half of Athens' drivers have more than 10 years of experience.
- Friendly and experienced drivers are expertly trained and held to the highest professional standards ensuring safe and efficient service, every day.

## Video



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eyfBgZOEj5w



# Altadena & Kinneloa Mesa

### **Residential - 3 Cart System**

- ➤ Recycling & Trash sorted at Sun Valley and City of Industry MRF
- Customer Service Line: 888-336-6100
- ➤ Bulky Item Service Line (direct): 855-557-1007





### **Education & Outreach**

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Compost Giveaway – April 14<sup>th</sup> E-waste/Clothing Collection – May 19<sup>th</sup>

### **Yearly Events/Outreach**

- Four quarterly newsletters
- > Annual compost giveaway
- ➤ Bi-annual e-waste & clothing collection
- > Annual Curbside Cleanup



### 2017 E-Waste/Clothing Diversion

May 20, 2017

E-Waste: 19,574 lbs Donated Clothes: 2,047

lbs

Total Cars: 279

Sept 16, 2017

E-Waste: 9,733 lbs

Donated Clothes: 2,000

lbs

Total Cars: 167



# **Bulky Item Pickup**

NEXT CURBSIDE CLEANUP
Saturdays, June 9, 16, 23, 30 &
July 6
(depending on your day of service)

> Participate in Annual Curbside Cleanup (June/July)

### ➤ Make a Request

- Schedule 24 hours in advance
- Collections take place on Wednesdays
- Place curbside (not in the street) by 6:00 am
- Alleyways may need additional support
- Call Athens Services at 855-557-1007, or complete a Request Services form and select "Bulky Item Pick-Up."

### Services Provided

- Bulk items (i.e. furniture & appliances) unlimited quantities, 3x/year
- Bagged Refuse unlimited quantities, 4x/year
- Bagged or Bundled Green Waste unlimited quantities, 10x/year (securely tied together, no heavier than 45 lbs. and less than 4 ft.)
- Electronic Waste unlimited, on-call pickups per year
- Additional requests are available for a fee.

### **DO NOT ACCEPT**

- Automobile parts
- Batteries
- •Bulbs
- Liquid waste
- Medical products
- •Construction and demolition debris (including dirt, concrete, tile, drywall and rock, etc.)
- •Hazardous waste
- •Lumber or green waste that is loose or scattered

For temporary C&D services contact Athens.





### Where Does It Go?

### **RECYCLING** (no liquid or food)

- aluminum/tin foil & trays
- aseptic containers, juice boxes and milk cartons
- cans (aluminum, bimetal, and tin)
- cardboard
- envelopes
- glass bottles and jars
- junk mail
- Magazines
- metal (all)

- newspaper
- office paper
- paperback books
- paper grocery bags
- clean plastic bags and film plastic (grocery, dry cleaning, packaging, etc.)
- plastic containers (1-7)
- shredded paper (bagged)
- wrapping paper (with no metal).

NO FOOD WASTE, LIQUIDS, ORGANICS, PACKAGING PEANUTS, PET WASTE, TRASH, OR YARD TRIMMINGS.





### Where Does It Go?

### **LANDFILL**

The LANDFILL container is for non-recyclable trash considered to be no longer of use.

- bathroom waste
- candy bar wrappers
- ceramics/porcelain
- chip bags
- cigarette butts
- diapers
- disposable gloves
- foam to-go containers and cups

- food scraps
- juice pouches
- packaging peanuts
- palm fronds
- paper or boxes soiled with grease or food residue
- pet waste
- succulents and cacti
- yucca leaves





### Where Does It Go?

### **ORGANICS**

**GREEN WASTE ONLY** 

### **INCLUDE**

- plant matter
- •branches and leaves
- •flowers
- •grass
- tree trimmings
- yard trimmings
- •non-treated wood (no larger than 4 inches in diameter or 4 feet in length)

# DO NOT PLACE IN CONTAINER

- no building materials
- •cacti, succulents, or yucca
- concrete
- •dirt
- •food scraps
- •palm fronds
- •pet waste
- •sand
- •stones
- •trash

# **GREEN WASTE ONLY** RESIDUOS VEGETALES ÚNICAMENTE NO! / ¡NO!

No Kitchen Food Waste At This Time

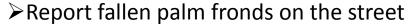


### **GOT PALM FRONDS?**

➤ Do <u>NOT</u> place in organics or recycling

### **≻**Proper Disposal

- Landfill cart
- Bulky Item request (bundled at lengths no longer than 48 inches, no heavier than 45 lbs.)



