

## Public Questions from February 4, 2014 Meeting

### Submitted In-Person

1. Was there outreach to the City of Mountain View in the process?
2. How did you determine short-term and long-term costs?
3. Where were things taken off the plan likely to be located?
4. There appeared to be a number of requests and goals for park-like and additional fields, open areas for community to gather, but no parks. Where is the park space in this plan and why wasn't it addressed versus addressing requests by special interest groups (e.g. swim) for those requesting facilities?
5. Please explain the car circulation in more depth of the 2009 Master Plan.
6. Can you describe how you met the goal of tying the Master Plan to the village/downtown?
7. Is the orchard considered part of "open space"?
8. Are orchard trees contiguous and uninterrupted by concrete or other material (i.e., can tractor still be used)?
9. How was "low profile" struck from the vision statement?
10. Were story poles used or expected to be used as concepts were developed?
11. Why does there appear to be a disconnect on the Library? Early in the presentation the Library was very important, but later it said everything was fine.
12. I see the term "Master Plan" used when describing a specific area. When most communities use the term "Master Plan", (land use) they are referring to the overall plan and functionality of a town. How does this precise area integrate into our downtown?
13. In evaluating facilities needs, you used "gross square feet", rather than useable needs. Why?
14. Did the planning committee groups, sub-groups or planning task force consider including a new school and why not, considering the City has undergone considerable growth over the last five years?
15. What was initial driving force behind the Civic Center Master Plan? Community? City Council?
16. Do vehicles include bicycles?
17. You asked what and how, but you didn't ask why. Why do anything? If you maintain what is in place, what would we lose? There are available alternatives in our area, why not use them?

### Submitted via Email

1. Please detail how any construction or improvements will affect the Apricot Orchard as it sits today? Due to our City's history, and having grown up here, we are opposed to any reduction to the existing historical orchard.
2. Where is the ABA presentation available?
3. Why were the school districts or PTAs not included as key groups?
4. (1 of 2) We understand the history of Los Altos as I have lived here for over 35 years. My question is related to the apricot trees. Presently, the public is discouraged from visiting the orchard and is not allowed to pick apricots. Why did the presentation have a comment where

people wanted better access to the orchards? Why do we need half an acre devoted to apricot trees?

5. (2 of 2) You covered apricot trees but I don't think my question was answered-- public is discouraged from visiting the orchard and is not allowed to access. . . so why did the presentation have a comment where people wanted better "access" to orchards? This seems very misleading in that the public is not allowed access at all.