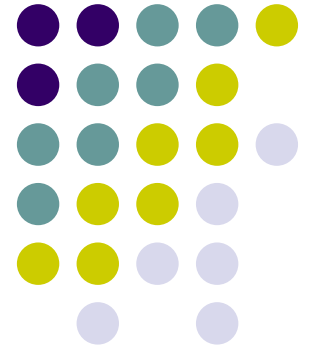




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LONG RANGE PLANNING



Community Input

Community Meetings, Telephone Survey, Web-Survey

Findings Summary - September 2006

Summary of Public Input Long Range Planning - 2006



- A 39 page document has been prepared summarizing public input from January through May of 2006 from 3 primary data sources
 - Telephone survey (separate summary has been made by Binder Research)
 - 13 Community Meetings
 - On-Line Web Survey

Data Sources:



- Community Meetings – 517 participants
- Binder Telephone Survey – 500 respondents
- On-Line Web Survey – 91 participants

Community Meetings Participation by Neighborhood



Neighborhood	# Participants	Percentage	Neighborhood	# Participants	Percentage
Adams Hill	15	4.2%	Montrose/V.City	14	3.9%
Brockmont	3	0.8%	Moorpark	3	0.8%
Chevy Chase	11	3.1%	Oakmont	6	1.7%
Citrus Grove	9	2.5%	Pacific-Edison	3	0.8%
City Center	19	5.3%	Pelanconi	5	1.4%
College Hills	0	0.0%	Rancho S.R.	6	1.7%
Cresc. Highlnds	23	6.5%	Rvrside Rancho	12	3.4%
El Miradero	12	3.4%	Rossmoyne	18	5.1%
Emerald Isle	0	0.0%	Somerset	7	2.0%
Fremont Park	2	0.6%	Sparr Heights	11	3.1%
Glenoaks Cyn	20	5.6%	Tropico	1	0.3%
Glenwood	18	5.1%	Verdugo Viejo	11	3.1%
Grand Central	0	0.0%	Ver. Woodlands	22	6.2%
Grandview	11	3.1%	Vineyard	4	1.1%
Greenbriar	5	1.4%	Whiting Woods	0	0.0%
Mariposa	15	4.2%	Woodbury	3	0.8%
Montecito Park	0	0.0%	Non Specified	67	18.8%

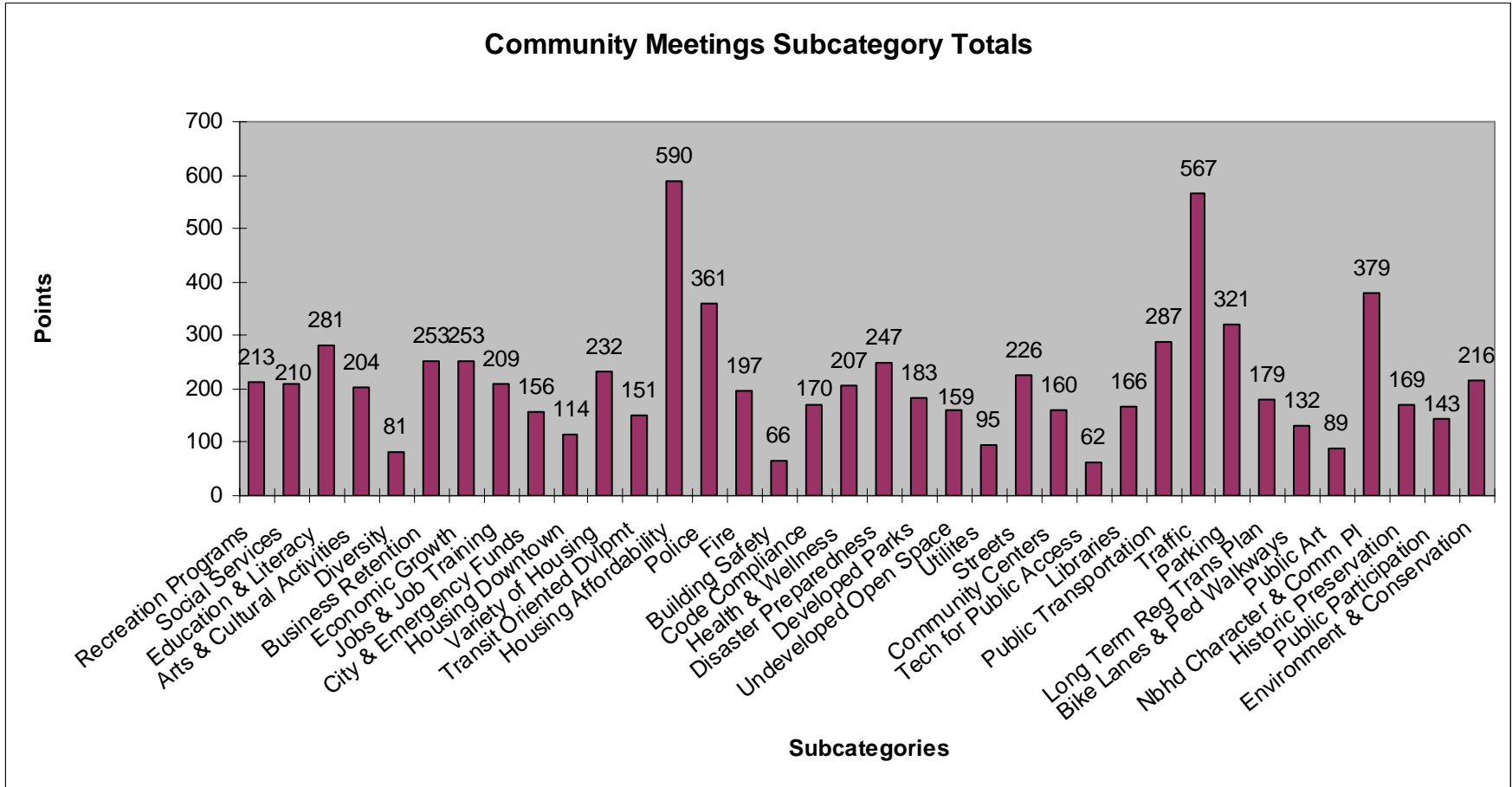
Calculations are from 356 participants of the nine public meetings only.

