

GENERAL PURPOSE MEETING

Monday, September 17, 2012

6:00 p.m.

Council members present: Marc Crawford, Vice Chair, Dave Sadoff, Sheila Cunha, John Ryzanych, Matt Turner, Aileen Chong-Jeung

Location: Castro Valley Library – 3600 Norbridge Avenue, Castro Valley, CA 94646

Summary Minutes

I. **Approval of Minutes** - July 2012 - continued to October 15, 2012.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Barbara Barkland, Castro Valley resident, spoke about Goodwill stores and donation sites. The store maintains that they keep their stores neat and orderly. There are two new stores, one in Hayward, and one in San Leandro, where Ms. Barkland took pictures (submitted to District 4 staff) of what it is like around the stores. A donation site, when streetscape is completed would not be a fit for the community.

II. **Update on the Dissolution of the Redevelopment Agency**

Eileen Dalton, Community Development Agency, reported on the new set of obligations from the state Department of Finance (DOF) regarding the dissolution of the Redevelopment Agency. The DOF is requiring two audits: 1) audit of the County's housing fund balance 2) audit of the County's the non-housing fund balance. The purpose of the audits is to receive from the DOF, a 'Finding of Completion', which allow the County to be able to spend some bond proceeds for projects, previously not available for use. It also allows the County to create a plan for the twelve (12) properties that the County acquired through RDA for public use. The Finding of Completion should be received by April or May of next year. Ms. Dalton will add MAC members to the e-mail list for Redevelopment Successor Agency updates. In addition, Bill Lambert, CDA, hosts the Eden Area Economic Development Forum and the next meeting will be on October 25, 2012, at 3:30 pm at the Community Development Agency's office.

Questions/Discussions

Marc Crawford: The funds that will be able to be spent once the Finding of Completion is in, is that part of the \$90 million the Board voted to give the unincorporated area?

Eileen Dalton: Yes.

Marc Crawford: What is going on with the Daughtrey's Building?

Eileen Dalton: The agency had been following the previous regulations for disposition of the property and had identified a buyer, however there is a new process for disposition, which includes completing an Asset Management Plan, and this should be completed in the time frame of closing escrow on the property.

Marc Crawford: What is going on with the shared parking?

Eileen Dalton: The Agency will recommend beginning that project as soon as funds are available.

Questions/Discussions *(continued)*

Marc Crawford: Is there anything the MAC can do to advocate for a greater share of the \$90 million for Castro Valley?

Eileen Dalton: Begin identifying Castro Valley's next priority projects on the tier 2 project list.

III. Update on Economic Development

Eileen, Dalton, Community Development Agency, reported that Bill Lambert has been holding Economic Development Forums for quite some time. Approximately six (6) months ago the Eden Area Chamber of Commerce began meetings about economic development for the unincorporated areas of Alameda County. The Chamber is seeking support for a list of activities to support an economic development program, as the former Redevelopment Agency had been the funding source for the previous program.

IV. Update on the Old Castro Valley Library site

Eileen Dalton, Community Development Agency, reported that the old Castro Valley Library will be used storage and space for the San Lorenzo library, no immediate plans for re use. As it stands right now, the County owns the land, and the library owns the building. Studies were completed regarding the building back in 2008 and 2009 and presented to the CAC in 2010. The price for renovation was very expensive. It would take approximately \$3 million dollars to make the site usable for community use.

V. Update on Castro Valley Boulevard and Redwood Road

Bill Lepere, Public Works Agency, reported on the CVB and Redwood Road. Paving will begin tomorrow morning. There will be some difficulty getting around Castro Valley while paving is being completed. Landscaping will be in by mid October. The signals are being worked on right now and will take another two to three weeks for completion. Textured pavements for the crosswalks are being completed as well as the benches. The artwork for the seat blocks will not be completed by November, but possibly by next spring. The artist work is not a part of the construction contract.

Regarding parking, a plan is in place for striping for the parking and it will not be paid parking.

VI. Sheriff's Office and California Highway Patrol Traffic/Law Enforcement Update

Deputy Jim LaRosa, COPP SHOP, ACSO, reported on some the Sheriff's Office recent activities and community events:

- Arrests made on June 12th, Lyle Court (San Leandro), 14 pounds of ecstasy pills, 300 marijuana plants, \$55,000 in cash
- Minor decoy operation: Eighteen (18) establishments visited two (2) sales to the decoy, one at the Katsu Restaurant and the other at the Full Belly Restaurant, in addition to Walgreens and Liquor King in a separate decoy operation.
- Medication Disposal, June, 2012
- July 12th – Neighborhood watch group in Palomares Hills, turned out 200 residents
- July 14th – Redwood Chapel car show
- Arrests made in Pine Street marijuana grow in, August
- Infrared lights. Aerial reconnaissance used, but not in the cases mentioned for marijuana grows

- 290 penal code check (registered sex offender) 165 residences checked, two (2) felony arrests
- Operation 100% - proactive approach to criminal activity – mobile booking unit used
- COPP SHOPP barbecue fundraiser coming up – October 12, @ 5:30 p.m.
- Fall Citizen’s Academy begins October 17th

- Crime Stats

Sheriff's Office Crime Stats	July	Year to date
Commercial burglaries	2	18
Residential burglaries	13	101
Robberies	3	15
Stolen vehicles	34	137
Recovery of stolen vehicles	11	62
General theft	29	156
Vandalism	12	109

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned to October 15, 2012.