

Measure G & Cities in Eastern Los Angeles County

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Report of Preliminary Findings for the LA County Governance Reform Task Force (GRTF)



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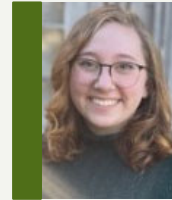
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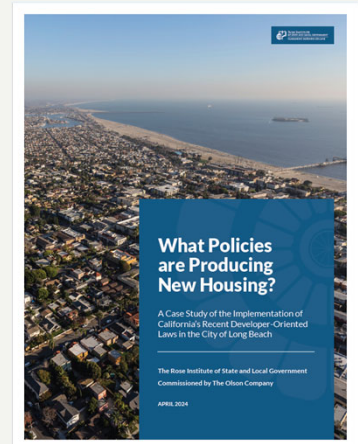
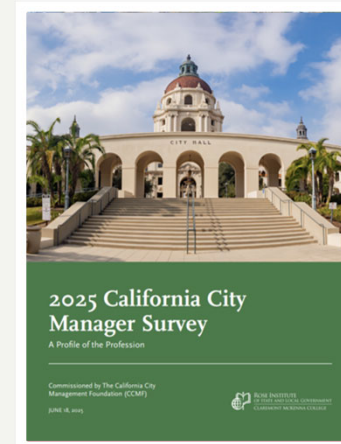
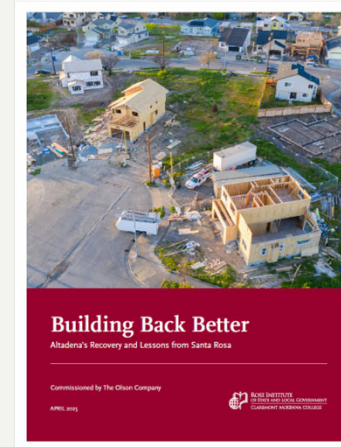


The Rose Institute of State and Local Government

Founded in 1973 at Claremont McKenna College

Produces non-partisan research on state and local governance and policy, with a focus on Southern CA

Has developed close relationships with cities and city managers in LA County



Haynes-Funded Measure G Study

ELEVATING VOICES OF CITIES IN EASTERN LA COUNTY

Why Cities?

- Most important jurisdictions within the county
- Essential for successful implementation of Measure G

