CITY OF COMMERCE


Commerce (incorporated in 1960) is located seven miles east-southeast of the Los Angeles Civic Center, primarily between the Los Angeles River and the I-5 Freeway. This is the heart of the county’s industrial base with the predominant land uses being manufacturing, some commercial and some residential. Commerce has a strong job base with a very high ratio of three jobs for every resident. Manufacturing and wholesale trade are the two dominant industries. The median family income was $29,331 in 1989. The city ranks 75th in population among Los Angeles County cities.

ISSUES

- The existing access to the LARIO Trail needs improvement.
- Public safety issues along the LARIO and San Gabriel trails need to be addressed.
- The city is separated from the river by the 710 Freeway.
- There is a need for pocket parks.

ADOPTED GENERAL OR RECREATIONAL PLANS

- The Commerce General Plan designates areas adjacent to the river for major commercial use.

JURISDICTIONAL PLANNED PROJECTS

- None.

RECOMMENDATIONS BASED ON MASTER PLAN GOALS

- Explore the potential for a bikeway to the Slauson-710 off-ramp.
- Develop a connection to the river trail greenbelt via Slauson.
- Create pocket parks within industrial areas for aesthetic improvement and employee use.