

THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

## **Planning Department**

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**City to Discuss Mobility Issues at Third Quarterly Public Forum** *Community encouraged to join in creating collaborative solutions* 

SAN DIEGO – How can we increase mobility and minimize traffic congestion? What role should transit play in our mobility choices? What can we do to make our communities more pedestrian and bicycle friendly? These questions and more will be discussed at the third quarterly forum in the *From Controversy to Solution Series* entitled **"Breaking the Gridlock: Moving People to New Mobility Choices."** 

Citizens are encouraged to participate at the **Thursday**, **September 25** forum being held by the City's Planning Department. The event will take place from **6:00** – **7:30 pm** in the Balboa Park Club Santa Fe Room (near the Aerospace Museum) at Balboa Park.

"This forum is an opportunity for community members to provide input on the Mobility and Land Use Elements of the General Plan Update," said Program Manager Coleen Clementson. "We need to think through the issues thoughtfully and carefully. The decisions we make now about how we move people and goods will impact the prosperity and vibrancy of our city and region for many years to come."

Panelists at the September 25 forum will include **William Lieberman**, a transportation planner who has specialized in studying public transit for the past 35 years, **Dan Beal**, the Manager of the Public Policy and Programs for the Automobile Club of Southern California (AAA), **Linda Culp**, a Senior Transportation Planner with the San Diego Association of Governments

(SANDAG), and **Andrew Poat**, the Director of the City of San Diego's Governmental Relations Department and former Chief Deputy Director of the California Department of Transportation (CALTRANS).

The City's first quarterly forum took place in March and June. The next forum is scheduled for December 10, at the same time and location. For more information about each forum, call the General Plan Hotline at (619) 235-5226. A map showing the meeting location and additional information about the General Plan Update can be found online at <a href="http://www.sandiego.gov/cityofvillages/community/publicshop.shtml">http://www.sandiego.gov/cityofvillages/community/publicshop.shtml</a>.

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