

ALAMEDA COUNTY LEAD POISONING PREVENTION PROGRAM

**JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY
MEETING MINUTES**

October 26, 2006

Attendance:

Voting Directors: Ken Bukowski, Henry Chang, Jr., Betty Olds

Non-Voting Directors: Alice Lai-Bitker, Gwen Hardy

Alternates: Rubén Briones, Karen McNeil-Luckett

Staff: Mark Allen, Paul da Silva

Others: Brian Washington

Absent: Beverly Johnson

The meeting was called to order at 9:45 a.m.

1) **Open Forum**

No public comment.

2) **ACLPPP & Alameda County Roles and Responsibilities**

Mr. Brian Washington, Assistant County Counsel, introduced himself to the JPA Board of Directors. Mr. Allen referred the Board's attention to the Roles and Responsibilities table in their meeting packets. He said that as per the Board's request, the table outlined the current relationship between the County and the JPA Board, as well as proposals to further clarify that relationship.

Mr. Washington reiterated the importance of developing a Memorandum of Understanding between the JPA and the County of Alameda. Mr. Chang suggested that a special work session be held to discuss at length the development of the agreement between the JPA Board and County. Ms. Olds proposed the work session take place in January 2007. The JPA Board agreed.

3) **CSA Fee Increase Update**

Messrs. David Basmajian, Tramutola, LLC., and Tom Patras, Evans/McDonough, gave a presentation on the findings of the survey conducted to determine whether pre-1978 property owners of residential properties would support an increase of the CSA assessment fees. The JPA Board of Directors suggested that a more in-depth presentation be given at the December 14 General Board meeting. Mr. Allen said program staff would place this item on the agenda for the Board's special holiday meeting December 14th at ACLPPP offices.

4) **Director's Report**

Mr. Allen circulated a letter from East Bay Municipal Utility District thanking the Board for its support of Assemblywoman Wilma Chan's Assembly Bill 1953, reducing lead in plumbing, which passed the legislature and was signed by the governor. In addition, Mr.

Allen informed the Board that AB 2861 was also signed into law by the governor. He said this law would increase the fines from \$1,000 to \$5,000 for second offenses of unsafe work practices.

Mr. Allen said that Ms. Maricela Narvaez-Foster, ACLPPP Director of Operations was deposed for six hours the previous week. He said he and Ms. Foster, who is also the California Department of Health Services grant manager, had been subpoenaed by lawyers for the Shell Oil Company. He said that the oil companies were attempting to reduce the portion of the fees they pay for case management of lead poisoned children and had filed suit against the Department of Health Services and the Board of Equalization over the percentage in annual fees paid, seeking to reduce their fees while increasing the percentage paid by the paint companies and manufacturers of other sources of lead in the environment.

5) **Approval of Minutes (September 28, 2006)**

Action: The Board approved the minutes for September 28, 2006.

Moved: Ms. Olds **Seconded:** Mr. Chang **Ayes** 3

6) **Program Operations Committee**

a) **Minutes (October 12, 2006)**

b) **Health and Housing Services Report**

Mr. Allen reviewed the Health and Housing Services Report. There were no questions regarding this report.

7) **Administration and Finance Committee**

a) **Minutes (October 12, 2006)**

8) **Announcements by Board Members**

None.

Meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.