



## MEETING SUMMARY FORM

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## PUBLIC INFORMATION

**Meeting Date:** August 16, 2007

**Plan Santa Barbara representative(s):** Bettie Weiss (City Staff); Das Williams (City Council)

**Host Organization:** Safe Routes to School

**Number of Participants:** 15

**Please take a moment to summarize the meeting. What were the overall themes? What issues arose?**

**What concerns did the participants express?**

- Power Point presentation made by Bettie Weiss, City Planner.
- Introduction into what a General Plan is and council Goals discussed by Das Williams.
- Some individuals did attend the Round One Workshops and also noted the divergence of opinion among the public and questioned how the City would respond to all of it. Bettie responded that all comments are being recorded and the next steps will offer options that respond to different ideas in a general way, i.e. less growth, more preservation, growth in certain areas, etc. There will likely be possible “scenarios” or options that people will discuss and provide feedback to policy makers.
- The goal of this group is to have a safe route to school for every child. The health and education of our children is key. The children need to be able to get around their town, they need to walk & bike and keep doing it.
- Das Williams noted that recently the Council adopted a Youth Platform that places a high priority on youth & considerations for youth in all Council actions.
- It was noted that this PlanSB process is also about the City’s Circulation Element as it is part of the General Plan.
- People from Goleta and other areas may participate in this process too, as the community and regional issues extend beyond the City Limits. However, it was noted that Council can only act on behalf of the City.
- What different ways are we getting input from the community beyond the internet? What coordination is being done with the County? Full public outreach was explained.