

General Plan Work Program Progress

Since the joint LU&H/Planning Commission General Plan workshop in October 2003, significant progress has been made on the work program including:

- The City Council selected five pilot village projects to proceed as part of the prestigious Pilot Village Program- February 2004;
- The Planning Department distributed the first annual General Plan Monitoring Report identifying work completed in implementing the Strategic Framework Element Action Plan, work to be done, and setting a baseline for quality of life and economic indicators to be monitored in the future - July 2004; and
- The Planning Department completed work with community planning groups to collect citywide existing conditions data in a GIS format that can be used for future analysis on various actions including preparing a financing strategy for public facilities and infrastructure, amending or updating community plans, updating the General Plan, and conducting future environmental analysis. Maps created through the process are available on the City's website- August 2004.
- Six public forums have been held to discuss critical issues to be addressed in the general plan update including policies for resource conservation, provisions for parks and recreation facilities, the future of retail development, financing public facilities, and meeting our housing needs:
 - June 26, 2003 *Economic Prosperity For All: How Do We Get There?* Councilmember Scott Peters, Donald Cohen, Steve Erie, Mike Madigan
 - September 25, 2003 *Breaking the Gridlock: Moving People to New Mobility Choices* William Lieberman, Dan Beal, Linda Culp, Andrew Poat
 - December 10, 2003 *What on Earth Are We Doing? How Today's Decisions on Land Use, Water & Energy Affect Our Future* Councilmember Donna Frye, Irene Stillings, Marco Gonzalez, Matthew Adams, Adam Gamboa
 - March 25, 2004 *Dollars and Sense: The Future of Commercial Development in San Diego* Councilmember Michael Zucchet, William Anderson, Alan Gin, Reg Kobzi, Carolyn Smith
 - June 17, 2004 *San Diego's Great Balancing Act: Exploring Creative Recreational Choices for the Future* Kathy Garcia, Reint Reinders, Leslie Linton, Ginny Barnes, Jim Peugh
 - September 16, 2004 *Mission Impossible? Balancing Public Facilities Needs and the Demand for More Housing* Jack McGrory, Tom Mullaney, Donald Cohen, Councilmember Toni Atkins
- Two subcommittees assembled to assist with Land Use element and policies addressing the community plan amendment and update process;
- Several e-mails have been sent to the General Plan e-mail interest list soliciting input on draft policies and elements; and
- Ad-hoc meeting conducted with various stakeholders to seek input on draft policies.