SAN DIEGO – The Planning and Engineering and Capital Projects Departments announce an opportunity for the public to participate in the development of the Citywide Pedestrian Master Plan and Traffic Calming Program. The public is invited to attend an open house on Thursday, October 13, 2005. The open house will take place at the Balboa Park Club, Santa Fe Room and will begin at 4:00 and end at 7:00 p.m. The event is free and everyone is invited to attend.

The City is developing a Citywide Pedestrian Master Plan to guide the way the City plans and implements pedestrian projects. The Plan will identify and prioritize pedestrian improvement projects based on technical analysis and community input and improve the City’s ability to receive grant funding to implement pedestrian projects.

The City is developing a comprehensive Traffic Calming Program to address increased complaints of speeding and shortcutting traffic, particularly within residential areas, as the population and traffic increase in San Diego. The Program will provide uniform guidelines for the City to plan and implement traffic calming solutions, assist in the implementation of traffic calming devices, and educate neighborhood residents and the general public as needed.

Input from the public is encouraged during the open house on October 13. There will be additional opportunities in the future for public involvement in the development of the Pedestrian Master Plan and Traffic Calming Program.

For additional information, visit the Pedestrian Master Plan website at www.sandiegopmp.org.

Special Note: The public may arrive at any time between 4 and 7:00 p.m. because there will not be a formal presentation. All exhibits and staff will be available throughout this timeframe and a number of activities have been planned to allow the public to provide input at their own pace and convenience. Light refreshments will be provided.

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