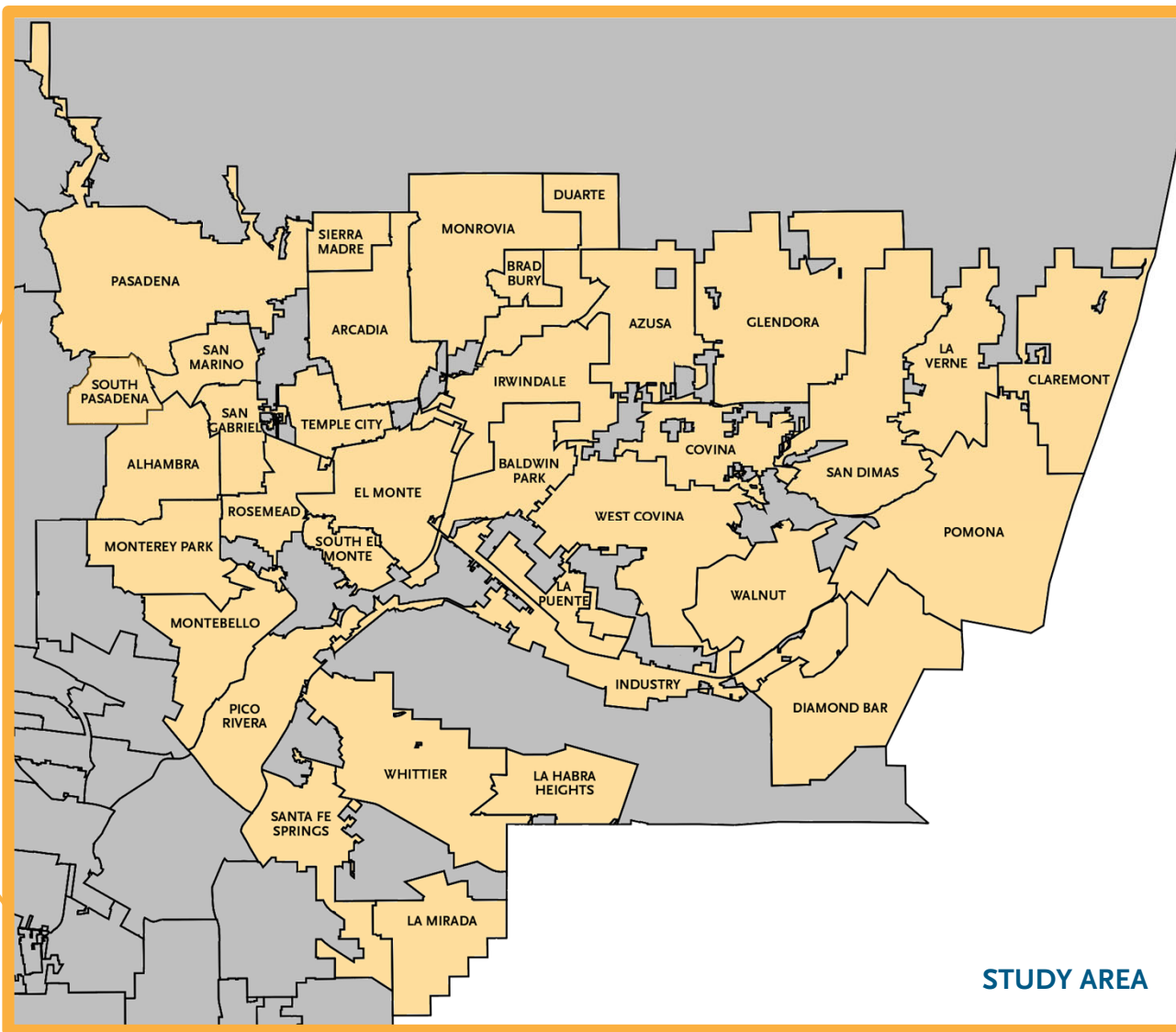
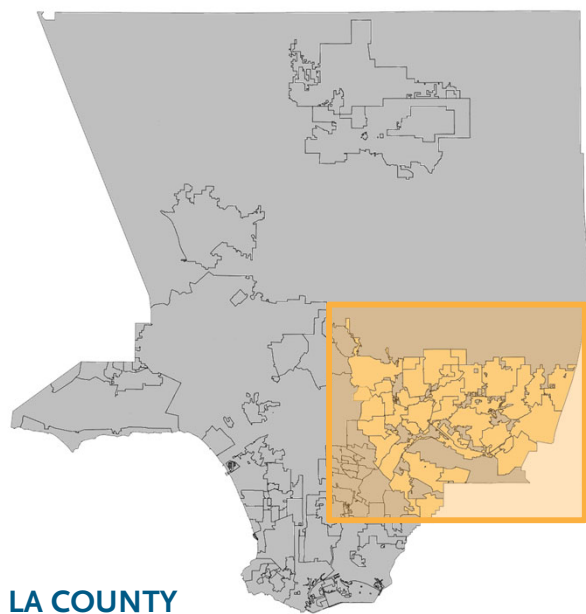
Why City Managers?

- Main point of contact between cities and the county
- Deep experience with governance issues, including executive vs. legislative powers

Why Eastern LA County?

- Limited geographic scope allows for deeper research
- Cities in Eastern LA County have unique concerns that deserve dedicated attention