- Removed by the County of LA Depart. of Public Works.
- Request service: (626) 458-5100.
- Hazards on the street: 1(800) 675-HELP (4357) or report it at <u>www.dpw.lacounty.gov</u> - click "Online Services, Request for Service, then Street Sweeping."







### **Household Hazardous Waste**

- ➤ Improper Disposal (prohibited by State and Federal laws)
  - Illegal to dispose in trash, recycling, and/or organics
  - Illegal to dispose into storm drains
  - Groundwater hazard and puts garbage handlers at risk
  - Contaminated containers will not be serviced

### **≻**Proper Disposal (free)

- County led events
- S.A.F.E Collection Centers
  - takes small business quantities by appointment only, (213) 485-2260
- More info: 1(888) CLEAN LA or visit www.CleanLA.com

### **Hazardous Waste Examples**

### **Auto**

Car batteries, Oil filters

### Gardening

Herbicides, Pesticides

### Medical

Pharmaceuticals, Sharps, & Syringes

### **Every Day Items**

Batteries (all types), Fluorescent bulbs/tubes, Cleaning products, Some beauty products & cosmetics



















### **Electronic Waste (aka e-waste)**

Unwanted electronic equipment

- Anything that:
  - · Plugs into an electrical outlet,
  - Uses light bulbs or batteries, and/or
  - · Contains electronic circuit board or wiring

**Examples:** computers, printers, TVs, VCRs, phones, stereos, gaming consoles, electronic accessories, etc

### **Proper Disposal\*\***

- Schedule bulky item pick-up
- Bi-annual e-waste collection event
- Participate in annual curbside collection
- Deliver to S.A.F.E. Collection Center

\*\*Athens does not collect: batteries, bulbs, medical products, hazardous or liquid waste.





### **Sharps**

### **≻**Sharps Waste is Considered

- Hypodermic needles
- Pen needles
- Intravenous needles
- Lancets
- Other devices used to penetrate the skin of people or animals



- Order by calling Customer Service 888-336-6100
- Mailed free of charge with mail back instructions and a self-addressed envelope.







## **Bear Barrels**

### Must Qualify:

- Live in bear problem area
- Close to mountains
- Route Supervisor to review

### **Quick Tips for Homeowners**

- •Install or request bear-resistant trash carts
- •Freeze wet food (meat, bones, etc.) until pick-up
- Disinfect trash carts weekly
- •Keep carts inside garage or secure building until the trash truck arrives
- Clean BBQ grills regularly
- Keep pet food and water indoors
- •Harvest tree fruits (avocados) regularly, pick up fallen fruits





Bears Vs. Bear-Proof Garbage Can | ViralHog





64.767 views



### **Personal Waste Foot Print**

# **A Culture of Waste**

"Throwaway Society"

Solid Waste = 4.62 *lbs*/person/day

Recycled = -1.15 *lbs*/person/day

Net Waste = 3.47 lbs/person/day

= 1,267 lbs/person/yr

**USEPA 2007** 

CalRecycle 1990-2010 Avg. Resident=10.7lbs/person/day





### **≻**Reduce

- Buy less, more meaningful, longer lasting
- Conserve water, energy, fuel, and resources
- Bulk and DIY
- Choose reusables #NeverRefuseToReuse
- > Buy recycled content and recyclable
- Recycle right not "wish-cycling"
- **≻**Get Active
  - Lead by example, teach others, be an ambassador
  - Speak up, make demands, vote with your \$\$
  - Join campaigns and volunteer



### Disposable Cups are not recyclable

U.S. consumes 400 mil cups of a coffee/day.

Equivalent to 146 Bil cups of coffee/yr.

Avg American office worker uses 500 disposal cups per year (coffee or not).

20 Million trees/year for paper cups.

4 paper cups = 1lb of CO2 emissions.





### **Questions?**

### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- What does the recycle sign mean?
- ➤ Does size matter like straws, lids, utensils?
- ➤ What's up with food waste collection/composting?
- What is contamination really?
- ➤ Difference between compostable vs. biodegradable?
- ► Is Zero Waste really 100%?
- >ANYTHING ELSE?