Neighborhoods with eleven or more participants:



- Adams Hill
- Chevy Chase Canyon
- City Center
- Crescenta Highlands
- El Miradero
- Glenoaks Canyon
- Glenwood
- Grandview
- Mariposa
- Montrose/Verdugo City
- Riverside Rancho
- Rossmoyne
- Sparr Heights
- Verdugo Viejo
- Verdugo Woodlands

Thirteen Community Meetings Subcategory Totals



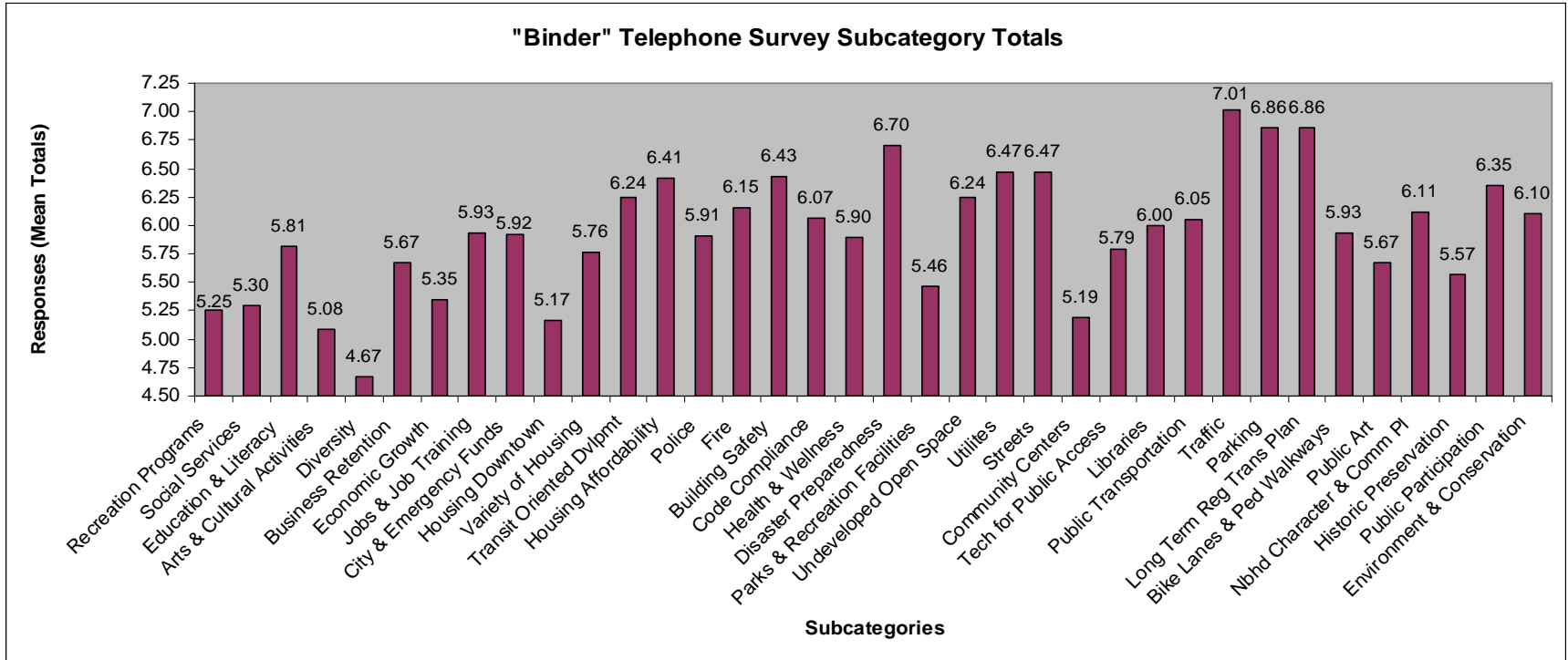


Community Meetings

Out of 36 Subcategories:

