

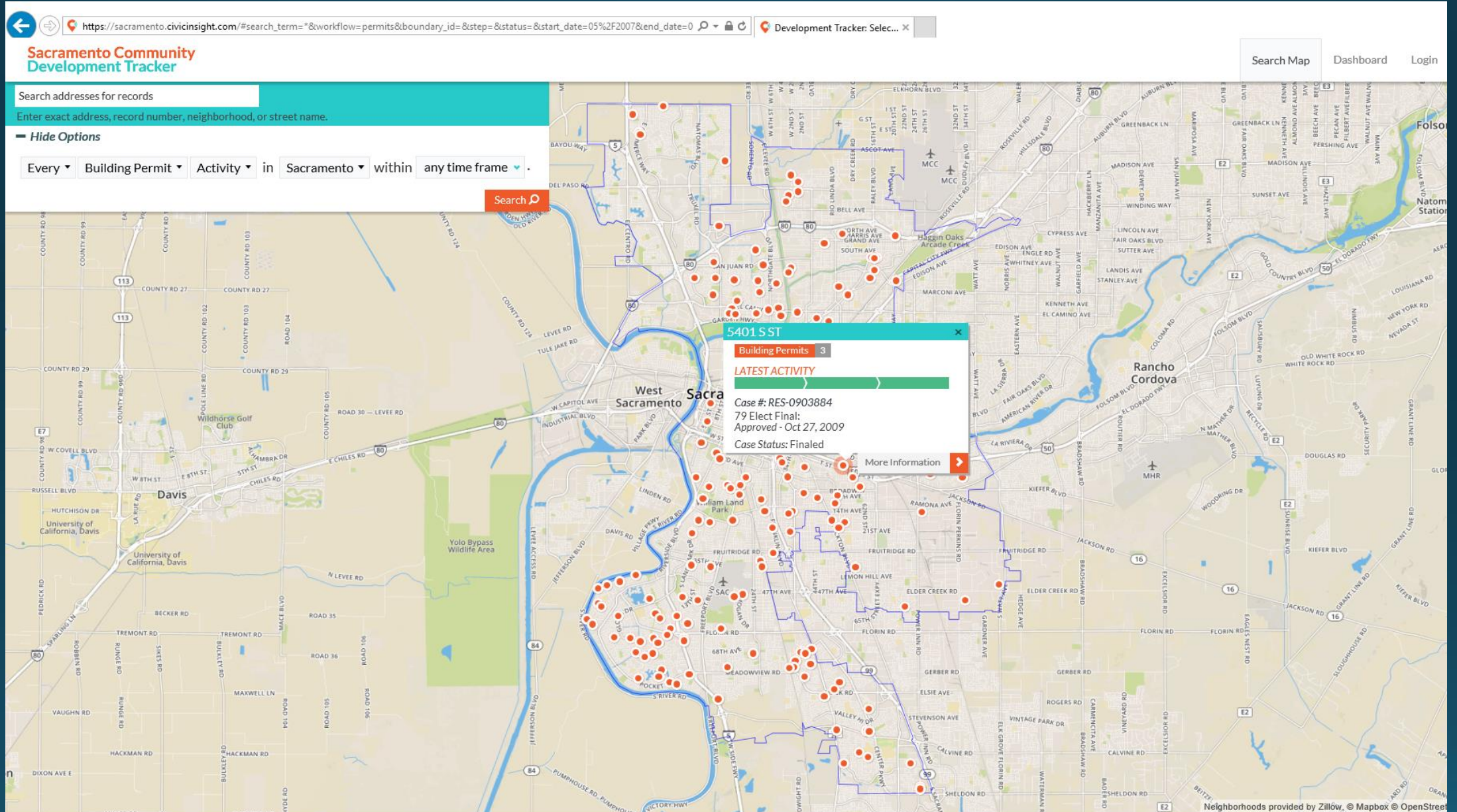
Principles of Smart Growth

To support Smart Growth development, Sacramento 's City Council adopted the following Smart Growth Principles into the General Plan (Resolution 2001-805):

1. Mix land uses and support vibrant city centers.
2. Take advantage of existing community assets emphasizing joint use of facilities.
2. Create a range of housing opportunities and choices.
3. Foster walkable, close-knit neighborhoods.
5. Promote distinctive, attractive communities with a strong sense of place, including the rehabilitation and use of historic buildings.
6. Preserve open space, farmland, natural beauty, and critical environmental areas.
7. Concentrate new development and target infrastructure investments within the urban core of the region.
8. Provide a variety of transportation choices.
9. Make development decisions predictable, fair, and cost-effective.
10. Encourage citizen & stakeholder participation in development decisions.
11. Promote resource conservation and energy efficiency.
12. Create a Smart Growth Regional Vision and Plan.
13. Support high quality education and quality schools.
14. Support land use, transportation management, infrastructure, and environmental planning programs that reduce vehicle emissions and improve air quality.

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CENTRAL CITY URBAN DESIGN GUIDELINES

The guidelines have been extensively revised. The major organizational change is the division of the document into a series of Sections, which will incorporate all of the design guidelines governing design review in the Central City. Therefore, the Central City Urban Design Guidelines will exist as a compilation of all adopted guidelines for the Central City and each can be amended or new guidelines added, as required in the future.

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