"Meeting the needs of the present generation without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs"

Sustainability



# Thank You

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# **Urban wildlife and Coyotes**

- Jim Hartman-
  - Deputy Agricultural Commissioner/Sealer,
     Integrated Pest Management Division, Los
     Angeles County Agricultural Commissioner

Los Angeles County Department of

# Agricultural Commissioner/ Weights and Measures

### **INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT PROGRAM**

Practicing the Biological Arts

# Living with the Urban Coyote



# Coyote Facts

Coyotes are a native mammal who have been know to exist in LA County for at least the last

46,000 years



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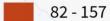
- Coyotes diet vary: small rodents, rabbits, raccoons, birds, berries, fruit, vegetables, garbage, compost, outdoor pet food and small unprotected pets
- They weigh in at between 15 and 40 pounds
- Young are born in mid to late Spring
- Litters are from 4 to 7 pups and the young will stay with the parents until late summer

### **Coyote Sighting** Calls Per City

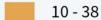
Los Angeles County, Ca., 2007-2015

### Total # of calls











Water channels

Major highways

Date created: 1-26-2016

Map author: Monica Dimson, UC Cooperative

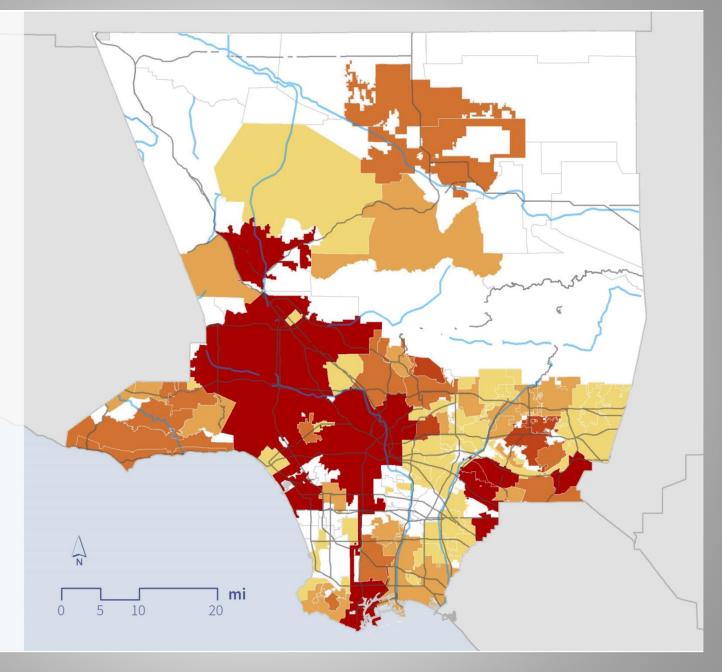
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**Projection:** California State Plane V Call data via LA County Ag Commissioner, CA Department of Fish and Wildlife, and UC

Cooperative Extension Orange County

Population data via U.S. Census Bureau

(Census 2010)



# Coyote Behavior

Coyotes are most active between dusk and dawn, however it is not uncommon to see them at any time during the day.