- High Priorities for Improvement:
 - Housing Affordability
 - Traffic
 - Neighborhood Character & Community Planning
- Low Priorities for Improvement:
 - Diversity
 - Building Safety
 - Technology for Public Access

Binder Telephone Survey Subcategory Totals



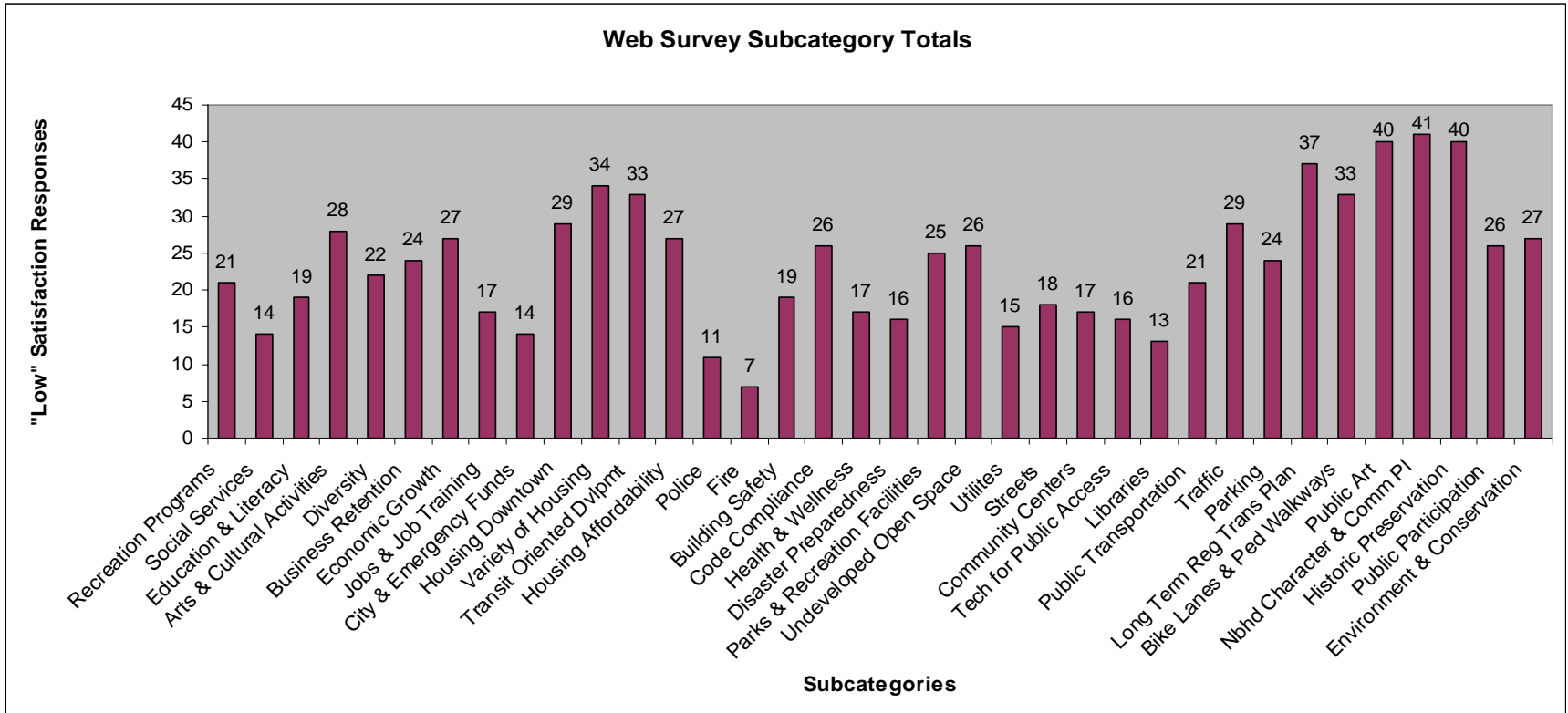


Telephone Survey

Out of 36 Subcategories:

- High Priorities for Improvement:
 - Traffic
 - Parking
 - Long-Term Regional Transportation Plan
 - Disaster Preparedness
- Low Priorities for Improvement:
 - Community Centers
 - Housing Downtown
 - Diversity

