



## **DESIGNING GOLETA'S FUTURE**

The Final General Plan/Coastal Land Use Plan for the City of Goleta is scheduled for adoption by the City Council on Oct 2, 2006. The General Plan serves as the primary means for guiding future change in Goleta as it faces difficult choices about growth, housing, neighborhood compatibility, environmental protection, circulation and transportation.

The General Plan provides a vision and framework for land use development, revitalization of older portions of the community, and protection and enhancement of the natural environment. In so doing, it informs the public, developers and other public agencies about the City's policies on land use, housing, visual and historic resources, open space, conservation, transportation, safety, noise and public facilities. It invites ongoing public participation in the development and implementation of various tools and programs that stem from those policies.

A key tenet of the General Plan is the preservation of a small town atmosphere with a mix and balance of housing, retail businesses and workplaces. The type, amount and location of new development must be compatible with natural resource constraints, public service capacities and neighborhood character.

## **ADDRESSING REGIONAL INFLUENCES**

The General Plan addresses a Planning Area of 95 square miles where future development and forms of governmental organization have a symbiotic relationship. The Planning Area extends from the western sphere of influence boundary of the City of Santa Barbara to the western boundary of the service area of the Goleta Water District at El Capitan State Beach.

The Planning Area covers 7.9 square miles within the city limits, as well as unincorporated County lands within the greater Goleta Valley, Santa Barbara Municipal Airport, UCSB, Isla Vista and portions of the Gaviota Coast. The City recognizes that land use jurisdiction over areas outside its city limits rests with other public entities; nonetheless, the City has a vital interest in their planning and service delivery. The City will review and comment on land use projects and programs within the Planning Area and cooperatively work with the County, City of Santa Barbara, UCSB and special districts towards beneficial outcomes.

## **CONSIDERING NEXT STEPS**

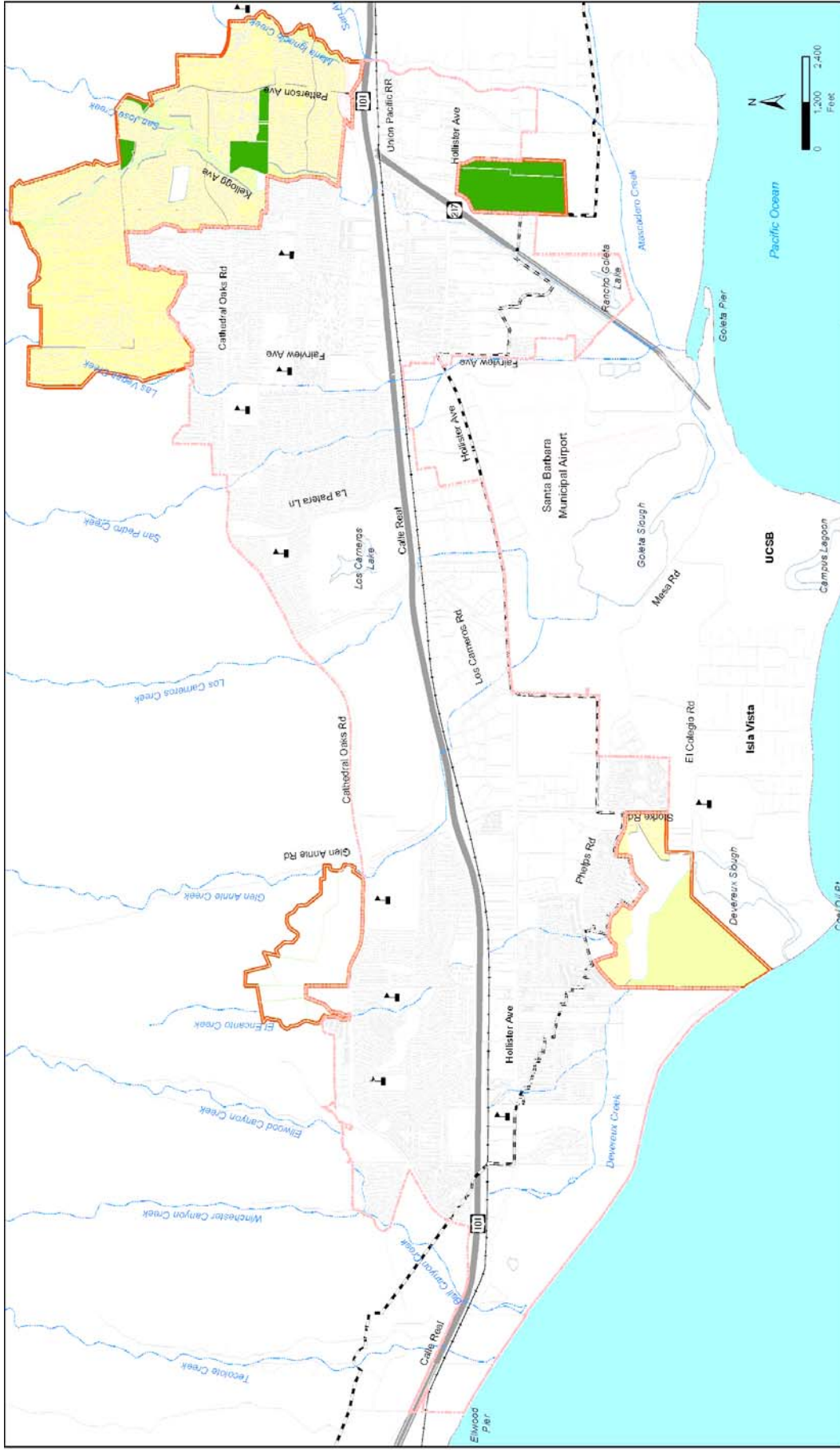
The accompanying map identifies unincorporated Future Service Areas that could be effectively and efficiently provided with municipal-type services by the City of Goleta. General Plan policies express the City's willingness to extend its services to these areas, provided that there is interest by residents in having the City as a primary service provider. The City places highest importance on self determination by the voters and property owners within those areas as to the appropriate governmental organization.

The City may prepare a request to the Local Agency Formation Commission for consideration of an area of influence review of the Future Service Areas identified on the map.

## **FOR MORE INFORMATION**

Copies of the General Plan and the EIR are readily available for reviewing, or as a download, on the City's website at [www.cityofgoleta.org](http://www.cityofgoleta.org). Copies are also available at the Goleta Public Library and the public information counter at Goleta City Hall. Steve Chase, Goleta's Director of Planning & Environmental Services may be reached at (805) 961-7541.

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**Legend**

**Land Use Designations for Future Service Areas**

- Single Family Residential
- Planned Residential
- General Commercial
- Agriculture
- Open Space / Passive Recreation
- Open Space / Active Recreation
- Public / Quasi-public

**Other Features**

- Goleta City Boundary
- Coastal Zone
- Schools
- Future Service Area Boundary

**Figure 2-4**  
**POTENTIAL CITY OF GOLETA SERVICE AREAS**

GENERAL PLAN/COASTAL LAND USE PLAN  
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Scale: 0, 1,200, 2,400 Feet