

PUBLIC EDUCATION AND PARTICIPATION PLANNING POLICY

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND REVIEW

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As a quantitative review-in-a-glance of the trends of public participation treatments of County housing elements and planning documents going back to 1971 (see bibliography page 4). Chart A has been prepared to assist in visualizing the diminishing consideration being given to the critical component of public participation built into the structure of the newer general planning documents.

CHART A: TRENDS IN RELATIVE CONSIDERATION FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN PLANNING DOCUMENTS 1971- 2009

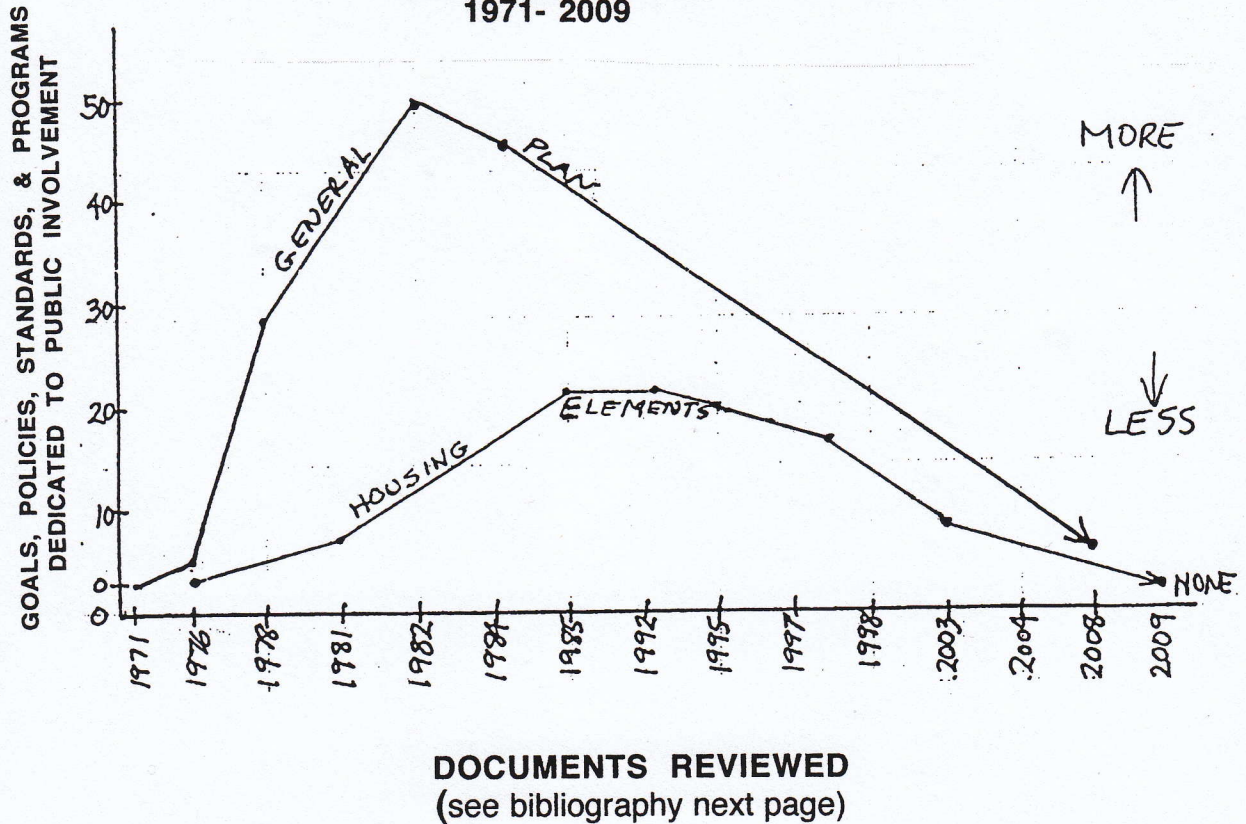


CHART A indicates the quantitative magnitude of consideration for the involvement of the public in the planning process as reflected by the written content of goals, policies, standards, and programs dedicated to public education and participation. The results clearly show that there has been a precipitous decline of specific goals, policies, standards and programs for public education and participation in the more recent planning documents.