On-Line Web Survey Subcategory Totals





Web Survey

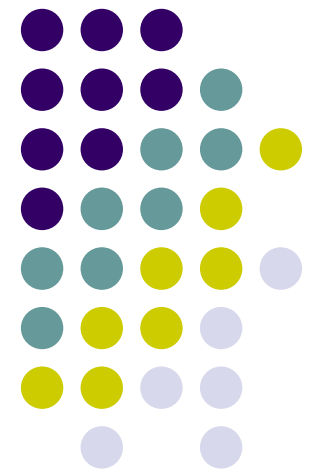
Out of 36 Subcategories:

- High Priorities for Improvement:
 - Neighborhood Character & Community Planning
 - Public Art
 - Historic Preservation
 - Long-Term Regional Transportation Plan
- Low Priorities for Improvement:
 - Libraries
 - Police
 - Fire

Nearly 51% of Web Survey respondents reported an annual household income >\$100,000

Summary/Highlights

Community Input



Community Input



- The previously summarized 3 sources of community input were reviewed by a committee of City Executives who provided the “Summary/Highlights” for each of the 16 Goals that were established by the City Council
- A 39 page report consolidating the input has been provided along with the following “Summary/Highlights”

Summary/Highlights

(Transportation and Mobility)



- Generally one of the two highest priorities for improvement
- Improving “Traffic congestion” (sub-category) was high priority
- Increase/improve Parking in neighborhoods and downtown was high priority
- “Expanding public transportation alternatives” was medium priority for improvement
- Improving transportation planning on local and regional basis was a medium to high priority
- Numerous comments about considering mobility alternatives

Summary/Highlights (Housing)



- Generally one of the two highest priorities for improvement
- Improving Housing Affordability was the highest priority of all 36 sub-categories
- Medium range priority to improve variety of housing:
 - Some conflicting input (Density and affordability vs. low density/single family)
- Improving transit oriented development medium priority
- Downtown housing low priority for improvement

Summary/Highlights (Safe Community)



- Comments reflect Police and Fire are doing a good job
- Numerous comments about need to improve traffic enforcement
- Improving disaster preparedness planning was medium to high priority
- Improving property maintenance through code enforcement was medium priority
- Conflicting input on improving building safety – need more analysis

Summary/Highlights (Arts and Culture)



- Low to medium priority for improvement
- Comments relate to increasing variety and opportunities

(Education, Knowledge and Literacy)

- Medium range priority for improvement by the City
- Comments relate to need for good education and literacy

Summary/Highlights *(Sense of Community)*



- Third highest priority for improvement from community meetings
 - Medium-Range priority on telephone survey
- Maintain neighborhood character and identity was high priority
- Majority of comments relate to density

(Diversity)

- Low priority for improvement
- Few comments in community meetings

Summary/Highlights (Parks and Open Space)



- Park improvement was Medium range priority
- Input from Community meetings focused on park development needs
- Telephone survey had higher priority for improvement of Open Space (telephone survey did not specify “Undeveloped” Open Space)

Summary/Highlights (Technology)



- Lowest priority for improvement of 36 sub-categories in community meetings
- Improving technology was Medium priority in telephone and web survey
- Most of comments related to WiFi

Summary/Highlights

(Community Services and Facilities)



- All subcategories are medium level of priority for improvement
- Significant number of comments identifying a desire for additional youth programs
- Improvement of streets is the highest priority subcategory within the Community Services and Facilities service category
- Overall, improvement of streets is a medium (community meetings) to high (telephone survey) priority for improvement

Summary/Highlights (Utilities)



- Improving Utilities are high priority in telephone survey but low priority in community meetings
- Conflicting input requires additional analysis

Summary/Highlights

(Trust in Government)



- Telephone survey reports high level of satisfaction with city services
- Low priority for improvement in community meetings
- Minimal input received in community meetings
- Some comments received about importance of increasing public participation

Summary/Highlights (Economic Vitality)



- Medium priority for improvement
 - Significant number of comments on business attraction/retention
- Community comments focus on jobs/job training
- Medium priority for improvement of city funds/emergency funds in telephone survey

Summary/Highlights

(Health and Wellness)



- Medium range priority for improvement however few comments to clarify needs

(Environment and Conservation)

- Medium range priority for improvement
- Comments focus on recycling, energy conservation, clean air etc

Analysis and Recommendations



- No in-depth analysis of input has been completed
- Recommendations would be premature
 - Some conflicting input
 - Similarities and differences need analysis
 - Overlapping “messages” need review/analysis
 - Some input is “budget” or resource related while some is not
 - Housing affordability, regional transportation are examples of such complex issues



Next steps

- Schedule study sessions for further review of Community Input
- Development of recommendations on how best to use the community input in decision making. For example:
 - Current process for development of a Mobility Plan
 - Downtown Specific Plan process
 - Priorities for the future
 - 10 year Long Range Plan
 - Budget development