

# City of Pinole General Plan Update



**Public Workshop #3  
September 6 2007**



## Recap

- Previous two workshops focused on Community Character, Natural Resources & Open Space, Health & Safety.
- **Overarching themes**
  1. Promote & improve connections between uses;
  2. Preserve the 'small town' feel of Pinole;
  3. Support & encourage local businesses;
  4. Promote cultural diversity;
  5. Conserve and maintain open space & natural resources;
  6. Ensure high quality urban design;
  7. **Convenient Transportation Choices;**
  8. Promote diverse uses;
  9. Encourage sustainable growth;
  10. Promote a vibrant economy;
  11. Ensure a healthy environment;



## Transportation & Circulation

- #7 Convenient Transportation Choices
- The current General Plan envisions that
- “Pinole will be a city where people can easily circulate and safely access community facilities and services by a range of convenient transportation choices and efficiently connect residents, business, and visitors to the region.”



## The Circulation Element will address

- The street system and traffic circulation;
- Transit (bus, rail);
- Bicycle circulation;
- Pedestrian circulation.



## The Circulation Element does not address

- Short-term projects or improvements
- Specific localized issues

These are handled by the regular City processes – but guided by the General Plan and Circulation Element



- Q.1. How will you improve the relationship between Transportation, Circulation & Land Use?
- Q.2. On your map, using a marker, identify important pedestrian walkways, bikeways, transit/travel corridors, open space features, current and potential focal points. Explore ways to demonstrate how these can be connected. Indicate traffic hot spots and/or problem areas that hinder easy circulation.

**Some things to think about:**

- How do you grow from now to 2025? How about 2025 to 2050?
- Where are the existing corridors and centers? Where are they in the future?
- How do these centers relate to each other, compete with, or complement Old Town Pinole?
- How does the connections framework concept integrate transit?
- How can the highway-oriented uses be integrated into the community?



# How are things in Pinole TODAY?

## Current Transportation Choices

- ◆ Car/Auto travel is dominant
- ◆ It is not always possible to widen existing roads but there is always room for improvement
- ◆ Need better alternatives to the car
- ◆ Multi-modal transportation plan that integrates
  - Car
  - Transit
  - Walking and
  - Bicycles
  - The plan will need to provide more choices for circulation & transportation



# Current Transportation Choices



# How would you like to get around Pinole in the FUTURE?

- **Getting around the City**
  - ◆ Access to work, shopping, business, recreational and social activities
  - ◆ Where do we drive?
  - ◆ Where to we walk?
  - ◆ Where do we take the bus?
  - ◆ Where is it hard to get to and why is it hard to get to?



# Is this how you would like to get around the City?





# Circulation Issues and Possibilities

- **Local Traffic Circulation**
  - ◆ Are the streets too wide, or too narrow?
  - ◆ Does traffic flow too fast or too slow?
  - ◆ Are the streets pedestrian friendly?