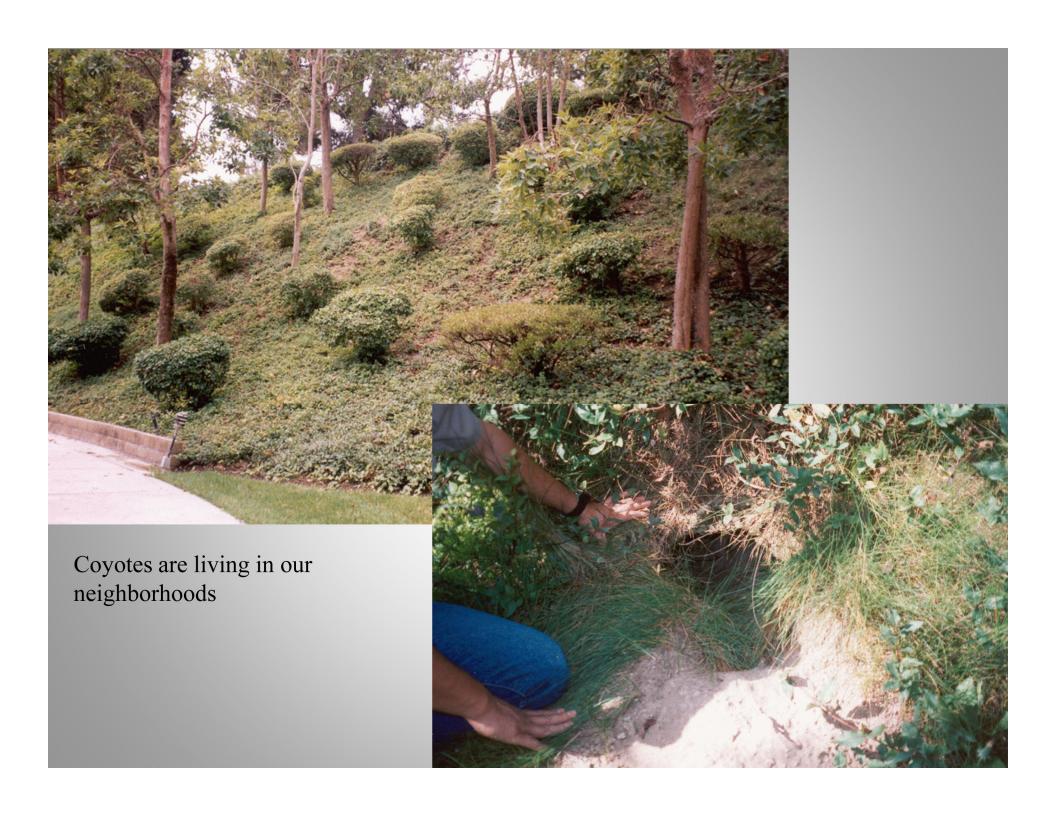




# Coyote Behavior

Coyotes are shy animals by nature, however they are also extremely curious and can often be seen observing human behavior from what they consider a safe distance.





# Intentional Feeding

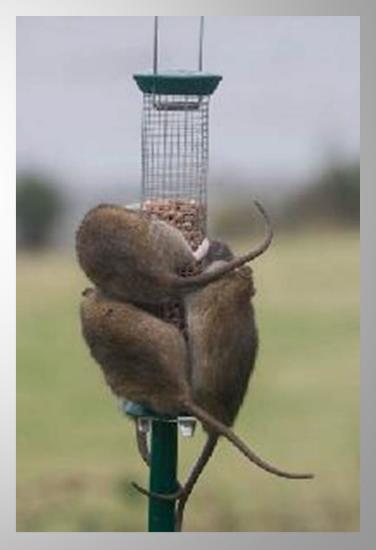






# Unintentional Feeding





# Los Angeles County Code

Title 10 ANIMALS

Chapter 10.84 FEEDING OF CERTAIN PREDATOR ANIMALS 10.84.010 Providing food for certain rodents or predator animals prohibited

- A. Except as otherwise provided for herein, no person shall feed or in any manner provide food to a nondomesticated rodent or a nondomesticated mammalian predator.
- B. For purposes of this chapter:
  - 1. "Rodent" includes ground squirrel
  - 2. "Mammalian predators" includes coyote, raccoon, fox and opossum (Ord. 81-0029U § 1 (part), 1981)

#### Coyote Safety Tips

- Keep garbage cans closed and secure
- Keep small pets indoors especially at night and keep pet food indoors or remove when pets complete their meals outside
- · Pick up fallen fruit and cover compost piles
- Put away bird feeders at night to avoid attracting rodents and other coyote prey

#### Coyote Safety Tips

- Clear brush and dense weeds from around your property
- Have a wall or fence at least six feet high around your backyard
- Enlist your neighbors as a neighborhood wildlife watch
- Teach children to never approach coyotes or other wild animals

#### If You See A Coyote

- Admire it from afar, but don't encourage them
- Never offer it food
- Don't turn your back, ignore or run from a coyote
- Carry a walking stick or noisemaker at night or during an early morning walk
- Keep your pets next to you on a leash if they are with you

#### If A Coyote Approaches You

- Make eye contact
- Make yourself as authoritative and big as possible
- Try to scare it and appear threatening
- Clap, shout, make loud noises, wave your arms
- Pick up small objects, such as a stone and throw it at the approaching coyote or spray it with water

#### If A Coyote Approaches You

 Do not turn your back on a coyote; to get away, face the coyote and carefully back away slowly

#### If A Coyote Attacks

Call 9-1-1 if a coyote or other wild animal attacks or threatens to attack a human

