HARRISON STREET/OAKLAND AVENUE
COMMUNITY BASED TRANSPORTATION PLAN
COMMUNITY WORKSHOP #1:
EXISTING CONDITIONS, VISIONING & GOALS

Thursday, January 22, 2009

6:30 pm – 8:30 pm

The City of Oakland has hired a team of consultants, led by Design, Community & Environment (DC&E), to develop a transportation plan that will assist in calming traffic and improving neighborhood livability along the Harrison Street/Oakland Avenue Corridor in Oakland. Tonight's meeting will provide an overview of the project and establish the community's vision and goals. This workshop will help the City to identify potential urban design elements to apply and incorporate in the plan. A small group design exercise will facilitate our discussion and design. At the end of the workshop an overview of the next steps will take place.

AGENDA

6:30-6:35	INTRODUCTIONS	Alisa Shen, Project Manager, Planning and Zoning Division, Strategic Planning
6:35-6:40	PROJECT OVERVIEW	Bruce Brubaker, Principal, DC&E
6:40-7:15	VISUAL PRESENTATION	
	EXISTING CONDITIONS& DESIGN ELEMENTS	John Hykes, Senior Associate, DC&E
	TRAFFIC ANALYSIS	Kamala Parks, Dowling Associates
7:15-8:00	GOALS AND VISIONING *SMALL GROUP DESIGN EXERCISE*	ALL
8:00-8:20	SUMMARY OF COMMENTS	GROUP LEADERS
8:20-8:30	SCHEDULE & NEXT STEPS	John Hykes, Senior Associate, DC&E Alisa Shen, Project Manager, Planning and Zoning Division, Strategic Planning

Adjournment

SMALL GROUP VISIONING EXERCISE: *WHAT DO YOU ENVISION?*

1. What *do you like* about your neighborhood and the project study area right now? What is working well, e.g., bus stops, new trees, new developments?

2. What are your key concerns with the HARRISON STREET/OAKLAND AVENUE CORRIDOR project study area right now? What issues would you like to see addressed through this project? Do you feel safe in these areas today? Why or why not (e.g., street crossings, lighting, traffic)?

3. What would you like to see happen in the project study area? Can you identify a local street environment that you enjoy and feel is a good example of what the corridor can become?

4. Do you have concerns about some potential changes to the area?

5. Anything else that you would like to add?

TOOL BOX: The following categories and items were reviewed in the slide show you just saw. Use these ideas as a starting point to express your ideas and wants for the two project areas represented in the basemaps at your group table. Express your ideas and types of improvements you want to your small group by either cutting and pasting from the handouts provided at your table or drawing and writing on your map.

- **People Places**
  - Location of new people places
  - Improving existing people places

- **Streets and Sidewalks**
  - Traffic Calming: Bulbouts, Street Narrowing, Medians, Sidewalk Width
  - On Street Parking Strategies: Diagonal Parking, Parallel Parking
  - Crosswalks

- **Street Amenities** (Furnishings, Landscaping & Trees)
  - Types of Furnishings: benches, bike racks, trash cans, lamps
  - Landscaping: Trees, plantings
  - Location and frequency of these elements

- **Gateways & Identifying Elements**
  - Neighborhood Identity/Street
  - Types of Gateway Markers: Murals, Banners, Painting
  - Locations