Cities in the Study Area

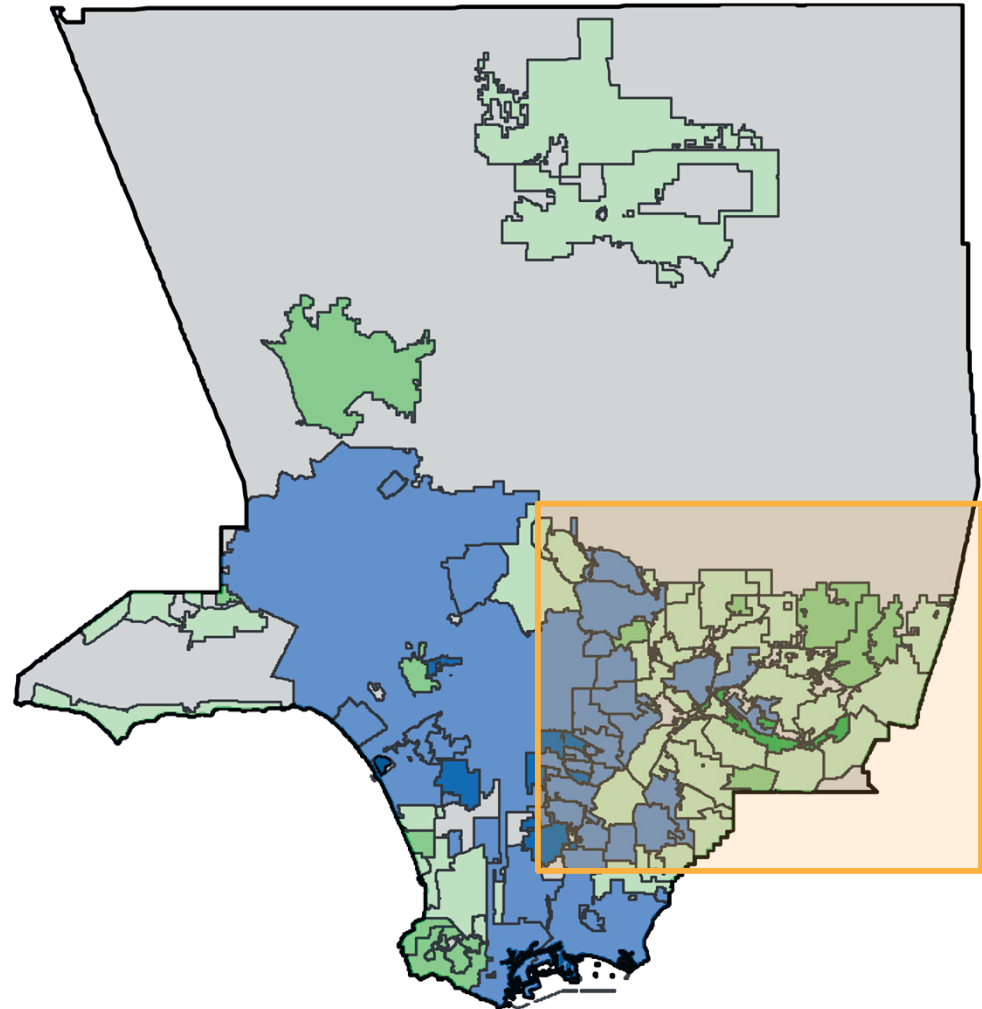
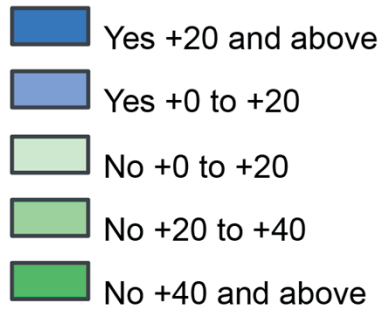


2024 Measure G Votes by City

**SUPPORT FOR MEASURE G WAS LOWER
IN OUR STUDY AREA**

Sources: LA Registrar of Voters and Timothy B. Krebs, PhD UNM
Map by Quinten Carney, Rose Institute

Margin of Victory



Project Status

DIRECT ENGAGEMENT WITH CITY LEADERS



Background Research

Study governance in LA and other counties



Individual City Manager Interviews

Completed 27 in-depth city manager interviews



Follow-up Group Discussions

Formed working group of city managers to explore recommendations



Final Report & Future Research

Publish findings, inform the Task Force, and identify areas for further research

City Managers' Perspectives

CURRENT RELATIONSHIP WITH COUNTY

All cities have extensive interaction with the County, especially if they contract for many services.

Most cities have developed strong relationships with their supervisor's office.

City managers work with supervisor offices and county departments, almost never interact with the County CEO.

Cities generally are satisfied with County Fire and Sheriff services.

City managers express frustration with some other county services.

A major concern is lack of local control over funds for some county-run programs.

City Managers' Perspectives

VIEWS ON MEASURE G TRANSITION

City managers have uneven awareness of Measure G.

The Elected County Executive raises substantive concerns.

They are uncertain how the new governance model will work.

New communication structure is the top operational concern: *Who do I call?*

Board expansion is generally accepted.

Contract city arrangements need special attention.

Preliminary Recommendations

CONSIDERATIONS FOR DESIGN OF NEW COUNTY GOVERNANCE STRUCTURES

1

Ensure the Elected County Executive's office provides cities clearly defined channels of communication

2

Identify other ways for cities to have input on county deliberations

3

Actively engage cities during the transition period



Questions and Comments