If a person is bitten, call the California Department of Fish and Wildlife to report the incident

#### Who to Contact

Los Angeles County Department of Agricultural Commissioner/Weights and Measures

Integrated Pest Management Division

(626) 575-5462

acwm.lacounty.gov



#### Coyote Cacher

#### Welcome to Coyote Cacher

Dear Coyote Cacher,

Coyote Cacher is part of a research project with the University of California Cooperative Extension that aims to collect more information on coyote encounters in California. The information you provide will be used to help inform researchers of trends in human-coyote interactions. If you wish to participate in this survey, please see the survey below to answer some questions. Participation is voluntary. If you require more information about this process please contact Human-Wildlife Interactions Advisor Dr. Niamh Quinn at <a href="mailto:nmquinn@ucanr.edu">nmquinn@ucanr.edu</a> at University of California Cooperative Extension, Orange County.



If you want to see where encounters are in your neighborhood, please click <u>here</u> for an interactive coyote encounter map.

http://ucanr.edu/sites/CoyoteCacher/

#### A Last Word.....

Remember, it is humans that have "taught" coyotes to associate us with food and it is only through our efforts that we can minimize human/wildlife conflicts.

# Altadena Community Standards Update (CSD) on Fences and Hedge Heights

- Richard Marshalian, Senior Regional Planner, LA County
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#### Altadena CSD Update

Fences, Walls & Hedges

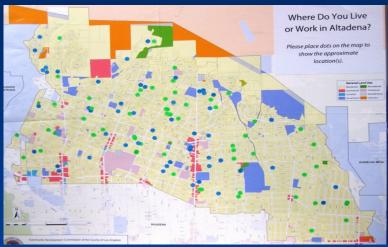
#### History/Background



#### Moratorium

- Due to a proliferation of over-height fences, walls, and hedges, a moratorium on enforcement was enacted by the County.
- The Moratorium was to be in place until the CSD was updated.
- The updated CSD became effective on January 11, 2018.

#### **Altadena Vision Report**





- 2012
- Recommendation to revise regulations based on community desires
- More accommodating for existing over-height fences, walls, and hedges

#### **CSD Update Process**

- Many discussions with Public Works, CSD Committee
- Balances Community Character with Safety Needs
- Taller fences and hedges allowed in front yard







#### **Summary of Standards: Corner Lots**



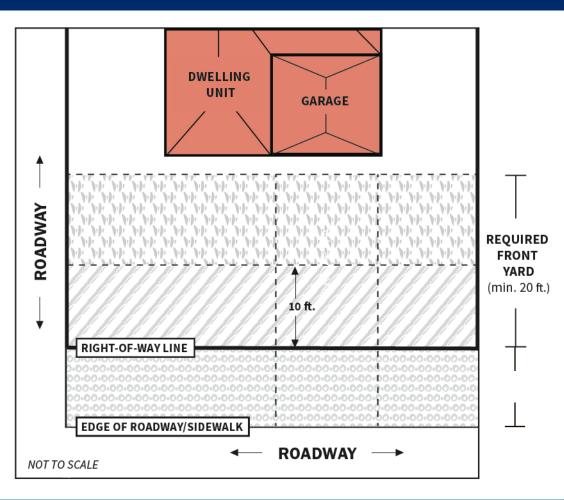
Between ROW Line and 10 feet back: 42 inches maximum



From 10 feet back: 6 feet maximum



Not permitted



#### **Summary of Standards: Interior Lots**



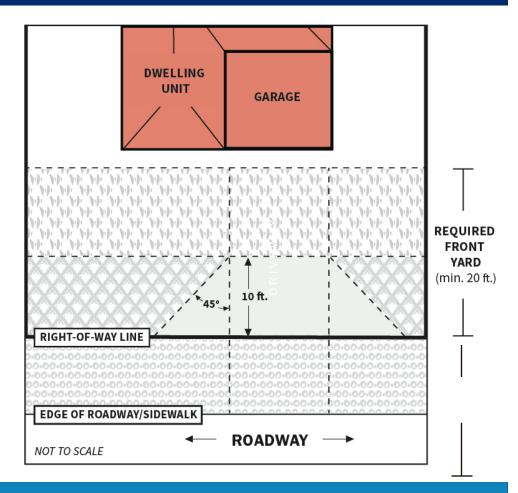
Outside of Driveway Zone, between ROW and 10 feet back:

