

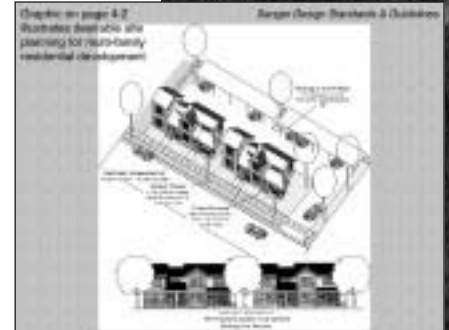
# CCAPA Awards of Merit

## 2005 Planning Project Award

### Sanger Community Design Standards and Guidelines, City of Sanger

Wanting to foster a strong sense of place that was rooted and reflective of the traditions of Sanger and the San Joaquin Valley, the City of Sanger embarked on developing its Design Guidelines. The Sanger Design Guidelines will guide the City in creating the special sense of place with quality design for all future residential and commercial development. Following a series of workshops and public hearings, the Guidelines were adopted by the City this year. The Jurors' comments were: "The Guidelines provide the City with a good plan to help preserve its feel. They are "home grown standards" that use local examples as the standards – simple and easy to understand. It fostered a strong sense of place and attempts to preserve the endangered jewel of the small town."

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## 2005 Focused Issue Planning Award

### Protect Oakland, City of Oakland

With the changes in the local land use patterns due to the City's population and economy expanding and because Oakland had experienced two crippling natural disasters, the 1989 Loma Prieta earthquake and the 1991 Oakland Hills firestorm, the updated Safety Element of the Oakland General Plan, was very important to the City. "Protect Oakland" takes a unique approach to preparing a safety element by incorporating crime as a hazard. The Jurors commented that "the plan is a beautiful, high-quality document prepared by planners that clearly conveys technical information in a manner that is easily understandable by the lay person. It is an innovative approach to preparing a safety element. A great job of revitalizing an often ho-hum element."

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## 2005 Leadership and Service/Academic Award

### Planning in San Jose – A Community Guide, San Jose University

"Planning in San Jose: A Community Guide" provides an introduction to land use planning and development for people who are unfamiliar with the planning process, and it helps to demystify the process. The guide is a high-quality publication, written in clear, concise, plain English with effective graphics, which makes it easy for the residents to understand. The Jurors stated that the guide is "very comprehensive and very useful – a great idea."

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## 2005 Distinguished Leadership Layperson Award

### Bill Densmore

Bill Densmore has served his country and community for more than three decades and has worked on programs for veterans, homeless, and public transportation. He is currently serving as a member of the City of Riverside Planning Commission, where he follows the founding principle of planning, for serving the public interest. Planning Director Ken Guterrez describes him as having an "untiring commitment and advocacy for the unheard voices, the underprivileged, the underrepresented, the "little people." The Jurors' comments were: "Mr. Densmore is very supportive of planners and is a real advocate for the underserved; his philosophy in reviewing projects is to be equitable to all – businesses and citizens – regardless of their political influence or economic stature."

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