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ATTENTION: Land Use and Housing Committee
Agenda of July 21, 2004

SUBJECT: General Plan Monitoring Report

SUMMARY

THIS IS AN INFORMATION ITEM ONLY. NO ACTION IS REQUIRED ON THE PART OF THE COMMITTEE OR THE CITY COUNCIL.

BACKGROUND

Enclosed is the first General Plan Monitoring Report, covering the period from City Council adoption of the Strategic Framework Element and Action Plan (October 22, 2002) through June of 2004. The report was prepared in fulfillment of an Action Plan requirement that the Planning Department monitor progress toward implementing the City of Villages strategy. Monitoring is to take place through the establishment of a public/private stakeholders group that would advise the Planning Department on monitoring issues, and the preparation of an annual report to the Planning Commission and City Council. The Planning Commission is serving as the public/private stakeholders group.

The General Plan Technical Working Group, comprised of representatives from a number of City departments, provided input on implementation actions. A draft of the monitoring report was presented to the Planning Commission on May 6, 2004 (Report No. PC-04-040). The Planning Commission accepted the report with suggested recommendations, which have either been incorporated into the Monitoring Report, or will be discussed as a part of next year's report (see the General Plan Monitoring Report Appendix).

DISCUSSION

The General Plan Monitoring Report is comprised of three parts: 1) the Action Plan Progress report, 2) San Diego Sustainable Community Program Indicators report, and 3) presentation of community economic indicators. The Action Plan report measures progress toward attainment of the numbered Action Items. San Diego's Sustainable Community Program Indicators were developed by various

agencies and members of the public to measure the region's long-term health, or sustainability, on a variety of topics. The economic indicators were developed for the purpose of monitoring community economic performance and establishing priorities for public investment at regional and community levels.

In summary, the Monitoring Report shows that the Strategic Framework Element is being implemented by many actions occurring in the Planning Department and throughout other City departments. The Action Plan Progress and the Sustainable Community Program Indicators sections of the report provide a more detailed examination of how the City is progressing toward implementing the City of Villages strategy and achieving more sustainable practices.

CONCLUSION

The Monitoring Report is being presented to the City Council's Land Use and Housing Committee to formally initiate distribution of the report. Bound copies will be distributed to members of the City Council, Planning Commission, and General Plan Technical Working Group. Public notification will be largely through e-mail. We will post the report to the City's website, and send out an e-mail link to the document to the Community Planners Committee, and the more than 1300 individuals and organizations that are on the Planning Department's General Plan e-mail distribution list. A limited number of hard copies will be available in the Planning Department. Any comments or questions received on the report will be helpful in shaping future year reports.

Respectfully submitted,

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