Walls and Fences: 6 feet maximum, any portion above 42 inches shall be 80% transparent or open and non view-obscuring

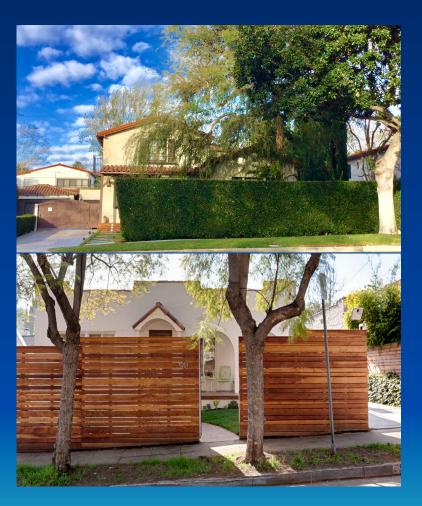
Hedges: 42 inches

From 10 feet back: 6 feet maximum

Not permitted



#### Fence, Wall & Hedge Registration



- Voluntary compliance registration program
- Limited-time registration period
   January 11, 2018 –
   January 10, 2019
- Registration allows compliance to be secured by January 1, 2034

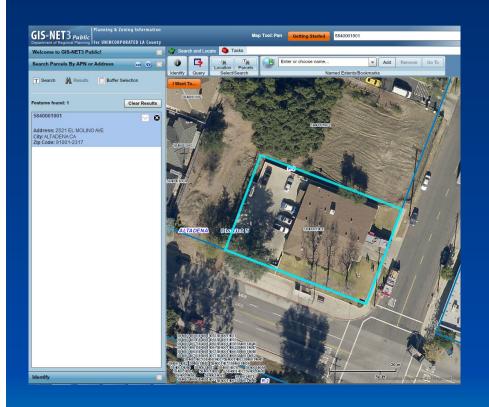
#### **Registration Qualifications**

- R-1 zoned properties only
- Fences, walls, and hedges in the front yard established <u>prior</u> to January 11, 2018 that do not meet CSD standards
- Property owner or representative with owner's consent

#### Registration

- Registration form available on DRP website <a href="http://planning.lacounty.gov/apps">http://planning.lacounty.gov/apps</a>
  - Short one-page form
  - Simple site plan on 8.5" x 11"
  - Site photographs
- Online or in-person submission
- Free, no-cost registration

#### **GIS-NET3**



- http:// planning.lacounty.gov/ gisnet3
- Approximate location of property lines

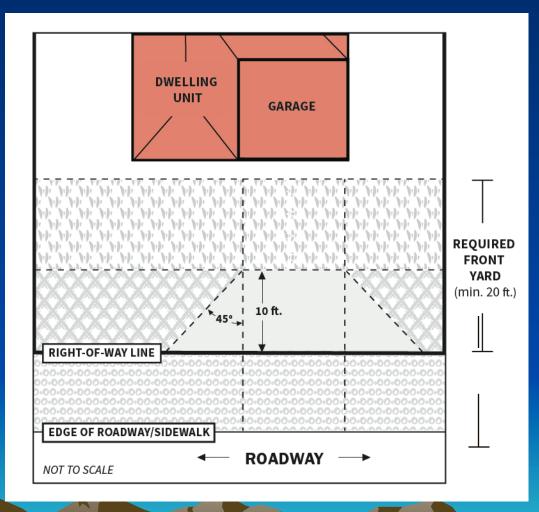
#### **DRP Zoning Enforcement**

- Over-height fences, walls, and hedges could result in zoning enforcement actions
- Enforcement is complaint-driven
- Registration does not legalize the overheight fence, wall, or hedge
- Registration will protect property owners from enforcement of registered over-height fence, wall, or hedge until January 1, 2034

# Fences, Walls, and Hedges in the Public Right-of-way

**Department of Public Works** 

## Fences, Walls, and Hedges in the Public Right-of-way



#### **Altadena CSD Website**

For more information, please visit:

http://planning.lacounty.gov/altadena

### •QUESTIONS?

## Please be sure you signed in

(if we already have your email address, we just need your name)

# Schedule for remaining ACONA Meetings 2018

- May 22<sup>nd</sup>
- Sept 25<sup>th</sup>
- Nov 27th

# Thank you! Questions?