# Local Traffic Circulation



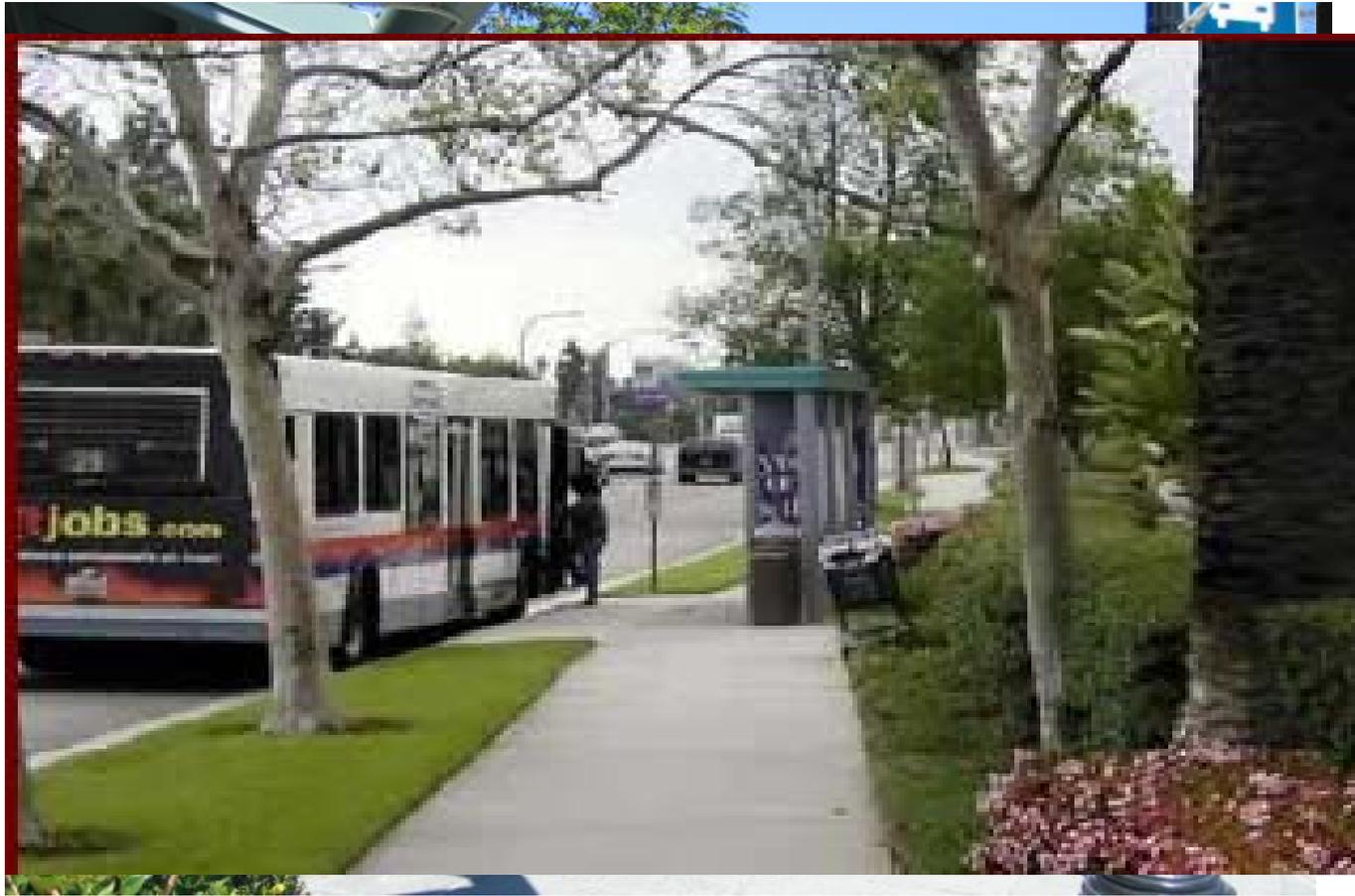


# Circulation Issues and Possibilities

- **How could Transit Service be improved?**
  - ◆ Better network/ more routes?
  - ◆ Better transit amenities (more bus stops)?
  - ◆ More frequent stops?
  - ◆ Routes closer to homes?



# How could Transit Service be improved?





# Circulation Issues and Possibilities

- **How could Pedestrian and bicycle circulation be improved?**
  - ◆ More connections?
  - ◆ Calm/Slow traffic?
  - ◆ Better sidewalks/amenities?



## **How could Pedestrian and bicycle circulation be improved?**





## What's next in the workshop?

- Break Out Groups

### Questions to consider in Breakout Groups

- What places do you have difficulty getting to/ coming from?  
Are there places you avoid going to because there are difficulties?
- What are those difficulties?
- What transportation improvements would you like to see in the City in future?
- What are your priorities for?
  - **TRAFFIC AND STREETS**
  - **TRANSIT**
  - **PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE CIRCULATION**

## What we want you to do?

- Give us your ideas.
- Focus on the BIG picture - Citywide
- Complete the survey on circulation & transportation online @ [www.pinolegeneralplan.com](http://www.pinolegeneralplan.com)
- Complete and mail comment Card
- Contact Elizabeth Dunn, Community Development Director at (510) 724-891.

